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Word of the Month

Flibbertigibbet: noun (flib-er-tee-jib-it)

An excessively talkative, flighty, or light-headed person.

She was sitting next to a flibbertigibbet on the train ride to work.

Cats, Canines, & Critters of Calgary



Buck, Montgomery



Dry Bones,
McKenzie Lake



Harper Lee,
Beddington



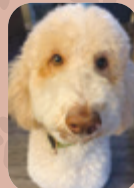
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Jasper, Mahogany



Josie,
Springbank Hill



Leo,
Panorama Hills



Percy, Evanston

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HALLOWEEN BONFIRE

**THURSDAY,
OCTOBER 31, 2024
6:00 TO 8:00 PM**

Tuxedo Park Community Hall
Drop in for candy, music, and conversation
while you warm up by the fire.

Tuxedo Park Community Association



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Tuxedo Park Community Association meetings are held on the second Thursday of every month, except July and August (no meetings). Meetings start at 7:00 pm and are being held in person at the community hall. All community residents are welcome to meet some of their neighbours, express their concerns, or sit in and hear what's happening in and around the community. For more information, please email president@tuxedoparkcommunity.ca. For Hall rentals, email hallrentals@tuxedoparkcommunity.ca.



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



What does the Tuxedo Park Community Association need? Glad you asked! We need volunteers to join our board of directors. We've had some wonderful new directors step forward recently, but we still need a few more. Specifically, we're looking for:

- Facilities Chair—this director role requires someone to oversee our Community Halls operations and work with our staff to keep it running smoothly (four to six hours per month).
- General Directors to join our Communications, Facility, and/or Membership committees (three to four hours per month).

These roles are vital to the smooth running of our organization and are stellar resume builders! Contact me today to learn how you can gain experience and help your community.

Anne Johnson

president@tuxedoparkcommunity.ca

Kids' Tennis is Back!

TPCA and Calgary Tennis Society (CTS) are happy to bring kids' tennis back to Tuxedo Park!

(CTS) is a not-for-profit society which delivers tennis programs with a mission to make tennis more accessible, inclusive, and affordable for underrepresented communities.

Youth programs (ages five to nine) start on Wednesday, September 11, 2024, and run to December 11, 2024, in the Upper Hall. Classes will be Wednesday nights from 5:30 to 6:30 pm.

CTS works with qualified coaches and your kids will be sure to have fun and learn the wonderful game of tennis!

Rates are \$210 for 14 sessions, low coach to athlete ratios. Funding is available via Kidsport for low-income families, CTS will help applicants with this process if needed.

- Date: Wednesday, September 11 to December 11, 2024
- Time: 5:30 to 6:30 pm
- Location: TPCA Upper Hall
- Cost: \$210 per child

Register now: <https://www.calgarytennissociety.org/programs>.

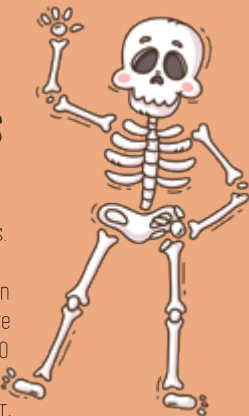
For more information contact CTS at contact@calgarytennissociety.org or 403-870-8952.



Scary, Spooky, Skeletons

Of the total body weight of an average human, about 14% is made up of bone mass.

Typically, our bones reach their maximum mass between 25 and 30 years old. When we are born, we have around 270 bones, but as we grow into adulthood these fuse together, leaving us with about 206



SHIPWRECKED

Of course, it is nearly impossible to know the exact number of shipwrecks on the ocean floor. However, the current estimate is that there are about three million shipwrecks scattered down there. These wrecks include everything from sunken war ships to small, abandoned recreation boats.

Tuxedo Park Artists' Corner: An Outlet Meant to Inspire

We know that Tuxedo Park is filled with creativity and this corner of the *Gazette* is meant to showcase all that the community has to offer! Whether it is a quick seasonal sketch, a meaningful poem or a photograph taken around the community, we want to see all that your talent has to offer in this quarterly feature. All ages are welcome!

If you are interested in participating, please:

- Let your imagination run free; we want to be inspired!
- Scan a digital copy of your artwork in a JPEG format.
- Send to communications@tuxedoparkcommunity.ca.
- Include your name, age and a brief description about your art.
- If you are under the age of 16, please make sure you have permission from your parents or guardians to share your creation.

If you enter, you will have the chance to be featured here in print in the monthly newsletter and on our social channels. We are excited to see what you come up with!



TUXEDO PARK CLASSES AND EVENTS

Walk15 Fitness

Walk15 fitness classes offer a low impact cardio workout suitable for all ages and fitness levels. The walking-based moves are easy to learn and set to music engineered to measure distance through the beat – no devices required. You'll be led by a Master Walk15 Instructor who will coach you along the way for your comfort and safety. Come walk with us!

Upper Hall.

Date: Mondays.

Time: 9:00 to 10:00 am.

Cost: Free for members.

TPCA Seniors Fitness with Pat

Join this gentle, guided fitness class to get moving, have fun, and get to know your neighbours!

Upper Hall.

Date: Tuesdays.

Time: 10:30 to 11:30 am.

Cost: Free, all are welcome, space is limited.

Arrive 10 minutes early to sign waiver.

Instructor/Host: Pat.

Mmm, Coffee!



October 1 signifies not only the start of a new month, but an occasion that has sparked events all around the world in celebration of one of our favourite hot (or cold depending on how you like it!) beverages. It is International Coffee Day! So, especially on this day, make sure to enjoy your coffee, however you take it!

Neighbourhood Accessibility and Safety Reminders

by Roy O. Christensen and Susana Davila Santaella

It is great to see Tuxedo Park flourishing with new infill and remodelling projects bringing more families to the neighbourhood. The new dry pond and park space are welcome additions. More residents also mean more support for our local businesses and the community association. We have lived here over ten years, but Roy's roots go way back. His mother's childhood home (1945 to 1960) was on 26 Avenue, when that was the end of the city!

With additional residents there are now pedestrians, vehicles, and others using our streets, more than ever. Weekends are rest and relaxation for some, but for others they are regular business or workdays.

Here are a few reminders to keep our interactions courteous and safe:

- If on-street parking is at a premium, residents can park their vehicle(s) in the back or a garage, if possible.
- It is easy to follow a routine, like an everyday driving route, but it is also easy to take an alternate route if there are events that bring more traffic to the area.
- Pedestrians always have the right-of-way, but they need to be mindful of when it is safe to cross the road as heavier traffic or glaring sunlight can impede a driver's vision (and don't jaywalk).
- When someone stops and waits for you to exit a vehicle or cross the road, do wave for a thank-you but don't make them wait even longer by using your phone.

Update: Tuxedo Park Beach Volleyball Courts

As of September 4, 2024, the City of Calgary, Parks and Open Spaces, has informed TPCA that they are beginning construction of the Tuxedo Park beach volleyball courts beginning early September 2024.

There will be four beach volleyball courts installed on the northeast portion of the park. At this time, the beach volleyball courts will be available on a first-come drop-in basis, similar to other City beach volleyball courts.

Project Status:

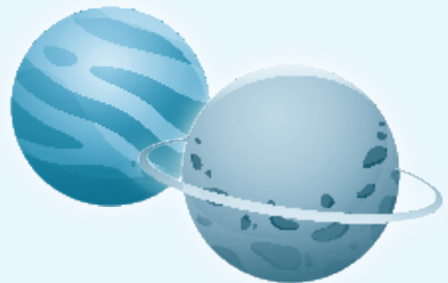
- Mail Drop Communication with Residents: July 2024
- Weed treatment and removal: August 2024
- Anticipated construction start: September 2024
- Anticipated construction completion: mid to late October 2024

It is estimated that the construction will take four to six weeks, with an added three-week period for the sod to establish before we can open the park.

For more information visit: www.calgary.ca/planning/parks-rec/Tuxedo-Park-beach-volleyball-courts.

ICE GIANTS

Uranus and Neptune are two ice giants in our Solar System. Ice giants are planets that are made up of elements heavier than hydrogen and helium, they are also as the name suggests, giant. From what we know, the surfaces of these planets are mostly made up of liquids and gases, and do not have solid surfaces.



Persons Day

by Danielle Robbertze

October is a special month for women in Canada with the celebration of Women's History Month and International Day of the Girl Child. There is also Persons Day which has a close connection to Albertans. You might find yourself wondering, what exactly is Persons Day, and how does it relate to women? The name may sound unusual, but the history behind it is deeply impactful. Before 1929, women were not considered "persons" in Canada's legal system. It wasn't until five determined women from Alberta decided to fight against this that the definition changed.



In 1927, the Famous Five - Emily Murphy, Nellie McClung, Louise McKinney, Irene Parlby, and Henrietta Muir Edwards - asked the supreme court of Canada what the word "persons" entailed. They were surprised to hear that the definition of "persons" in the British North America Act did not include women. The British North American Act (now known as the Constitution Act, 1867) was a significant piece of law at the time as it laid out the obligations and power structure of the federal government and Canadian provinces. Therefore, it was especially significant that this Act did not include women in the definition of "persons."

The Famous Five did not take this omission lightly and went to Canada's highest court of appeal to fight against this injustice. Then on October 18, 1929, the Famous Five won their fight and they along with their fellow women were finally considered "persons." Which also meant women could serve on all levels of government.

Though there was (and some could argue still is) a long way to go in making the definition of "persons" more inclusive - not only in law but also in society (including people of colour, Indigenous people, etc.) - it was at least a step in the right direction. So, for this Persons Day let it be a kind reminder to us all that we are all "persons," and that no individual should be excluded from that ever, no matter their ethnicity, religion, race, nationality, sexual orientation, or gender.

Rent the Tuxedo Park Hall

Have an upcoming birthday party, meeting, or celebration? Our Hall has been updated and ready to host you and your guests!

At full capacity our Upper Hall can fit 150 people. It has a bar, a full kitchen, rectangular, round, and cocktail tables, and new grey banquet chairs. Our prices are very affordable and it's a great, central location.

Our Lower Hall is bright and modern and fits 50 people at full capacity.

Both spaces have modern wood flooring and modern paint colours.

Spaces are great for weddings, family gatherings, birthday parties, anniversary events, training events and all those social events that we have missed so much of!

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Tips For Using Your Green Cart This Fall

by the City of Calgary Waste and Recycling Services

- Yard waste like leaves, branches, grass, and plants can go directly inside the green cart.
- Always fill your green cart first, then fill paper yard waste bags. Roll tops of bags closed to prevent spills and allow your collector to pick up the bags.
- Place extra yard waste bags at least two feet to the side of your green cart for collection. Make sure you can lift the bag with one hand.
- Do not use plastic bags in your green cart.

Starting in November, the City will pick up your green cart once every other week. Weekly green cart collection will resume in the spring.

Visit calgary.ca/collection to check your schedule and sign up for reminders.



Nobel Canadians



Nobel Prize winners are announced in the first two weeks of October. Since the very first awards, Canada has won 27 Nobel Prizes. From 1923 to 2021, Canadians have received the award for everything from Economics and Physics to Literature.



4-H in the City - It's Not Just for Farm Kids!

by Lori Nielsen, Senior Program Coordinator for 4-H Intro Clubs

4-H Intro Clubs are returning and they're ready to give Calgary youth a taste of what 4-H is all about for another year! Since its launch last fall, 4-H Alberta's Intro Clubs have introduced 4-H in the City to 75 Calgary youth ages nine to 16. With the support of the Calgary Foundation, we are thrilled to extend this pilot program for another year.



While 4-H has its origins in agriculture, urban 4-H clubs have expanded the program to include projects that cover a wide array of projects, including foods, science, crafts, health and fitness, performing arts, photography, and much more! The 4-H program combines youth-led activities with adult-guided instruction to teach members lifelong skills such as effective communication, leadership, and friendships. After attending an intro club program, one mom commented, "My daughter is growing in confidence and creativity. This program is her favourite day of the week. She loves the new skills each week, the friends she has made, and the "club" format with special jobs for each member."

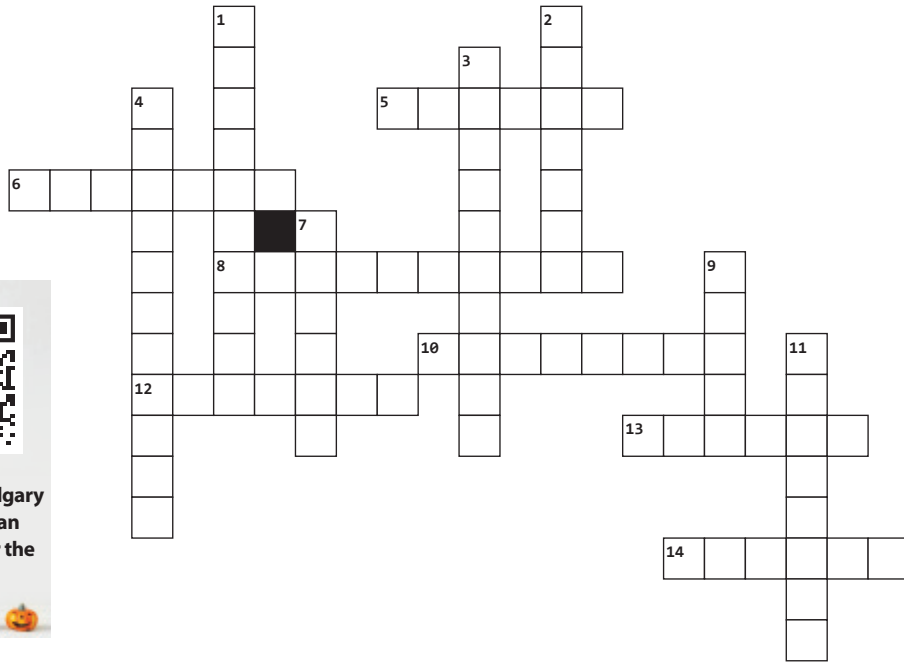
Now, more youth will see what 4-H is all about through these six-week programs. During Intro Clubs, participants will "Learn to do by Doing" with hands-on activities as they explore a variety of different 4-H projects including Health and Fitness, Food Sustainability, All About Bees, Art, Pottery, Baking with Sourdough, Floral Arranging, and more. With options available for both homeschool families during the day and evening sessions in NW Calgary starting in November, there's something for everyone. If you're intrigued and eager to learn more, feel free to reach out via email at introclubs@4hab.com.



October Crossword



Visit bit.ly/mycalgaryanswers or scan the QR code for the answers

Across

- Annually on October 4, people advocate for the rights and welfare of all furry, scaly, and feathery creatures for World _____ Day.
- In October, Canadians commemorate Women's _____ Month, honouring women such as Agnes Macphail and Mary Ann Shadd Cary.
- Other than the opal, this gem is also the official birthstone for October and can be found in various colours.
- The World Series, Major League _____'s annual championship series, starts on October 25 this year.
- Dr. No*, the first movie in the *James Bond* series based on the novels by Ian _____, premiered on October 5, 1962.
- Prime Minister of Canada from 1968 to 1979 and 1980 to 1984, _____ Trudeau, was born on October 18, 1919, in Montreal, Quebec.
- Canadian-Belgian F1 driver, Lance _____, was born on October 29, 1998.

Down

- American singer-songwriter, Bob Dylan, became the first musician to be awarded the Nobel Prize for _____ on October 13, 2016.
- Joker*, starring Oscar-winner _____ Phoenix as Arthur Fleck, was released on October 4, 2019.
- On October 4, 2005, this famous Albertan rock band released their album "All the Right Reasons" which sold more than 18 million copies worldwide.
- This world-famous festival first took place in Munich, Germany in 1810 celebrating the Bavarian royal wedding between Crown Prince Ludwig and Princess Therese.
- Jack-O'-Lanterns were originally carved from this root vegetable.
- Winnie-the-Pooh*, written by A.A. _____, was first published on October 14, 1926.
- October's birth flower, the _____, is a popular bright orange and yellow flower used during Día de los Muertos festivities.

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