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**If you are interested in a vacant position,
please email info@myceca.ca**

ATTENTION LOCAL PHOTOGRAPHERS!

Send us your best quality photo of the Evergreen Community or fun family activities for a chance to be chosen as the cover image for the Newsletter. You can win a \$10 gift card! Pictures must be 300 DPI and a minimum 1 MB in file size. (Sorry, no phone snap shots.) Deadline is before the eighth of each month. Please send your image to newsletter@myceca.ca.

CECA MEMBERS ONLY

The CECA Board has been able to negotiate hundreds of dollars' worth of service for Calgary Evergreen Community Association members only.

Find out more at www.myceca.ca and <https://www.facebook.com/myceca>.

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- ★ **Cardel Rec South** – 5 to 10% discount for Evergreen residents, program dependent
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- ★ **Wild Rose Cleaning** – 15% discount

The Calgary Evergreen Community Association does not guarantee the service, or the products offered by the aforementioned businesses.

**CECA membership card required for discounts.*



CECA MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION FORM

A community association membership is an excellent gift for the whole family! Get a Calgary Evergreen Community Association membership and these are the benefits that your family will enjoy for the whole year!

Member Discounts: Our community partners provide discounts to CECA members. Check out the CECA Members Only section in this newsletter or online under Member Benefits.

Cardel Rec South also extends discounts for community association members for partner communities.

Events: Calgary Evergreen Community Association organizes and sponsor the following annual events and programs: Winter Festival, Easter Egg Hunt, Parade of Garage Sales, Community Clean Up, Member-Only Movie Screening, Christmas Lights Contest, seniors' events and programs, kids' programs, and community engagement opportunities.

Join or renew your membership at <http://www.myceca.ca>

or complete the form below and mail along with a cheque for \$20 payable to "Calgary Evergreen Community Association": PO Box 24007 RPO Evergreen, Calgary, Alberta, T2Y 0J9.

All this and more, for only \$20 per year for the whole immediate family! Annual membership expires at the end of the month one year from the when it was purchased.

Join Us Today!

Calgary Evergreen Community Association (CECA) is actively involved in current and future development for the community. This includes developing the Evergreen Community Park (1150 Everridge Dr. SW), community land use, playgrounds and the community outdoor ice rink.

We also advocate for the community on concerns of traffic, safety, and awareness.

Join today and help us plan future community amenities that would benefit ALL EVERGREEN residents. Possible amenities may include permanent ice rink, community

centre, rink house, outdoor stage, natural playground, community garden, and park landscaping.

The Calgary Evergreen Community Association is different than the Evergreen Residents Association. Visit the evergreenresidents.ca website to learn more and see if your home is within their boundary. If you are, their \$100 membership is mandatory and is affixed to the title of your property. That fee only goes toward some garden maintenance and landscaping and does not come to the community association.

CECA or SECA?

Also, if your street name includes 'Evergreen', you are in the Evergreen Estates which belongs to Shawnee Evergreen. You can purchase a SECA membership by going to www.shawnee-evergreen.ca. CECA Associate Memberships are available, but holders do not hold voting rights at the AGM. Contact info@myceca.ca if you have any questions.

MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION FORM



To purchase a membership in your Community Association, please fill in this form, attach a cheque for \$20 made payable to **Calgary Evergreen Community Association** and mail to:

P.O. Box 24007 RPO Evergreen, Calgary, AB T2Y 0J9

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Residential Address: _____

Postal Code: _____ Contact Phone Telephone: _____

E-mail Address: _____

E-mail address is especially important if you want to receive CECA communications. Your email address will be added to our low-volume mailing list. You may choose to opt-out of the list at any time.

Please mark (a) your choice as a volunteer:

☐ Board of Directors member ☐ Don't know, ask me! ☐ Membership Campaign canvasser ☐ Special Events

Payment (\$20.00): Cash: _____ Cheque # _____

CECA Privacy Policy: All information is strictly confidential.

Online payment by credit card or PayPal™ is available at www.myceca.ca/membership.

MESSAGE FROM THE CECA BOARD

Welcome to summer!

Have plans to travel this summer? Stay safe and take all precautions for wherever you are going. Don't forget the sunscreen!

Community Cleanup

You are probably wondering if there will be a community clean up this month. The answer is that it has moved to September 9 for this year and will once again be at the LDS Church on Everstone Blvd and James Mckevitt. Let your neighbours know!

Membership

Membership is only \$20 per year and is good for one immediate family per household. The membership supports our operations, events, future amenity planning, and the rink. With the membership there are also discounts at many local businesses.

You can always join CECA or renew your membership at www.myceca.ca/membership.

You can also fill out and mail in the membership form found in the newsletter.

Board Vacancies

We would like to welcome Bulbul Odedra and Vivian Damitan who have joined the board!

Bulbul will be the Events Director and Vivian the Membership Director. The Events Director cannot do it all herself and is looking for Evergreen residents to step forward to volunteer at each event, and a few to take on Lead Volunteer roles to make sure everything runs smoothly. For more information, please email events@myceca.ca. We are still looking for volunteers to join our Events Committee, made up of people who are willing to help make things happen for the community!

We still need a Rink Director, Seniors Program Director, and IT Manager. Contact us for details and information about these positions.

Evergreen Gardening Contest

This year we are having a new event, the Evergreen Gardening Contest. June is the last month to register. Visit www.myceca.ca/gardening for more information and to register. The contest is sponsored by Calgary Horticultural Society, Spruce It Up Garden Centre, and Greengate Garden Centre.

Parade of Neighbour Day Block Parties?

Saturday, June 17 is Neighbour Day! Did you know that if you wish to hold a block party to celebrate Neighbour Day, you can get street permits for free? Visit www.calgary.ca/neighbourday for more information.

If you are hosting a party and would like to be posted on our Parade of Neighbour Day Block Parties Map, email us with the location at info@myceca.ca.

Get out and say hi to your neighbours!

Events to Come

- Community Cleanup - September 9
- AGM - October 12
- Christmas Lights Contest - December 2023

Events and Programs We Are Working On

- Babysitting and Home Alone Course
- Member-Only Movie Screening
- Evergreen Bike Day 2024

What Events Would You Like?

We are always listening to the community to find out what you would like to see your community association do, and how you would like to be involved. Email us at info@myceca.ca.

Feedback

If you have any questions, ideas, or suggestions for Evergreen, or want to know how to get involved, contact us at info@myceca.ca.

Sincerely,

Paul Bushell, CECA VP on behalf of the board

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News, Events,
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The Calgary Evergreen Community Association Needs Your Help!



We are looking for volunteers to join the CECA Board of Directors!

The following Director positions are available: Membership, Events, Recreation, Seniors, IT, and Rink. Training is available.

We need your help to bring activities and programs to Evergreen!

Contact us at info@myceca.ca for more details.

Calgary Evergreen Gardening Contest

Do you have the best-looking garden in Evergreen?

Enter the Evergreen Gardening Contest and find out!

Sponsored by the Calgary Horticultural Society and the "Spruce It Up" Garden Centre (and potentially some others).

Registration opened on March 1 and closes June 30, 2023.

Fill out the entry form at www.myceca.ca/gardening or download the form and email it to gardening@myceca.ca.

Download the rules for the contest from our website at www.myceca.ca.

Judging will take place in August.

For the first year the contest will only be open to single detached homes in the community of Evergreen, not including Evergreen Estates or Shawnee Slopes or Park.

See the rules to see if your garden is eligible.

Questions can be emailed to gardening@myceca.ca.



Calgary Evergreen Community Association June Family Skate Day



When: Sunday June 11, 2023 from 10:15-11:45AM
Where: Cardel Rec South - #100 - 333 Shawville Blvd SE at Arena #4

Beat the June heat!!!

Please Join us for this fun family drop-in event and get to know your Evergreen neighbors! Bring your own ice skates. Helmets are **STRONGLY RECOMMENDED**. Please note that there are no skate rentals at this facility.

Free for CECA Members

Non-Members: \$10/family (2 adults and up to 3 children of the immediate family) or \$3/pp. 2 years old and under **FREE**.

Cash or E-Transfer Only Please.

EVERGREEN GARDENING CONTEST



Editorial Deadline!

Please submit all newsletter content to the CECA

by the fifth of the month!

(E.g. January 5 for February newsletters.)

All submissions can be sent to newsletter@myceca.ca.



Please slow down, drive safely, and watch out for each other!

Traffic

Traffic Concerns

Thank you to all that submitted traffic concerns for Evergreen. These have been taken to the city and we are working to see if anything can be done. Much of it is a product of driver behaviour, so we urge you to have patience, slow down, and watch out for each other!

Shortcutting Traffic

Evergreen continues to be a short cutting area of drivers traveling from other areas along Fish Creek Blvd to get to the ring road. Please be wary of this when getting around the Fish Creek Blvd area.

Alleyways

Got an alleyway in need of gravel or that has too many ruts? This past winter has caused some deep ruts in places, and spring rains will cause some damage on gravel alleyways. For bad spots please contact 311. You can also check out when your alley is scheduled for maintenance at <http://www.calgary.ca/Transportation/Roads/Pages/Road-Maintenance/Gravel-lane-repair.aspx>. Lane repair is done between June and October.

Potholes

The potholes are really an issue this year. Please do your part and report potholes and sunken utility cuts. Contact 311.

Safety

Car Prowlings

Once again, we are seeing posts and reports of people going around the community and checking car doors and contents. Please make sure you lock your cars and the house and do not leave any valuables in sight. If you witness this, please report it to the police at their non-emergency number. Info could be tied to other reports.

9pm Routine

Practice the 9pm routine and lock up every night. Make sure your garage door opener is not left in sight in your car, because if your man door is left open, they will have access to your house.

Watch Out for Your Community!

Watch out for your neighbours as they will hopefully watch out for you. Get to know your neighbours by using the Neighbour Card. This is sponsored by the CPS and the Federation of Calgary Communities. Download your copy at <https://calgarycommunities.com/updates/my-neighbour-card>.

Reporting

Once again, if you witness any traffic issues on an ongoing basis, please take the time to both report it to me at traffic@myceca.ca and also via the Traffic Service Request directly to the police. This can be done at <http://www.calgary.ca/cps/Pages/Traffic/Traffic-Service-Requests.aspx>.

Please report road and sign issues to 311. This can be done by calling 311, going online to <http://www.calgary.ca/CS/CSC/Pages/311.aspx>, or at the app website <http://spot311.calgary.ca>.

If you have any traffic or safety questions or concerns, or wish to comment on anything written here, you can email traffic@myceca.ca or safety@myceca.ca.

Thanks,

Paul Bushell, Traffic Director and Utsav Agrawal, Safety Director

CECA Parade of Garage Sales

This will take place on Saturday, June 3 and Sunday, June 4 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm each day. To have your location added to our map of the parade, email your name and address to garagesale@myceca.ca. The deadline for registration was June 1.



What is a Community Association?

What is the Community Association and what do they do? Why do they need my support? Read the below article to find out more about your community association.

Many people associate community associations with a building, but CECA is one of 50 community associations in Calgary without a building.

Taken from the Federation of Calgary Communities website:

"Your neighbourhood has a community association: a not-for-profit organization run by your neighbours and other volunteers dedicated to providing you with social, recreational and educational opportunities close to home, a variety of special events to bring you together as residents, and a voice for your community!

Purchasing a community association membership – even as a Christmas gift – is a great way to get involved and show your support for the many ways your neighbours work to ensure you love where you live."

Benefits

There are many benefits to having a membership to your community association. The Federation offers discounts with Cloverdale Paints, Servus Credit Union, and Stealth Alarms. Evergreen CA has discounts for many local businesses: Orangetheory Fitness, Lawn Guard, Castle Toys, and many more. See the info online at www.myceca.ca/membership.

Plus, your support of the CA by buying a membership will mean it has the funds for its necessary expenses. That way, it can run the events and programs for the community.

There is more information about Community Associations online.

Check out this link: <https://calgarycommunities.com/community-info/what-is-a-community-association/>.

Volunteers

A Community Association is only as good as the volunteers that run it and the community that supports it. What is put into a community is what you will get out of it. A community that knows and supports each other, not only is stronger but also safer. Community residents that look out for each other, help each other in times of distress, and enjoy spending time together make living in that community enjoyable and worthwhile. If you have time, consider giving back to your community.

We are always looking for people to join the Board of Directors or one of our committees to help accomplish our goals.

Amenities and Programs

The Calgary Evergreen Community Association continues to work towards providing events that allow residents to come together and have fun, like a permanent ice rink and other popular community programs. Working with our stakeholders and partners, whether that is neighbouring communities or city officials, we advocate to make living in this community better.

Become a Member!

Support your community by becoming a member or continuing to renew your membership. Get involved by volunteering at events, on committees, or joining the Board of Directors, and help steer the direction of the community to continue to make it a great place to live.

CA vs RA

A community association is different than a resident association. A CA has a volunteer membership and looks after events and programs. Whereas an RA or HOA (homeowners association) is a mandatory encumbrance on a home's title that is paid to a legal entity that provides certain services.

Questions?

If you have any questions about the Calgary Evergreen Community Association, email us at info@myceca.ca. Also come out to any of our events and talk to a board member about how you can get involved.

Senior Programs

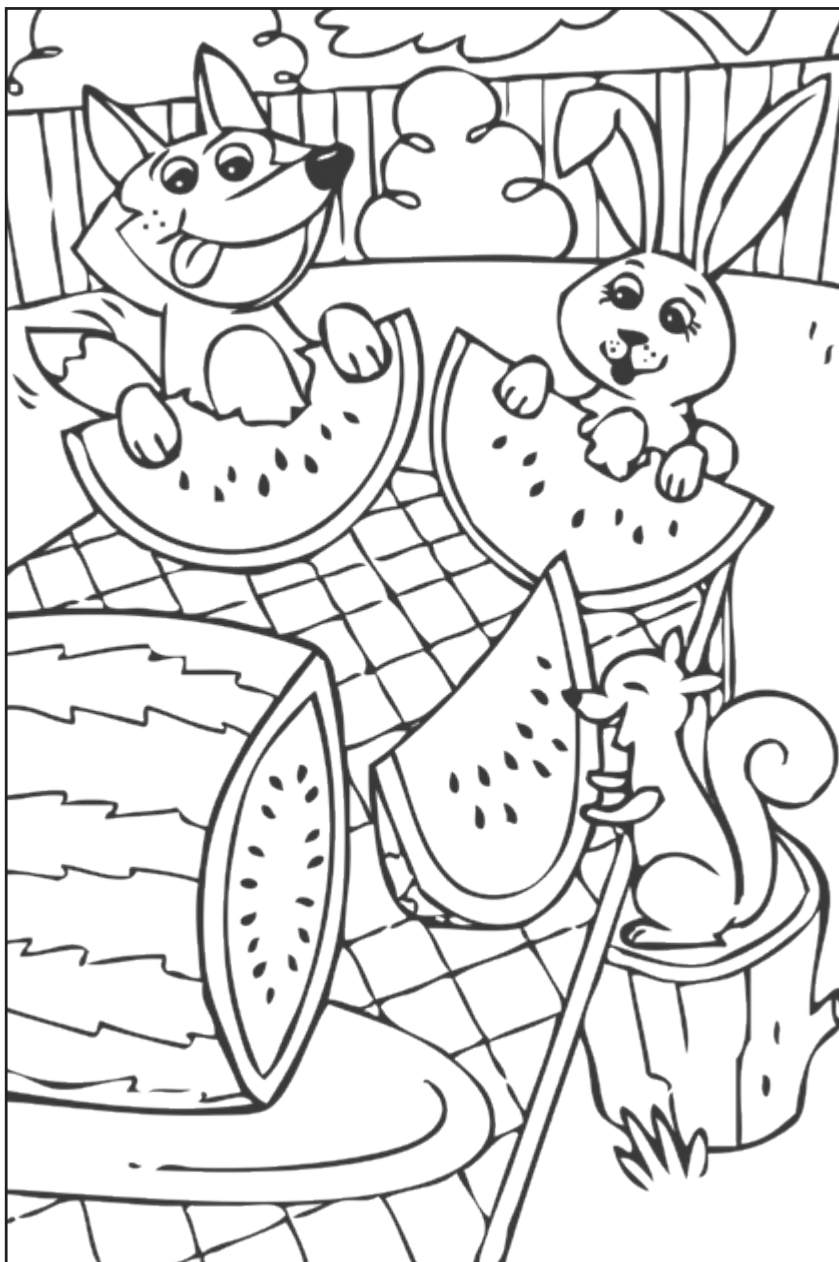
Seniors from Evergreen and the surrounding neighbourhoods have resumed their Seniors' Hobnob at Swan Evergreen Village on the last Wednesday of the month, from 5:30 to 7:00 pm. Everyone is invited to have some conversations with seniors in the community and the resident seniors at Swan Evergreen.

Computer classes and Zumba Gold likewise resumed, where seniors in the community joined resident seniors at Swan Evergreen Village. Should you be interested to join any of the seniors' activities, please feel free to connect with CECA. Zumba classes may also happen at the Sierras of the Evergreen sometime in March.



COLOURING PAGE

Please submit the colouring page by July 8, 2023 to newsletter@myceca.ca for a chance to win! Gift cards not picked up by an agreed upon time will automatically be given to another winner.



Jessica (9)



Shay (6)

Congratulations to Shay H. (6) and Jessica P. (9), the winners of the April colouring contest! Big thanks to Elise Sommer AVON Rep. and Nancy Cuellar from "Bilingual Reaching My Potential Dayhome" for kindly sponsoring this month's prizes.



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Shawnee-Evergreen Community Association Area Boundaries

Households in the area shown below are eligible to become regular members.

- For Evergreen Estates, your street name will include 'Green,' for example, Evergreen.
- Almost all other areas will include 'Shawnee' in the street name.
- Fish Creek Exchange and Beacon Hill condominiums are within the SECA boundaries.
- Non-residents are invited to join as associate members.



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SECA is building a neighbourly community where residents feel a sense of belonging and community pride.

- Hosts Events and Programs:
 - o Stampede Festival - June 24, 2023.
 - o Community Cleanup - September 16, 2023.
 - o Community Campfires.
 - o Monthly Children's Programs.
- Advocacy supports residents' interests with respect to:
 - o Proposed development projects in our neighbourhood and nearby.
 - o Neighbourhood safety (crosswalks, traffic lights, crime prevention, etc.)
 - o Maintaining the character of our neighbourhood.

MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION FORM

Purchase a SECA membership to support programs, events, and the advocacy work that SECA does on your behalf. Pay just \$20 every 12 months. Complete the form, attach a cheque for \$20 payable to Shawnee Evergreen Community Association and mail to SECA c/o Southgate Alliance Church 1436 James McKeivitt Rd. SW Calgary, AB, T2Y 2W9.

Questions? Email membership@shawneevergreen.ca.

Household information (held in confidence in accordance with Privacy Legislation):

Surname 1: _____ Given Name: _____

Surname 2: _____ Given Name: _____

Street Address: _____

Postal Code: _____ Phone: _____

E-mail address: _____

Please consider volunteering with SECA. May we contact you to volunteer? Y / N

Payment (\$20): Cash: _____ Cheque # _____

☐ Resident ☐ Non-Resident (Associate Member)

SECA is always looking to engage residents as volunteers on the board, on committees, and at events. Learn more by emailing info@shawneevergreen.ca.



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December	22	13	31	\$495,000	\$505,000
November	22	23	27	\$429,900	\$395,000
October	22	31	29	\$375,000	\$355,000
September	22	32	23	\$584,900	\$575,000
August	22	32	37	\$399,900	\$409,000
July	22	39	43	\$525,000	\$528,500
June	22	54	41	\$524,900	\$530,000
May	22	52	49	\$565,500	\$585,000

To view more detailed information that comprise the above
MLS averages please visit ever.mycalgary.com

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Membership is our focus for this month. We appreciate those residents who keep their membership up to date. If you do not have one yet, please purchase a membership this month. The fee continues to be just \$20 for twelve months.

During COVID we heard from residents that as the pandemic had cancelled our events and programs, the value proposition for membership was weak. The SECA Board took that to heart, and since then, we have worked very, very hard to provide good value by delivering many programs and events, as well as supporting the community through advocacy. SECA has sought out grants, sponsorships, donations, and used casino funds to enable the programs and events to be offered at no charge. Participation has grown steadily and yet our membership numbers are lower than ever. As a member-based organization, SECA needs your support, your moral support, and your financial support in the form of a membership purchase. Join today!

If you thought SECA's reimagined Stampede Festival was fabulous last year, you don't want to miss it this year. Hang onto your hats because we're bringing it back, bigger and better on June 24 from 9:00 am to noon. We're preparing breakfast for the first 800 guests but don't worry, if you come later, there's still lots of fun to be had. Onsite parking is limited. Walk or bike if you can.

Volunteering at an event of this size is a really fun way to experience the event. Email info@shawneevergreen.ca to pick a role and a shift. Over 70 volunteers are needed.

We are so thankful to have received generous sponsorship for the Stampede Festival from these local businesses: Shield Restorations, Cardel Homes, Telus, Maxwell Capital Realty, CARSTAR, and Tim Hortons (Bannister Rd).

Mark your calendars and contact us if you can volunteer at:

- Children's programs: Monthly – see posters on our Little Free Libraries
- Party in the Park - Neighbour Day: Saturday, June 17 from 7:00 to 9:00 pm on Shawnee Blvd
- Stampede Festival: Saturday, June 24 from 9:00 am to noon
- Community Cleanup: Saturday, September 16
- Fundraising Casino: September 24 and 25



Let's imagine the future together. We need your help to dream about how to make Shawnee Evergreen even better. Join us as we reimagine our neighbourhood places together.

Subscribe to our mailing list through the QR code. We can serve you best when we are connected!



- Email info@shawneevergreen.ca
- Like our Facebook page [@ShawneeEvergreenYYC](https://www.facebook.com/ShawneeEvergreenYYC).
- Subscribe to SECA's e-newsletter through the QR code
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Lynn Jobe

SECA President



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