# **BONAVISTA BUGLE**



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## Happy New Year!

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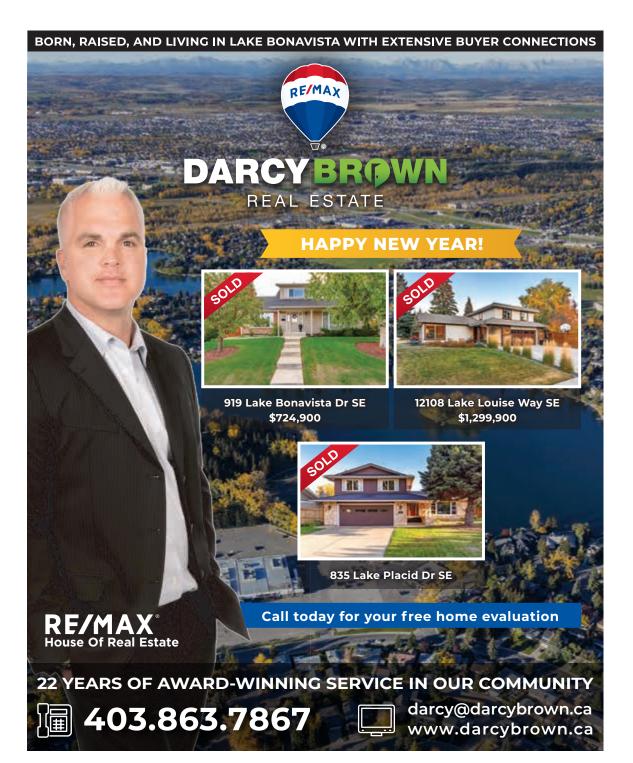
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## Lake Bonavista Community Association

**Board of Directors 2021-2022** 

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#### **Lake Bonavista Homeowners Association:**

- 403-271-3333
- ww.lkbonavista.ca

#### **City of Calgary**

- 311
- www.calgary.ca

#### Alberta

www.alberta.ca/biz-connect.aspx

#### **Community Facebook Groups:**

- Lake Bonavista Community Chat
- · Lake Bonavista Block Watch
- · Lake Bonavista Garden Group
- Lake Bonavista with Kids (Calgary)
- Buy Nothing Canada: Lake Bonavista; Calgary, AB

The views and opinions expressed in these resources do not necessarily reflect the policy or position of the LBCA.



## **Help Us Find A Cover Photo!**

Get your camera out! Sort through your digital photo collection!

The Lake Bonavista Bugle is looking for images to grace our cover for the month of February.

If you think your cover is worthy, then send it in by January 9 and we will put a poll up on Facebook.

If chosen, you will have bragging rights (Yay!) as your photo will appear and be credited with your name for that month!

We are looking for high resolution photos (300 dpi and 1MB in size) with the theme being the season, or Lake Bonavista!

The photos could be of scenery, nature, animals, still life, activities. Any photos featuring people will require their written consent to use their likeness/image on our cover. Photos must be a high resolution to allow for print quality. Please submit by January 9.

For information or to submit your entry, please contact info@thelbca.ca.

#### SCHOOL DIRECTORY

Andrew Sibbald Elementary

Bishop Grandin Senior High School

Canyon Meadows Spanish Academy

Dr. EP Scarlett High School

École de la Rose sauvage (French) 10-12

École de la Source (French) K-9

Ecole Notre-Dame-De-La-Paix

École Sam Livingston Elementary School

École St. Cecilia French Immersion

Ecole Sainte-Marguerite-Bourgeoys

Elementary School

Fairview School

Lake Bonavista Elementary School

Lord Beaverbrook High School

Midnapore Community School

(bilingual Mandarin)

Nickle Middle School

Prince of Wales School

St. Bonaventure Junior High School

St. Boniface Elementary School

St. Philip Fine Arts Elementary School

Ste-Marguerite-Bourgeoys (S)(French) 7-12

St. Matthew Elementary/Junior High School

St. William Elementary School

#### CHURCH DIRECTORY

Bonavista Baptist Church

1507 Acadia Drive SE

Bonavista Evangelical Missionary Church

1509 Lake Ontario Drive SF

Holy Nativity Anglican Church

12707 Bonaventure Drive SE

St. Bonaventure Catholic Church

1600 Acadia Drive SF

Deer Park United Church

77 Deerpoint Road SE

Your Grace Land

Delta Calgary South

Red Deer Lake United Church

Hwy. 22X West

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints

14540 Parkland Blvd SE

McDougall United Church

8516 Athabasca St. SE

Lutheran Church of Our Saviour

8831 Fairmount Dr. SE Calgary



## **LBCA Memberships**

## Only \$30 Family/Household!

#### **BENEFITS**

- Free Public Skate and Stick & Puck Drop-In
- 20% Off Same Day Facility Bookings
- Discounts on LBCA Programs and Events
- Drop-In Discounts and Pass Perks

DROP-IN PASSES Includes Pickleball, Open Gym & Tumble Time.	LBCA MEMBER	NON-MEMBER
1x Drop-In Pass	\$5.00	\$6.00
Family Drop-In Pass 2 adults and up to 4 kids.	\$12.00	\$15.00
5x Passes	\$25.00	\$30.00
10x Passes Get 1 Free!  LBCA Members only.	\$45.00	×
25x Passes Get 3 Free!  LBCA Members only.	\$110.00	×

Drop-In Activities: Pickleball, Open Gym and Tumble Time.

Sign in at the LBCA office and get your wristband!



## ---- DMC CONSTRUCTION -----

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**Greetings Lake Bonavista Community!** 

We are happy to present our latest exterior transformation. New James Hardie siding, rainwear, and trims gave this home a powerful new look! We at DMC Construction truly appriciate your business, and we're so grateful for the trust that you've placed in us!



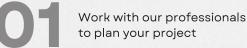
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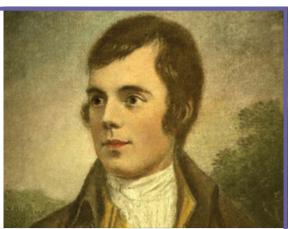


Join us in welcoming Kyley, a Canadian solo artist. He stresses the importance of remembering where you came from while playing through the ages of music. Tuesday, January 10th @ 7:00pm

#### **Robbie Burns Celebration**

Don your kilt, dust off your tartans, and join us alongside the Burns Club of Calgary as they pipe in and address the Haggis, recite poetry, and sing some fine Scottish folklore!

Tuesday, January 21st @ 7:00pm





Please CALL to reserve your space TODAY! Seats are limited. If you have any questions or would like to book a tour, please call Jan or Shannon at

403-258-1849

Scan the QR code to browse our website.



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## **Good Food Box**

The Good Food Box is a Community Kitchen Program that enables people to purchase fresh fruit and vegetables for less. There are no income criteria, everyone is welcome to place an order. Orders are delivered once a month to our facility, Lake Bonavista Community Association.

All orders must be received by 4:00 pm on Order Date (listed below).

All orders must be picked up between the hours of 12:00 to 4:00 pm on Pickup Date (listed below).

Please make note of the pickup date as we do not send email reminders.

No Refunds.

#### **Pricing and Sizes**

Small: \$25 for 20 to 25lbs Medium: \$30 for 30 to 35lbs Large: \$35 for 40 to 45lbs

Order By Date (Mondays 4:00 pm)	Pickup Date (Wednesdays 12:00 to 4:00 pm)	
January 9	January 18	
January 30	February 8	
February 27	March 8	
March 20	March 29	
April 24	May 3	

For more information, please visit our website at www.thelbca.ca/good-food-box/.



### International **Sweatpants Day**

In the 1920s, French designer Émile Camuset invented sweatpants to keep athletes warm while training outdoors. These days, sweats aren't just for athletes; there's a pair for every occasion, whether it's for everyday use, lounging, or even to walk a fashion runway. This January 21, it's only "fitting" to observe International Sweatpants Day by donning your favourite sweats!







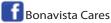
# Bonavista Cares

In late 2015, a group of families in Lake Bonavista jointed together with the idea to help families, neighbours and other communities in need. Bonavista cares continues to grow as residents of all ages participate in projects that make a positive impact on others. The time commitment is low and the rewards are great!

Join us, or contact us for more information.

Everyone is welcome!

Email bonavistacares@gmail.com or



#### **LBCA Board Thank You**

Thank you!

The LBCA Board of Directors and Staff wish to extend a heartfelt thank you to board members that have concluded their terms as Executive Directors; President, David Shaw, Vice President, Brad McMorris; and Vice President Finance, Trevor Roy. The association recognizes the volunteer time and commitment you have given, for several years, and appreciates the contributions and leadership of the staff, fellow board members, and community. We wish you all the best and look forward to continuing to work with David as the Past President and Trevor as a Director at Large.







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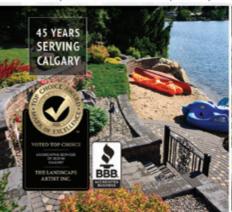
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We have ancient China to thank for tea, the most consumed beverage in the world aside from water. According to myth, tea was discovered when a dead leaf from a wild tea bush fell into an emperor's cup of boiled water. Thousands of years later, we still love tea, so much so that January 12 is National Hot Tea Day. In honour of this day, why not brew yourself a nice hot cup of tea!



## WINTER DROP-IN SCHEDULE

Dates: January 8 - March 31, 2023

	Stick & Puck	Leisure Skate	Tumble Time	Pickleball	Drop-In Gym*
MONDAY	3:30-4:30pm Small Ice			10:45-12:45pm 1:00-3:00pm	
TUESDAY		3:00 - 4:00pm Small Ice	<b>9:30-11:30am</b> Gym	1:15-3:15pm	
WEDS.	12:00-1:15pm Small Ice		<b>9:30-11:30am</b> Gym	1:15-3:15pm	
THURSDAY		10:45-11:45am Large Ice		9:30-11:30am 11:45-1:45pm	
FRIDAY	1:00-2:00pm Small Ice		<b>9:30-11:30am</b> Gym		2:00-4:00pm* Rotating equipment setup. Dates below.
SATURDAY					
SUNDAY		12:15-1:15pm Small Ice		11:00-1:00pm	

#### **Equipment Setup Dates\***

Volleyball & Basketball: Jan 13, 27, Feb 10, 20, 24, Mar 10 & 24 Badminton & Basketball: Jan 20, Feb 3, 17, Mar 3, 17 & 31

Office check-in is required for ALL Drop-In programs prior to participation. Online sign-up is required for ALL Pickleball sessions.





### **Lake Bonavista Figure Skating Club**

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#### Other Programs/Sport Contacts

Bow River South Basketball Association Calgary Fellowship of the Sword Calgary Kyokushin Karate Calgary Selects Basketball Club Calgary Sport and Social Club Cutting Edge Kung Fu **Devotion Danceworks Fencing Calgary** FLC Seniors Club Girl Guides of Canada Girls Hockey Calgary Association Idiom Expressions Baton Club **Knights Hockey Club** Lake Bonavista Adult Badminton Lake Bonavista Curling Club Rising Sun Kung Fu Scouts Canada Stryker Sports Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) Wee Wonder Daycare

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### Check us out at www.thelbca.ca

Go to this website for all the Lake Bonavista community events, registration information, community newsletter, program updates and LBCA Board of Director news.



## **TUMBLE TIME**

Tuesdays/Wednesdays/Fridays: 9:30 - 11:30 AM January 8 - March 31, 2023

Tumble Time is a Drop-In, parent-supervised program for children 6 months to 6 years. Little ones will enjoy the bouncy castles, building blocks, balls, toys, games and more!

\$5 Members | \$6 Non-Members | Adults = Free



### 2023

## Winter Programs

## ADULT PROGRAMS

- Adult Skating Lessons
- ohi Ball
- Saturday Night Pickleball

## YOUTH PROGRAMS

- Basketball: Little, Tykes, Junior & Senior
- Engineering For Kids: Junior Lego Robotics
- Engineering For Kids Lego EV3 Robotics
- Indoor Soccer: U6 & U9
- Indoor Tennis: 5-7yrs & 8-11yrs
- Prawing with Young Rembrandts 6-12yrs

**REGISTER: WWW.THELBCA.CA** 





## **BASKETBALL** LEAGUE

Tyke (6-8 years) | Junior (9-11 years) | Senior (12-14 years)

The LBCA is excited to announce our new grassroots basketball league program for new and developing players!

Boys and girls will play together, learning fundamental basketball skills in a safe, fun, and encouraging atmosphere.

Coaches will guide players through team-building drills, individual skills, the rules and regulations of the game, and offensive and defensive strategies that players can apply in league games.

> LEARN MORE & REGISTER www.thelbca.ca

#### **Bonavista Cares**



Bonavista Cares had a busy fall with our friends at Parkland Cares for our annual 'Warm Feet for the Street' campaign. With the money received from 2022 fundraising initiatives through Bonavista and Parkland Cares and generous community donations, we assembled 235 care packs for donation to the Calgary Drop-in Centre! We would like to thank Ambrose University for their generous donation of over 50 pre-assembled care packs.

We were excited to be able to invite volunteers this year to sign-up for one of two shifts on assembly day. Each care pack contained a handmade greeting card (made by a local high school student), essential toiletries, chocolate, and a warm pair of socks.

We want to thank the LBCA for supplying a location for donation drop-offs, advertising for us, and providing a large space for all the volunteers to gather and assemble the packages. We appreciate the continued support from the LBCA and look forward to working together for our 2023 initiatives.

#### **CRIME STATISTICS**

Lake Bonavista Crime Activity was Down in November 2022

The Lake Bonavista community experienced 0 crimes in November 2022, in comparison to 8 crimes the previous month, and 23 crimes in November one year ago. Lake Bonavista experiences an average of 15.2 crimes per month. On an annual basis, Lake Bonavista experienced a total of 182 crimes as of November 2022, which is up 47% in comparison to 124 crimes as of November 2021. To review the full Lake Bonavista Crime report visit lakb.mycalgary.com.

## Bonavista Downs Crime Activity was Unchanged in November 2022

The Bonavista Downs community experienced 0 crimes in November 2022, in comparison to 0 crimes the previous month, and 3 crimes in November one year ago. Bonavista Downs experiences an average of 0.2 crimes per month. On an annual basis, Bonavista Downs experienced a total of 2 crimes as of November 2022, which is down 80% in comparison to 10 crimes as of November 2021. To review the full Bonavista Downs Crime report visit bona.mycalgary.com.

How To Report Crime In Lake Bonavista | Bonavista Downs: Dial 911 for emergencies or crimes in progress. For non-emergencies dial (403) 266-1234. To report a crime anonymously, contact Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (Talk, Type or Text), submit tips online at crimestoppers. ab.ca, or text tttTIPS to 274637.



Adolph Ochs organized the event to celebrate the new headquarters of his

publishing company, The New York Times!



#### **Crime Prevention Dashboard**

#### WHEN TO DIAL 911

The Calgary Police Service uses two telephone contact numbers: Emergency: 911

Non-emergency: 403-266-1234

#### WHEN TO CALL NON-EMERGENCY

- Crimes that have already happened and there is no injury or bodily harm
- Crimes that do not require immediate police response
- Suspicious vehicles and/or people
- All other non-emergency calls

#### ONLINE REPORTING

http://www.calgary.ca/cps/Pages/Report-a-crime.aspx These reports are not reviewed in real time.

#### REPORTS YOU CANNOT SUBMIT ONLINE

- · Robbery (Theft with violence)
- · House break-in & enter
- Domestic disputes
- · Theft of a vehicle
- · Incidents where there is a known suspect offender
- · Any type of fraud resulting in the loss of funds / personal information or property
- Incidents that involve lost/stolen citizenship cards, permanent resident cards, immigration documents, government cheques. or cash from the government

These crimes may require a dispatched call. Please phone the Police non-emergency line (403) 266-1234.

#### REPORTS YOU CAN SUBMIT ONLINE

- Damage to Property
- Damage to Vehicle
- Lost Property (excluding government ID)
- Theft
- Theft from Vehicle
- Car Prowling
- Online telephone scams
- · Online email scams

#### 9:00 PM ROUTINE

The Calgary Police Service are encouraging Calgarians to establish a 9:00 pm routine to help secure their property before heading to bed.

#### The routine recommends:

- · Removing valuables from vehicles
- Ensuring vehicles are locked
- · Windows are closed and if possible, parked in a garage
- · Closing garage doors and windows
- · Locking garage doors including those leading into a house
- · Checking that all house doors are locked
- · Ensuring all windows are shut
- Turning on an exterior light

#### SUBMIT A TIP TO CRIME STOPPERS

Crime Stoppers is a separate entity that takes anonymous tips about criminal activity that is then passed onto the CPS.

TALK: 1-800-222-8477 TEXT: tttTIPS to 274637

ONLINE: http://ttttips.com/home

Please note that not all tips submitted to Crime Stoppers are investigated.

#### SUBMIT A DRUG TIP

If you have information about a drug house, or people who are selling drugs, you can report this information online.

Please note if you want to remain anonymous, you must submit your information to www.Crimestoppers.org

#### REPORT GRAFFITI OR VANDALISM

If you observe graffiti; call 311.

Include the location; description of the object the graffiti is on and a photo of the graffiti.

#### ALBERTA EMERGENCY ALERT

Alberta Emergency Alerts are issued by the communities where a disaster or emergency is occurring.

https://www.emergencyalert.alberta.ca/content/about/signup.html

#### 511 ALBERTA WEBSITE AND APP

Please visit https://511.alberta.ca/ and/or the 511 App to stay up to date with current highway conditions, roadwork, major incidents, weather alerts, and much more. https://511.alberta.ca/map

#### ABUSE/VIOLENCE/SEXUAL NUMBERS TO CALL

If you are experiencing domestic abuse or violence, reach out for help:

- Immediate danger: Call 911
- Experiencing domestic abuse: Call 403-234-SAFE (7233)
- Experiencing sexual abuse: Call: 403-237-5888
- To report domestic abuse or violence: Call: 403-266-1234

#### **RECIPE**

#### **Old Fashioned Fish Pie**

by Jennifer Puri



Simple and traditional, Fish pie is a comfort food that originated in Scotland and is an integral part of the culinary heritage of the British Isles.

Sweet, soft, salty, and smooth, comfort foods are associated with a feeling of emotional well-being.

Mashed or fried potatoes were the original comfort food, along with Chicken soup, meatloaf, perogies, and Mac and Cheese.

Comfort foods are a trend that is constantly evolving and is reflected in our modern-day versions such as chips, ice cream, cookies, pizza, pasta, and burgers.

A classic cold weather dish, Old Fashioned Fish Pie uses white fish fillets, prawns, leeks, and spoonfuls of fresh herbs. It pairs well with soups, salads, cooked peas, or carrots.

The mashed potatoes used in this recipe can be substituted with sliced potatoes, puff, or crust pastry.

Prep Time: 40 minutes

Cook Time: 1 hour 45 minutes

Servings: 4 to 6

#### **Ingredients:**

- 1 1/2 lbs skinless white fish fillets
- 12 raw tiger prawns
- 2 ½ lbs of peeled potatoes
- 3 ½ cups milk

- 2 cups leeks finely chopped
- 2 Bay leaves
- 10 peppercorns
- 10 tbsps. of butter
- ½ cup all purpose flour
- 5 tbsps. of chopped fresh parsley
- 4 tbsps. of chopped fresh dill
- Salt and black pepper to taste

#### **Directions:**

Place the milk, bay leaves, peppercorns, and leeks in a saucepan and bring to boil. Simmer on low heat for 10 minutes and then strain the mixture and set aside.

Arrange the fish fillets in a large pan and pour the strained mixture over them and simmer on stove for 5 to 7 minutes. Remove fish fillets from pan, flake the fish, and then place in a medium size baking dish. Arrange shelled prawns on top of the fish and set aside.

Melt half the butter in a saucepan over medium heat, stir in the flour, and gradually add the flavoured milk. Simmer until sauce thickens (about 10 minutes). Remove saucepan from stove and stir in the parsley, salt, and pepper to taste. Pour the sauce over the fish and prawns.

Boil peeled potatoes in salted water until soft then drain and mash. Add the remaining butter, chopped dill, and salt to taste. Spoon the mashed potatoes onto the fish and prawns spreading it evenly. Bake in a pre-heated oven at 350 degrees Fahrenheit for about 45 minutes or until the potatoes are crusty and golden brown. Serve immediately.

#### Bon Appétit!





Lake Bonavista Buy Nothing Canada is a new Facebook group created for Lake Bongvista and Bongvista Downs residents.

### Why Join?

- Build Community
- Give and Receive gifts
- Reduce waste
- Save money
- Meet new people
- Have fun...



Scan the QR Code or email us to learn more lakebonavistabuynothing@gmail.com

### **Sledding Safety**

by Alberta Health Services, EMS



Emergency Medical Services (EMS) would like to remind parents and children about a few toboggan/sledding safety tips as the winter season continues. Injuries may result from collisions with stationary objects on the hill, such as trees, poles, rocks, or even collisions with other people. Unprotected falls can also result in more serious injury if you lose control at high speeds. However, everyone can be safe and have fun on the toboggan hill by following these reminders.

#### **Equipment**

- Always ensure your toboggan, or sledding device, is in good repair. Inspect it for any damaged or missing parts before each use.
- Be certain the operator is fully capable of staying in control of the sled at all times.
- Wear a ski helmet, designed for use in cold weather and high speeds.

#### Hazards

- · Avoid hills that are too steep or too icy.
- Choose hills free of all obstacles such as trees, rocks, utility poles, benches, or fences.
- Beware of loose scarves, or clothing containing drawstrings, which could present a strangulation hazard if they become caught or snagged.

- Look out for others. Move quickly to the side after finishing a run and stay to the side of the sliding path when walking up the hill.
- Children should be supervised by an adult; never toboggan alone.
- Tobogganing at night is not advised.

#### **Plan Ahead**

- Dress warmly in layers and anticipate weather changes.
- Consider bringing extra sets of gloves and toques to exchange wet garments for dry ones.
- Take breaks out of the cold to warm up.
- · Attempt to cover any exposed skin.
- Even when properly protected from the elements, the fingertips, toes, ears, the tip of the nose, and other high points on the face, such as the forehead and cheek bones can be affected by frostbite.
- If frost bite has occurred, treat it by first removing the individual out of the cold environment. Gently warm the affected skin by placing a warm hand over it, or by placing the affected part in warm not hot water, until re-warmed.



#### The Fish Creek Community Terrace

Every brick tells a story, and we invite you to share your story with park visitors by dedicating a brick along the Fish Creek Community Terrace. We are now offering bricks in Phase 3 of the Fish Creek Community Terrace at the Bow Valley Ranch. There are only 100 spaces available so make sure to get yours today. If you have a local business, consider having a brick inscribed for your business - it's great advertising in a very busy area! We are planning to install the bricks this summer and registration for this amazing program will close June 1. For more information, please contact the Friends of Fish Creek at 403-238-3841, ext. 1 or visit https://friendsoffishcreek.org/brick.

#### **Park Protectors Needed**

Now is the perfect time of year to become a Fish Creek Provincial Park Protector! Fish Creek is a cherished natural green space we are fortunate to have in the city. As a non-profit organization based in Fish Creek and serving the Calgary community, the Friends of Fish Creek do not receive regular funding and rely on grants, sponsorships, program fees, donations, and fundraising to continuously support Fish Creek. Through the Park Protector program, a monthly donation will be effortlessly withdrawn from a credit card of your choosing, and you will receive a valuable tax receipt for your contribution. The Park Protector monthly donor program is the most convenient way to support Fish Creek Provincial Park every day. Rest assured that your hard-earned donation will be used effectively and efficiently right here in Fish Creek. For more information, please visit https://friendsoffishcreek. org/park-protector-signup.

#### **Membership Shows You Care**

Now is the best time of year to renew your Friends of Fish Creek membership or to become a member. Friends of Fish Creek members receive benefits like admission to our Fish Creek Speaker Series programs, a discount on the popular Birding Courses, a discount at select local businesses, and the ability to vote at our Annual General Meeting. Show your support for this park by becoming a member or renewing your membership today. Memberships will be good until December 31, 2023. To renew your commitment to Fish Creek, please visit https://friendsoffishcreek.org/membership.



#### **Volunteer Opportunities**

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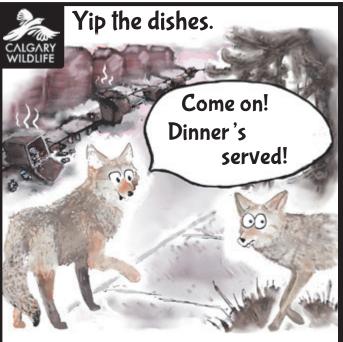












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It's that time of year, yet again, to reflect on the old and ring in the new. Time to make plans and set goals with a renewed sense of optimism. I remind myself each year that health, family, and friends must take precedence in framing New Year's resolutions. There have been many challenges this past year yet still much to be grateful for. As we bid farewell to 2022 and usher in the new year, affordability remains one of the primary challenges facing Canadians from coast-to-coast as we grapple with inflation. With many families struggling with the rising cost of living, our government felt it necessary to announce a package of supports that will keep more money in the pockets of Albertans in the coming months.

The measures announced so far include, but are not limited to, extending the fuel tax cut; taking action on utilities, including expanding the electricity rebate to a total of up to \$500; reindexing benefits like AISH, PDD, and Income Support, as well as the Alberta Seniors Benefit, Alberta Child and Family Benefit and even income tax thresholds; providing targeted payments for kids under 18, seniors 65 and over, and vulnerable Albertans with household incomes below \$180,000; and providing additional support across various low-income programs and the not-for-profit sector.

The last few months have also been exceedingly challenging for the health care system with flu season, RSV, and the lingering impact of COVID. Preventative measures such as washing hands, covering your face when coughing, avoiding tight quarters, staying healthy (and home when sick), immunizations, and boosters all help keep us well and protected.

Our frontline health care workers are veritable angels, and I am grateful for their continued service and compassion throughout this winter. I thank our dedicated educators for keeping children in the classroom. As always, your comments and feedback help me to advocate for you in Edmonton, as I commit to serving with principles, integrity, and an outspoken voice through until the next election. So, please keep the emails and calls coming, stay strong and healthy, and Happy New Year to you all!





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