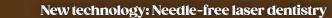
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# Kids' Holiday Party Recap

Thank you to all of the families that came out to the Kids' Holiday Party with their little ones. It is always fun to be able to usher in the holidays with the community. A big thank you to Justyna Jakimowicz of Royal LePage Realty for helping us ensure Santa was there to visit with all the kids! We would also like to thank Seeds of Success Early Learning for providing and facilitating our craft activities again this year. Last, but certainly not least, thank you to all of our volunteers for making the event a success! The Kids' Holiday Party and our other events would be nothing without your incredible work and continued dedication to the community of Acadia.

# **Holiday Lights Contest Recap**

A very special thank you to everyone who participated in the Holiday Lights Contest this year! Winner or not, everyone's homes looked fantastic dressed up for the holidays. Acadia was truly shining, so thank you for putting up your dazzling displays! There were five fun prizes up for grabs, and the winners for each category have been announced on Facebook and Instagram @acacalgary, as well as on our community website www.acadia.community. Thank you to our wonderful judges for braving the cold and selecting our winners!

## **Annual Winter Carnival**

Our next upcoming community event will be our Winter Carnival on February 8, so mark your calendars! The ACA Winter Carnival is our longest standing annual event, and as always, there will be plenty of winter activities for the whole family to enjoy. From games and prizes to horse drawn carriage rides, you won't want to miss this incredible event! You can check out our website www. acadia.community/events for up-to-date information on the Winter Carnival and other community events.

# **Spring Soccer Registrations Opening Soon**

Our second season of grassroots soccer kicks off this April. Registrations will be opening up this month, so watch our website and social media for more information. To learn more about the program, how your child can participate, and how you can get involved, visit our website at www.acadia.community/soccer.

# **New Soccer Program Coordinator Needed!**

Our wonderful soccer coordinator, Trudy, is retiring and we are in need of someone to take on this very important and rewarding role! Please reach out to volunteer@ acadiaca.com if you would like to learn more.

# Are You Following Us On Social Media?

Keep up with us @acacalgary on our Facebook and Instagram social media platforms for the latest updates on all things happening with the ACA.

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# What's Up at the ARC January 2025



# **Acadia Community Association**

# **ACA Memberships**

Memberships are available online at www.acadia. community/membership or in-person at the ARC. Family: \$25 + GST | Individual: \$15 + GST | Non-Acadia

Residents: \$25 + GST.

# **Youth Drop-In Nights**

Ages 10 to 17 can drop in for free to play games, have snacks, and meet new friends.

Check out our social media (@acacalgary) and website (www.acadiaca.com) to see what dates and times are available.

# **ARC Social Lounge Daytime Community Drop-In**

Monday to Friday | 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Use the lounge to work remotely, read, study or meet. This space is free and open to everybody. Pay-what-you-can coffee or tea available daily.

# **Facility Rentals**

# Rose Hall Banquet Room, Conference Room, and Lounge

ACA members receive 15% off room bookings. For rental inquiries and more information, visit acadiarec. com, contact Tannis at tannis@acadiarec.com, or call 403-255-1252, ext. 222.

# **ARC Social Lounge**

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Regular Operating Hours Open to Public: Monday to Friday, 4:00 pm to Midnight | Saturday, Noon to Midnight | Sunday, 10:00 am to 10:00 pm.

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# **Pickleball Drop-In Information**

The pickleball drop-in is \$8.40 + GST per person per session. To register, book online at acadiarec.com.

Morning Drop-In Sessions | Monday to Friday, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm.

Evening Beginner to Intermediate Drop-In Sessions | Monday and Tuesday, 6:30 to 8:30 pm.

Evening Intermediate to Advanced Drop-In Sessions | Thursday and Friday, 6:30 to 8:30 pm.

Call us at 403-255-1252 or book courts online at acadiarec.com.

# **Curling**

The ARC is proud to have one of the largest curling pads in Calgary! For rental inquiries and more information, or if you are interested in joining a curling league, contact Tannis at tannis@acadiarec.com or 403-255-1252, ext. 222.

# **Arena and Skate**

# **Hockey Arena Ice**

For rental inquiries and more information, contact Maddy at maddy@acadiarec.com or 403-255-1252, ext. 223.

## Parent and Tot Skate

Tuesday and Friday | 9:30 to 10:30 am

Free! All participants must wear helmets. No sticks or pucks allowed.

### Sticks and Pucks

Tuesday and Thursday | 12:00 to 1:00 pm

\$4.76 + GST per person per session.

Two to three nets set up on the ice. Maximum 20 participants. Must wear helmets with face shield and gloves.

#### **Public Skate**

Sunday | 11:45 am to 12:45 pm Wednesday | 3:30 to 4:30 pm Friday | 1:45 to 2:45 pm

Free! All participants must wear helmets. No sticks or pucks allowed.

# Seniors (60+) Skate

Wednesday and Friday | 10:45 to 11:45 am

Free! All participants must wear helmets. No sticks or pucks please.

# Adult (16+) Shinny

Monday and Wednesday | 12:00 to 1:15 pm

\$6.67 + GST per player. Goalies play for free! Maximum 20 players (five on the ice at a time). Maximum two goalies. Helmet with mask and gloves mandatory.

# **Events at the ARC**

# **Blood Services**

Saturday, January 25 | 9:00 am to 2:00 pm Thursday, January 30 | 1:00 to 7:00 pm

For more information, please call 1-888-2-Donate or visit blood.ca.

# **Sports Card Show**

Saturday, January 11 | 10:00 am to 4:00 pm Sunday, January 12 | 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

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# **Partner Programs**

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- Oversee logistics of the committee's operations and work
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To learn more about these roles and to apply, please contact volunteer@acadiaca.com or visit www.acadia. community/volunteer.

# **Soccer Program Coordinator**

We're going into our second year of our grassroots soccer program, and we are in need of a Soccer Program Coordinator to make this season a great success! Over the past year, we've built a great program and developed lots of support, so the volunteer who picks up the program will have an excellent foundation to work from. If you are enthusiastic about bringing high-quality youth programming to your community, contact us today at volunteer@acadiaca.com for more information and to apply!

#### **Communications Committee Chair**

We are in need of someone to take on the Communications Committee Chair role to oversee support for ACA communications, including the acadiaca.com website, Hello Acadia newsletter submissions, and our social media accounts. If you have experience in general digital communications and would like to learn more about this great opportunity, please get in touch today!

# **Planning/Development Committee Chair**

We are looking for someone to take on the Planning/ Development Committee Chair role in order to review planning, development, and transportation matters that pertain to the community of Acadia. This individual will also manage the other subcommittees of Traffic Safety and Playgrounds within their domain. If you are interested in helping to build a safer and more accessible community spaces, reach out to us today!

# **Event Committee Members**

Every fun event you've attended or heard about relies on key people to bring the plan together and execute it seamlessly.

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If any of the above major events interest you, reach out today to learn more about the commitment and responsibilities. We hope you will consider joining us and bring your creative touch to these awesome events!

# **Community Engagement Committee Members**

Are you passionate about making a difference in your community? Join our Volunteer Community Engagement Committee! We are looking for enthusiastic individuals who are eager to promote community involvement and foster connections between our community and those people, organizations, and businesses that make Acadia a great place to live or operate. If you believe we can make Acadia even better, bring creativity and positivity, and enjoy having fun while making an impact, this is the perfect opportunity for you to develop your skills, meet your neighbours, and contribute to meaningful projects that enhance our community.



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For upcoming 2025 order deadline and pickup dates, please refer to the chart below:

# Good Food Box Order Deadlines and Pick Up Dates For 2025

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February 14	February 26	
March 7	March 19	
March 28	April 9	
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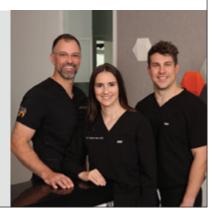
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#### HELPFUL SKELS:

- ol abilities & attention to detail
- written and interpersonal communication
- understanding of municipal development
- and permitting processes

  engagement & group facilitation skills

#### ACA COMMITTEE CHAIR BOLES:

- time commitment of approx. 6-8 hours per
- · 2-year term commitment encouraged

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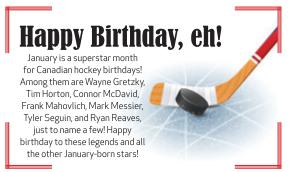


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# DISCREET & CONVENIENT TEETH STRAIGHTENING





## COMFORTABLE:



Custom-made for each individual, Invisalign aligners ensure a comfortable and snug fit, eliminating the potential for irritation or discomfort associated with traditional braces.

#### PREDICTABLE RESULTS:

Invisalign uses advanced digital technology to create a step-by-step plan for teeth movement, allowing individuals to visualize expected results before starting treatment for a predictable and controlled approach.



#### **INVISIBLE APPEARANCE:**

Invisalign offers a virtually invisible appearance due to its clear and transparent aligners, allowing individuals to undergo orthodontic treatment discreetlu.



## SHORTER TREATMENT:

In some cases, Invisalign may offer a shorter treatment duration compared to traditional braces, thanks to precise and personalized treatment plans.



## REMOVABLE:

Invisalign aligners are removable, providing flexibility in eating and facilitating easier oral hygiene practices by allowing individuals to take them out for brushing and flossing.



## IMPROVED ORAL HEALTH:

Being able to remove the dear aligners when necessary makes it easier to practice good oral hygiene like brushing and flossing. This can lead to a cleaner, healthier mouth and cut down on additional issues like mouth sores, cavities, bad breath, and tooth decau.





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