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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello,

Summer is in full swing and we are all getting used to our new watering schedules. If you are unaware of when your household can water with a sprinkler or sprinkler system, please consult calgary.ca/water.

Please be mindful while walking your pets in the summer sun, remember to see how warm the pavement is before taking your walk. Dogs have sensitive paws and the hot sidewalk can burn them. Also please consider taking water for you and your dog when taking long walks, we all need to hydrate on these warm days. Do not leave pets, children, or older adults in the car when going into the store this summer, make sure that you open the windows or bring them in – even if it is for a short time. Cars can heat up quickly; on warmer days keep your pet at home.

We would like to mention that Cory has joined our Board of Directors as Second Vice President. Welcome to our Board. The community sure appreciated you offering us your time and expertise. Our President's position is still vacant. If you would like to offer your help, please let Linda Brown know and she will bring it to the Board of Directors. Contact her at info@queenslanddiamondcove.com.

A big thank you goes out to our volunteers who helped out with our Casino event that took place in May. The following people offered their time so that we may grow our community funds to keep our center programming: Debbie, Cindi, Nevelda, Joanne, Angela, Bob, Paul, Eva, Roy, Christy, Julie J., Colin, Roseanna, Chris, Otto, Julio, Kevin, Jeff, Martine, Carol Ann, Stephanie, Karen, Linda, Doug, Lynda, Velma, Erika, Robert, Ken, Lana, and Wendy. A special shout out to volunteers who helped us out from other communities: Velma (Bridgeland), Otto (Lake Bonavista), Bob (Deer Ridge), and Wendy (Deer Run). A total of 267 volunteer hours were given to us, the gift of time is priceless. We would also like to acknowledge our casino advisors: Christopher Nguyen-Ha, Tram Trang, Sally Pettet, and Scott Janes.

Our Community Cleanup took place on May 30 – this is one of our many co-programs that we share with Deer Ridge Community Association. We would like to acknowledge the following volunteers: Eva, Roy, Nevelda, Ian, Patrick, Anita, Stephanie, Cory, Carl, Susan, Char, Rick, Bob, Andrew,

Linda, Martine, Jerry, Jeff, and Malcolm. It was a cooler day to help people unload their cars to get rid of a lot of garbage, metal, and electronics. The vehicles started lining up at 7:00 am and the line of cars stretched to the bottom of the hill along Queensland Drive. We would like to thank the City for sending their finest city workers to help us with our program. Shout out to the Recon metal and Techno Trash gang, it was great working with you again. We will post how much waste was collected in one of our fall *Criers*. We had 18 bikes and 2 scooters dropped off in total at the cleanup. We asked Chris the bike guy from Deer Ridge by yellow slide park to repair and donate them to the charity that he volunteers for. Thank you Chris for your help.

Kind regards,

Martine





The Food Box is a program where you can purchase fresh fruit and vegetables for a very low cost. This program is available to everyone to promote a healthy and nutritional lifestyle.

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Cleaning Fee for Functions (when required)	\$110	

Summer Programs

Visit calgary.ca/free to see what's available in your area.

Stay n' Play

July 27 to 31, Monday to Friday, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm.

Children ages 3 to 5, plus an adult.

These, safe, supervised programs help children and adults make new friends and stay active through a play-based learning environment. Participants engage in games and activities that they can use on their path to healthy and active lifestyles. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Programs run Monday to Friday. Sign up on site. Walk ups will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis.

Park n' Play

July 27-31, Monday to Friday, 10:00 am to 3:30 pm.

Children ages 6 to 12

These safe, supervised programs help children make new friends and learn. Games and activities are designed to encourage them on their path to healthy and active lifestyles. Programs run Monday to Friday. Sign up on site. Walk ups will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis.

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Sidewalks Are for Walking— Even in Summer

by The City of Calgary



Summer school programs, camps, and recreation activities keep school areas active even when classes are out. During these times, sidewalks play an important role in keeping children and families safe.

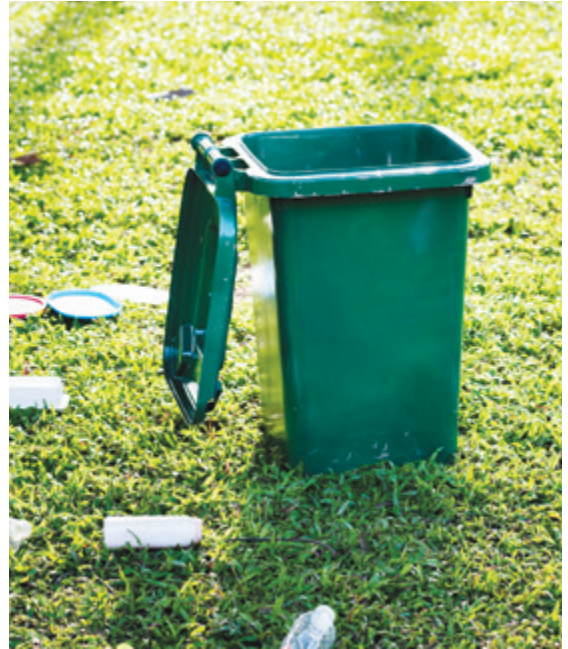
Parking on sidewalks forces pedestrians—including children, seniors, and people using mobility aids—into the roadway. This increases the risk of collisions and close calls, especially when visibility is limited.

Parking rules around sidewalks help ensure everyone can move safely and predictably. Choosing legal parking options and leaving pedestrian spaces clear supports safer travel for all road users.

Keeping sidewalks clear is a simple way to support safe, welcoming communities during the summer months. Learn more at [calgaryparking.com/safeschools](https://www.calgaryparking.com/safeschools).

Green Bins Are for Food Scraps and Yard Waste

by The City of Calgary, Waste and Recycling Services



Food scraps belong in the green cart, but packaging does not. Plastic does not compost and can break into small pieces during processing, which can contaminate the finished compost. All food scraps must be separated from packaging before composting, even if the packaging says it is biodegradable or compostable.

A few simple habits can make a big difference:

- Remove all plastic before putting food scraps in the green bin.
- Empty and clean plastic, glass, and metal containers go in the blue cart.
- Plastic wraps, foam, and other non-compostable packaging belong in the black cart.

Putting food scraps in the green cart and packaging in the right bin helps keep compost clean. If you are not sure where an item goes, visit <https://www.calgary.ca/waste/what-goes-where/default.html>.

Skillet Chicken Carbonara

Ingredients

Pasta

- 1lb angel hair pasta

Sauce

- 1 cup shredded parmesan cheese
- 1 tbsp bacon grease
- 3 eggs
- 1 cup pasta cooking liquid
- 1 tsp kosher salt
- 1/2 tsp fresh ground pepper

Toppings

- 4 slices bacon
- 2 tbsp olive oil
- 6 garlic cloves, minced (about 2 tbsps)
- 3 chicken breasts
- kosher salt
- fresh ground pepper
- 1/2 lb asparagus, cut into 2 to 3" pieces
- (optional) additional grated parmesan cheese

Instructions

1. Cook the bacon. Heat a 12" cast iron skillet over medium heat. Cook bacon until crispy. Transfer the bacon to a plate lined with a paper towel. Drain the grease from the skillet, reserving it in a small dish. Don't clean the skillet.
2. Cook the chicken and asparagus. Add 2 tablespoons olive oil to the now-empty skillet. Add the minced garlic, stir to coat with olive oil, then immediately add the asparagus to half the pan. Season the chicken breasts with salt and pepper, then add them to the other half of the skillet. Cook the chicken and asparagus until cooked through, flipping and stirring a couple of times during the cooking process (about 10 to 15 minutes).
3. Cook the pasta. While the chicken and asparagus cook, cook the pasta according to package directions in 2 quarts of water with 1 tablespoon of olive oil and 1 teaspoon of kosher salt. Drain the pasta, reserving 1 1/2 cups of the cooking water.
4. Make the sauce: Whisk together the parmesan cheese, 1 tablespoon of bacon grease, and eggs together in a



large glass measuring cup. After the pasta cooks, add 1 cup of the reserved pasta cooking water to the glass measuring cup, whisk and then add the kosher salt and ground pepper.

5. Finish the pasta dish. Slice the chicken and return it to the skillet. Stir together the asparagus and chicken, then add the cooked pasta to the skillet. Pour in the sauce. Toss the pasta, chicken, and asparagus together, until all the ingredients are thoroughly coated with the sauce. Add the remaining reserved half cup pasta cooking water as needed. Crumble the bacon and toss to combine. (Optional) top with additional grated parmesan cheese.
6. Let the dish stand 5 minutes before serving.



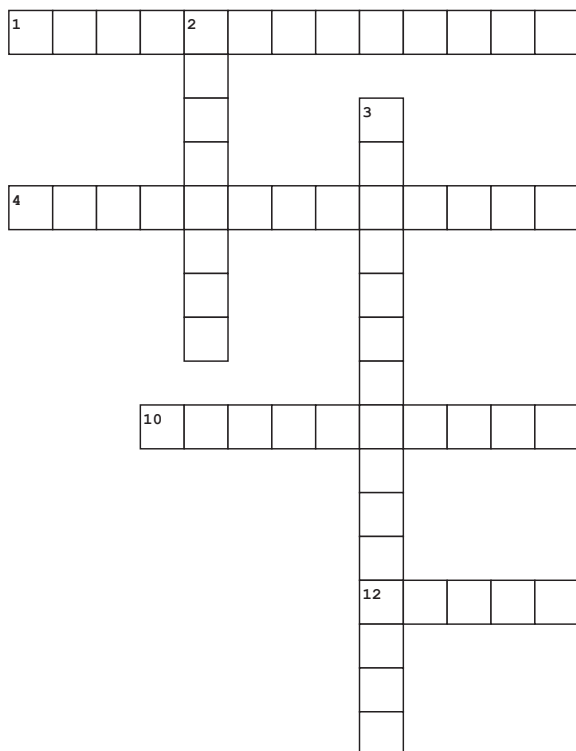
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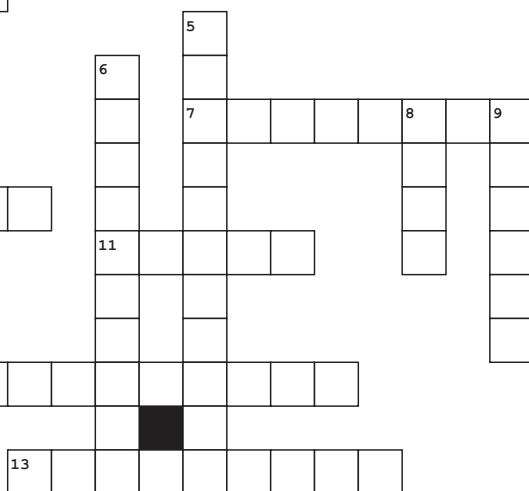
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July Crossword



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Across

1. On July 20, 1969, this astronaut took humanity's first steps onto the surface of the moon.
4. This rom-com released on July 13, 2001, follows a very fashionable college student attending Harvard Law.
7. These ducks can be seen all over Calgary; identified by the male's green head.
10. This Noah Kahn song was released as a single in 2022 before appearing on his 2024 album with the same name.
11. Florence + The Machine released this album July 3, 2009, featuring the famous song, *Dog Days Are Over*.
12. This very popular member of the royal family married Prince Charles III on July 29, 1981.
12. This event on July 1 is normally celebrated with red and white fireworks.

Down

2. On July 6, Earth will reach this part of its orbit—the furthest distance from the sun.
3. This annual event is known as "The Greatest Outdoor Show on Earth."
5. These tiny birds can fly backwards and upside down.
6. This Canadian author and illustrator is most known for his children's books, *I Want My Hat Back* and *The Skull*.
8. This fiery July birthstone was worn by Burmese warriors; they believed the stone made them invincible.
9. These tiny stickers were released to the public July 1, 1847, with the intention of preventing unpaid mail.



SUMMER WORD SEARCH

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August
Beach
Hot Dogs
Outside

Vacation
Barbecue
Camping
Sun

Swimsuit
Watermelon
Baseball

Popsicle
Travel
July

Garden
Picnic
Ice Cream

UPCOMING EVENTS

Diamond Cove Homeowners Bylaw Update

Over the past year, the Board has been working to update and modernize our community bylaws.

These proposed changes were presented at the April AGM, and with the support of the community, we anticipate the updated bylaws will be approved and adopted. The revised bylaws align with current legislation, clarify Board roles and responsibilities, and provide a strong foundation for the Association moving forward.

If you would like more information or a copy of the bylaws, please contact us at dcovehoa@gmail.com.

Enhanced Landscape Maintenance (ELM) Program

Maintaining the appearance of Diamond Cove remains a priority. The Board has been reviewing how our landscaping budget is allocated to ensure we are maximizing impact across seasonal planters, flower beds, and general maintenance.

We have also participated in city-led discussions regarding updates to the Enhanced Landscape Maintenance (ELM) Program. These changes are intended to improve how communities manage and enhance shared spaces, and we will continue to keep residents informed as more details become available.

Diamond Cove Attenuation Wall

The Board continues to work with the City of Calgary and other partners to clarify responsibilities related to the attenuation wall along Bow Bottom Trail.

As part of this process, a sound assessment is expected in 2026 or 2027. This work will help better understand current noise levels and inform any future considerations.

Urban Forestry and Tree Planting

We are also working with the City's Urban Forestry team to explore additional tree planting opportunities within Diamond Cove, including the playground, soccer field, and dog park.

Enhancing our tree canopy supports both the beauty and environmental health of our community. Updates will be shared as plans progress.

Diamond Cove Community Contact List

Our list is growing! Clear communication is key to a connected community.

The Board continues to build a voluntary contact list of homeowners to share updates, announcements, and

community information more effectively. If you would like to be included, please email your home address and preferred contact method to dcovehoa@gmail.com.

Please Slow Down in Our Community

We continue to receive concerns regarding speeding within Diamond Cove.

Too many vehicles are still travelling above posted limits and not stopping at crosswalks. This is especially concerning as more children, families, and pets are out enjoying the neighbourhood.

We ask all residents and visitors to:

- Respect posted speed limits.
- Come to a full stop at crosswalks.
- Remain alert in residential areas.

Keeping our streets safe is a shared responsibility. Please slow down.

Annual Garage Sale

Our much-anticipated Diamond Cove Garage Sale is back: Saturday, September 5, 2026.

We are pleased to once again have the support of Brenda Field from Royal LePage as our sponsor.

This is a fantastic opportunity to declutter your home, connect with neighbours, and turn unused items into extra cash.

More details will be shared on our Facebook page in the coming months, but now is the perfect time to start setting items aside.



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Hello Neighbours!

We're already halfway through 2026! Springtime means a lot is going on within our beautiful and thriving city. Warmer weather means increased pedestrians, cyclists, and motorcyclists. Construction will be predominant within our communities, as well as workers beginning to fix potholes, trim trees, cut grass, and clean our streets. A reminder to be aware of your surroundings and share the road. Together we can make sure everyone returns home safely!

Stampede and summer festivities have already started within our beautiful communities. We want to send out a special thank you to our Community Associations and volunteers for taking the time to host these amazing events. Without our volunteers, events such as these would not be possible!

We are looking forward to continuing to work with our fellow residents. Stay tuned for our upcoming Ward 14 webpage and be sure to check in on my social media pages for updates at this time.

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I would like to congratulate the class of 2026 from Centennial High School! Graduating high school is an amazing milestone and I wish you all the best of luck on your future endeavours. I would also like to congratulate all the K to 11 students for successfully completing the 2025 to 2026 school year! I hope you will all enjoy your summer, whether it is working at your summer job, enjoying the various community lakes and Fish Creek, or vacationing with your families.

I would also like to recognize all CBE and CSSD teachers and school staff for your hard work throughout the school year. I hope you have a relaxing summer!

I plan to participate in many of the events being held in our constituency over the summer, and I look forward to visiting with as many of you as I can.



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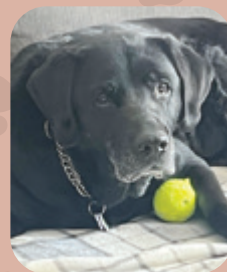
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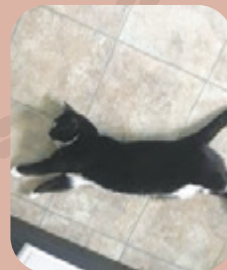
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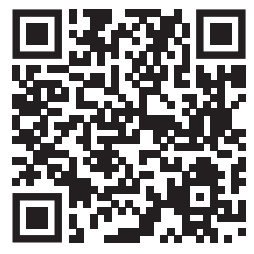
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