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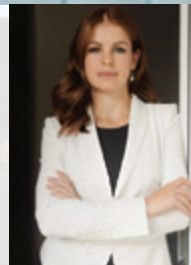
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- ☑ Tax dollars focused on essential services that residents need
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- ☑ Listen to residents and respond
- ☑ Prioritize economic growth

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- Election Day: Oct 20
- Location and Times to Vote: visit ElectionsCalgary.ca
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Letter from the Editor

Hello, Dear Reader!

My name is Noel, and I am the media editor for the Glenbrook Community Association. I hope you enjoy reading this edition of *the Globe*, whether in print or online. We love to hear from the community and get to know our readership, so if you have any feedback, questions, ideas, or just want to say hi, feel free to email glenbrook.community@shaw.ca and we will get back to you.

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Hall Rentals

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Hall:

- Monday to Thursday, Daytime (cut off 5:00 pm)
 - \$30 per hour, minimum three hours
 - Damage Deposit of \$250
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 - \$35 per hour, minimum three hours
 - Damage Deposit of \$250
- Friday, Saturday, and Sunday (8:00 am to 3:00 am)
 - \$400 day rate
- Wedding Package: Friday evening (5:00 pm) to Sunday (12:00 pm)
 - \$700

Security Deposit:

A \$500 security deposit is required for all hall rentals (unless otherwise noted) to be returned up to seven days past the event.

Boardroom:

- Monday to Thursday
- \$30 per hour, minimum three hours (daily maximum of \$250)
- Not available for rental Saturday or Sunday

Storage Rooms:

- Small (8'x16') – \$100 per month
- Large (12'x14') – \$120 per month

Note:

The sport shack, parking lot/parking spaces, and outdoor rinks/sport courts are not for rent. They are for community association use only.

GCA Meetings

Upcoming Meetings

• October 2 • November 6 • December 4 (AGM)

Did you know that anyone can attend meetings of the Glenbrook Community Association? They aren't only for board members. Everyone in our community has a voice and we would love to hear them.

Meetings are held on the first Thursday of the month, from September to June, at 7:00 pm in the Glenbrook Hall (3524 45 St SW).

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Glenbrook!

It's the season of harvest moons, crackling bonfires, and the satisfying crunch of leaves underfoot. Oktoberfest is a vibrant celebration of Bavarian culture that originated in Munich, Germany in 1810, marking the royal wedding of Crown Prince Ludwig and Princess Therese. The festivities lasted for five days! While we won't be partying for that long, the Community Association will be hosting an Oktoberfest Dance on Saturday, October 18 from 7:30 to 10:30 pm. Tickets are \$20 per person, and if you are interested in attending, you can RSVP at glenbrookprograms@shaw.ca. Silence In B'tween will provide live dance music, and there will be food and drinks that can be purchased for an added cost. It should be a fun evening out; we hope to see you there!

We would like to thank you for your participation in this year's Community Cleanup Day in May. Glenbrook residents dropped off an impressive total of 12,970 kg of waste. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank our vendors: WINS Calgary, for collecting charitable donations; Steve and Barb for providing metal waste bins; and Sheila and Dale from Technotrash for taking care of electronic recycling.

Halloween falls on a Friday this year. It is a time for fun and imagination, but safety should always be part of the celebration. Whether you're trick-or-treating, attending a party, or decorating your home, a few precautions can make all the difference. Stick to well-lit areas, wear costumes that don't obstruct vision or movement, and use reflective materials or flashlights to stay visible at night. If you're driving, be extra alert for children crossing streets. Lastly, make sure to keep your walkway hazard free. Have a great Halloween everyone!

Kim

President, Glenbrook Community Association



Pets of Glenbrook



Daisy is an unknown mixed breed who was adopted from the Humane Society and has lived in Glenbrook for the past 13 years. When she's not busy keeping an eye out for the neighbourhood cats, Daisy enjoys hiking in the mountains, going for countless walks, and begging for treats.

To have your pet featured in the Glenbrook Globe, send a short write-up and photo to glenbrookglobepets@gmail.com.

Events Committee

Are you interested in how the Glenbrook Community Association plans its yearly events and want to help us with the next one? Come check out our Events Committee! See how you fit into our existing events or propose a brand-new idea. We meet on the second Wednesday of most months. Reach out to glenbrook.community@shaw.ca with any questions. We hope to see you there!



GLENBROOK COMMUNITY MEMBERSHIP

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Your community association is a group of volunteers who work to make your community a great place to live for residents of all ages. You can become involved with your community association in two important ways:

1. Become a member – when you purchase your annual Glenbrook membership, your dues are used to offer you and your neighbours many programs and activities.

2. Become a volunteer – Glenbrook Community Association relies on volunteers to make things happen. There are many ways to volunteer to make your community a more enjoyable place to live. At the same time, you will make new friends and learn new skills.

Membership forms and payment can be dropped off at the Glenbrook Hall mail slot, mailed through Canada Post to the Hall (address listed above), or purchased at community events. Debit and Credit payments are now accepted.

Membership fees: \$25 per family (includes any family member living at same address) or \$20 for Senior (65 years and older) or individual. Please make cheques payable to: Glenbrook Community Association

(September 1, 2025 to August 31, 2026)

Name:

Address:

Phone:

Cell:

Email:

Membership type: Family (\$25)

Senior 65+/Single (\$20)

Payment type: Cash Cheque

(payable to Glenbrook Community Association)

Volunteer – we are always looking for volunteers to help with various events within the community. Volunteer opportunities include the following - Skating events, skating rink maintenance, Family Fun days, Community cleanup day, sports events, Casinos, etc.

Contact for Volunteer canvas: Yes

No.....

GLENBROOK ATHLETICS

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CONNECTING GLENBROOK

The Glenbrook Community Association is pleased to offer a number of free clubs and groups throughout the month, taking place at the community hall. If you are interested in trying out one or more of these, please email glenbrookevents@shaw.ca so we can gauge interest. Long-term participation in these programs will require purchase of a community membership.



Pickleball

We will continue to play until the snow closes the courts. Please note that our times have changed. We are now playing in the afternoons on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 4:00 to 6:00 pm. Meet at the outdoor sport court.

Contact Grace at glenbrookevents@shaw.ca.



Tai Chi

We have been gathering at the hall weekly to practice a Qi Gong 18 form modified Tai Chi exercise program. The program consists of a warm-up, two sets of 18 stand-in-

place exercises, and some upper body stretches to cool down with a few spontaneous laughter sessions thrown in. Combine this with some socialization and it makes for a fun time. We will meet on Tuesday mornings at 10:00 am. Come out and give it a try.

Contact Gary at glenbrookevents@shaw.ca.



Book Club

We are eagerly looking forward to discussing *How to Age Disgracefully* by Clare Pooley on Wednesday, October 15 at 1:00 pm. Our book for November is *My Brilliant Friend* by Elena Ferrante.

Contact Grace at glenbrookevents@shaw.ca.



Coffee Social

Join friends and neighbours for fellowship and coffee on Friday, October 23 from 10:00 to 11:30 am. Discussion topic or entertainment to be announced.

Contact Audrey at glenbrookevents@shaw.ca.



Butterfly Garden

Thanks for your participation in our summer project. This butterfly milkweed bloomed over the summer in our garden at the hall, along with more traditional flowers. I hope that yours also grow and bloom next summer, and maybe we can compare notes. Now it is rest time for the plants and insects.

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Send E-Transfer and RSVP to:
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Deadline to register is November 13th
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GLENBROOK ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

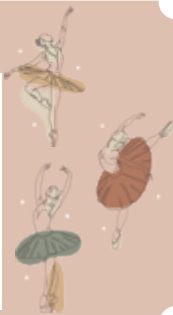
**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4
GLENBROOK HALL
7:00 PM**

- I. BUDGET
PRESENTATION**
 - 2025-26 and
2026-27 budgets
 - 2024-25 audit
review
 - II. COMMUNITY
AWARDS**
 - III. BOARD OF
DIRECTOR
ELECTIONS**
 - Ken Weaving,
Chair
 - IV. YEAR IN REVIEW**
 - A look back
 - Building updates
 - A look forward
 - V. SOCIAL**
 - Refreshments
provided
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The Birth of Ballet

On October 15, 1581, Catherine de' Medici, the Queen Mother of France, commissioned "Ballet Comique de la Reine" in Paris. The performance depicted the myth of Circe from Homer's *Odyssey* and is believed to be the first true ballet, combining music, dance, plot, and staging.



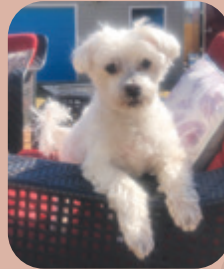
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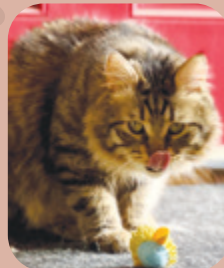
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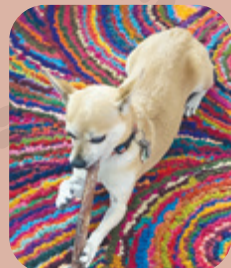
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The Secretive Sora

by Catherine Warwick

One of the birds leaving Calgary this September is the Sora. Were you one of the lucky few who saw it at the North Glenmore storm pond?

A few years ago, I saw one of these charismatic birds in Inglewood, I was with my sister who is not really a birder. The conversation went like this:

(a Sora just casually standing in a pond in full view)

Me: Holy Cow! A Sora! Wow I can't believe it, look at it! Wow! We are so lucky, how rare.

Sister: That's nice.

Me: We are so lucky! This is amazing!

Sister: Uh huh (starts walking).

And yet if she became a birder and started looking for a Sora, it would probably take years to see one. I trolled that North Glenmore Storm Pond so many times this summer and nothing! The Sora is one of those birds only birders know about, even though they are common they are really good at hiding in the reeds.

The Sora is a plump little chicken-like bird that belongs to the Rail family. They frequent ponds and wetlands. The Sora has very long toes that help them walk on floating mats of vegetation. They are grey and brown with an impossibly yellow triangle beak. The first time I saw one at the storm pond I thought it was floating because it was standing in water that came up to its undercarriage. I was flipping through my Sibleys looking for a duck with a yellow triangle beak. The most obvious identifier is their call, a descending laughing sound. Although lately I feel like the Red Wing black birds around the storm pond are mimicking it which has caused me a lot of disappointment. Birding - what a roller coaster!

When a Sora walks it puts its head forward with each step as it looks for aquatic plant seeds or bugs to eat. It's been known to use its long toes to rake the vegetation. Their long legs are great for running away really quickly, often you will just get a glimpse of them. A brown blur with a yellow streak.

Now that it's September, our little storm pond Sora will be departing on a very long journey, possibly as far as South America. They fly further than any other Rail despite their circular form and long legs. Hopefully it is back next year, and I can have another season of attempting to spot the beguiling Sora.



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Photo by Diane Stinson. June 2, 2025, North Glenmore Park.



CLASSIC CARS GLENBROOK

1979 GMC SIERRA GRANDE



Words and photo by Fred Nelson

Tom's family bought this cute, little, short wheelbase stepside pickup new in Rural B.C. It was deep enough into the countryside that salt was not used on the roads.

After many years of faithful service, it was replaced with a new truck, so Tom brought this one home to Calgary and restored it.

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