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Pink Moon
April 6th

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Pussy Willows

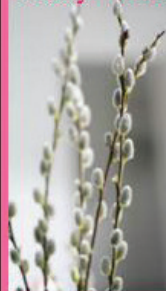


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Word of the Month

Portmanteau: noun (port-man-toe)

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April Fools

Although the origins of April Fools' Day are a bit murky, some historians believe it originated in the 16th century when France changed from the Julian to Gregorian calendar. Julian calendar New Years began in April, folks clinging to the old date got teased as they celebrated New Years on April 1 instead of January 1.



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Membership: \$20

BHCA CALENDAR

Want to join our meetings? Most of our meetings are back to being in person. If you are interested in attending to get an idea of what the group is about, either:

Register Online: BeddingtonCommunity.ca (On Home Page: Upcoming Events)

Email Us: Addresses Below

Leave a Message: 403-305-6642

APRIL - 2024	<p>09: Reimagine Beddington Committee, 7:00 to 9:00 pm</p> <p>15: Beddington Community Garden and Hub, 7:00 to 9:00 pm (email garden@beddingtoncommunity.ca if you are interested in joining the Garden Committee)</p> <p>16: Beddington Book Club, 7:00 to 9:00 pm</p> <p>23: BHCA Board Meeting, 7:00 to 9:00 pm</p>
MAY - 2024	<p>14: Reimagine Beddington Committee, 7:00 to 9:00 pm</p> <p>21: Beddington Book Club, 7:00 to 9:00 pm</p> <p>28: BHCA Board Meeting, 7:00 to 9:00 pm</p>
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MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

Happy April Beddington residents! We're so happy its spring and we are looking forward to watching everything turn green and with, hopefully, very little snow, although the moisture is still very beneficial. Our Community Garden plots have gone up for registration so be sure to check out our website for details.

We find it very important to point out that we couldn't do what we do without volunteers, so we wanted to send out a huge thank you to all of our essential volunteers and to all those that have been putting their names into the volunteer hat recently! Keep an eye out for all our volunteering opportunities.

We will continue to send out newsletters, or email callouts and post on our Facebook and Instagram! Instagram is a bit new for us but we're working on trying to create content for you.

Upcoming events that we are looking forward to; the Community Cleanup with Sandstone/MacEwan, a youth outdoor concert called "Sledddington", a new iteration of the "Bartwall", the Green Space Cleanup, and the Parade of Garage Sales. Stay tuned for all the details as plans firm up!

Thank you for your continued support,

Bonnie, Nadine, Marty, Leandra, Jessica, Wendy, Korin, and Brady!



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Starting in spring 2024, construction on the North Central BRT will be taking place in communities along the Centre Street MAX 301 Corridor, from Country Hills Boulevard N.E. to 28 Ave N.W.

We're making improvements to current transit service and amenities, while preparing for the future Green Line LRT.

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Do you love to save money on your food bill? Are you craving social interaction and feel the desire to be part of a bigger community? Does the idea of an inclusive and accepting environment while engaging in a social activity, speak to you?



What is involved:

Planning a Meeting

- The members gather to plan a menu around advertised specials in major food store flyers. Each participant pays for his/her share of the food. This is calculated by dividing the total cost of the food by the number of servings required.

Cooking Session

- The members get together at a designated kitchen to prepare and cook the recipes. At the end of the cooking session, each member has several meals to take home and freeze for later, thus furthering healthy eating habits. Members share recipes and nutritional knowledge as they cook, and everyone gains from each other's enthusiasm and joy of cooking. Often participants are introduced to new foods, new spices, recipes from a variety of countries which may all contribute to a more balanced diet.

**If you are interested in taking part in this program please contact Karen
at info@sandstonemacewan.com to learn more!**



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These great photos
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Beddington Volunteer
Michael King!!



YOUR CITY OF CALGARY

Calgary Needs More Homes. Citywide Rezoning Will Help

With the approval of 'Home is Here: The City of Calgary's Housing Strategy', Council directed The City of Calgary to implement actions that will address the housing crisis. One of the proposed actions is citywide rezoning.

We need more homes in all shapes and sizes and in all communities. This will help support Calgary's growth now and for future generations.

From January 29 to March 16, The City held 13 public information sessions and webinars, as well as attended Community Association Open Houses, where participants could learn more and ask questions about Rezoning for Housing. More than 1,200 people attended the City's 13 in person and online sessions.

Have your voice heard by sharing with City Council what you think though our engage portal, by submitting a written comment before noon on April 15 at [Calgary.ca/PublicHearing](https://calgary.ca/PublicHearing) or registering to speak at the Public Hearing of Council on April 22.

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News from the Friends of Nose Hill

by Anne Burke

The new City Nature YYC website will be online with information on the 2024 challenge (www.citynatureyyc.ca). The dates for the event are April 26 to 29. Follow @CityNatureYYC on Instagram. On May 6, local, national, and global results will be announced.

The Nose Hill checklist contains references to reptiles, fungi and lichen, amphibians, insects, shellfish, birds, and mammals. Sightings are in NW Calgary. This website features the chorus frog, the tiger salamander, the terrestrial garter snake, and more. There are 42 birds, among them hawks, blackbirds, sparrows, chickadees, starlings, wrens, geese, eagles, mallards, teals, kestrels, gulls, partridges, grebes, grouse, and vultures. Some other types are the northern flicker, downy woodpecker, and hairy woodpecker. The great horned, long-eared, and short-eared owls all appear in the list.

The May Plant Count is part of the annual May Species Count. The survey runs from May 25 to 31. The focus is on documenting the flowering status of native plant species across Alberta. This project promotes stewardship and appreciation of Alberta's natural areas. As a citizen scientist, you will collect data to be used for conservation. Here are the basics. Enter the location of your plant. Upload a photo. Enter the date of the observation. Add a report about the flowering stage. Choose the appropriate stage from those listed. There are many ID guides and checklists (in print or flipbooks online). Observations can be made manually on a data sheet and then submitted by email or snail mail. You would need to sign up for the mailing list and then receive data sheets and instructions (www.naturealberta.ca/-may-plant-count). If you are submitting observations online you will join the May Plant Count project for the flowering codes to be displayed in the iNaturalist phone app (www.inaturalist.ca/projects/alberta-may-plant-count).



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April BASP Update

Public schools had their spring break at the tail end of March, and each day a different theme was offered. I'm sure both the children and teachers were happy to have a week to recharge their batteries. This month starts off with similar offerings for our children with the Catholic school board and their Easter break!

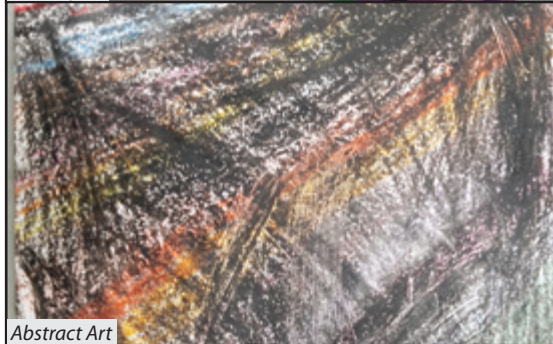
Summer camp registration will be opening on May 1. The camps run on a weekly basis with a variety of themes and fieldtrips per week. Choose whichever week's best suit your family and vacation plans and spend the rest of the time with us!

Find updated information as we update it throughout the month of April on our website and make sure to grab your membership so that you can sign up on day one!

<https://beddingtoncommunity.ca/summer-camps>



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Tech Flowers



Beddington Book Club

by Cindy Wiebe (bookclub@beddingtoncommunity.ca)

We meet between 7:00 and 9:00 pm on the third Tuesday of each month in the Boardroom at the Beddington Theatre Arts Centre.

Our May 21 book will be *Where the Forest Meets the Stars* by Glendy Vandurah.

"After the loss of her mother and her own battle with breast cancer, Joanna Teale returns to her graduate research on nesting birds in rural Illinois, determined to prove that her recent hardships have not broken her. She throws herself into her work from dusk to dawn, until her solitary routine is disrupted by the appearance of a mysterious child who shows up at her cabin barefoot and covered in bruises.

The girl calls herself Ursa, and she claims to have been sent from the stars to witness five miracles. With concerns about the child's home situation, Jo reluctantly agrees to let her stay—just until she learns more about Ursa's past.

Jo enlists the help of her reclusive neighbour, Gabriel Nash, to solve the mystery of the charming child. But the more time they spend together, the more questions they have. How does a young girl not only read but understand Shakespeare? Why do good things keep happening in her presence? And why aren't Jo and Gabe checking the missing children's website anymore?

Though the three have formed an incredible bond, they know difficult choices must be made. As the summer nears an end and Ursa gets closer to her fifth miracle, her dangerous past closes in. When it finally catches up to them, all of their painful secrets will be forced into the open, and their fates will be left to the stars." – from Goodreads.com.

Our June 18 book will be *Lone Wolf* by Jodi Picoult.



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BHCA has several geocaches in the community. Have fun searching!



Butterfly Way:



Did you know that Beddington was Alberta's first Butterfly Way. Residents sow plants that will attract butterflies and bees. To have your garden added to our Butterfly way and bee way map, contact us at beddingtoncommunity.ca/garden.

The Community Garden & Hub Committee meets the third Monday of the month from 7 - 9 pm. We have a number of new projects in the works for 2024 and would welcome any additional creative minds who, not only love to garden, but also want to put their own "green thumb" stamp on the community. If you are interested, contact us at:

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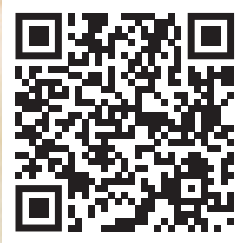


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