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Volunteer!

We can't do it without you! Ongoing recruitment of volunteers is essential to the success of our special events. If you would like a say in future events and have time to get involved, we encourage you to contact our Facility Manager, Nadine Jack, at 403-257-1823 or manager@mckenzielakecommunity.com.

Neighbourhood Happenings

Event	Date/Time
Pickleball	Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 9:30 am to 12:30 pm
Mom and Tots	Thursdays, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm
MLCA Board Meetings	Third Tuesday of the month, 7:00 to 9:00 pm in the Lighthouse Room.



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Hello Neighbours!

The entire team at MLCA wishes everyone a very Happy Valentine's Day. It is our hope you spend it with the ones you love and cherish the most.

The McKenzie Lake Community Centre Directors have made some changes in positions held on the board. A huge thank you to Grant Burchell for the many years of volunteer service as President. Grant has done an amazing job making the centre a wonderful environment to work and play in. Grant has taken on the Secretary position to make room for new board President Anna Collister. The board looks forward to Anna's enthusiasm and expertise that she brings to her new position. Brandy Bugg-Boruck steps into the Vice President position and McKenna Boechler takes on the position of Treasurer. We are also happy to welcome new board members Andrew Boechler and Drew Ecklund as Directors at Large. We are excited to share our enthusiasm with these folks and look forward to their ideas and input to the board.

Unfortunately, we don't have much to report as of yet as we are working on bringing lots of fun programs, events, and parties for all ages in the coming months! If you have an idea for an event and would like to help organize one for your community, we encourage you to reach out to us. MLCA is here to help bring your ideas to life.

The MLCA is a volunteer based, non-profit organization that was established in 1984. Our mission is to enhance the quality of life in the McKenzie Lake community by fostering and promoting a sense of community identity, pride, and involvement. Our vision is to unite the community of McKenzie Lake and to offer new and engaging programs and events for the residents of our community. MLCA is governed by the Board of Directors which consists exclusively of volunteer McKenzie Lake residents elected annually at the Annual General Meeting. The board meets on the third Tuesday of each month. Some of these meetings are "open" meetings therefore we encourage the community to join us to learn more about what the board is doing for the community. We welcome you to contact our office to find out when our open meetings occur.

MLCA currently provides the following programs and services to the residents of McKenzie Lake:



- Maintenance of the community centre, outdoor skating rink, and select pathways within the community.
- Organizing community events that bring people together to meet one another and celebrate community successes.
- Recreation programs, activities, and community events.
- Organized sports programs.
- Facilitate community input into planning, development and environmental issues that affect the community such as building development, zoning, parks development, and roadways.
- Provide updates and resources about safety and crime prevention.
- Maintain communication platforms: website, social media pages, and this printed newsletter. This *Gazette* is to keep our community informed about all things McKenzie Lake.

Year In Review

We are now back in full swing with our programs and events to support community members of all ages. We have successfully continued to increase events such as the Frenzie, MLCA Beer Garden Parties, Summer Sips and Socials, and Family Christmas and Halloween Dances. These events are increasing in numbers and indoor children's events are selling out. We have increased our partnerships with several of our long-term renters who have all been able to participate in some of our events to promote their programs and to help us with volunteer shortages.

Our BAS and Preschool programs have steadily increased in numbers, and we have been able to continue to add children and staff in the programs. The Kindergarten Program was recently introduced as well. The community centre rental hours have expanded, and it is now getting to the point of fully booked. Open nights like Saturdays are being booked by community members for events such as birthdays, hockey parties, and social gatherings. We are also happy to report that we successfully ran our community grassroots soccer programs for the second year since relaunching the

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LETTER FROM THE BOARD CONTINUED

program. The board has also completed some building improvements such as painting the exterior and installing special lighting, repairs to the rink surface and boards, skate shack repairs and reopening for community use, and indoor centre bathrooms, kitchen, and lobby repairs and improvements. Our focus moving forward is staying on task with regard to the lifecycle plan concerning the community centre structure.

MLCA would like to remind you that we offer pickleball for all skill levels on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. Only \$50 for ten plays! Purchase a game card and once all ten games are stamped you get your 11th game free! Visit the office to purchase your card. Make note there is no pickleball on April 26, May 17 and 20, and June 10, 2025.

Are you looking to socialize your kids with other families in the community? Our Mom and Tots program might be right for you. Visit MLCA Thursday mornings from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm during the school year. Enjoy a coffee, tea, or hot chocolate while the kids take over the gym. The kids love it, and they know this is “jumpy-jumpy” time in our bouncy house. Our drop-in fee is only \$5 per family! So come on out and socialize with other parents too!

Have an upcoming special event but no idea where to host it? The MLCA gymnasium can be transformed into a beautiful space for any special event or themed party. You can also rent the gym for athletic use such as floor hockey, soccer, volleyball, or pickleball. Host a memorable party and for an additional \$50 add on the bouncy house. Our light strike game can be added as well for an additional \$100. You might also want to inquire about our movie screen to host your own “movie party.” The ideas are endless at MLCA! The rental fee includes a warming kitchen and tables with chairs for up to 200 guests! Members only pay \$75 per hour and non-members pay \$85 per hour.

The temperature has been dropping and we are hard at work preparing and maintaining the outdoor rink for your skating pleasure. A skate sharpening service will be added this year for a nominal fee. The rink will be available for party rental as well! The fee is only \$50 per hour and includes the use of the skate shack to warm up in and for a place to enjoy food and snacks you want to supply. Contact the office to book your event and to check when the ice will be ready.

Are you looking to rent space at our hockey rink? Have your child in preschool or before and after school care? Would you like your child to play non-competitive community sports? The McKenzie Lake Community Association membership fee is only \$25+GST annually. This will allow you to take part in programs offered by the McKenzie Lake Community Association and receive rental rate discounts. Thank you for supporting your community association!

MLCA enjoys working with local businesses. If you own a business in our area and would like to partner with your community association as an event sponsor or membership partner, display an ad on our rink boards, or would like to donate items for raffle at our events to get your business name “out there,” please contact our Office Manager at manager@mckenzielakecommunity.com with your ideas.

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July 24	18	25	\$635,000	\$655,000
June 24	22	18	\$638,450	\$643,500
May 24	27	21	\$679,900	\$730,000
April 24	12	10	\$587,450	\$607,500
March 24	16	21	\$565,000	\$618,500
February 24	15	6	\$637,200	\$687,000
January 24	4	6	\$454,900	\$463,500

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The McKenzie Lake Residents Association is a non-profit organization geared towards providing a wide array of recreational services, programs and facilities for our members and their guests. We serve 3,200 residents and over 11,000 members and their families. In addition to the lake, members have access to tennis courts, basketball courts, a beach volleyball area, a toboggan hill and other recreational activities.

McKenzie Lake is a 43-acre lake combined with an 18-acre park for a total of 61 acres. The Association provides its members with access to equipment such as rowboats, canoes, kayaks, and pedal boats. To ensure a safe and fun environment, we provide life jackets for boating purposes. The lake is stocked with rainbow trout in May, June, and September of each year. In the winter time the Association provides a variety of skating surfaces including illuminated hockey rinks, an ice skating pad with a fire pit, and a 2.5 kilometre skating path around the lake. Skating areas are machine groomed with our own zamboni.

The Beach Club facility also has a function hall available to rent exclusively for the members.

The activities of the Association are determined and governed by an elected board of Directors comprising at least three (3) and no more than fifteen (15) members, that is, residents of the McKenzie Lake Residents Association. The Board of Directors have hired a General Manager who has been assigned responsibility for managing the day-to-day operations of the Association including the operations at the lake complex.

Board of Directors, McKenzie Lake Residents Association

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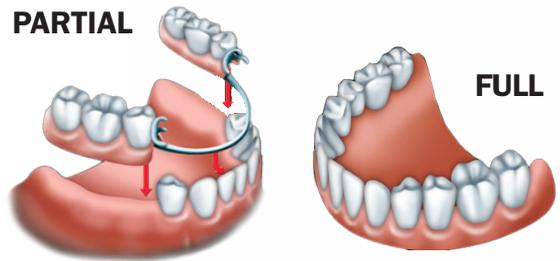
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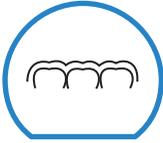
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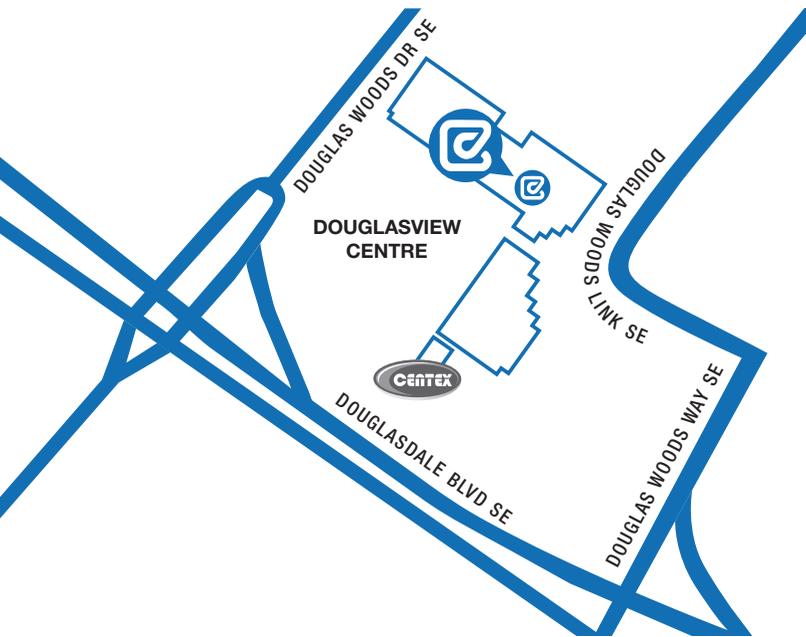


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The most recent grant we received was to help fund a large project that will completely change the park. The concrete pad and surrounding area have been upgraded substantially and now include a basketball/bounce court, a deck with a trellis feature and fire pit, new seating areas, upgraded paving stone pathways, artistic letters for play, new trees and shrubs, and an ice trail that will be a skating loop in the winter. We hope you enjoy!

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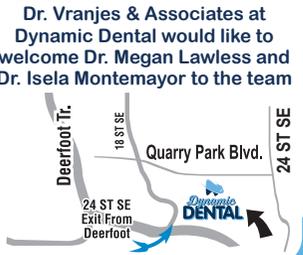
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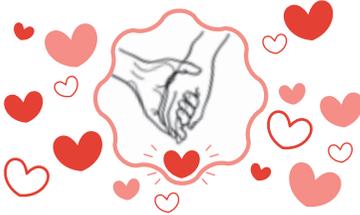




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Hello, Ward 14!

We are one month into 2025. Maybe you made some resolutions this year. Maybe you did not. Either way, I find it's important to be persistent. Are you succeeding? Keep it up! Are you falling short? Keep trying!

Perseverance is also the key to making sure my constituents are aware of their property assessment notices. I try to mention it two or three times. In the online version of this newsletter, I will remind you about them, storm ponds, storm drains, and whatever other topics pop up.

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.

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