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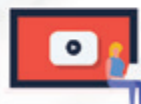
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1. Fill out this paper form and mail along with payment to: Box 78053, RPO Heritage, Calgary, AB T2H 2Y1.
2. Complete the whole process online at fairviewcommunity.ca/membership in less than a minute via PayPal. A physical membership card will be dropped off for you shortly after your purchase.
3. Email membership@fairviewcommunity.ca and one of our volunteers can drop off a membership and pick up your payment (contactless).
4. Phone 403-252-5424 and leave a message with your name and phone number, stating that you'd like to buy a membership. A board member will return your call and set up a time for a contactless drop off of your membership card and pick up of your payment.

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To promote and enhance a healthy, safe and productive environment for the residents of Fairview by providing access to programs, services and information, all while establishing a sense of community identity and belonging.

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Submission Deadline: Seventh day of the month for the next month's news. Comments, questions, and submissions are always welcome.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It has been an exciting few months for the Fairview Community Association.

Board members and volunteers put on a great Movie in the Park event, sought out volunteers and held our Casino Fundraiser at the Elbow River Casino, and have had several productive board meetings. We are looking forward to cooler weather, which brings the building of our outdoor rink in Flavelle Park, a Mobile Adventure Playground at Fairview Park, Bowling with Santa, and our annual street by street festive lights count!

Board meetings are held from September through June on the first Tuesday of each month (with some exceptions), and all Fairview residents are invited to attend. Contact me at president@fairviewcommunity.ca for details.

FCA meetings cover a variety of topics, such as:

Event planning, like our upcoming Bowling with Santa at Toppler Bowl on December 10 from 3:00 to 5:00 pm. We are also discussing options for an event early in 2024 and planning our events for 2024.

- Adopt-a-Rink planning and coordinating. The Board is working with our new Rink Master, Jason Mohler, and outgoing Rink Master, Wayne McNeely, on coordinating the set-up and reaching out for volunteers.
- Ongoing large projects, like the activation of the Sparking Lot in behind NaAC.
- The 60+ Collective, where we are looking for ideas and events that would be interesting for our 60+ residents.
- We often have guests, including Fairview residents, who have brought forward concerns like heavy truck traffic and problem neighbours.
- Our Neighbourhood Partnership Coordinator (NPC) attends all our meetings. They are our City contact and conduit for all sorts of information relating to community associations and event planning (including grant funding and applications).
- The Ward 11 office contributes to our meeting with updates and information (in-person when schedules align).
- The board reviews development and planning applications that have been submitted to the City and impact Fairview and surrounding areas (for

more information, see the 'Planning' page on our website at fairviewcommunity.ca/planning).

- We also cover more administrative aspects of the community association, like going over financials, social media, and newsletter content planning.

This list is not exhaustive, and we aim to be responsive to what is going on in Fairview. If any of these topics interest you and you'd like to volunteer with a great community team, let us know!

Megan

President

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Mobile Adventure Playground Coming to Fairview!



The Fairview Community Association (FCA) and our Neighbourhood Partnership Coordinator (NPC) have signed up for the Mobile Adventure Playground through the City of Calgary!

Our Mobile Adventure Playground is scheduled for Saturday, November 25, 2023, from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm at Fairview Park SE, the playfield behind the NaAC, weather permitting.

Join us for a self-directed, drop-in program that uses loose parts and natural materials to inspire active and creative outdoor play, and connect people, young and old, to nature.

Play ambassadors will be on site to inspire play. Parents are encouraged to stay and watch their children's imaginations soar in this new adventure space.

More information on the Mobile Adventure Playground can be found at <https://www.calgary.ca/parks/mobile-adventure-playground.html> or on their Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/calgaryrecreation>.

What are adventure playgrounds?

Adventure playgrounds are dynamic spaces where children can explore, create, imagine, and learn in their own way. They contain a variety of materials and loose parts such as boards, tires, tape, and cardboard that children are free to use to build, demolish, assemble, and change their environments as they desire.

Adventure playgrounds are unlike the traditional playgrounds commonly found in City parks. Traditional playgrounds are outdoor play areas usually equipped with standardized play equipment such as swings, slides, monkey bars and the like. They are typically

placed in the centre of a large, defined, flat area filled with approved safety surfacing such as pea gravel or pour-in-place rubber. Most traditional playgrounds encourage active, structured play that exercises the body through physical activity.

Upcoming Community Events

Fairview Community Mobile Adventure Playground

• Saturday, November 25, 2023, 11:00am to 3:00pm.

Fairview Park (the playfield behind National accessArts Centre - NaAC).

Weather permitting.

Join us for a free self-directed, drop-in program that uses loose parts and natural materials to inspire active and creative outdoor play, and connect people, young and old, to nature.

Visit calgary.ca/parks/mobile-adventure-playground for more information.

Fairview Community Association Board Meeting

• Tuesday, December 5, 2023, 7:00pm.

• Tuesday, January 9, 2024, 7:00pm.

Location TBA.

Board meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month (with some exceptions). All members are welcome and encouraged to attend by contacting secretary@fairviewcommunity.ca

Fairview Community Bowling with Santa

Save The Date: Sunday, December 10, 2023, 3:00pm to 5:00pm.

Toppler Bowl (7640 Fairmount Dr SE).

We're excited to announce the return of our Bowling with Santa event! Planning is already underway, but we know there will be bowling, fun, a few prizes, and a special visitor! More information will be available on our website and social media pages (Instagram at @fairviewwyc and Facebook at Fairview Community). If you have any questions or suggestions, or are interested in contributing or volunteering, please send us a quick email at events@fairviewcommunity.ca

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The temporary structure development permit is progressing. Placement of the sea-can container should go forward this fall, and coating will take place this spring.

If you have any ideas for activating this space, we'd love to hear them! Please reach out to beauty@fairviewcommunity.ca.

*Alicia Davis
Beautification Committee Chair*



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Bowling with Santa is Back!



After several years on hiatus, the FCA is resuming our annual family Bowling with Santa event this December. A similar event was held annually for many years in our community and was originally known as Skate with Santa. This kid/family event was held jointly at In-Definite Arts (now NaAC), for arts and crafts, treats, and hot chocolate, and at the Fairview Arena for a skating session with Santa himself!

Following the collapse of the arena in early 2018, the FCA adapted the event and moved it to another long-established community partner, Toppler Bowl, whose primary owner also lives in the neighbourhood. Now the kids get to show off their bowling skills for the jolly man in red!

Because we don't have a community association building, we rely heavily on these types of partnerships to run our events, create social opportunities, and build community spirit - all of which

align with our vision: "To promote and enhance a healthy, safe, and productive environment for the residents of Fairview by providing access to programs, services and information, all while establishing a sense of community identity and belonging".

We have held two previous Bowling with Santa events (2018, 2019) prior to pausing the event due to COVID-19. Both years were very successful, with near capacity participation from families in Fairview and overwhelmingly positive feedback. We expect this year to be similar!

Toppler Bowl has capacity for 80 bowlers, though we can admit about 120 people with non-bowlers. Though this is an FCA event held in Fairview, we do not restrict the event to Fairview families only, and attendees from other communities are welcome.

This year's event will be held Sunday, December 10, from 3:00 to 5:00pm at Toppler (7640 Fairmount Dr SE). Planning is still underway, but we know there will be bowling, fun, a few prizes, and a special visitor!

More information will be posted on our website and social media pages (Instagram at @fairviewyc, and Facebook at Fairview Community). If you have questions or suggestions, or are interested in contributing or volunteering, please message us at events@fairviewcommunity.ca

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Over the past several weeks, there has been an increase in bobcat sightings in Fairview. The City of Calgary website has great resources and information on dealing with wildlife in our neighbourhoods, including this information from an article on bobcats.

Bobcats are the smallest of Alberta's wild cats - about twice the size of a domestic cat. They have a bobbed tail that gives them their name, black-tufted ears, and dark markings for camouflage. They are naturally shy of humans and are normally active at sunrise and sunset. Rabbits, hares, and other small mammals like mice and squirrels are their primary prey.

Bobcats are highly adaptable and if living in or near human development may lose their fear of people and the noises of the city. These bobcats may also learn to become more active at any time of the day. Bobcat kittens are usually born April to June, and they stay with their mother for up to a year.

It is extremely unlikely that a bobcat will attack a human. They are opportunistic hunters. If bobcats are known to be in the area, keep cats indoors and supervise small dogs when they are in the yard, as they may be vulnerable.

How to prevent bobcats from coming to your property:

- To prevent conflict with bobcats, remove the food, shelter or water that may attract them to your property.
- Do not feed wildlife.
- Keep your garbage in containers with tight-fitting lids.

- Put your garbage and recycling out only on the morning of collection, not earlier.
- Do not leave pet food outdoors.
- Remove bird feeders and bird baths so bobcats are not drawn into your yard to prey on the birds.
- Trees, shrubs and even grass should be kept trimmed so there is no shelter for bobcats to hide in. Spaces under decks and outbuildings should be closed off for the same reason.
- Add motion detector lighting to walkways and driveways.
- Dogs, rabbits, chickens, or other animals that live outdoors should be kept in a secure enclosure with a strong roof.

Alberta Fish and Wildlife offices will respond when there is a threat to public safety. Call Alberta Fish and Wildlife if you are concerned for your own safety or the safety of others (Calgary office: 403-297-6423). You should also tell the City about your sighting by contacting 311. Wildlife sightings help make better choices about land management.

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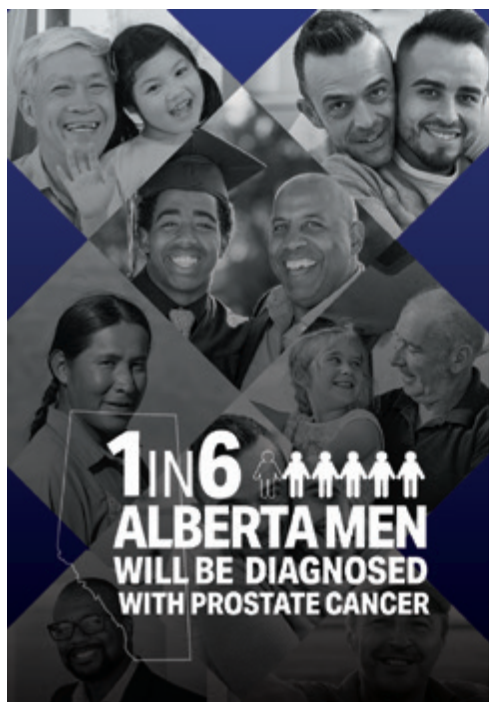
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