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Neep the Oakridge Community Centre Smoke-Free

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.



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February is Heart Health Month

Heart health is a crucial aspect of overall wellbeing, yet it is often overlooked until a

problem arises. The heart, a vital organ, is responsible for pumping blood throughout the body, supplying oxygen and nutrients to tissues, and removing waste products. Maintaining a healthy heart is essential for longevity and a good quality of life.

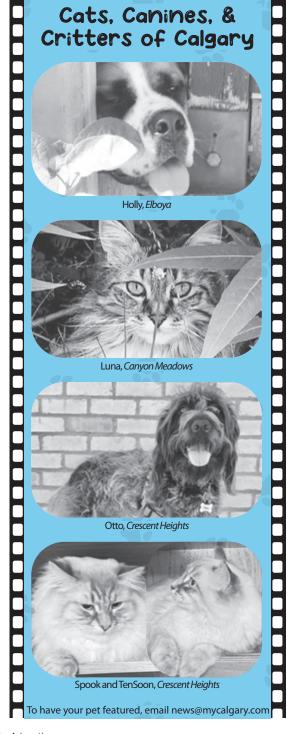
One of the key factors in maintaining heart health is a balanced diet. Consuming foods low in saturated fats, cholesterol, and sodium while rich in fruits, vegetables, whole grains, and lean proteins can significantly reduce the risk of heart diseases. This diet helps in maintaining healthy blood pressure, cholesterol levels, and body weight, all of which are critical factors in heart health.

Regular physical activity is another vital component. Exercise strengthens the heart muscle, improves blood circulation, and helps to maintain a healthy weight. At least 150 minutes of moderate-intensity aerobic exercise or 75 minutes of vigorous exercise each week for adults, or a combination of both is recommended.

Additionally, avoiding harmful habits like smoking and excessive alcohol consumption is crucial. Smoking is a major risk factor for heart disease, as it damages the lining of the arteries and contributes to the buildup of plaque. Limiting alcohol intake can also lower the risk of heart disease, as excessive drinking can lead to high blood pressure and heart failure.

Regular health screenings are important for early detection and management of heart-related issues. Blood pressure, cholesterol levels, and diabetes screenings can help identify risk factors early on, allowing for timely intervention and treatment.

Heart health is an essential aspect of living a long and healthy life. A combination of a balanced diet, regular physical activity, avoidance of harmful habits, and regular health screenings can significantly reduce the risk of heart disease and improve overall health and well-being. Celebrate this February by improving your heart health habits!



Why Volunteering Is Important

Volunteering, at its core, is a selfless act where individuals offer their time, skills, and energy for the benefit of others or the community as a whole. The act of volunteering is a powerful force, capable of bridging gaps, building communities, and fostering a sense of belonging and purpose among people from diverse backgrounds.

One of the most significant impacts of volunteerism is its contribution to community development. Volunteers often work in areas like education, health care, environmental conservation, and disaster relief. providing essential services to communities that might otherwise go underserved. This work not only aids those in need but also contributes to building stronger, more resilient communities.

Volunteering also offers profound personal benefits. It provides opportunities for individuals to develop new skills and gain valuable experience, which can be beneficial for personal growth and even career advancement. Furthermore, it promotes a sense of accomplishment and well-being. Studies have shown that volunteering can improve mental health by reducing stress, combating depression, and providing a sense of purpose.

Moreover, volunteering fosters social connections and strengthens community ties. By working alongside people from various backgrounds, volunteers gain a broader perspective of the world and develop a deeper understanding and empathy for others. This cultural exchange enriches communities, promoting inclusivity and understanding.

Volunteerism is a vital part of a healthy society. Its benefits range from strengthening communities and aiding those in need to promoting personal growth and well-being. By giving their time and talents, volunteers not only contribute to the betterment of society but also embark on a fulfilling journey of personal development.

If you are interested in volunteering with the Oakridge Community Association, reach out today to learn more about the opportunities available.

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The Benefits of Being Social



Humans are inherently social creatures, and engaging in social activities can have profound benefits on both mental and physical health. Being socially active can enhance one's quality of life in numerous ways.

One of the primary benefits of being social is the improvement of mental health. Social interactions can reduce feelings of depression and anxiety. Engaging in conversations and activities with others can boost mood, provide a sense of belonging, and increase overall happiness. Social connections provide emotional support, reduce stress, and can even help in developing a more positive outlook on life.

Social activity is also linked with improved cognitive function. Interacting with others stimulates the brain, which can help in maintaining cognitive sharpness, especially in older adults. Studies have shown that those who engage in regular social activities are less likely to experience cognitive decline and dementia.

Additionally, being social can have physical health benefits. Socially active individuals often have stronger immune systems, which can lead to a decrease in the risk of several diseases, including heart problems. The support systems built through social interactions can also encourage healthier lifestyle choices, such as regular exercise and a balanced diet.

Being social can lead to increased opportunities for learning and personal growth. Engaging with diverse groups of people allows for the exchange of ideas and knowledge, fostering personal development and a broader understanding of the world. This can lead to enhanced creativity, problem-solving skills, and a greater sense of empathy towards others.

Social activities often involve physical activities, whether it's a group sport, a dance class, or simply a walk in the park with friends. These activities combine the benefits of physical exercise with social interaction, amplifying the positive effects on both physical and mental health.

Social connections also provide a sense of purpose and belonging. Participating in community events, joining clubs or groups with shared interests, and maintaining friendships contribute to a sense of community and identity. This can be particularly important during difficult times, as having a support network can help individuals navigate through challenges more effectively.

The benefits of being social extend far beyond simple enjoyment. Social interactions enrich mental and physical health, enhance cognitive function, and contribute to a sense of community and personal growth. Making an effort to maintain and develop social connections can lead to a more fulfilling and healthier life.

The Oakridge Community Centre offers many ways to get social and have some fun here in your own community. From coffee groups who meet on Wednesday mornings to Line Dancing Classes to Gardening or Racquet Sports, we have something to spark an interest in everyone. Contact us for more information.











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2023 59



SEMI-DETACHED

2023 | 49 2022 | 50



APARTMENT

2023 | 2 2022 | 4



TOTAL SALES 2023 | 110 2022 | 115



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