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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The topic for my President's Message this month is the newsletter. Our monthly newsletter, *Bridges*, has been prepared and edited by volunteers, published by a third party and distributed to over 5,600 community households, electronically and through Canada Post, free of charge for many years. From time to time, the BRCA discusses whether, and how, we should continue to put out an official community newsletter.

I was the editor of the newsletter for a number of years, so I have first-hand knowledge of what goes into putting it out every month. The process generally involves receiving submissions from persons and organizations and reviewing and editing the content and format of the submissions to meet the guidelines required by the publisher. In order to be able to print, publish, and distribute the newsletter the publisher sells advertising to third parties. The BRCA has no involvement in the content and sale of the advertising that appears in our newsletter. For example, if the publisher decides to include paid political ads in the newsletter, such as appeared in the April issue, the BRCA is not consulted. For this reason, we require the publisher to include a disclaimer in every issue that says: "Bridgeland-Riverside Community Association is not affiliated with any advertiser or third party whose content of information appears in *Bridges*". The disclaimer goes on to say: "Opinions expressed in *Bridges* are those of the author or advertiser only and may not reflect those of the BRCA or the publisher of *Bridges*".

The amount of space allotted to our submissions each month is dictated by how much of the newsletter is taken up by paid advertising. While we encourage and are most appreciative of submissions from community members, it often happens that items submitted to the editor do not end up in the newsletter due to space limitations. There is nothing we can do about that. In addition, items submitted to the editor sometimes are not forwarded to the publisher as they are of a commercial nature. Our agreement with the publisher does not allow us to submit items that mention or promote specific businesses. In such cases, we advise the person who submitted the article to contact the publisher to get information on paid advertising. An example of this in action is that I can, and have on a number of occasions, in my President's Message

encouraged readers to support our local businesses in general, but in doing so, I am not allowed to identify any specific businesses in the community.

The BRCA Board has in the past considered whether it should publish its own newsletter, thereby giving it complete control over content. The main reasons such discussions have not led to that result, are time, cost, and distribution. Simply put, we do not have the volunteer resources to do everything required to publish a quality newsletter nor do we have the money to pay a third party to do it. Also of importance is the fact the publisher is able to use Canada Post to distribute hard copies of the newsletter. The Board has discussed limiting distribution to electronic means but feel that this would prevent a significant sector of the community, notably seniors, from getting the newsletter.

The compromise is we try to maximize the use of our BRCA social media accounts and our website to distribute timely news to the community and use the newsletter to get the word out on less time-sensitive matters. We remain committed to sharing information in the most accessible and effective ways possible — balancing tradition with technology to serve our community well.

Alex MacWilliam





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Volunteer Profile: Ainsleigh Toth

How long have you lived in Bridgeland-Riverside?

I have lived in Bridgeland with my partner and dog for two years now. Previously I lived in Renfrew for four years and I always loved adventuring down to Bridgeland. I love the accessibility of the community, eating at my favourite restaurants in the area, and the charm of Bridgeland.



How did you get involved in volunteering in our community?

I have always been one to volunteer since I was young. It is a wonderful way to meet people and make connections. When I officially moved to Bridgeland I wanted to give back to something close to me. Bridgeland wouldn't be as amazing as it is, without all the dedicated community members and volunteers that work so hard to make it desirable and I just knew I had to be a part of it.

What kind of volunteer activities have you done?

I initially got engaged through the Safety Meetings when the dog walking safety initiative was being established. It felt like a natural task to participate in because I walk the community daily with my four-legged best friend. I agreed to take the lead on the DOGOS (Dogs and Owners Going Out for Safety) and have been doing that for about a year. I have been able to meet so many neighbours through volunteering and DOGOS. My partner and I have also participated in the annual community clean-ups since we moved here.

What ideas do you have for volunteering in the future? What interests or excites you?

I am eager to see how the BRCA continues to grow and increase community members' involvement. With the growth anticipated in Bridgeland, there are so many opportunities for the community to come together for meaningful connections and activities. The sense of community in Bridgeland is so unique for a big city. It excites me to always try new things for the community, see what new beautification will occur in the area and prioritize safety initiatives for people to participate in.

What would you tell others in the community about volunteering?

Volunteering is such a rewarding activity, I think it's very important to know who your neighbours are, and this is the easiest way to do it. Plus, there are volunteer opportunities for all types of abilities and time commitments. If you have been thinking about participating in the community, there is no better time than spring clean-up and the beginning of festival/farmers market season.

What do you like most about volunteering for the Bridgeland-Riverside Community Association?

The community and board members are so kind with a wealth of knowledge and passion for the community. Belonging to something can be so impactful to mental health and the BRCA does an amazing job of providing local opportunities for connection and purpose.

What is a hidden gem in Bridgeland-Riverside that you have discovered?

Bridgeland-Riverside has so many gems! There are two favourite activities that I do as much as possible. The first being, walking in the Murdoch Park area during sunrise with my dog. You can spot the most beautiful skies, the melding of the General Hospital Landmark with the cityscape in the background and the sounds of birds chirping. Second, a sunrise walk for ice cream with my partner and our dog (even in the cold temperatures). The peace and joy these two things bring to me are the best way to start and end my day and one reason that makes Bridgeland so amazing.



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BRCA Tree Ambassadors - Can You Help Us?

by Laura McLeod and the Tree Team

We are fortunate to have a number of volunteers come forward to be Tree Ambassadors for our community. They will work with the City Urban Forestry and Parks programs to help increase the City tree canopy from 8.25% to at least 16%. Bridgeland-Riverside is one of the first pilot programs in the city, due to all the work we have been doing with the City to plant more trees here. The pilot is for two years but we are hoping it may be extended.

Our new tree ambassadors will build on the work done in 2021-22 to identify more places for trees to be planted on City land. One interesting innovation we will likely be looking at is the planting of "mini forests", where trees and other native plants are planted together in a small area to mimic a real forest, rather than trees being planted in relative isolation. Much has been learned about how trees and plants share resources via fungal networks in the soil, improving survival, so this approach was developed in Japan and has been spreading globally. For more information, see greencommunitiescanada.org/programs/mini-forest/.

In addition to working on planting more trees, the ambassadors will be submitting 3-1-1 requests for assessment or pruning of existing City trees and meeting with the community to provide information and get input on tree needs. More information will be coming in the future as the ambassadors develop their plans. If you have suggestions for places to plant trees or mini forests on public lands, or education programs you would be interested in, please email us at trees@brcacalgary.org.



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Bridgeland-Riverside's School Heritage – Bridgeland Elementary School

by Anthony Imbrogno, a volunteer on the BRCA Heritage Committee

Bridgeland-Riverside's heritage is unique because our community was one of Calgary's earliest to be established after the railway arrived in 1885.



The area attracted homesteaders and then immigrants seeking less expensive accommodations near to the growing commercial and industrial areas. The General Hospital, Dominion

Bridge Company, Riverside Ironworks, the brewery in Inglewood, the stockyards in Ramsay, and the CPR's repair shop in Ogden were all sources of employment.

As the city grew, Bridgeland-Riverside became less of a stop-over for new arrivals and a red-light district, and more of a fully-fledged community.

The area's first school, Riverside School, dates back to 1910. An even larger sandstone school was built in 1913. Originally called Bridgeland School, it was renamed after a soldier killed during World War 1, Major Stanley Jones.

Then in 1921, a unique building was constructed. Bridgeland Elementary School is located on 11A Street NE at 2 Avenue. It was the first modern school in Calgary built without sandstone.

Because of the 1886 Great Calgary Fire, the city's first large schools were required by law to use sandstone. Better fire-fighting technology allowed these rules to be relaxed in 1913, allowing a combination of wood and red brick for large structures.

The school is also unique for its architecture. With different materials came a different aesthetic in the form of the Edwardian style. This means the school has elements in common with the heritage buildings you see today on 4 Street and 1 Avenue, including symmetrical design, stone trims, parapets, and central pediment.

Let's go inside the building and consider its role as an educational institution. In its early days, the school provided education to children whose first language

was not English. It was also one of the first in Calgary to specifically accommodate students with special education needs. This was a unique concept at the time, for it enabled students of different needs to attend the same school.

The original four-room school for Grades 1 to 6 added two more classrooms in 1930. The classrooms were remarkable at the time for their large windows and airy spaces. A gymnasium was completed in 1960.

Behind the building is a large grassy area that was used as a playground. In more recent years, it's become a city park, which was officially named Schule (German for "school") Park in 2024. The name recognizes the importance of the school to the area and pays tribute to the immigrants of German descent who contributed to the community and to Calgary.

There is no heritage protection for this building, meaning it's up to Bridgeland-Riverside's residents to advocate for our heritage and appreciate and share the value it has to us.

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What Kind of Tree Are You?

by Maria Schmid and the BRCA Tree Team

The trees around us are of many different types: some native, some transplanted, some mature, some growing, all with unique features yet having in common being rooted here, beautiful and helpful. Just like the trees they steward, the Trees subcommittee of the Beautification Committee at BRCA is also comprised of a variety of people. As our trees weather the changing environment, we weather changes in funding, initiatives, energy, and opportunities. With our City of Calgary partners, we have planted about 150 trees since 2022 and advocated for many trees to be saved from development pressures, though that remains an ongoing challenge.

You know it, but it bears repeating that trees are an intrinsic part of the quality of life in Calgary. They contribute to positive mental well-being and help us connect with our communities. They provide a myriad of environmental benefits: they restore ecosystems, capture CO₂, and produce the oxygen we need for life, and they regulate the water cycle, including erosion control. Trees return nutrients to the soil and water, and they have a major role in cooling the hot urban environment. They increase biodiversity, protect wildlife, and provide us with fruits, nuts, wood, and mulch. In the words of Mark Cullen, expert gardener, author, broadcaster, and founding chair of Trees for Life and the Highway of Heroes tree campaigns, "Trees sustain life, and they protect life. They are air conditioners, water filters, air purifiers, carbon sinks, homes for wildlife and much, much more".

We encourage the planting of trees in yards, where the biggest difference in increasing our tree canopy can be made. If you have space in your yard, the City provides a number of free trees every spring in their Branching Out program. See calgary.ca/parks-rec-programs/nature/branching-out.html for more information. Since this newsletter will be coming out after the NE Calgary application date, we will send info through the BRCA email list and website, but you can also apply in coming years.

Trees are our inspiration and our teachers in how each contributes in its own way to the beauty and diversity of our beloved neighbourhood. No matter what kind of tree you are like, know you make a difference, and we are stronger together!

It's Time to Get Out Walking

by Enza Conti

Spring is truly here and what better way to enjoy it than to start walking. We live in a great community, with lots of varied landscapes, historical buildings, and interesting things to see and people to meet.

Whether you are new to the neighbourhood or an "old timer" you are welcome to join the weekly Bridgeland Walking Group. We do walks around the neighbourhood – a different route each week – starting May 7.

Plan to join us on Tuesdays at 6:45 pm starting from the upper area of the community hall, 917 Centre Avenue, just east of 9 Street. Look for the poster in this newsletter.

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May 6 First Walk – Changes in the Community

For the first walk of the season, we will look at some of the changes happening in our community.

May 13 Art Walk

We will walk by and take a look at the many murals in Bridgeland.

May 20 Historical Homes & Buildings Part 1

There are many homes and buildings in Bridgeland that have a lot of history attached to them. We will walk by some of these places and see what we can learn.

May 27 Historical Homes & Buildings Part 2

We will continue our history walk.

Window and Balcony Safety

by Alberta Health Services

With the return of warmer weather, Emergency Medical Services (EMS) would like to remind parents and caregivers of an often-overlooked hazard in the home – access to open windows. Every year, paramedics respond to emergencies where a child has fallen from an open window, often from the second floor. These can be avoided by following safety measures. Take the time to assess potential hazards in your home before a preventable fall occurs.

Windows and Screens

- Prevent access to windows by moving furniture such as cribs, beds, stools, and change tables out from under them.
- Keep drapery cords out of children's reach. Wrap excess cord around cleats or tie-downs to avoid a choking hazard.
- Remember, screens are not safety devices. They are designed to keep bugs out, not children in.

Balconies

- Do not underestimate a child's ability to climb. Furniture and other items stored on balconies and decks can be used to climb resulting in falls over the railing.
- Ensure that your balcony railings are not more than 10 cm (4 inch) apart. This will eliminate access between the vertical bars of a balcony or deck.

Further Prevention Tips

- Toddlers and preschoolers are at highest risk of falling from a window or balcony, but it may happen at any age.
- Direct supervision of children is the single most effective way to prevent falls from windows and balconies.
- Install safety devices which limit the distance in which a window can open to a maximum of 10 cm (4 inches).
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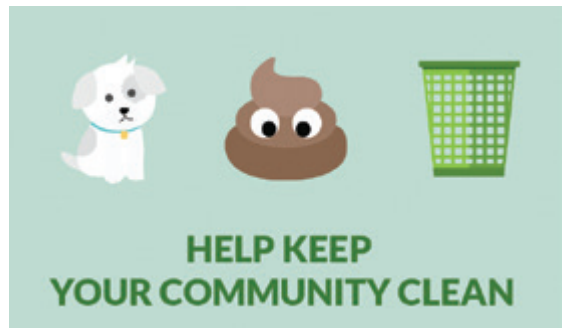
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