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Centre Hours (subject to change)

Monday to Friday, 9:00 am to 9:00 pm

Saturday, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm Sunday, 9:30 am to 3:00 pm

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Newsletter

Your Deer Run Villager is published twelve times per year. The submission deadline is the first of each month for the following issue.

Please email your articles or community event listings as an attachment, in an MSWord file, to the DRCA Communications Director at commdirector@deerruncalgary.com.

Community-related digital photos and art are welcome. Ensure recognizable people in images have given their permission. Send a caption and/or the names of people. The requirements are 250 KB for a smaller picture and 1 to 3 MB for a cover picture. JPEG format is preferred.

Our Mission

Facilitate a variety of fun programs and activities to encourage community involvement and volunteer opportunities.

Our Vision

Deer Run is a thriving community that provides opportunities to support our families and neighbours.

Board of Directors

We are always looking for enthusiastic and community orientated residents to join our board and volunteer committees. It's a great way to contribute to Deer Run. Visit the volunteer page on our website for details.



Howdy Residents of Deer Run!

We had another successful Deer Run Parade of Garage Sales. There was quite the car parade on our cul-de-sac and some happy neighbours because of the great response.

As you may or may not know, Deer Run has a lot of events for all ages.

These events do not happen without participation and volunteering from community members. Many hands make the task easier.

Speaking of events, Stampede is coming early to Deer Run, come for breakfast on June 22 from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. We will need more volunteers to make the event happen, as well as our Deer Run community members and their families to come out and have fun. Last year we had over 1,100 visitors, and we expect this year to be even better. There will be wagon rides, live music and line dancing, games for the whole family, live interactive games, bouncy castles, and face painting for the kids. Oh, we might want to mention there will be breakfast served too, and you guessed it, Spolumbos sausages are already ordered! Invite friends and family to come to the best community event in Calgary! Volunteers like you make it great. Go to deerruncalgary. com/stampede to sign up to help. If you can't volunteer, we look forward to serving you breakfast.

Also coming soon: Ball Tournament August 16 to 18 and the Community Cleanup Saturday, September 21.

This summer, the daycare rooms will be renovated and get special pint-sized bathrooms. The 70s decor was looking worn, and bathroom breaks for the little ones have been an exercise in patience. Puddles in the main bathroom were also an issue. Come fall, everything will be shiny and new.

On behalf of the board, I would like to invite anyone interested to come to a board meeting and see what goes on. We are always looking for volunteers to help with green thumb projects, accounting, and project management, as well as members with people skills, or just a strong desire to learn something new. The Federation of Calgary Communities offers free courses

to community board members to sharpen their skills in community organization.

You can always come by and say hello to our Centre Manager Rob Garnett and let him know you want to help make a difference.

Any questions about Deer Run Community? Contact me at mike@deerruncalgary.com.

Take care,

Michael Isakeit

Vice President of a Great Community (Deer Run)



Our Centre Manager Rob Garnett is in frame during the 2019 DRCA Stampede Breakfast.

Calendar of Events

Stampede Breakfast	Saturday, June 22 from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm
Stay n' Play	July 2 to 5
Skate Spot Skateboard Lessons	July 19 and 26
Ball Tournament	August 16 to 18
Community Cleanup	Saturday, September 21





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In a Pickle with Extra Produce?

by Nicole B.

If you're a gardener, I am sure you know the annual routine, seeds started in March and planted into the ground in May. Finally, after a lot of weeding, watering, and sweating, a plentiful garden. Peppers, tomatoes, potatoes, or what have you, it is always satisfying to see what your family was able to grow over the summer. Sometimes we have too much luck with our crops, and we grow so much we do not know what to do with it. It is common to see people giving away zucchini by the dozens or having too many tomatoes to can in one summer! If you have ever experienced this, there are tons of ways to help share, love, and display your gardening talents without waste.

One option anyone can access is the Calgary Food Bank. The Calgary Food Bank has a campaign called 'Grow a Row.' The campaign gives local gardeners the opportunity to donate any extra produce that you or your loved ones can't eat before it goes bad. All you do is bring your food down and they will weigh it and then

use it for fresh produce at the Calgary Food Bank. You do not even have to wash it!

Not a gardener? No problem. We are also very excited to announce the Broxburn Mobile Farm Stand is back for the season every Friday from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. They can do the growing and you are free to donate what you cannot eat.

Growers and shoppers alike can also bring any leftover fruit and vegetables they have to Leftovers, a non-profit that ensures food destined for the landfill can get into the empty stomachs of our city's most vulnerable populations. Leftovers aims to "rescue your harvest" and help donate the produce accordingly.

For more information about the Calgary Food Bank 'Plant a Row,' visit calgary foodbank.com/growarow/.

For more information about the Leftovers, visit rescuefood.ca/home-harvest.

For more information about the Broxburn mobile market locations, see broxburn-vegetables.com/pages/calgary-order-pickup.





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Wednesdays, 1:30 to 2:30 pm

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Yoga Fundamentals Drop-in with Shawna

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Drop-in to Escape the Heat (and Smoke)!

by Nicole B.

For the past few summers, we have been experiencing extreme heatwaves. If recent history is any indication, we can expect temperatures to approach 40 degrees more frequently than they ever have. Scorching heat coupled with the smoke from an intense wildfire season can curb any fun outdoor activities. It is important to find indoor activities that keep everyone entertained and safe!

We have you covered this summer as we offer drop-in ping-pong. The ping-pong table can be set up in our cool downstairs area, and the room is fully equipped with air conditioning! This provides a place to cool down and get away from the summer heat and wildfire smoke for you, your friends, and your family. It is perfect for all skill levels, and if you are new to the sport or don't have a paddle, the DRCA has a few paddles and lots of ping-pong balls!

At the DRCA, drop-in ping-pong is free for members and \$3 for non-members. For more information about memberships, you can visit deerruncalgary. com/membership/ or you can purchase a membership at the front desk.



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See Y'all at the Stampede Breakfast

by Todd Andre

Mike Isakeit wears a lot of hats.

He's Vice President of the Deer Run Community Association (DRCA) and Co-Director of their Annual Stampede Breakfast. He's also been a Stampede volunteer for 45 years and on the board at Friends of Fish Creek. This is all on top of a day job in corporate Calgary, while juggling a family at home, as well as the pressures of coaching your kids in minor league soccer.

His favourite hat, however, might be the one he will wear on June 22 for the annual tradition we know and love, the DRCA Stampede Breakfast.

"I love my cowboy hat, but I don't need a fancy one," he says. "I used to be in corporate, and every time we're hosting in corporate, they give you a \$200 hat. They sit in my house with a bag over them. Don't want to get them dirty!"

If you're slinging eggs and sizzling sausages at breakfast every year for more than two decades, you're going to get your hat dirty. So, he rolls with the \$29 Stetson and gets to work.

"Good for any day" Isakeit beams.

But it isn't every day that 1,100 hungry people line up at the centre for succulent Spolumbo's sausages and pancakes. Deer Run's Stampede Breakfast is the biggest event of the year, and 30-year resident Isakeit has always loved how it brings the community together. Seniors' clubs, youth groups, local businesses, and community centre collectives all work hard to keep this summer tradition a success.



Photo by Ana del Campo

"We make it a community affair," he says. "It's not about the sausage and pancakes, family is number one, that is what makes our breakfast so special."

Families young and old will love the wagon rides, live music, and line dancing, as well as games for all ages, bouncy castles, and face painting.

And of course, the weather will be perfect, too – at least for a while.

"God blesses us with a breakfast in the morning and we're done by noon," he says. "After that it usually rains."

There was one ill-fated year where the event plans went into the afternoon, challenging the natural order of things, only to be met with God's wrath.

"They set up two tents inside the berms where the skating rink is," he says. "Right [after the barbecue] at like 12:30 pm. Boom! It just poured. Everything got drenched. We lost \$5,000 worth of catering. It was terrible. We never do a full day."

And they probably never will again. Remember, breakfast starts at 9:00 am, so get your friends and family in early, get some grub, have some fun, and then get out. Even Mike, with all those hats, doesn't have one big enough to keep dry under the inevitable prairie thunderstorm to follow.

It's part of the tradition. See y'all there!

For more information and to volunteer, please visit deerruncalgary.com/stampede.

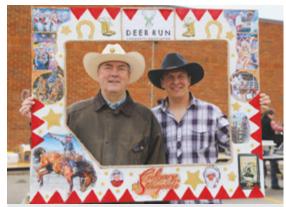


Photo by Ana del Campo. DRCA Vice President Mike Isakeit (left) and President Kim Semeniuk (right) mugging it up at the 2019 Stampede Breakfast.







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Managing Seasonal Allergies

by Alberta Health Services

Allergies occur when your immune system overreacts in response to certain substances, mistaking harmless elements as harmful germs or viruses. Numerous triggers can cause this to happen such as pollens, medicine, food, dust, animal dander, and mould.

If your allergy symptoms occur seasonally, it's likely due to an allergy to specific pollens from trees, grasses, or weeds.

Allergies can range from mild to severe, and some overthe-counter allergy medications may alleviate certain symptoms. Remember to carefully read and follow the instructions on medication labels.

Effectively managing your allergies is key to maintaining good health. Your healthcare provider might recommend tests to pinpoint the exact cause of your allergies. Once you identify your triggers, you can take steps to avoid them, which will help prevent allergy symptoms and potential health complications.

In some cases, immunotherapy could be beneficial. This treatment involves injections or pills containing small amounts of specific allergens. Over time, your body becomes desensitized to these allergens, resulting in reduced or prevented allergic reactions.

Symptoms and Treatment of Seasonal Allergies

Seasonal allergies can happen during any season and are very common. Some symptoms include:

- · Itchy, watery eyes
- Sneezing
- · Runny, stuffy, or itchy nose
- Temporary loss of smell
- Headache and fatigue
- Dark circles under the eyes ("allergic shiners")
- Drainage from the nose down the back of the throat (post-nasal drip)
- · Sore throat, coughing, or snoring

Home treatments are usually all you need to treat seasonal allergies, depending on your symptoms. Medicines you can try for a stuffy nose include steroid nasal sprays, which can also help with red, itchy, watery eyes.

Other treatments include:

- Clean the inside of your nose with salt water to provide relief of a stuffy nose.
- Use a humidifier in the bedroom and take hot showers to help clear a stuffy nose. Follow the directions for cleaning the humidifier.
- If your nose is red and raw from rubbing, put petroleum jelly on the sore area.
- Use over-the-counter allergy medicine to help your symptoms. Use a nasal or oral decongestant (such as Drixoral) to relieve a stuffy nose. For itchy, watery eyes; sneezing; or a runny, itchy nose, try a non-sedating over-the-counter antihistamine, like fexofenadine (such as Allegra) or loratadine (such as Claritin). To help relieve pain, try acetaminophen or ibuprofen.

Preventing Seasonal Allergies

You can reduce your exposure to pollen and other allergens that cause seasonal allergies by:

- Keeping your house and car windows closed.
- Checking the Air Quality Health Index before you go outside.
- Limiting the time you spend outside when pollen counts are high (during midday and afternoon).
- Wearing a pollen mask or dust mask if you need to mow the lawn.
- Limiting your mowing tasks if you can.
- Rinsing your eyes with cool water or saline eyedrops to remove clinging pollen after you come indoors.
- Taking a shower and changing your clothes after you work or play outside.



GAMES & PUZZLES

Guess That Artist!

- 1. Born on May 11, 1904, in Spain, this artist is probably best known for their work titled "The Persistence of Memory".
- 2. This Italian artist is often called the founder of the High Renaissance, and identified as one of the greatest painters of Western art.
- 3. Born in 1853, this artist famously cut off his left ear.
- 4. This artist is one of the most famous American visual artists for his pop art pieces.
- 5. Based in England, this street artist and political activist is well known across North America, with one of their popular artworks titled "Balloon Girl".
- 6. This Spanish painter and sculptor is best known for his cubism and surrealism.







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Root Beer

This classic beverage we all know, and love was invented in North America, and was traditionally made with sassafras root. You can find recipes for the drink in recipe books dating from as far back as the 1860s. This tasty drink's popularity skyrocketed during the prohibition and continues to be a popular choice today.



Greetings Ward 14!

The days are as long as they can be. There is lots of time to go outside and enjoy this beautiful city. To start off this month, I will show you some tips on gardening, and water usage. I will remind you that it is tax bill time and show you where to sign up to pay in installments. There will be information about Neighbour Day, Canada Day, a podcast you might like, and much more. Of course, to get this information you will need to visit calgary.ca/ward14 for the full June column.

Feel free to contact me any time, and don't forget to visit calgary.ca/ward14 for the full version of this column. The best way to contact me is by visiting calgary.ca/contactward14 or calling 403-268-1653.

Sincerely,

Councillor Peter Demong





MP Calgary Midnapore Stephanie Kusie 204 – 279 Midpark Way SE Calgary, AB T2X 1M2

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Dear Constituents.

The warm weather has finally arrived and school is nearly out for many students across Calgary Midnapore. To the class of 2024 – congratulations! Whether you're planning for university, traveling, or moving directly into the workforce, I know you will go on to do incredible things and make our community of Calgary Midnapore proud!

Later this month, Parliament will rise for the summer and MPs will return to our communities to meet with constituents, attend events, and, for Calgary MPs like me, see our city come to life during the greatest outdoor show on earth!

Under the leadership of Pierre Poilievre, my Conservative colleagues have been hard at work standing up for Canadians and holding the government to account. Rest assured, we will not take our foot off the gas and will continue advocating for the best interests of all Canadians.

I'd also like to take a moment to recognize the 80th anniversary of D-Day. On June 6, 1944, 14,000 brave Canadian soldiers stormed Juno Beach and put their lives on the line so we could live in peace today. As we mark 80 years since the Allies turned the tide in the Second World War, I encourage all constituents to thank those currently serving our great country and remember all who have sacrificed for us in the past. Lest we forget.

To stay up to date on the work I'm doing on your behalf, please sign up for my monthly e-newsletter. You can do so online at StephanieKusieMP.ca. Another way to keep engaged is through my social media -@StephanieKusiePoitician (Facebook), @StephanieKusie (X and Instagram), @StephanieKusieMP (YouTube).

I wish you a great month ahead!

Sincerely,

Stephanie Kusie

MP, Calgary Midnapore



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The 31st legislative session has come to a close, and I'm eager to dedicate more time to our constituency this summer. Please join me for the first Annual Stampede BBQ on Saturday, July 6, from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm at the Bonavista Downs community hall. It promises to be a delightful, family-friendly affair, welcoming both furry friends and our esteemed Premier Smith along with other Ministers and MLAs for a potential visit. Enjoy fantastic fare from Spolumbos, lively music, and the opportunity to connect with various community associations showcasing their initiatives. I extend a warm invitation to all constituents of Calgary-Fish Creek to attend!

Alberta Releases Drought Response Plan

I am pleased to share that Alberta's new 2024 Drought Response Plan has been released and will help guide the province through any and all drought conditions. This is a plan covering everything from conservation plans and water-sharing agreements to declaring an emergency and prioritizing water for human health and safety. It will help ensure that Albertans, communities, farmers, ranchers, and businesses get the support they need, whatever the weather.

Drought conditions can change rapidly and impact different areas in very different ways. The Drought Response Plan outlines:

- The five stages of Alberta's drought response.
- The roles and responsibilities of partners, including government, to help everyone collaborate and communicate.
- The regulatory and non-regulatory approaches and tools that may be used in various drought conditions.
- How and when emergencies would be declared, with recognition that declaring an emergency is used as a last resort.

More information can be found at www.alberta.ca/drought-what-government-is-doing#jumplinks-2.

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