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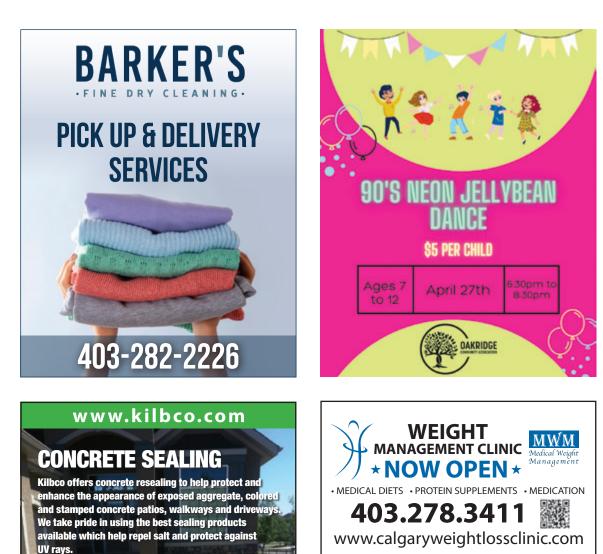
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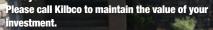
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Please be aware that smoking is not permitted within 5 metres of the Oakridge Community Centre entrance, per City of Calgary Bylaw 57M92 the provincial Tobacco Reduction Act.

The Tobacco Reduction Act prohibits smoking in public places and workplaces, and within 5 metres of any doorway, window or air intake. If you do smoke, please be sure to do so at least 5 metres from the entrance. We appreciate your cooperation.









## **Civic Affairs**

#### **Proposed Citywide Rezoning**

www.calgary.ca/planning/projects/rezoning-forhousing.html.

We provided you with a summary of the City's plans in the March edition of the *Echo*. If passed, we believe this could have major changes for our neighbourhood. The OCA Board is in favour of densification in the right places. However, blanket rezoning seems inappropriate, and the OCA Board approved signing a multi-community letter objecting to this proposal. Since then, there has been further news in the media on this topic.

Please let the Oakridge Community Association know if you are in favour of this rezoning or if you disagree with this blanket rezoning plan. A public hearing date has been set for April 22, 2024, which is when the City Administration will present the recommended approach to citywide rezoning to Council. You can submit a comment online or register to speak at the Public Hearing via www.calgary.ca/council/meetings/ public-hearing.html?redirect=/publichearing.

This proposed rezoning is currently supported by some members of Council, so you can send them your opinion too at www.calgary.ca/council/dyncrmcouncillors-contact.html.

#### Co-op Development at Southland and 24 Street

Co-op kindly provided us with the following update:

"Construction is progressing as expected. As you have seen, we have completed the structural framing and decking. Over the next months the walls will be framed, enclosed,



and under slab services will be installed. Roofing is scheduled to be installed shortly. We are on track for a spring 2025 completion date. The second floor of the retail building is fully occupied and operational. The latest tenant to open in the building was a Yoga studio, Pozen Yoga. The remainder of the site has remained open for business." Please see photos.



There is no update on the planned subdivision regarding the NW corner of the site where the accommodation units are planned. We did comment on SB2023-0416 but have not heard back from the city planners at this time.

#### **RioCan Development at Glenmore Landing**

Notwithstanding other community association's concerns, our main concern remains the impact on traffic with this proposed re-development combined with other planned developments in the area. We have again requested the 'Traffic Impact Assessment' but apparently it is still in discussions with the City and RioCan. Transparency is impressive!

#### **Other Oakridge Impacted Facilities**

We are still waiting for some road calming measures that were anticipated to be in place by the end of 2023. Please let the OCA and 3-1-1 know if you have specific drainage, pathway, road, or other improvements you want to see in Oakridge.



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Tues.	9:15-10:00am Baby Music Class 7:00-8:00pm Yoga Flow	
Wed.	9:15-10:15am Yoga Flow with Mary 10:45-11:45am Barre with Amanda 12:00-1:00pm Gentle Yoga 3:15-4:15pm Crafty Beans	
Thurs.	9:15-10:15am Barre Fit 10:30-11:30am Mom & Baby Barre	
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## Oakridge Community Garden (OCG)

Our third 2024 OCG executive meeting (#102) will have been held on Thursday, March 21 after our January 25, and February 22 meetings. Our focus has been on registration and early plans for the 2024 spring season. Changing the four-by-four beds, which dry out very quickly, into ten-by-four beds is planned for April. Payments for membership and rental of beds will start May 1 but you can still get on a waitlist by contacting Bev at romermab@gmail.com.

You may have joined and enjoyed our first Zoom presentation "Winter Sowing" presented by Sharon Williams. With April now upon us, many of you may be starting seedlings in protected areas.

Our plans for 2024 – our fifth growing season – are to ensure a focus on long-term sustainment. This will mean encouraging more new members and a greater sharing of the volunteer effort.

Regarding grant applications, they need to be one of our priorities, and they need OCA Board approval prior to submitting any application for a grant. We are also slowly progressing our grant application for: extension of our irrigation system, expansion of four-by-four beds to ten-by-four beds, tables, benches and chairs for the Pavilion with possibly a wood floor, and other garden equipment and plants.

We have a few events planned, many to be combined with other OCA activities.

We have our Open Day combined with the OCA Stampede Breakfast on Sunday, July 7. Then we have a Harvest Day on Saturday, September 7, possibly combined with Art in the Garden/Park. Later in the year, we plan to repeat some Halloween celebrations with pumpkin carving and dress up celebrations.

Come, volunteer, and join the exciting garden group.



## GAMES & PUZZLES

## **Guess the Invention!**

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2. This Canadian-born technological invention gave the public a more immersive film experience in theatres.

3. James Naismith, a Canadian-born P.E. instructor invented this indoor team sport in 1891.

4. Hollywood actress Hedy Lamarr famously created a frequency-hopping technology, which would eventually lead to this modern wireless network technology.

5. Canadian artist Joe Shuster co-created this iconic comic book character in 1938.

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6. In 1940, Norman Breakey of Toronto created this tool which would save time applying paint.







## Construction at the Oakridge Community Centre

The Oakridge Community Centre is working to improve the safety of our parking lot with a major restoration in May 2024.

Construction is expected to begin the week of May 6, 2024, and will be completed no later than June 14, 2024.

This project will impact all visitors and renters of the facility as we will have no on-site parking during this time. During construction all users of the facility will need to park on the streets around the facility or use alternative means of transportation such as walking or biking.

The front entrance to the facility will be fenced off and unavailable during this time and visitors will need to access the building through one of three alternate entrances. Two are located on the north side of the building with access from the fire lane and one is located on the east side of the building close to the outdoor rink. Signage indicating these temporary entrances will be posted for everyone to see.

A temporary walkway will be set up from Oakfield Drive (close to our entrance sign) to the fire lane to access the north and east sides of the building.

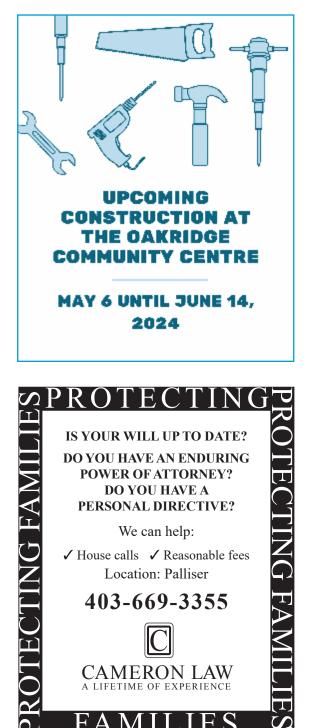
As with any construction site it is expected that there may be noise, debris, and dust around the facility. The construction company will try to minimize this as much as possible but cannot prevent it completely.

We hope there will be no major delays due to the weather and we appreciate your understanding while we work to improve our facility for everyone.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 403-238-0007.

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Whether you're a frequent visitor or have found parking challenges to be a barrier to your participation in our events and services, we want to hear from you. The purpose of this survey is to gather detailed insights into the parking situation at the community centre, including any difficulties you may have encountered or reasons that may have deterred you from visiting due to parking concerns.

Your input will play a crucial role in helping us understand the current parking dynamics and identify areas for improvement. By participating in this survey, you're contributing to a collective effort to make the Oakridge community centre more accessible and welcoming for all residents. We are committed to addressing your concerns and exploring solutions that will enhance the overall community experience.

Taking part in the survey will require only a few minutes of your time, yet your feedback could lead to significant positive changes. Please visit www.oakridgecommunity.ca/ parking to complete the survey at your earliest convenience.

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The Oakridge Community Centre Team





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