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December	24	6	4	\$369,900	\$380,000
November	24	7	7	\$469,000	\$464,000
October	24	13	10	\$682,400	\$672,500
September	24	7	8	\$889,750	\$870,500
August	24	7	7	\$1,150,000	\$1,120,000
July	24	13	8	\$522,500	\$525,500
June	24	12	12	\$634,900	\$629,200
May	24	14	10	\$849,900	\$860,500
April	24	11	10	\$915,000	\$939,500

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Our community association has several channels to communicate to you, and for you to communicate with us!

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- May 7 at 7:30 pm - DRCA Regular Board Meeting
- May 31 from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm - Community Cleanup at Westside Kings Church
- Late Spring, Saturdays, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm - Farm Stand from Shirley's Greenhouse
- June 2 at 7:30 pm - DRCA Regular Board Meeting
- June 21 at 4:00 to 7:00 pm - Stampede Roundup

Did you know that board meetings happen monthly and all DRCA members are welcome to attend?

Please contact the DRCA to learn more about what we do for the community and our future plans. Email drca_pres@discoveryridge.com for more information on the DRCA and if you wish to attend upcoming meetings.

LETTER FROM THE BOARD

Don't Miss The 2025 Community Cleanup

The Discovery Ridge Community Association, alongside the Signal Hill and Springbank Hill communities have organized a community cleanup day where we will have multiple city garbage trucks in a parking lot to assist you in removing some unwanted items from your home. Think of things like old electronics, tires, wood, mattresses, chairs, beds, landscaping etc.

Event Date: Saturday, May 31, 2025

Time: 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

Location: Westside Kings Church parking lot (SE corner of Springbank Blvd and 69 St SW)

The City will provide trucks to collect garbage going to the landfill. Other recycling vendors include metal, electronics, tires, and household donations. The Drop-In Centre is accepting any furniture. Unfortunately, we cannot accept organics, chemicals, contaminated materials, or hazardous items. It's a great way to get your spring cleaning checked off the list!

Yahoo, Save The Date!

One of our favourite events, the Stampede Roundup, is coming soon!

Mark your calendars for Saturday, June 21, 2025, from 4:00 to 7:00 pm. The fun takes place at the park by the rinks. This family-friendly celebration will be packed with games, face painting, line dancing, library book truck, a petting zoo, and more! See you there!

Thank you to our Sponsors (at time of publication): Kristin Mould, CIR Realty; Cornerstone Square retailers: Wonder Donuts and New Discovery Fine Wine and Spirits.

Stay in the loop—scan the QR code for all the event updates! And if you can volunteer, please come out and be part of our event organizing crew. Many hands make light work.

Farm Fresh in Discovery Ridge

The DRCA board has been collaborating with the City to bring a mini farmers' market to Discovery Ridge this summer. Each Saturday, starting late spring (date to be confirmed) Jo, Pete, and their team from Shirley's Greenhouse will be setting up a Farm Stand in the parking lot at our Rec Facility from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. We are very lucky to have them partner with us, so please stop by and show your support!

They are local and grow only top-quality products, using non-GMO seeds and never any pesticides or herbicides. In fact, the owners say their kids are welcome to eat directly from the vines! Their best seller is their grape tomatoes, which we are told "taste like candy!". Visit <https://www.shirleysgreenhouse.com/> to learn more - we hope everyone is excited! Stay tuned for more information on the opening date!

Public Safety and Community Engagement Awareness Session

Our first community safety webinar was held last month and was well attended. A big thank you to Jose Alvarado for organizing this information session and to CPS Constable Lavictoire for taking the time to present safety strategies, Discovery Ridge's safety statistics and answering our many questions. If you were unable to attend, we will be hosting subsequent sessions later in the year.

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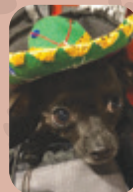
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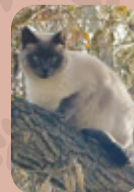
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- Organizes social events such as Music in the Park, annual Stampede Round Up, Santa event.
- Coordinates the *Ridge Review* community newsletter.
- Provides up-to-date information about issues affecting you and the community through member only email provides updates on important items for all at www.discoveryridge.com.
- Communicates regularly with the Ward 6 Office on community and city related issues.
- Provides effective representation and advocacy to external third parties about issues of concern to the community, including public safety, development and the natural environment.
- Attains and works casinos to fundraise for the community.
- Creates a sense of community pride through participation in community activities.

Membership Perks!

Did you know that only up-to-date DRCA Members receive regular community emails informing them of events and ongoing activities in your community? Visit discoveryridge.com to purchase your \$25 membership or see the membership form.

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Signature: _____

Snapshots of Discovery



Send us your photos of our beautiful neighbourhood. Adult and children's submissions are welcome.

Belonging To May

The bell-shaped flower Lily of the valley's scientific name is *Convallaria majalis*, with *majalis* meaning "of or belonging to May"—making it the perfect birth flower for the month.

Homeowners' Association (NDHA) News



At the time of writing, spring has fully arrived in Discovery Ridge! It is great to see new vegetation springing up and our neighbourhood waking up from winter. You may have noticed an increased presence of our landscaping crews from ULS doing their annual spring cleanup of our parks, medians, and green spaces. Work on this cleanup is weather dependent so it may still be on the way. NDHA and ULS work hard to take care of all the landscaped spaces in Discovery Ridge. Our neighbourhood is a big area and sometimes spots get missed. If you see something you think needs to be taken care of, reach out to us and we will get it dealt with.

Symbolic Tree Program

Did you know that Calgary residents can commemorate a birthday, wedding, anniversary or any other special day by planting a tree in one of Calgary's many parks. You would work with a Parks Urban Forestry representative to determine a species and location for your symbolic tree. You can both celebrate a highlight in your life and help the environment by increasing Calgary's urban forest. Costs depend on the size of tree chosen. You can get more information by calling 3-1-1 or at the website: <https://www.calgary.ca/parks/tree-commemoration.html>.

NDHA Annual General Meeting 2025

The Board of Directors will hold the in-person meeting on Tuesday, June 10 at Westside Kings Church (3939 69 St SW). NDHA members will be notified of the AGM details by email or post mail and will also see signage placed at the entrance to the community. As always, at the AGM we will elect the new Board of Directors and provide updates on NDHA business and greenspace-related matters. We will also be ready to answer any questions or concerns you may want to raise. We look forward to seeing you there! If you cannot attend the

AGM, we ask that you send us your proxy vote so the required quorum is realized, and the meeting can occur.

Street Sweeping

Discovery Ridge is scheduled for sweeping on Friday, May 2 (weather dependent). Please watch for signs that will be posted in the community to notify you in advance or visit the City of Calgary website for updates. Vehicles must be moved from the street during this operation or be subject to fines or towing. Remove your vehicle and trash/compost/recycle bins from the road so that the gravel and grime of winter can be swept away!

Drainage Swales

We have already seen some spring rains, and more are on their way. All of us need to prepare our properties. For owners with a concrete drainage swale in your yard, City of Calgary bylaws require you to ensure the swale is kept clear of debris. Rain and runoff need to easily drain into the storm sewer system via the swale. Please have a look to ensure yours is clean and unobstructed. You do not want to be responsible for flood damage caused by a backup on your property.

Want To Help?

The work of the NDHA is currently managed by seven volunteers, all of whom are your neighbours. This volunteer-oriented management of NDHA's mandate saves over \$100,000 per year of your fee money to keep Discovery Ridge one of the most beautifully landscaped communities in Calgary. If there are not enough volunteers to oversee the landscaping, snow removal, holiday lights, and other services NDHA provides, we would likely need to bring in a professional management company. Our current structure has allowed us to install unique landscaping in our medians, dog waste bag dispensers, graphic wraps to beautify our trash bins, and seasonal planter foliage displays by the roundabout. It also allows us to maintain and operate the waterfall when water restrictions permit.

To continue to have an energetic Board that will ensure NDHA's work is sustained, we are looking for both new Board Members and non-board member volunteers who can help make this all happen. This is an excellent way to give back to your community, interact with a great group of current volunteers, and maybe even learn something new. The only thing required of you is a willingness to give a couple of hours per month for a beautiful Discovery Ridge. Please consider volunteering this year. Contact us anytime!

Thank you to the many community volunteers who have stepped up over the years as NDHA Board Members and committee helpers! Your time and effort have collectively saved the NDHA membership well over a million dollars. This allowed Discovery Ridge to incorporate and maintain some of the highest, and leading-edge, landscape standards in Calgary. The community would not look the way it does without the work you have contributed, and everyone appreciates what you have given the community over the years!

We are always happy to hear from our NDHA members. You can contact us in various ways via our website at www.ndha.ca, send us an email at General@ndha.ca, or even call us at 403-237-9595. As always, if you are interested in helping the NDHA maintain one of the most beautifully landscaped communities in Calgary, reach out through the web site or email us at NDHAMembership@ndha.ca.



SAFE AND SOUND

Window and Balcony Safety

by Alberta Health Services

With the return of warmer weather, Emergency Medical Services (EMS) would like to remind parents and caregivers of an often-overlooked hazard in the home – access to open windows. Every year, paramedics respond to emergencies where a child has fallen from an open window, often from the second floor. These can be avoided by following safety measures. Take the time to assess potential hazards in your home before a preventable fall occurs.

Windows and Screens

- Prevent access to windows by moving furniture such as cribs, beds, stools, and change tables out from under them.
- Keep drapery cords out of children's reach. Wrap excess cord around cleats or tie-downs to avoid a choking hazard.
- Remember, screens are not safety devices. They are designed to keep bugs out, not children in.

Balconies

- Do not underestimate a child's ability to climb. Furniture and other items stored on balconies and decks can be used to climb resulting in falls over the railing.
- Ensure that your balcony railings are not more than 10 cm (4 inch) apart. This will eliminate access between the vertical bars of a balcony or deck.

Further Prevention Tips

- Toddlers and preschoolers are at highest risk of falling from a window or balcony, but it may happen at any age.
- Direct supervision of children is the single most effective way to prevent falls from windows and balconies.
- Install safety devices which limit the distance in which a window can open to a maximum of 10 cm (4 inches).
- Ensure the safety device can be released quickly, so the window can be used for escape in case of emergency.
- Consider purchasing a portable air conditioner, which will enable windows to stay closed and secure.

EMS is proud to be a member of the Partners Promoting Window and Balcony Safety. Take time to assess your home for window and balcony hazards and eliminate the risks before a preventable fall occurs.

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Griffith Woods Park: Springing into the Season

by The City of Calgary



Griffith Woods is one of the premiere nature locations in the Calgary Parks system. Settled between Discovery Ridge and the Elbow River, Griffith Woods is 93 hectares of wilderness waiting to be explored. The Elbow River flows along the park unimpeded by development,

a rare “wild river” within a major city. The park also borders the Tsuut’ina Nation, and we do ask all our park users to respect our park boundaries and not trespass on the lands of Tsuut’ina Nation.

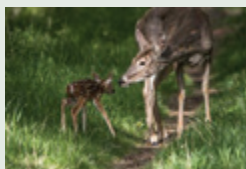
Spring is an exciting time in Griffith Woods as it is renowned for orchids that create a beautiful understory. While amazing, these flowers and the surrounding mosses are very fragile and can be easily damaged. We ask guests to the park to always stay on designated pathways and keep your pets on leash and on pathways as well.

While we’re on the topic of pets, few things take away from the beauty of a park more than stepping on the poop left behind by someone’s dog, so please be sure to clean up after your dog and leave their waste in the appropriate container. Help parks by being a responsible pet owner and keep our parks great.

Spring in Calgary also means the return of many birds and other wildlife to our parks who, like many residents here in Calgary, took the snowbird route to warmer climates for winter. Merlin’s, Trumpeter Swans, Blue Jays, and the American Robin, among many others, have all been seen in the last few weeks throughout the park.

It’s not just birds returning to our city. Our more grounded wildlife makes appearances. Young deer (fawns) may be seen, ground squirrels wake up from their hibernation, and with the warming weather a black bear wandering into the park looking for an early year snack becomes a possibility. So, remember that we all need to make sure we are not accidentally leaving out food for bears or other wildlife. Garbage should be properly stored and outdoor cooking areas like BBQs are cleaned.

Speaking of cooking, this is a good time to mention that we are not allowed to have cooking or campfires in our parks. In fact, there are fines for starting a campfire in any of our parks outside of designated firepits. Calgary Bylaw works with our partners in Tsuut’ina Nation to respond to calls about illegal fire pits in this area and follow up on reports of their use. When you are having fires in your own yard, be sure they are controlled in a proper fire pit. We must be careful about the wood we use as well, as firewood can bring unwanted pests with it, so be sure to only use locally harvested firewood.



Griffith Woods occupies an interesting balance for wildfire risk mitigation and ecological resilience within Calgary parks. On the one hand, we want to avoid the devastating fires that we have seen in and around Canadian communities in the last several years, so fuel loads, such as a build-up of dead wood

do need to be managed. That fuel load can also be a valuable housing resource for many animals, think of a standing dead tree housing woodpeckers, which in turn creates homes for wood ducks, tree squirrels, and all other sorts of animals. Finding that balance is an important part of the work our ecologist team does within our parks system.

For more information on Griffith Woods go to <https://www.calgary.ca/parks/griffith-woods-park.html>.



Thai Curry Chicken

by Jennifer Puri

Thai food is a blend of four cuisines – Indian, Chinese, Malay, and Thai.

Thai curry can be mild or spicy and contain meat, chicken, seafood, or vegetables, and is typically served with rice or noodles.

The “reddish” colour and flavour of the curry comes from the red chillies used to make the paste which would also include lemongrass, shrimp paste, ginger and garlic, turmeric, coriander, and cumin seeds.

Full fat coconut milk has been used in the Thai curry chicken recipe as it helps to offset the heat and give it a creamy consistency. The curry is actually quite mild, but you can increase the heat by stirring in the garnish of fresh, sliced red Thai chillies prior to serving.

Prep Time: 20 minutes

Cook Time: 35 minutes

Servings: 4 to 6

Ingredients:

- 3 lbs. boneless, skinless chicken breasts
- 1 medium size onion, finely sliced

- 3 garlic cloves, finely chopped
- 4 tbsp. vegetable oil
- 4 to 5 tbsp. Thai curry paste
- 3 tsp. fish sauce
- 1 tsp. sugar
- 2 ½ cups full fat coconut milk

Garnish:

- 3 Thai red chillies, deseeded and thinly sliced
- 10 to 12 fresh mint leaves or Thai basil leaves

Directions:

1. Cut the chicken breasts into small pieces.
2. Heat oil in a large pan or skillet (which has a lid), add the sliced onion and garlic and sauté for 2 to 3 minutes.
3. Add the chicken pieces to the pan and fry until they change colour and are no longer pink.
4. Add Thai curry paste, followed by the sugar, salt, and fish sauce, and blend in with the chicken.
5. Pour in the coconut milk and simmer on low heat until the chicken is tender, about 20 minutes.
6. Garnish with 2 to 3 thinly sliced Thai red chillies with seeds removed and fresh mint or basil leaves.
7. Serve with Jasmine or Basmati rice or rice noodles if desired.

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4. A video game classic, the character of Mario was originally called _____.
5. Beginning as a joke, this 1999 Nintendo 64 game included an unlikely rap about its main characters.
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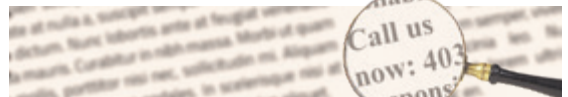
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