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What is the Difference Between an HOA and a CA?

Both organizations are non-profit; however, the mandates and the legal obligations are quite different. It is not possible for either organization to take on the responsibilities of the other; however, working closely together allows the community to maximize the scope of work.

НОА	CA				
An organization created through the Developer as a means of ensuring the community is provided with amenities not provided by the City of Calgary, creating enhanced property values within a community.	An organization that serves as an affiliate of the City of Calgary with the goals of finding solutions to local issues (e.g., traffic) and promoting civic and community engagement.				
Run by a volunteer board of directors and paid staff.	Run by a volunteer board of directors.				
Membership is based on the legal encumbrance registered on the title of the property.	Membership is voluntary.				
All Crestmont property owners automatically become members of the association upon possession.					
Fees for 2024: \$367.50 (\$350 + GST)					
Annual fees are used to:	Annual fees are used to:				
- Maintain the amenity features including the hall, spray park, storm pond fountain, and grounds.	-Create opportunities for residents to participate in social events, recreational programs, and educational activities in their community.				
- Provide enhanced snow removal and landscaping on City pathways Provide the community with quality programs and value-added events	-Provide an association for residents to join where they can work together to improve their community's quality of life.				
that appeal to our diverse membership.	-Dog Poop bags and dispensers: finding sponsors and maintaining the dispensers.				
	-Host broad community and accessible events.				
	-Apply for grants and special events linking to community clean up, community garden, dog parks, community rinks.				
Liaise with the City of Calgary for enhanced services such as additional snow removal on City pathways, and enhanced landscape maintenance	Representative role to the City of Calgary of the needs and issues in the community and direct line with the MLA and Ward Councillor.				
in the greater community.	Partner with the City and other organizations to improve the community.				
Direct line of communication with the Developer.	Has a city contact to discuss future planning and development.				
Once turnover has taken place, eligible for grant funding for larger scale projects on HOA land.	Reliant on grants, donations, rentals of community facilities, programs, sponsorships, and casinos for funding.				



November Events and Programs

Counting Down to the Solstice: Edible Gifts Workshop with Janet Melrose November 5 from 7:00 to 9:00 pm

Now more than ever homemade gifts are valued by all, and especially so if they are edible! Everyone has their family traditions for baking and other tasty treats, but there is a world of edible gifts to make the season special for your family and friends.

This workshop includes:

- Learning about the lore of the Solstice and the celebrations around it
- Traditions of gifting with edibles
- Tips for planning your gifting-sourcing items not grown at home and/or harvesting those that you either grow yourself or forage for
- The range of edible gifting including ideas and techniques
- A selection of edible gifts Immune booster tea, herb mix, soup in a jar, barbeque rub, mint sugar scrub, and dried fruit ornaments
- Finishing touches and decorations that are either edible themselves or are made from upcycled materials

Members: \$50 | Non-Members: \$65

Holiday Market Sunday, November 24 from 1:00 to 4:00 pm

If you are looking for an artisan fair with an assortment of handmade items, look no further than our Holiday Market! If you would like to book a table as a vendor, please contact us at admin@crestmonthall.com.



Donations to the Calgary Food Bank will be accepted and are greatly appreciated.

Members: \$20 per table | Non-members: \$30 per table

CHOA Annual General Meeting (AGM) Thursday, November 28 from 7:00 to 9:00 pm

All members in good standing are invited to attend the AGM. Notice will be circulated via email for all members on the email distribution list, and a hard copy via Canada Post will be sent for those without. All accompanying

documents (Audited Financials, copies of existing Bylaws and the proposed replacement (draft) bylaws, Minutes from 2023, Proxy form, etc.) will be available online in the members only section of the website.

As found in the AGM Notice, a Special Resolution is being put forward to replace the Bylaws of the CHOA.

Registration will begin at 6:30 pm, and all residents are required to produce one piece of government issued photo identification. Voting numbers will be assigned (one vote per household).

Fall Programs

The fall program session of classes runs from September to December. Register for classes online, or through the office. Classes require a minimum of six participants to run. Drop-in and pro-rated options are available. Youth ages 16+ may be able to register for adult programs.

50 + Yoga with Vanitha Thursdays, Weekly Until December 5 from 9:30 to 10:45 am

Whether you are 50 or 75, it is never too late to take up yoga! You are only as old as you feel. Specially adapted yoga exercises can awaken the body's powers of regeneration, leading to more energy, enhanced physical well-being, and a more positive attitude towards life. People under 50 and beginners are also welcome.

Member rate: \$262 or \$20 per class drop-in | Nonmember rate: \$280 or \$22 per class drop-in

Other Programs Offered: Sportball

Offered at Crestmont hall on Fridays and Sundays. Noncompetitive sports programs for every kid, at every stage. Please visit Sportball Calgary's website for details and registration.

Program Space

Is your group or business looking for a venue to host their activity? Our hall can accommodate up to 150 people, and we offer hourly bookings during the week. Dance, music, choir, martial arts, or languages - reach us at admin@crestmonthall.com to talk to us about your ideas!







MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD



Town Hall: Thank you to everyone who attended the Town Hall hosted on September 26, whether in person or virtually, and to those that took the time to submit feedback. It was a very positive meeting, and we are excited to be moving forward with continued resident engagement.

AGM: Our Annual General Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 28. We look forward to seeing you there to present a recap of the 2023 fiscal year, an update about the work that has been done and continues to be done in 2024, and to discuss ideas for 2025 and beyond.

CHOA? CCA? City of Calgary?

Like the survey that was circulated earlier this year, many comments provided through the Town Hall Google document indicated general confusion as to the responsibilities of the CHOA, the Crestmont Community Association (CCA), and the City of Calgary.

The CHOA is responsible for the grounds and amenities we own. This includes the hall, spray park, playground, fire pit, and land (along the boulevard and adjacent to the hall). To provide added value to the residents of Crestmont, the CHOA has been engaged in additional snow and ice removal in the community, and this year will engage in enhanced landscaping in the community. In taking on these considerable tasks, the CHOA supports the community in benefitting from a higher level of service than the City of Calgary would otherwise provide.

As a liaison to the City of Calgary, the CCA would be the community voice for the residents of Crestmont. Please refer to the chart that speaks to the different mandates the CHOA and the CCA have, and if you are interested in being part of the revival of the CCA, we encourage you to reach out to us, as we are happy to facilitate this process.

We encourage you to visit the City of Calgary website for information pertaining to:

- Wildlife and animal control (including bylaws surrounding defecation)
- Airbnb concerns
- Traffic control
- Noise bylaws
- Snow removal on City and private property (not including the areas taken on by the CHOA)

We look forward to continued engagement with you and hope to see you out at the events being hosted at the hall over the next few months. You can reach the board directly by emailing CHOABoard@crestmonthall.com.



Peanut Butter Lovers Month

Did you know November is Peanut Butter Lovers Month? Although, many believe George Washington Carver is the person to thank for this tasty, nutty treat. It was actually Canadian chemist Marcellus Gilmore Edson who patented peanut paste in 1884, by milling roasted peanuts between heated surfaces. Now you know who to thank for your favourite spread!

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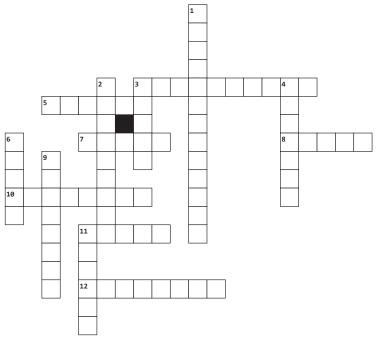




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November Crossword





Across

- 3. Frederick Banting, co-discoverer of insulin and recipient of the Nobel Prize in _____/Medicine, was born on November 14, 1891, in Alliston, Ontario.
- 5. In November 1999, beloved musician, _____ Dion, was inducted into the Canadian Broadcast Hall of Fame.
- 7. In November 2020, Baby ______ by Pinkfong became the most watched YouTube video of all time with over 7 billion views.
- 8. November has two birthstones, _____ and Citrine, best known for their warm yellow hue.
- 10. World ______ Day, celebrated on November 13, reminds everyone to show compassion and be helpful in their communities.
- 11. Canadian rock musician, _____ Adams, was born on November 5, 1959, in Kingston, Ontario and has sold more than 100 million records worldwide.
- 12. Known as Remembrance Day in Canada, the U.S. celebrates

 Day on November 11 annually.

Down

- 1. November's birth flower, also called "mum", comes in a variety of colours and generally symbolizes longevity and happiness.
- 2. On November 22, 1995, *Toy Story* was released introducing the world to Woody and Buzz ______.
- 3. Friends, Lovers, and the Big Terrible Thing, written by Canadian actor Matthew _____, was released on November 1, 2022.
- 4. "The Great One", Wayne ______, scored his 600th career goal in the National Hockey League (NHL) on November 23, 1988.
- 6. This mixed-breed dog was the first live animal sent to space in Sputnik 2 on November 3, 1957.
- 9. The ______ Broadcasting Corporation was founded and established as a Crown Corporation on November 2, 1936.
- 11. November's full moon is named after Canada's national animal, the



Crestmont Homeowner's Association:

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

SAVE THE DATE

November 28th, 2024 | Meeting begins at 7PM Registration opens at 6:30PM

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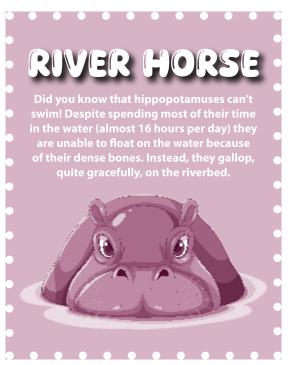
GAMES & PUZZLES

Guess the Landmark!

- 1. This gorgeous UNESCO World Heritage Site in India was built to be a mausoleum.
- 2. The _____ was made across many dynasties and states, taking over 2,500 years to construct.
- 3. This stunning Italian landmark is also called the Bell Tower and is over 180 feet tall.
- 4. This iconic structure was built for the 1889 World Fair: it celebrated the 100th anniversary of the French Revolution.
- 5. This famous ancient city was frozen in time due to almost the exact opposite circumstance.
- 6. There are no straight lines in this ancient temple structure, located on the Athenian Acropolis.









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Hello, Ward 1!

November brings important discussions at City Hall including budget deliberations where I'll continue to advocate for smart spending and prioritizing strong infrastructure. And as winter approaches, you can stay informed about the new Winter Maintenance Policy to ensure safe streets and prepare for the season's challenges.

Also, as we enter the holiday season, remember to support our local businesses, and help our neighbours with snow shovelling; these small acts of kindness can make a big difference!

Upcoming Budget Discussions

I understand the challenges Calgarians continue to face and am dedicated to reducing the financial burden on our community. With the City of Calgary's annual budget deliberations approaching, I will continue to focus on funding for essential services while working to avoid any tax increases.

Please email ward01@calgary.ca with any concerns or questions - your feedback is always welcome! You can also follow along with the discussions on my social media channels or the Ward 1 monthly newsletter.

Winter Maintenance Policy

In May 2024, Council adopted a new Winter Maintenance Policy (CP2024-06) to improve service delivery and ensure that Calgarians can travel safely and reliably throughout the winter months, whether by foot, bike, vehicle, or transit.

A key change includes a priority-based snow clearing system:

- Priority 1 Routes (major roads) cleared within 24 hours.
- Priority 2 Routes (secondary roads) cleared within 36 hours.
- Priority 3 Routes (residential streets) cleared within 36 hours to seven days, depending on conditions.

As a reminder, residents are responsible for clearing snow and ice from sidewalks next to their property within 24 hours of snowfall. The policy also includes Snow Route Parking Bans, which may last up to 72 hours to support efficient snow removal. Stay informed on updates regarding parking bans and snow removal by visiting calgary.ca/snow or call 3-1-1.

Stay safe and warm this winter!

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- Meghan and Alex Julu 2024







