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Everyone is invited, but you must have a valid membership to vote!



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Oueensland Diamond Cove and Deer Ridge Community **Associations Presents Spring Fling!**

Community children are invited to our Spring Fling Partv.

Please join us at the Queensland Community Centre on Saturday April 20 from 12:00 to 2:00 pm

This year we will be decorating bird houses and flowerpots.

Refreshments will be served.



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OUEENSLAND DIAMOND COVE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

April is here already! We are looking forward to nice weather for our busy months ahead.

Ramadan is still with us until April 9, and we were very happy to accommodate followers for their month of prayers.

Our AGM is quickly approaching. The date chosen is April 20. Please plan to attend and see what is happening in your community. This is the day that you can have your say on any opinions or ideas that you may have. If you have a community membership, it entitles you to vote on any issues that are on the agenda. If you do not have a membership, you are still entitled to voice your opinions as well, you just can't vote. We do have some positions that are up if you have ever considered being on the board. They are as follows: President, Second Vice, Secretary, Civic Affairs, Memberships, Ways and Means, Digital Media, two Directors at Large. Please come and support the association. We will also be having our Volunteer Appreciation Night following the AGM. If you would like to play darts, get door prizes, dance, and enjoy a free fun filled evening with your neighbours, then please join us.

We will be having our Spring Fling Children's Party on April 20. Come and join us for bird house decorating and flowerpots, and refreshments.

Our First Annual Spring Craft Fair will be April 27 from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. Please call Linda at 403-278-3366 or email lbrown@queenslanddiamondcove.com for more information.

May 25 is The Oueensland Community Parade of Garage Sales. Please call or text Dorothea Sautter and Vicki Fair-Bairn at 403-613-8133 or 403-850-1322 to register before May 20.

We are still awaiting a reply for the 2024 Cleanup Days and will have the information and the date by the middle of March after we have sent this publication to the printers. We will inform you as soon as we find out if we were accepted and the date that has been given to us.

This year we will be celebrating our 50th Anniversary as Queensland Community Association on June 22. Details of events will be posted in the next Crier.

We have been slated to have our Casino on Friday August 16 and Saturday August 17 at the Deerfoot Inn and Casino. This is our biggest fundraiser for our community. Please see more information in this newsletter and come and join us!

We've crafted an annual survey to hear your thoughts on how we're doing as a community. Please complete the survey at QueenslandDiamondCove.com/survey or scan the OR code in the ad found in this month's Crier. If you complete the survey, you can also enter a draw to win a \$100 gift card courtesy of Cornerstone Music Café. Your input matters - thank you for shaping our community!

Cheers.

Brian



2023 QUEENSLAND DIAMOND COVE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION SATISFACTION SURVEY

WE'RE LOOKING TO HEAR FROM YOU

The Queensland Diamond Cove Community Association values your perspective on the events of the past year.

Residents of Queensland or Diamond Cove, seize the opportunity to share your insights by completing our survey. Your input not only helps us improve but also enters you into a draw for a chance to win a \$100 gift card, generously provided by Cornerstone Music Café! Act fastthe survey closes on April 11th, and the winner will be chosen on April 18th.

Visit QueenslandDiamondCove.com/survey or scan the OR code below to participate.



2024 PARADE OF GARAGE SALES

It's that time of year again - Spring Cleaning
Time!

Clean out our closets, drawers, garages, basements and sheds and turn those unwanted items into \$\$ on SATURDAY, May 25 - 9 AM to 3 PM. If you do not have enough stuff, join up with a neighbour or make it a street event! Last year's participants were very please with the turnout and we know this year should be another big success for all of us out there "selling our stuff".

To register and have your garage or yard sale advertised free of charge, please go to our website to register:

Lawn signs, directional maps, and a list of all participating homes will be available for pick-up at the Community Centre the evening before the sale.

On the morning of the sale, directional signs will be placed on the main streets directing buyers into the community.

Registration deadline is May 20 (no exception, sorry)

For questions please contact:

Dorothea Sautter & Viki Fairbairn (sponsors) Royal LePage Benchmark

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COOK'S CORNER

Easy Chicken Stir-Fry

Ingredients

- 4 chicken breasts thinly sliced
- 1 onion thinly sliced
- 2 red bell peppers thinly sliced
- 2 cups shredded cabbage
- 2 cups baby corn halved
- · 2 cups greens, bok choy/spinach/kale chopped
- 1 cup spring/green onions finely chopped
- 500 grams egg noodles cooked to package instructions

Easy Stir-Fry Sauce

- 1/2 cup soy sauce
- 1 tbsp sesame oil
- 2 garlic cloves crushed
- 2 tsp ginger crushed
- · 3 tbsp hoisin sauce
- 1 tbsp corn flour mixed with 2 tbsp water to make a slurry

Instructions

- Add a splash of vegetable oil to a pre-heated wok then fry the chicken in batches until golden brown.
 Remove from the pan and set aside.
- Add the vegetables, stir-frying until just cooked and starting to colour then add the chicken, cooked noodles, and stir-fry sauce back into the wok.
- 3. Stir-fry until the vegetables and chicken are coated in the sauce and the sauce is starting to thicken.
- 4. Season to taste (add more soy/hoisin or lemon if necessary) and serve.



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Budget 2024 – a plan that prioritizes investments in health, education, and safety, and that ensures our province will continue to grow and thrive for generations to come.

Health care is a key pillar of Budget 2024. If passed, the budget would invest \$1 billion over three years to transform the continuing care system in response to the Facility-Based Continuing Care Review; \$475 million to support the continued implementation of the Modernizing Alberta's Primary Health Care System initiative, including \$200 million over two years to improve access to family physicians; \$10 million for primary health care initiatives in Indigenous communities; and \$15 million to further develop a compensation model for nurse practitioners.

Budget 2024 also focuses strongly on education. This budget would invest \$1.9 billion to support 98 school projects over the next three years. \$681 million in new funding would be invested to support priority school projects, including 43 new projects announced in the budget, creating a total of 35,000 new or modernized student spaces for children around the province. And an additional \$1.5 billion would be invested for educational learning supports for vulnerable students, children with specialized learning needs, and other students requiring additional supports.

Alberta provides among the most generous affordability measures and social supports across the country and Budget 2024 continues to help alleviate the financial burdens on Albertans. This includes \$717 million in capital grants over three years to advance Alberta's Affordable Housing Strategy, which incorporates \$254 million in new funding to help build about 3,300 new affordable housing units and complete 1,800 units already underway.

Finally, Budget 2024 focuses on paying down debt. An estimated \$6.4 billion in surplus cash is projected at the end of 2023-24 and Alberta's government is using half to pay off maturing debt this fiscal year. Of the remaining \$3.2 billion surplus cash, a forecast \$2 billion will be put in the Alberta Fund, and the other \$1.2 billion is being allocated to debt repayment to limit new borrowing required in 2024-25.

Budget 2024 is a responsible plan that prioritizes the needs of Albertans and their families and will help ensure Alberta continues to be one of the best places in the world to live, work, play, raise a family, or start a business.

If you have any questions or input, please feel free to reach out to my office at Calgary.FishCreek@assembly.ab.ca.

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Saturday April 27

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We have been slated to have our Casino on Friday August 16 and Saturday August 17 at the Deerfoot Inn and Casino. This is our biggest fundraiser for our community. To run our casino, we are looking for eighteen volunteers per

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Martine Myrthu

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