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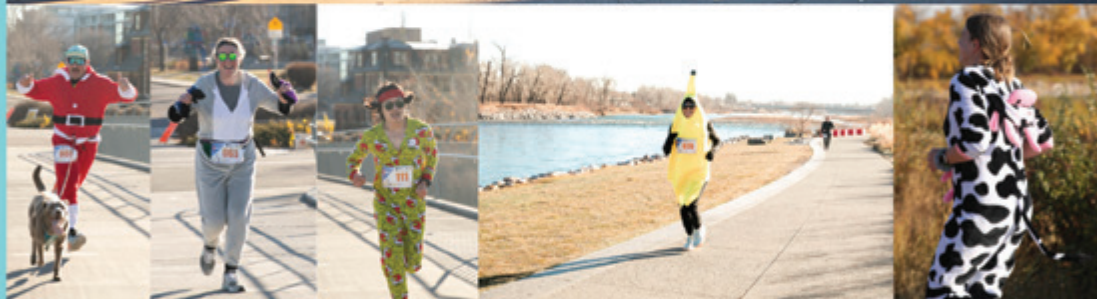
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Membership Update

Membership

Stay connected in 2026! A new year means new opportunities to connect. With all current memberships expiring at the end of February, now is the perfect time to renew and keep supporting the programs you love.

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September 29	October 7
October 27	November 4
December 1	December 9

For up-to-date information, visit www.ckpcalgary.ca/goodfoodbox.

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Want To Host a Depot in Fairview? We need a local coordinator! Visit ckpcalgary.ca/goodfoodbox to see how you can help bring this service back to our neighbourhood.

Get Involved: Volunteer Opportunities

Fairview is powered by people like you! Our Board, events, and projects only happen because of our awesome volunteers. Whether you have an hour or a specialized skill, we need your help to keep our community thriving.

“Nobody can do everything, but everyone can do something!”

Open Positions and Events

Board of Directors: We are recruiting for President, Secretary, Treasurer and General Members. Join one meeting a month to build leadership skills and help steer our community.

Planning and Development: Have expertise in urban planning or land use? Help us guide the residential and industrial evolution of Fairview.

55+ Seniors’ Collective: We are seeking volunteers to help plan and launch social gatherings, workshops, or casual meetups tailored to our local 55+ residents. Whether you want to take the lead on planning or just lend a hand, we’d love to have you on board. Let’s keep Fairview’s community spirit thriving across every generation!

Fall Family Festival and Movie in the Park: We’re looking for volunteers to help with Event Planning (pre-festival organizing) or Event Day tasks like setup, concessions, and festival games. Whether you want to lead a committee or just lend a hand for a few hours on movie night, your help makes this community celebration possible!

Ready to help?

Email volunteer@fairviewcommunity.ca to sign up or ask questions.



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Fall Family Festival and Movie in the Park

Friday, September 11, 2026

Flavelle Park

An evening of family fun under the stars at Flavelle Park! Our most popular social event of the year is almost here, featuring the movie "Hopper", concessions, and delicious popcorn. Bring your blankets, lawn chairs, and favourite neighbours for an unforgettable evening of outdoor fun!

A fantastic community event like this relies on awesome neighbours to run smoothly. If you have an hour or two to spare on event day, we'd love to have you on the team! Email events@fairviewcommunity.ca or leave a message at 403-252-5424.

Friday, September 11	Fall Family Festival Movie in the Park - Flavelle Park
November/December	Outdoor Rink Set Up at Flavelle Park
Mid-December	Fairview Community Lights Festival
December 2026*	Bowling with Santa at Toppler Bowl

***Exact dates will be confirmed closer to the event.**

While we finalize the exact dates for these events, you can find the latest updates on our website and social media channels. Want the news delivered straight to your inbox? Sign up for our email updates at fairviewcommunity.ca/subscribe so you never miss an announcement!

Fairview Community Association Board Meeting

National AccessArts Centre, 7038 Fairmount Drive SE and Virtual Option.

Tuesday, September 1, 2026, 7:00 pm.

Next Meeting Tuesday, October 6, 2026, 6:30 pm.

Board meetings have changed and are now held the first Tuesday of each month (with some exceptions). All members are welcome and encouraged to attend by contacting secretary@fairviewcommunity.ca.

Join the Fun: Fairview's Fall and Winter Events!

Fall is here, and we're keeping the momentum going with a fantastic lineup of autumn and winter events! To bring these neighbourhood favorites to life, we need a few extra hands.

How You Can Help

- Movie in the Park and Fall Festival: Concessions, setup, and cleanup crew.
- Winter Rink Crew: Ice maintenance and community skate prep.
- Bowling with Santa: Event planning, lane helpers, and holiday cheer ambassadors.

Lend a hand for an hour or two! Email volunteer@fairviewcommunity.ca to get involved.

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SECOND VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Fairview,

Summer always seems to go faster than expected, and here we are already looking towards fall and the rest of the year.

First, I want to say how excited I am about the new members who have joined the Fairview Community Association Board. New people bring new ideas, different perspectives and some fresh energy to the group. Just as importantly, I want to thank the Board Members who stayed on and continue to put in the time. There is a lot that happens behind the scenes in a Community Association, and we have a great group of people willing to keep doing the work.

Movie in the Park

Our next big event is Movie in the Park on Friday, September 11, at Flavelle Park. This year we are featuring "Hoppers!"; this has been a Fairview tradition for more than 20 years, and we're looking forward to another great night.

We'll have activities starting at 6:00 pm, with the movie starting around 8:00 to 8:30 pm as it gets dark.

As always, events like this need volunteers. You don't have to join the Board or sign your life away. If you can give us an hour, help set something up, work an activity, hand something out or help clean up afterward, that makes a difference.

If you'd like to help with Movie in the Park—or any of our upcoming events—email us at events@fairviewcommunity.ca.

What's Next?

We're already working on the rest of the year, including Bowling with Santa, and we're looking at a few other

possible events between now and the New Year.

If you have an idea for something you'd like to see happen in Fairview, let us know. Even better, if you have an idea and you're willing to help make it happen, we definitely want to hear from you.

What's Happening in Fairview?

We also want to hear more from the people who actually live here.

If there is something happening in Fairview that you think the rest of the community should know about, tell us. Maybe it's an overdue road or sidewalk repair, a safety concern, something positive a neighbour has done, or even a little Fairview-specific "cheat" or tip that makes living here easier.

We can't be everywhere and we don't see everything. With more than 1,200 homes in Fairview, the best source of information about what's happening in the community is the people who live in it.

Send us a note at news@fairviewcommunity.ca. If it's something useful for the wider community, we can help get the word out.

There is lots happening between now and the end of the year, and I'm looking forward to seeing what this new board can accomplish together.

See you around the neighbourhood,

Wayne McNeely

Second Vice President

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Paws for Celebration!

September is Happy Cat Month! Did you know about 75% of dogs visit the vet annually for checkups and preventative care, while only about 40-50% of cats do? That's why the month of September is dedicated to celebrating and promoting the health and happiness of our feline friends!



Back to School in Fairview

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Whodunit?

Born September 15, 1890, Agatha Christie was one of the greatest mystery writers of her time. Most notable for her riveting detective novels, Christie wrote over 60 novels in her time as a writer, many of which defined the mystery genre we know today.



Weed Alert

While lawn care season brings out all kinds of backyard greenery, not every plant with a pretty flower is a welcome guest.

Under the Alberta Weed Control Act, municipal guidelines require residents to manage noxious and invasive weeds on their property. While common lawn visitors like dandelions play an important role in our local ecosystem, invasive plants like Creeping Bellflower (*Campanula rapunculoides*) pose a serious threat to native plant life and backyard gardens alike.

How to Identify Creeping Bellflower

Often mistaken for harmless garden perennials, Creeping Bellflower features:

- **Flowers:** Vibrant purple/blue, bell-shaped blossoms growing along one side of a tall stem (up to three to four feet high).
- **Leaves:** Heart-shaped or long, serrated leaves along the lower stem.
- **Roots:** An aggressive, creeping underground root network with thick white taproots and creeping horizontal runners (*rhizomes*).



Why It's a Problem

Creeping Bellflower spreads rapidly both above and below ground. A single plant can produce thousands of seeds per year, and tiny root fragments left in the soil can sprout into brand-new plants. Because it easily chokes out surrounding perennials, turf grass, and native flora, early action is essential.

Removal and Proper Disposal

- **Dig Deep:** Hand-pulling alone will break the root, causing the plant to resprout. Use a trowel or shovel to dig out the entire root mass, getting as far down as possible to remove every tuber.
- **Do Not Compost:** Never put Creeping Bellflower stems, roots, or seed heads into your home compost or green yard-waste bin, as this can spread seeds across the city.
- **Use Your Black Cart:** Under City disposal rules, all noxious and invasive weeds belong securely bagged in your Black Cart for proper landfill management.

Need more info? Contact The City of Calgary at 3-1-1 or visit calgary.ca/parks/pests/creeping-bellflower to learn more about managing invasive yard pests.



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Back to School Safety

by Alberta Health Services



Alberta Health Services EMS would like to remind parents and students of some basic safety tips as the school year begins again this fall. Pedestrians and motorists both have an important role to play—road safety is a shared responsibility.

Motorists

- Distracted driving carries a \$300 fine and three demerit points in Alberta. Avoid the use of mobile devices or engaging in any other behavior that diverts your attention away from driving.
- Give right-of-way to pedestrians who have activated overhead crossing lights, or who are waiting to cross from a street corner.
- Other than parked cars, it is illegal to pass another vehicle in a school or playground zone during posted hours.

Around School Buses

- Flashing amber lights mean a bus is slowing down to stop—motorists should do likewise.
- No matter which direction you are coming from, stop when approaching a school bus with activated flashing red lights—unless the bus is on the opposite side of a divided highway from you.

- Driver courtesy goes a long way. By simply being alert and cautious when approaching a school bus, you are contributing to school bus safety.

Pedestrians

- Cross only at marked crosswalks, or street corners that have clear visibility from all directions.
- Make eye contact with all drivers before crossing the street and keep distractions to a minimum.
- When activating overhead crossing lights, pause before stepping off the curb to ensure motorists in both directions have come to a complete stop.
- Stay within the crosswalk lines.
- Obey pedestrian lights at intersections. Cross the street only when you see the 'walk' sign and only when all cars have come to a complete stop.
- If you are with young children or pets, hold your child's hand firmly and keep a solid grip on leashes when crossing.
- Remember: Children learn by observing. By demonstrating safe crossing habits, you can reduce the chances of your child being involved in a preventable auto/pedestrian collision.

Curbside Treasure Hunt: One Weekend, Countless Finds.

by The City of Calgary



On September 12 and 13, join the city-wide Curbside Treasure Hunt! Set out gently used items on your curb and label them with a sign saying “free” for neighbours to take and/or explore your neighbourhood for free finds as well. It’s a fun and easy way to give your things a second life and keep usable items out of the landfill.

How It Works:

1. Clear the Clutter.

Look around your home for items you no longer need, but someone else might love.

2. Label It “FREE”.

Clearly mark each item with a “FREE” sign so people know it’s part of the Treasure Hunt. Download a template at calgary.ca/treasurehunt.

3. Set It Out.

Place your items neatly at the curb Saturday morning.

4. Remove items that are NOT part of the hunt.

Make sure anything on your lawn or on the curb that you plan to keep is removed, put away, or secured so it’s clear what’s free to take and what’s not.

5. Treasure Hunt!

Explore your neighbourhood and discover free finds all weekend long (only take items clearly labelled as “free”).

6. Wrap It Up.

By Sunday, September 13 at 5:00 pm, remove any untaken items from your curb and consider donating them to a local charity.

For safety reasons, **please don’t put out** items that could be hazardous or not safe to reuse, such as:

- Mattresses
- Toilets
- Unsafe or recalled items
- Baby gear or safety equipment that may not meet current standards

Do you live in a condo or apartment? You can participate as well! Coordinate with your property manager to establish a shared drop-off location.

Let’s keep good things out of the landfill. Happy treasure hunting!

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Support Victoria Fortuna and Her Family After a Tragic Highway Accident



In the early evening of February 8, 2026, the Fortuna family's life was forever altered by a devastating and senseless accident.

Victoria, a 21-year-old student at MacEwan University, and her father, Paul Fortuna, 53 years old, were the innocent victims of a horrific and tragic vehicle accident that occurred in Edmonton, Alberta. Sadly, her father, Paul, succumbed to his injuries at the scene, and Victoria has been left with catastrophic, life-threatening, and life-altering injuries. She is currently fighting for her life and receiving critical medical care at the University Hospital in Edmonton.

This GoFundMe, created in partnership with her family, is being established to help ease the inconceivable financial hardship they are facing.

The initial \$100,000 fundraising target will help cover immediate expenses, including lodging in Edmonton for Victoria's mother, Colleen (Cousens) Fortuna, and 16-year-old sister, Ariana, both from Calgary. This will also allow Colleen to take necessary time away from work during this period of immense hardship and profound change to focus on Victoria's medical journey and to help her daughters through the unimaginable grief of the sudden, tragic loss of their father.

In the days, months, and years ahead, Victoria will require additional surgeries, extensive rehabilitation, specialized leg prosthetics, intensive mental health support, and enduring general medical care. The financial impact will be significant and ongoing, with future fundraising goals evolving as a result of these needs.

The family is deeply grateful for the kindness, prayers, and support they have already received. Your generosity, through a donation or by sharing this GoFundMe, will allow them to focus on supporting their beloved Victoria through her long recovery journey. It takes a village and every donation counts.

Thank you for standing with them during this unimaginably difficult time.

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