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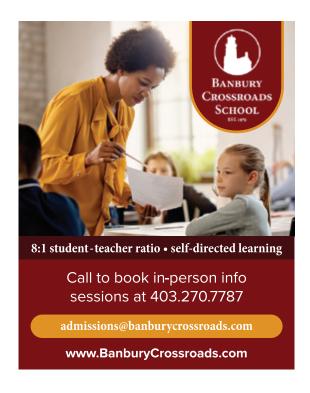
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Visit our website for the latest information: http://www.rutlandparkcommunity.com

Board meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm; everyone is welcome.

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Community Social Worker Vacant

DEVELOPMENT AND TRAFFIC REPORT

I would just like to highlight what has been happening/ going on behind the scenes this past month, in no particular order:

Thank you, Steve D. for taking over as our rink director. Hopefully people have been out enjoying the rink and our new rink lights. Steve is always looking for volunteers to help with the rink. Please reach out to him at rink@ rutlandparkcommunity.com if you can lend a hand.

We are still awaiting a final decision from the insurance company with regards to our hall floor collapse. The hall will remain closed until further notice. We apologize for the inconvenience.

At the time of writing, we are still in need of a new Secretary, as Karen is stepping down at the end of January. Please consider joining our volunteer board in either this position, or as Infrastructure Director. Thank you for considering us for your volunteer time!

We have recently responded in support of some multi-residential development in Currie Barracks. We look forward to seeing more activity there in the spring.

Hopefully you took the opportunity to provide feedback on several development proposals in our area. It is important to stay engaged.

If you have not already signed up for our email updates, please do so at our website, www. rutlandparkcommunity.com. The City often gives us very short notice for upcoming events, and this is the quickest way for us to reach you. Please also join us on Facebook — Rutland Park Community Association. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Leanne Ellis

Executive VP and Development and Traffic

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Musings

Hello Neighbours,

I am certain that our rink is going strong under the watchful eye of Steve Dubois and the ice team. Always a fun place to meet community friends, I must say. I am still hoping that maybe we can host a Chili Cook off at our mini hall. We could compete for the coveted prize of Chili Champ 2024!

Our main hall is still closed, but I certainly hope we will re-open this year sometime. Many people in the community have asked me about this situation, I feel awkward not being able to give a definitive answer.

I remember when community halls were the hub of activity so to speak. I do realize that things change but come on everybody, we can do better here in Rutland Park!

I see no one has stepped up as Social Director. This does not mean you will have to do it all alone. A Social Committee can be formed, and new volunteers usually get on board. Please do think about it and email the board if you can serve. I try to pencil my name in for one or two events if I can.

Well, enough said for this month. Hope your year has started off well. Take care of yourselves, and as always do take time to smell the roses.

Cheers for now,

Isabell



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Help Reduce Single-Use Items Waste

by the City of Calgary

The best way to reduce single-use items waste is to stop using them whenever possible. Using less single-use items will help reduce garbage and litter. Calgary's new Single-Use Items Bylaw started January 16.

It focuses on waste reduction by encouraging Calgarians to avoid single-use items where practical, ask for items as needed, or choose reusable options. Businesses will be required to charge a minimum fee on new paper and reusable bags and provide foodware accessories (utensils, napkins, straws, chopsticks, etc.) by request only.

Calgarians can do their part by asking for only the bags and foodware accessories they need, and by bringing their own bag to avoid the fees. This bylaw applies to in-store, take-out, drive-thru, delivery, and online ordering. Learn more at calgary.ca/singleuse.



COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP FORM

Mail or drop off your completed application to: Rutland Park Community Association, 3130 - 40 Avenue SW, Calgary, AB, T3E 6W9 or membership@rutlandparkcommunity.com

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Rutland Park **Mission** and **Values**:

Thank you for your participation.

The results of several brainstorming sessions by the Rutland Park community board were presented at the May 23 Town Hall Meeting. These important statements will be used to guide our work and decisions. Your feedback is welcome!

Our Mission and Values:

Our mission is to engage community residents, advocate on their behalf, foster community spirit, and practice meaningful stewardship while honouring our past.

What your Board Commits to Do:

- I. Engaging and including residents of our community
- II. Addressing community concerns in a transparent fashion
- III. Conducting board business in an ethical and fiscally responsible manner
- IV. Making decisions based on the needs of the community as a whole

- V. Communicating board decisions with one voice
- VI. Following through on the commitments and action plans we undertake

Community Values we will uphold:

- · honouring our heritage
- · connectedness: bringing people together
- · knowing neighbours, cultural hub, social activities
- everybody is given a voice
- · slow inner city living
- pride in our community: volunteerism, participation
- safe community where people can have fun
- pleasant surroundings/maintaining green space and excellent community facilities
- pedestrian friendly: easy walking, cars secondary to people
- self contained: close to amenities, community garden, sustainable
- · accessible, age friendly
- · desirable quality of life: all season activities
- promote accessible recreational activities

Rutland Park Community Hall Rentals

3130 - 40 Avenue SW, Calgary, AB, T3E 6W9

Current Rental Rates Hourly Rate: \$50/hour Friday, Saturday, Sunday – full day rate: \$400. Non-refundable admin fee: \$50. A four-hour minimum rental is required on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays. If you are interested in renting the hall or would like more information on any of the classes running at the hall, please contact Lola at 403-474-3845 or email hallrentals@rutlandparkcommunity.com. Visit the Community Association website to see what our beautiful hall looks like: www.rutlandparkcommunity.com/hall-rentals/.

RESIDENT PERSPECTIVES

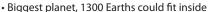
Stargazing with Pat J: The Gas Giants – Jupiter and Saturn

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Jupiter and Saturn are in essence failed stars. Consisting mainly of hydrogen and helium gas, the primary building blocks of all stars, neither planet was massive enough to ignite a thermonuclear reaction at its core (lucky for us).

Jupiter

- Fifth planet from the sun
- If the sun is at a football field's goal post and Earth is on the two-yard line, Jupiter is at the 10.5-yard line



- Brightest planet
- Rotates on its axis in 9.97 hours. Takes 11.6 years to orbit the sun
- Takes sunlight 43 minutes to get there
- Lacks a hard surface. Mean temperature: -110 degrees Celsius
- Has 95 moons; its biggest moon Ganymede is larger than Mercury
- Has four rings but they are faint and difficult to see
- Stormy atmosphere with wind speeds over 500 km/hr
- In July of 1994, Shoemaker Levy 9 was a comet that ventured too close to Jupiter and was torn apart by the planet's powerful gravitational field. The comet's demise highlighted Jupiter's role in protecting the inner planets from space debris by acting as a "cosmic vacuum cleaner".

Saturn

- Sixth planet from the sun
- If the sun is at a football field's goal post and Earth is on the two-yard line, Saturn is at the 19-yard line



- Second largest planet, 764 Earths could fit inside
- Not as bright as Jupiter who follows it across the southern sky each fall
- Rotates on its axis in 10.7 hours. Takes 29.4 years to orbit the sun
- Takes sunlight 1.5 hours to get there
- Lacks a hard surface. Mean temperature: -140 degrees Celsius
- Has 146 moons; its largest moon Titan, is also bigger than Mercury
- Has seven beautiful rings made of 95% water ice; same as Saturn's moons
- Stormier than Jupiter with wind speeds over 1800 km/hr

Please Use a Leash

Even the best-behaved dogs can still be triggered by certain sounds or situations, causing them to bolt, or worse, act out aggressively. Keeping your dog on a leash will help put your fellow community members at ease, especially those who may have had bad experiences with dogs in the past.

Having your off-leash dog run up to a leashed dog is unsafe and rude. You do not know if the leashed dog has fear aggression, leash aggression, is recovering from surgery, has been sick, is a rescue or a foster dog, is a new dog to the handler, or is a service dog.

An off-leash dog running up to a leashed dog can set off triggers in the leashed dog that interrupts their walk and sets back training and causes anxiety for the owner and for the leashed dog. When your unleashed dog runs up to a leashed dog the owner of the leashed dog not only has to protect their dog and themselves but is trying to protect your dog as well.

I would like to add that if your dog is running up to my dog I really don't care if you say, "my dog is friendly!" You're not nearby to react if something goes wrong, and, more to the point, you don't know that my dog is friendly!

Unless a dog is superbly trained in recall (one call, not two or more), it shouldn't be off leash.

The fine for an animal running "at large" in Calgary is \$100. Dogs must be on a leash in all public spaces not designated as an off-leash area to protect other citizens and dogs.

Off-leash means not having contact with the leash so letting your dog drag a leash is still an off-leash dog.

Thank you,

A concerned neighbour



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Real Estate Update

Last 12 Months RUTLAND PARK MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
December 2023	\$710,000	\$682,500
November 2023	\$1,287,450	\$1,277,500
October 2023	\$995,000	\$988,000
September 2023	\$549,900	\$555,000
August 2023	\$339,900	\$325,000
July 2023	\$679,000	\$670,000
June 2023	\$630,000	\$631,750
May 2023	\$899,900	\$871,500
April 2023	\$304,900	\$304,625
March 2023	\$469,950	\$452,500
February 2023	\$602,450	\$598,500
January 2023	\$844,394	\$786,250

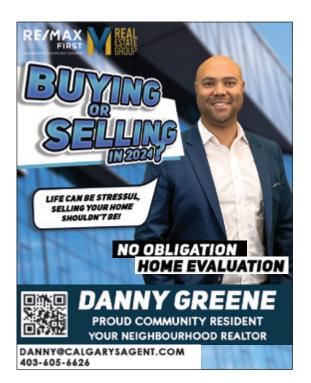
Last 12 Months LINCOLN PARK MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
December 2023	\$339,950	\$330,000
November 2023	\$299,900	\$302,500
October 2023	\$264,900	\$262,500
September 2023	\$349,900	\$350,000
August 2023	\$300,950	\$296,500
July 2023	\$244,500	\$241,500
June 2023	\$291,500	\$289,000
May 2023	\$259,900	\$253,000
April 2023	\$239,900	\$230,000
March 2023	\$222,500	\$217,500
February 2023	\$259,450	\$256,000
January 2023	\$219,950	\$224,000

To view more detailed information that comprise the above MLS averages please visit rutl.mycalgary.com, linc.mycalgary.com or curr.mycalgary.com

Last 12 Months CURRIE BARRACKS MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
December 2023	\$1,450,000	\$1,350,000
November 2023	\$360,000	\$355,000
October 2023	\$1,022,400	\$991,125
September 2023	\$1,332,450	\$1,302,500
August 2023	\$456,000	\$452,000
July 2023	\$455,000	\$435,000
June 2023	\$839,000	\$814,500
May 2023	\$320,000	\$314,900
April 2023	\$420,762	\$426,328
March 2023	\$470,000	\$466,000
February 2023	\$1,150,000	\$1,062,500
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Dear Calgary-Currie,

Budget 2024-25 will be tabled this month, and there is no better way to gauge a government's priorities than by seeing what they fund. It's challenging to follow what is a new commitment of funding, a re-announcement of something old, and when the money actually flows out. Equally difficult is keeping track of whether there's a net increase to the system, or if it simply moves money from one program to another, benefiting one while cutting another. And take note, funding that fails to keep up with inflation and population increases equates to cuts.

November's fiscal update reported a stunning \$5.5 billion surplus. We know these surplus figures shift wildly with the ebb and flow of oil prices. So, when times are good will we make the critical investments in our public systems that keep us healthy, housed, and educated? These investments help us shine in the peak times and sustain us in the low ones.

We have a severe shortage of healthcare workers; will the government meaningfully invest in hiring doctors and nurses to improve the system?

We sit dead last in per student funding in the entire country and classrooms in our public schools are overcrowded; will there be money to hire teachers and educational assistants and build new schools?

We are in a housing crisis and struggling to get construction on new homes started; will there be new investments in affordable housing?

We have had the highest tuition increases in all of Canada; will funding to post-secondary institutions be restored and increased?

Rent, utilities, and car insurance rates are skyrocketing; will the province take any measures to prevent those shocks?

In addition, Calgary-Currie residents talk to us about the unhoused in their communities, safe public transit, small business worries, and retirement security, especially protecting their CPP.

As budget deliberations begin, I welcome your ideas and feedback.

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