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#### **Renfrew Community Garden**

A brand-new year. 2025. Twenty-five years ago, we wondered if our computers would work. Twenty-five years later, today, everyone has a computer or tablet at home and the young have not heard of a landline. Remember dial-up internet with your landline? I will stop here with all the reminiscing. Except to say twenty-five years ago the RCG did not exist.

The garden was established in 2017 by a group of inspired gardeners wanting to set up a community garden in Renfrew. With their hard work and the donations from the community the dream is now a reality.

The RCG will welcome in 2025 with its new Information sign thanks to Diana and King. A great addition to the garden along with the Botanical Information signs created by Tanille.

As you say hello to the new year and goodbye to 2024, I hope all remember to visit the garden this winter. Although in its winter slumber, I do encourage you to stop by to check out the new and old sign and to see if you are able to view some treasures in the garden.

Happy New Year Renfrew!

The Smiling Gardeners



#### A Message from the RCA Administrative Assistant

Hello Renfrew Community!

My name is Lara Hogan, and I'm excited to introduce myself as the new administrative assistant for the Renfrew Community Association. I've been brought on board to check the Renfrew email and ensure your requests, ideas, and feedback



are directed to the right person. I'll be addressing all messages weekly and helping improve our communication.

A key goal of mine is to help boost community engagement and volunteerism - both of which have been low since the pandemic. I'm also focused on finding ways to increase revenue for our community centre, so we can continue offering great programs and events.

If you're looking for an easy way to get involved, consider volunteering at our monthly Jellybean Dance held at the community centre, or pop by our Coffee Club on Wednesdays from 2:00 to 4:30 pm. Both are great ways to connect with others in the neighbourhood. All information about volunteer opportunities can be found on our website at renfrewyyc.ca.

Please say hello if you see me around or send me an email at assistant@renfrewyyc.ca. I'd love to hear your ideas or help you get involved!

Looking forward to meeting you!

Warm regards,

Lara Hogan

Administrative Assistant

Renfrew Community Association



Kara Gill joined the board in 2023 after being a volunteer for many events over the years. Originally from Kelowna, Kara has now been in Alberta for 20 years. She has lived in Renfrew for over 12 years with her husband Paul and their 2 daughters and 2 cats, Petri and Willow. Starting out in Tiny Tots playgroup, moving up to Jelly Bean Dances and Stampede Day, her family has been to nearly all the events hosted by the community.

During the day, Kara works for Alberta Precision Labs at the provincial lab working with infectious diseases. On the weekends, you'll find Kara in the rink watching her kids play hockey or lacrosse, at a Girl Guides event, or walking/biking around the community to hang out with neighbours. She enjoys board games, well crafted lattes and libations, dancing, and travelling. Summer is by far her favourite season, and you'll usually see her out mowing the lawn or tending to her vegetable garden.

Her favourite things about the community include the easy access to bike trails, parks and playgrounds, the awesome neighbours that call the community home, and how central Renfrew is!







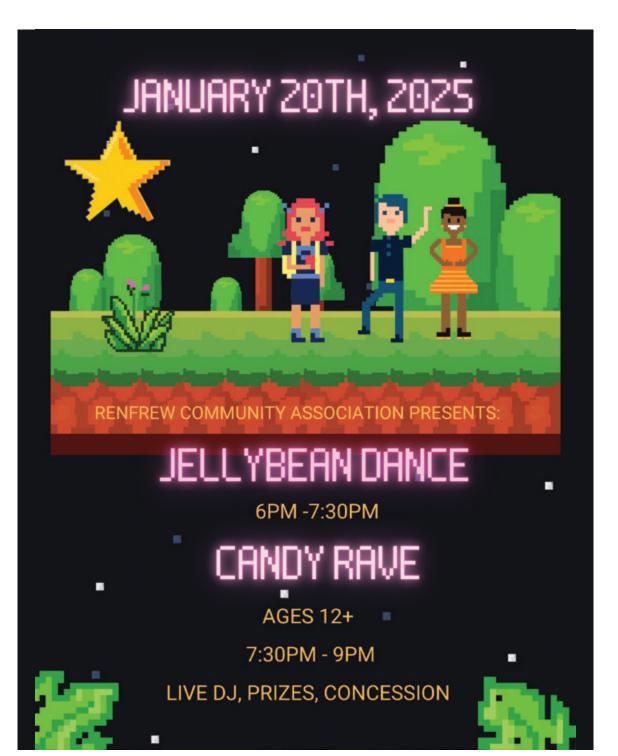
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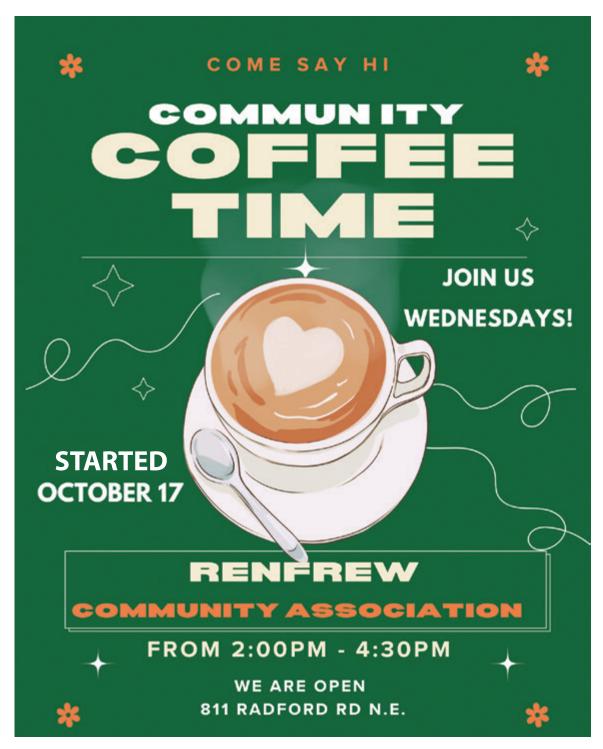
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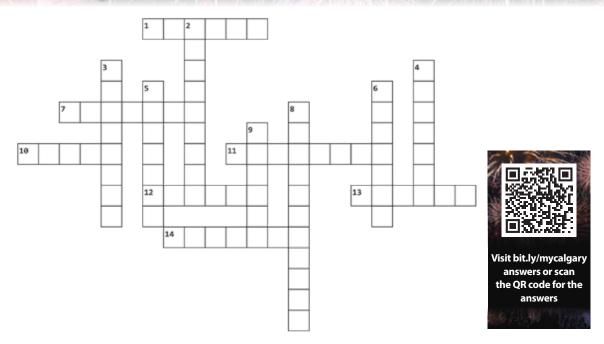
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#### January Crossword



#### Across

- 1. Ice-hockey player and co-founder of a popular restaurant franchise, Miles Gilbert "Tim" \_\_\_\_\_, was born on January 12, 1930, in Cochrane, Ontario.
- 7. World \_\_\_\_\_ Day on January 4 marks awareness of a form of communication for blind and visually impaired people.
- 10. On January 2, 2010, American singer-songwriter \_\_\_\_\_\_'s debut single, "TiK ToK," reached number one on the Billboard Hot 100.
- 11. This iconic Aretha became the first female artist to be inducted in the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame on January 3, 1987.
- 12. This TV series first premiered on January 12, 1966, starring Adam West as the titular character and tells the story of a superhero who fights crime in Gotham City.
- 13. Legendary comedian, Jim \_\_\_\_\_\_, was born on January 17, 1962, in Newmarket, Ontario.
- 14. Disney's popular TV movie, *High School Musical*, premiered on January 20, 2006, starring Zac Efron, Ashley Tisdale, and Vanessa \_\_\_\_\_\_.

#### Down

- 2. Franklin D. \_\_\_\_\_ was sworn in for his fourth term as US President on January 20, 1945, becoming the only US President to do so.
- 3. Romance novel, *Call Me by Your Name*, by André Aciman, was published on January 23, 2007, and later became a film starring Timothée ...
- 4. On January 7, 1610, Galileo Galilei discovered the first three moons of this planet the largest in our solar system.
- 5. British actress and singer, Cynthia Erivo, who plays \_\_\_\_\_ in *Wicked*, was born on January 8, 1987.
- 6. Steve \_\_\_\_\_ and Steve Jobs officially incorporated Apple Computer, Inc. on January 3, 1977, in California.
- 8. "Wedding March", composed by Felix \_\_\_\_\_, was first played at the wedding of Princess Victoria and Prince Frederick William of Prussia on January 25, 1858.
- 9. The first Winter Olympic Games officially opened on January 25, 1924, in Chamonix, \_\_\_\_\_\_.

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