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**HOW?**

Through the creation and delivery of program, events, and strategic initiatives.

**WHY?**

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## Date

April 26  
3:00-4:30PM

## Location

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Glenmore Athletic Park

## Cost

\$12/kid

## About

Pedestrian Safety for Kids!  
(Ages 4-7)

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What's happening

# KGCA News

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## 2025 Casino

A big thank you to everyone who volunteered at our casino in January and to all who offered their support! Your dedication is deeply appreciated. The funds raised through the casino are essential for community associations like ours, helping us complete capital projects that keep our facilities running smoothly.



## KGCA Skate School

This year, we were excited to offer skating lessons at the KGCA for the first time! The program was a huge success, and we can't wait to offer even more lessons next year. A big thank you to everyone who trusted us to organize this program and teach your kids to skate. Stay tuned for more next year!

## Upcoming Events:

March 29, 7:00PM:

Suds Social

April 26:

Safety Day

May 25:

Food Truck Frenzy

June:

Clean Up Day (TBD)

For more info on events visit our website.

Email us to volunteer with event set up/take down.

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## Jane's Walk

Jane's Walk is a global festival of free neighbourhood walking tours held in Calgary and around the world each May, inspired by urbanist and activist Jane Jacobs. In 2008, Calgary Foundation was an early joiner of the new Jane's Walk global movement.

Every year, the first weekend in May, hundreds of Calgarians come to walk in their neighbourhoods or other neighbourhoods just to get to know them and their neighbours. Last year 1,500 Calgarians joined 50 different walks. This year on May 2, 3, and 4 there will be another festival of Jane's Walks.

These walks were an idea started by Jane Jacob's friends in Toronto, when Jane died in 2006, her friends wanted to acknowledge her impact on Canadian culture. She was not an urban planner or an architect. She was a writer and an urbanist and an activist passionate about making cities better places for families and communities to thrive. Her first book, *The Death and Life of Great American Cities*, that she wrote in 1961 is still taught in Architectural schools all over the world.

Her first great success was in the 1960s when she convinced New York City's City Council to deny Robert Moses, the most powerful urban planner of his day: he wanted to build an enormous freeway through the middle of Greenwich Village, where the Jacobs lived. It was a time when cars were king, and she thought it ought to be a place for families and communities to live vibrant lives. Her passion and conviction won the day!

Jane was born in 1916 and died in 2006. In the 1950s the rumblings had begun about the prospect of the Vietnam War. She was determined that her two sons would never go to war, that prompted their move to Toronto and Canada had the benefit of her wisdom for over 50 years.

When she died her friends were thinking about an appropriate memorial for her and they knew that she would want people connecting on the street talking with their neighbours and voila! Jane's Walks were invented in 2007.

Thousands of people all over Canada on the first weekend in May come together to lead their neighbours and friends into corners of their neighbourhoods they love and want to share. Last year there were 189 cities on six continents that participated in Jane's Walks.

I've led these walks through Killarney-Glengarry many times culminating for tea in my garden for many years. It all began when I stopped to talk to people who live on the street and learned of the history of their homes and the people who had lived in them. I was astonished at what I learned and then shared that knowledge with others. For example, in 1917 the RV Campbell family built the home at 2205 26 St, that home has only ever had three families live in it. Heidi and Ray, the current owners for the past 40 years, still have the original Campbell's photo album! There is a photo of their son returning from duty in the Second World War standing with his father in their backyard. After 108 years the original fireplaces and stained-glass windows still exist and are in working order.

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I would urge you to talk to your neighbours, get to know where they have come from and why they live here and then volunteer to lead a Jane's Walk in your favourite corner of your 'hood'. The Calgary Federation of Communities offers help in formulating your walk, if you need it. Check their website at [janewalk.calgarycommunities.com](http://janewalk.calgarycommunities.com). If you find that daunting, join a group and get the feel of how it feels to lead a Jane's Walk.

If you're new or an old-timer in Killarney-Glengarry and want to join a Jane's Walk please join us on May 3 at the Pub on the corner of 17 Avenue and 26 St SW at 1:00 pm. Maybe next year you'll volunteer to create your own Jane's Walk based on what you love about your corner of Killarney.

Last year, in Calgary there were over 1,500 attendees and 50 different walking tours. Now is the perfect time to start thinking about joining a Jane's Walk. Sign up on the Federation of Calgary Communities website: [janewalk.calgarycommunities.com](http://janewalk.calgarycommunities.com). Check out the walking maps and videos.



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CALGARY POLICE SERVICE

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- Close overhead garage door
- Lock door between garage & house
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- Ensure windows are shut
- Turn on exterior light

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April 7 - June 23 | 10 Classes for \$140



## ***Monday Yoga***

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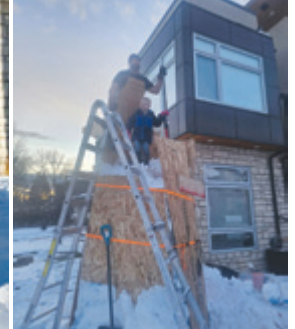
## Zach's Story

by Titash Choudhury

If you've walked through Killarney in late October, chances are you've seen Zach Lowe and his six-year-old son out in their front yard, hard at work on their ever-changing Halloween decorations. They're usually out there until late evening, tweaking and transforming the display daily in the weeks leading up to Halloween. No wonder their house is one of the neighbourhood's favourite stops. And when winter rolls around, Zach and his son keep the fun going with incredible snow sculptures like snow sharks and SpongeBob that turn their yard into a seasonal art gallery.



Zach is more than the guy with the coolest lawn displays. He is a dad, a consultant in the energy industry, a musician, and a contemporary artist. For the past few years, he has been a familiar face in Killarney, building a life with his family and adding his own creative spark to the community.



When asked about his outlook on life, he shared a simple but meaningful perspective, "Everything we take on in life, whether a project, initiative, or challenge, is about the process. It is the journey that matters, not just the outcome. One needs to enjoy the process, and the rest will fall into place".

That approach is clear in everything he does, whether it's working on snow sculptures or tackling high-stakes projects in Calgary's energy industry. He carries an effortless calm, trusting that things will come together as they should.

Zach credits much of his outlook on life to his parents, who remain his biggest inspiration. Growing up in Calgary, they instilled in him the values of kindness, gratitude, and an open heart. Everything he knows about doing good, he says he learned from them, and now he carries those lessons forward, passing them on to his son.

For Zach, Killarney's strong sense of community is what makes it home. One of his favourite memories is from August 2022, when he set up a giant slip-and-slide behind Killarney Elementary School to help his kids cool off in the summer heat. Armed with a 300-foot roll of plastic, a few sprinklers, and some hoses, he expected just a handful of kids to join in. Within half an hour, more than 40 children and just as many parents had gathered, turning it into an impromptu block party that stretched into the evening. It's the kind of moment that, for Zach, makes this neighbourhood so special.

Zach also finds joy in the quieter moments. One of his favourite things to do is mow the lawn. It is nothing exciting, but he enjoys those 20 minutes of peace in an otherwise busy day. It is also a chance to catch up with neighbours who stop to chat as they pass by. One neighbour who has left a lasting impression on Zach is Betty, a woman in her 80s who has lived in Killarney for decades. Despite her slow pace and health challenges, she is always smiling and full of warmth.

As much as Zach loves Killarney, he acknowledges that feeling safe is important for any family. The community is strong and welcoming, but like any urban neighbourhood, there is always room for improvement. He hopes to see continued efforts to enhance safety, ensuring Killarney remains a great place for young families. For now, the connections he has built, and the sense of belonging keep him here, but if sense of safety does not improve, he and his family may have to explore other neighbourhoods that offer that sense of security they need.

For now, Zach is focused on making the most of his time here. Whether it's building ice sculptures and Halloween decorations with his kid, chatting with neighbours, or working on his next creative project.

In the evenings, when he and his wife sit down to unwind, he takes a moment to appreciate it all, knowing these are the days he will look back on with a smile. These are the good old years. If you see Zach around the neighbourhood, be sure to say hello. Just do not be surprised if you hear the roar of his motorcycle come spring. It is neighbours like Zach who make Killarney the vibrant and welcoming community so many are proud to call home.

Share your story, your neighbour's story, or inspiring community members with Humans of Killarney. Contact Titash, Director of Membership, at [membership@kgca.ca](mailto:membership@kgca.ca).

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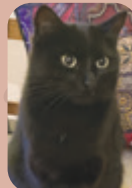
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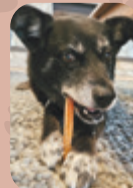
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