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President's Message



It's June and our Annual General Meeting is behind us! Getting ready for the AGM is always a time consuming process and I want to thank Rick Wierzbicki who stick handled the nomination process, and Elaine Scobie and Terry Meiyeppen who worked through the audit. In addition, a shoutout of thanks is due to our ECA office staff, Rachel and Jiayi, and Brenda, our bookkeeper, for their assistance in this process. The listing for the new board will be up on our website (www.edgemont.ab.ca) and will be published in the July issue of *Inside Edgemont*. A big thank-you to retiring directors: Bill Kirk, past president; Elspeth Kirk, *Inside Edgemont* newsletter editor; Changling Luo, who ushered in our new Membership and Events webpage software; Terry Meiyeppen, treasurer, and Anil Garg, who spearheaded our new webpage. These people gave their time and talents freely to make Edgemont a great place to live and their contribution is appreciated.

The Edgemont Community Centre (ECC) continues to be a hive of activity. Summer wedding season is upon us and if you've never been in our meeting space, rest assured that the views from the Mountain Room and the Panorama Room are stunning. So is the patio adjacent to the building, particularly when the flower beds have been planted and are in bloom. Makes for a great photo background! The ECC is the place to hold all kinds of events and the office staff (you can reach them at 403-239-1211) can give you a tour and help you make a good choice based on your needs.

School is wrapping up at the end of the month and summer activities for children will be in full swing come July. Don't wait to register if you plan on keeping the kids busy by enrolling them. The details are on the website so have a look and make your choice.

The ECA Pancake Breakfast is back to be held in conjunction with the Nordic Rodeo on June 24. Tickets are required. The cost is very reasonable at \$5 per adult and \$3 per child. Rodeo tickets are \$2 per participant. The breakfast runs from 8:00 am to 10:00 am. The rodeo activities are all day from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. If last year's attendance is any indication, mini ski jumps and the laser biathlon will draw big crowds. Get out and have some fun. This will put you in the Stampedede frame of mind!

Edgemont has a number of parks and green spaces for all to enjoy. The City of Calgary Parks and Open Spaces department is seeking feedback from citizens on the development of a new 20-year plan. It has launched a public engagement process. There will be three rounds focused on the themes of environment, culture, and wellness. Edgemont parks are well used. If residents want to have some influence on our parks of the future, you can go to <https://engage.calgary.ca/Parksplan> for more information about in-person events or to give online feedback.

If you are interested in crime activity in Edgemont, you might want to go to <https://mycalgary.com/crime-statistics/edgemont-crime-activity-update/>. Crime activity was up in March 2023, the latest month for which there is published data. On average, Edgemont sees 9.3 crimes per month which makes it the twenty-sixth safest community in Calgary. I think we could improve our standings with some due diligence. Use common sense and lock vehicles. Keep temptation out of the way. Get in a routine to secure your home and property each evening. Close garage doors and windows. Keep your property well lit. If you see or are experiencing a crime in progress, call 911. For non-urgent matters, call 403-266- 1234, the Calgary Policy Service non-emergency line.

Lastly, I want to remind residents that there are bylaws to consider for some of the initiatives undertaken. Check the City of Calgary website. I've had complaints about parking, speeding, keeping chickens, and posting side-street signage, to name a few. Consider the safety of the neighbourhood and the right of every resident to enjoy their surroundings.

Pamela Wilson

President

Edgemont Farm Stand

The City of Calgary hosts farm stands in local communities throughout the summer. A farm stand will be in the Edgemont Community Centre parking lot every Thursday from 3:30 to 7:00 pm beginning on June 1. Visit Calgary.ca/localfood for more details!



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A Message from Your Volunteer Coordinator

2022-23 has been a great year for volunteerism in our neighbourhood!

Community Hub Picnic Tables and Benches – Wow! Coordinated and assembled by several of us.

Volunteer Recognition Mural Unveiling – In this inaugural year, we honoured community builders Linda Connolly and Lois Uptigrove. Thanks to Muralist McKenna Prather and teen artists Fajr Syed and Cadence Wong from Lily Chow's Art Class at Tom Baines Junior High.

Volunteer Recognition Supper – Both events were kindly served by members of the Churchill High School Volunteer Club. Special thanks to Krystyna Xing who coordinates this team.

Nordic Rodeo – Our first June ski jumping event at the ECA! Great volunteers at this. Thanks Barb Elms who coordinated.

Lego Mania Competition – This recent event was a hit! Thanks to our volunteers and leader Scott Thompson.

Casino Volunteers – A large number of Edgemont volunteers took weekend shifts in our largest fundraiser for community programs and facilities. Thanks team and especially captain Elaine Scobie.

Good Food Boxes – Many are involved in managing the pick-ups at the ECA and deliveries of fresh fruits and vegetables from Community Kitchen Calgary. Thanks again to Jan Brigden who coordinates this.

Breakfast Club – Returned to Wednesday mornings. Many volunteers prepare bagged breakfasts to feed children in need. Thanks to all shoppers, preppers, deliverers, and the donating organizations. It will continue again through the summer as Lunch Club with volunteers from Westminster.

Christmas Hampers – Sorting, packing wrapping, and delivery – more than 75 volunteers helped prepare hampers for more than a dozen local families! Special thanks to coordinator Deirdre Harris again.

Snow Angels – Wonderful volunteers again shoveled walks for several neighbours this winter. Many senior clients received shoveling help from more than a dozen volunteers.

Ice Rink – Volunteers repaired, flooded, and cleared the rink this winter. Rick Wierzbicki coordinates this.

Winter Olympics – Volunteers again made a multi-station event a great time on a cold day at the rinks.

Spring Market – This year's craft fair was helped out by a few volunteers and our great staff.

Thursday Food Trucks – Last summer and again this summer, a couple of volunteers make sure everything flows smoothly and cleanly on the last Thursday of each month.

Mother's Day Tea – Edgemont Volunteers and Churchill's Volunteer Club will be dressed up to serve!

ECA Clean Up the Ravine – This event is happening soon with refreshments and games. Thanks to Tom Baines volunteers, our own community volunteers, and U of C's Exploring Communities for the support.

Youth Press – Teens continue to do articles for the *Inside Edge*.

ELM and Beautification Team – Volunteers manage landscaping and report 311 concerns.

Miscellaneous – Volunteering still happened for sports, arts, boys/girls clubs, and cultural activities.

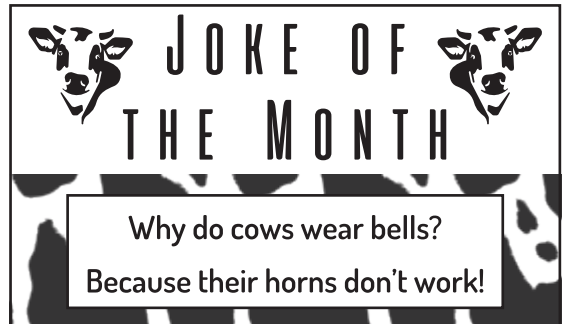
Edgemont Networking Group – This group continued their multi-faceted work in many areas. Thanks team!

ECA Board of Directors – All are volunteers with many significant administrative roles.

Thank you again to all Edgemont volunteers! You have indeed been loving your neighbours. Questions or comments are welcome to volunteers@edgemont.ab.ca.

Jeff Edwards, Edgemont Volunteer Coordinator

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News from the Friends of Nose Hill

by Anne Burke

Spring brought renewal and awakening of Mother Earth in April. There was a three-hour interpretive walk to connect with cultural landscapes through the ages in Nose Hill Park where attendees could be closer to the stars.

The group at the John Laurie Blvd parking lot began the 2.2 km route on pathway and gravel trail. The leaders were Crystal Many Fingers, a Blackfoot member of the Kainai First Nation of Treaty 7, and Lauren Bryant, a professional archaeologist who focused on human occupation.

Legends and sharing stories are an integral part of an oral culture. The importance of Nose Hill to pre-contact indigenous people is highlighted by sites such as the buffalo rubbing stone for ceremonies, vision questing, and fasting.

A natural area is a City-owned park with a natural/native plant community. Our primary role is to preserve the natural significance. Conservation protects these (relatively) undisturbed parcels of land. Damage can be repaired while loss can be restored.

Public engagement and feedback from tourists will contribute to Calgary's 20-year Park Plan. After a draft proposal, there comes a final version by spring 2024, before presentation to City Council. For more information, visit <https://engage.calgary.ca/parkspan>.



Did You Know?

Calgary Transit Peace Officers patrol the transit systems 24 hours a day seven days a week to help proactively prevent disorder and provide help in emergency situations.

ECA EVENTS & PROGRAMMING

**Location of events and programs are at the Edgemont Community Association unless otherwise specified. **

Note: All programs subject to AHS COVID-19 rules

Edgemont Community Centre, 33 Edgevalley Circle NW or online.

For more information, call the office at 403-239-1211, or check www.edgemont.ab.ca.

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Coding Club

Ages 8 to 13

Discover and develop your passion for coding. Contact ECA at 403-239-1211 or www.edgemont.ab.ca for details.

Junior Philatelists

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ECA Board of Director Meetings

ECA board meetings are generally held on the third Monday of the month starting at 7:00 pm. If you have an item that you would like added to the agenda, email secretary@edgemont.ab.ca. ECA members are welcome to attend meetings in-person. Let the secretary know so we can be assured that we have sufficient meeting space.

Upcoming Events and Projects

Go to www.edgemont.ab.ca for more information.

Stampede Breakfast and Nordic Rodeo – June 24

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Polyglots French Camp: La Gare

Ages 5 to 10 | July 24 to 28

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Ages 5 to 10 | July 24 to 28

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Ages 5 to 10 | July 31 to August 4

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Ages 6 to 11

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LEGO Mania Competition Recap

The Edgemont Community Association's LEGO Mania Competition took place on April 22, boasting over 100 entries! The response was so great that we had to cap registration early to accommodate all the submissions. LEGO entries were submitted from Edgemont residents and people from other communities within and around Calgary.

Community members of all ages participated in this lively and creative competition by submitting their original builds. We had four age categories spanning from under seven years up to adults. What is an original build? It is not a kit, but rather, a construction made up solely by the participant.

Participants dropped off their creations the night before and then came back the next day for an afternoon of viewing, live-build competitions, and to collect their goodie bags and prizes! Live-build competitions took place throughout the course of the afternoon as friends and family teamed up to build themed creations in only 10 minutes with a bucket of random LEGO pieces. Thank you to everyone who submitted a LEGO creation; they were all amazing!

Community events like this would not be possible without the support and involvement of our community partners and sponsors. Thank you to our Platinum Sponsors: MaxGreen Windows, Siding, and Roofing, and Co-op Calgary. Thank you to our Gold Sponsor: The Brick Bin. Thank you to our Silver Sponsors: Telus, Real Canadian Superstore, Safeway, Famoso Neapolitan Pizzeria, Dolci di Delia, and Michelle Rempel.

We'd like to acknowledge the hard work and commitment of our dedicated volunteers and staff working behind the scenes. The organizing committee was led by board director, Scott Thompson, and helped by Barb Elms, Elspeth Kirk, MacKenna Posey, Rachel Wierzbicki, and Rob Wetherell. Thank you to MacKenna for the strong advertising, registration management, and event design. Thanks to Agnes Thompson for designing and producing our fantastic volunteer t-shirts. Helping at the Saturday display and awards show were: Susan and Kendall Schafer, Aileen Shewchuk, Yifei Chen, the Thompson family – Agnes, Jack, Eleanor, and Ben – Aubrey Pledger, Rick Wierzbicki, and Jeff Coombes. We were also very fortunate to have the support of local LEGO experts Troy Marshall, Jon Martin, and Mike Allan.

We are grateful for Silver Springs Community Association's willingness to share their knowledge and experience for our first-time event.

This was a very successful event and many people are already looking forward to ECA's LEGO Mania Competition 2024! Keep an eye on our social media and in our newsletter for updates on registration next year.



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