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Social Committee	Betty Bacque		social@cambrianheightscommunity.com	No

CHCA MEETINGS:

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CAMBRIAN HEIGHTS' PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our second Celtic (Ceilidh) social and dance evening was held on March 9 with over 65 participants enjoying the Mercat Cross band and Leslie Gotfrit as the dance caller. It was a lively affair enjoyed by all. In addition, a Volunteer Appreciation night is planned for April 12 at Moose McGuires. As well as giving thanks to volunteers for their efforts over the last twelve months, we also encourage residents to attend who may wish to explore volunteering in the future in support of our community events. Details are available on our website and Facebook page. Beyond that we have plans to host our third annual Bicycle Day in May and have applied to the City with Rosemont for a Community Cleanup date in May or June. Our AGM is scheduled for June 18 so save the date.

While we have no community wide plans for Calgary Neighbour Day on June 15 this year, we do encourage block parties within the community by providing a \$100 fund to defer the costs of organizing and running such an event. Simply email cambrianheights@gmail.com for details.

This summer the hall grounds will welcome for the third year the Die Volksmesse car show on July 13. The Hall also welcomes back for its third year the Between Friends summer camp. They plan to hold an open house for parents at the Hall June 27 for those who might be interested in enrolling their children this summer. See betweenfriends.ab.ca for details.

It is never too early to consider joining the garden group on the Hall grounds. We have plots available this summer for residents who are interested in growing their own vegetables. If you are interested, please contact us for more information.

In our February issue we outlined a proposal to place a community identification sign in the park that is bounded by Cambrian and Northmount Drives. We are currently in the process of identifying a theme and ultimately some designs to consider. The Board feels that our community identifies as a mid-century modern inner City housing design with its park space and proximity to Confederation and Nose Hill Parks being our main attributes. If you have some theme related or design thoughts feel free to comment through email or phone call to any Board member.

With anticipated changes this year to zoning bylaws by City Council establishing a citywide R-CG designation, we will witness more multifamily housing construction in the future with the corresponding issues of increased density and street parking. This densification will be impacted by the removal of all parking restrictions on new developments and the permitting of both secondary suites and backyard suites on a single parcel of land. This program promises an easing to the housing crisis over time supported by a promise of Federal funding. We encourage individuals to follow developments on the City website (calgary.ca) as these bylaw amendments are promoted. A recent development by five City Councillors is a motion calling for a plebiscite on this issue of blanket re-zoning. The last chance to file comments on this issue will be a public hearing with City Council April 22. Cambrian Heights has joined a number of Calgary communities in submitting a letter outlining our opposition to the blanket re-zoning.

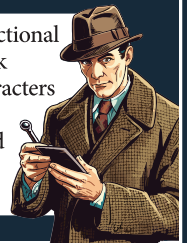
The community continues to need resident participation at Board level. The Treasurer and Social Media director positions remain our most urgent need. Involvement as a Board member offers an opportunity to help develop the programs, events, and residential planning for Cambrian Heights. Help us improve our community resources by volunteering. To discuss any opportunities to participate please contact us at president@cambrianheightscommunity.com.

Daryl Connolly

President CHCA

The Greatest Detective?

Arthur Conan Doyle created the fictional detective character named Sherlock Holmes in 1887. Out of all the characters ever played in movies and TV, Sherlock Holmes is the most-played human character. Does this make him the greatest detective ever?



CAMBRIAN HEIGHTS COMMUNITY GARDEN

We have a few garden plots open for the 2024 season.
Visit the community hall grounds to view and
develop a plan to grow your own vegetables this year.

For more information,
contact us at cambrianheights@gmail.com



THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!



Cambrian Heights
Community Association

Volunteer Appreciation Pub Night

Moose McGuires

Friday, April 12, 7:30pm-late

Open to current and future volunteers

[RSVP social@cambrianheightscommunity.com](mailto:RSVPsocial@cambrianheightscommunity.com)

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 also recognizes the number of volunteers and Board Members that donate hours of their time to manage and create opportunities for you to enjoy.

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS INCLUDE:

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- Management and maintenance of Community Hall, Ice Rinks, Parks & Green Spaces
- Providing input into city & community planning and development processes
- Improving your neighborhood by support of Community cleanup initiatives, upgrades to facilities & parks, and traffic safety.
- Ability to cast your vote at annual AGM on community issues

Two Ways to Purchase Your CHCA Membership:

1. Apply online on Website (www.cambrianheightscommunity.com) and purchase safely & securely (Credit Card or Paypal).
2. Fill out the membership form (Monthly Newsletter or download from CHCA Website) and Mail-in or Drop off at Cambrian Hall with payment (Cash or Cheque).

You will receive email confirmation of your membership # in place of a membership card. (Mail-in or drop-off applications will be delayed).

To purchase your membership please complete the following form and drop off with payment to CHCA Hall or Purchase online at our website: www.cambrianheightscommunity.com.

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(Personal information is used to inform members of Community events only, no information is shared with other organizations or individuals other than those associated with Cambrian Heights Community Association).

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- ☐ Associate (\$20.00)

Associate membership cards are not sent out unless proof of membership required for: Please indicate membership purpose: ☐ McKnight Soccer ☐ Yoga ☐ Fun & Fitness

Membership term is for 1 year and is current from January 1 of the year purchased until December 31 of the same year as per the Community Association Bylaws.

Return the completed form with cheque payable to the Cambrian Heights Community Association and mail or drop off at: Cambrian Heights Community Association, 600 Northmount Drive NW, Calgary AB T2K 3J5

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



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2023-2024

ROSEMONT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Rosemont has two membership options. Both options cover all members of a household:

- **Rosemont Resident Membership: FREE**
- **Associate Membership (live outside Rosemont): \$20**

1. Fill out the form at Rosemonttyc.com/membership OR
2. Complete this form and mail to PO Box 75007, 9-728 Northmount Drive NW T2K 6J8.

Name(s):

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Only include email addresses if you want to receive email updates.

For mailed-in associate memberships, please make cheques payable to the Rosemont Community Association. If you are emailing us for an associate membership, we will contact to you arrange payment.

Please note: Membership term is for 1 year from September 1 to August 31. Membership is required for most community-based sports associations. Members also receive 10% discount on hall rentals.

Website and Hall Rentals Visit Rosemonttyc.com for all community-related information, including upcoming events and hall rental info. Register for our monthly email blasts and sign up for a community membership too.

Board Meetings are held monthly and are open to anyone in the community who wishes to attend. Email us at info@rosemonttyc.com for more info about the next meeting.



ROSEMONT PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Howdy Rosemontians!

Here is the rundown:

1. Blanket Rezoning Summary
2. Pub Night
3. Volunteers

Blanket rezoning will continue to be in the news for April. As of this writing, Council is still planning to vote on this proposal on April 22, with talk of a potential plebiscite in the works. We have submitted residents' comments and concerns that we received at our January open house and online. Here is a summary of that feedback:

About 50 folks provided feedback (5% of residents). Approximately >95% were opposed. The primary concerns that folks raised were parking (19), doubting impact on affordability (9), setbacks from property lines/large buildings (7), efficacy of development permit process (6), lack of consultation/plebiscite (6), impacts on trees/water/sewage (6), impact to community character (5), and rezoning should be targeted not blanket (5).

This is an important topic and I want to thank everyone who took the time to come to the open house or provide feedback online. We will see what happens later this month.

Come join your neighbours for some good times at our Pub Night on April 20. Starting at 7:00 pm, we will have lots of food, drinks, and games. All of this for only \$20! If you were there last year, you'll know how much fun it was. RSVP online at RosemontYYC.com. We look forward to seeing you there!

We have submitted an application for a Spring Cleanup event with Cambrian and are just waiting to hear back to see if we have been successful in this application. Stay tuned for details on that and for volunteer opportunities. A big thanks to Bent for putting that together.

There are some great events we want to provide to you, but we can only do it with volunteers such as yourselves. There is a multi-community bike day being planned, as well as our annual Stampede Breakfast and September BBQ on the horizon. But we need people to step up and help lead these or else we won't be hosting them. Even if you have never volunteered or helped

organize events like these before, I promise you it is straightforward and we will provide a lot of support and assistance (after all, we want them to be awesome!). Email us at info@rosemontYYC.com to learn more and see if it is something that's right for you!

Speaking of volunteering, we are always looking for folks to join the board. This is a low time commitment (a few hours each month) and you can help shape the future of Rosemont Community Association. Anyone that is interested can email us for more information at info@rosemontYYC.com.

Finally, please remember to pick up after your pets and call out folks who don't pick up after theirs. Several folks have noticed that some pets have been leaving 'presents' on their front lawns. Be a good neighbour (and a decent human being) and pick up after your pet.

As always, keep looking after family, friends, neighbours, and yourselves.

Matthew

Pub Night

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by The City of Calgary

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Word of the Month

Portmanteau: noun (port-man-toe)

A literary device wherein two words are merged to form a novel word with a distinct meaning.

John was surprised to learn that the word 'motel' is a portmanteau of 'motor' and 'hotel'.



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In the Toy Story series, Woody's cosmic companion was initially dubbed Lunar Larry, but producers deemed it too silly. Inspired by Apollo 11's Buzz Aldrin, they rechristened him Buzz Lightyear. Thus, from the ashes of Lunar Larry emerged a galactic icon, proving that even toys can reach for the stars – and beyond!



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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As we come to the end of tax season, scammers and fraudsters are just starting to get busy as they look to trick taxpayers with the latest scams. Canadians eager to get their tax refunds are often the victims of these seasoned criminals.

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The fraudsters are becoming more sophisticated and the CRA has a website to help you identify and protect yourself against these scams. It can be found at www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/corporate/security/protect-yourself-against-fraud.html.

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2. This Canadian-born technological invention gave the public a more immersive film experience in theatres.
3. James Naismith, a Canadian-born P.E. instructor invented this indoor team sport in 1891.
4. Hollywood actress Hedy Lamarr famously created a frequency-hopping technology, which would eventually lead to this modern wireless network technology.
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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 or registering to speak at the Public Hearing of Council on April 22.

Visit Calgary.ca/RezoningForHousing to learn more.



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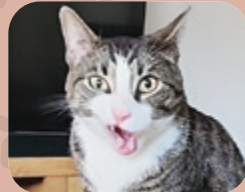
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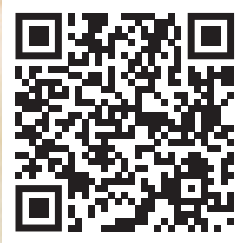


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