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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.







Oakridge Community Garden (OCG)

Our fourth 2024 OCG Executive meeting (#103) was held on Thursday, April 18 followed by an OCG planning meeting on Tuesday, May 7 ahead of our raised bed replacement project. Our focus was on coordinating the replacement of the 4' by 4' beds which dry out very quickly into 10' by 4' beds. We had luckily obtained some funds and youth volunteers from Youth Central to help us on Saturday, May 11.

The project proceeded extremely well on a lovely sunny day. We had ten individuals from Youth Central who worked hard and enthusiastically, as did our many OCG volunteers. Thanks to all for completing the scope ahead of the 3:00 pm deadline and with such positive and willing attitudes.

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

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

Open Day combined with the OCA Stampede Breakfast on Sunday, July 7. Then we have a Harvest Day on Saturday, September 7 combined with a pickleball competition – no, gardeners don't have to play!

Later in the year, we plan to repeat some Halloween celebrations with pumpkin carving and dress up celebrations – but we need enthusiastic participants and volunteers.

We will have some 'Work Bee' volunteer days where we will plant, water, and maintain the OCG area.

Come and volunteer and join the exciting garden group!





Civic Affairs

Proposed Citywide Rezoning

Referring to reports in the March, April, and May editions of the *Echo* on the Proposed Citywide Rezoning, the Public Hearing started on April 22, 2024, and lasted over two weeks. Multiple perspectives were tabled and the subsequent decision by Council will have been made when you read this.

We will be studying the Council's decision and its potential impact on our neighbourhood and our preparation for a Local Area Plan with our District 32 neighbours.

Road Safety

We had OCA board approval to reach out to Louis Riel School and request communication to parents and pupils about road safety. LRS included our OCA communication in their weekly messages. As we move into spring and summer, we will have even more people out and about on our pathways, pedestrian crossings, at intersections without crossings, and even children playing in their front driveways. We encourage all residents to drive with care, obey the posted speed limits, and avoid distracted driving.

Calgary Police Service has also been present assisting with monitoring, education, and compliance enforcement. However, this can only be intermittent. So, we are again requesting the City to improve some of the high pedestrian traffic interactions with various forms of road calming. If you have any specific concerns, please raise these with the City at 3-1-1 and share it with us at www.oakridgecommunity.ca/local-concerns.

Road changes are progressing at the 90 Ave and 24 St intersection with limited input from OCA.

Co-op Development at Southland Dr and 24 Street

Co-op construction is continuing, and they remain on track for a spring 2025 completion date. Unfortunately, there is no update on the planned subdivision regarding the NW corner of the site where the accommodation units are planned.

RioCan Development at Glenmore Landing

Notwithstanding other Community Association's concerns with the proposed towers, our main OCA 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 it is still in discussions with the City and RioCan. We did have some dialogue with City staff, and they encouraged Urban Systems who represent RioCan to meet us but to date we have not had a response.

We have noticed some construction at the 16 St and 90 Ave intersection.

Other Impacted Oakridge Facilities

We are still waiting for some road calming measures that were anticipated to be in place by the end of 2023. Please let us know if you have any other infrastructure requests at www.oakridgecommunity.ca/local-concerns/, as well as documenting with 3-1-1.

We encourage Oakridge residents with back lanes to keep their garbage bins and space between their fences and the back lane clean and free from invasive weeds. Much appreciated.



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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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Connecting Through Gardening invites gardeners of all skill levels to join us for a series of engaging workshops held at various community centres including Oakridge, Cedarbrae, and Braeside.

These sessions are scheduled from April to September, each starting at 6:30 pm and ending at 8:30 pm, and will be led by the amazing Master Gardener Janet Melrose, Calgary's Cottage Gardener.

Whether you're a seasoned gardener or just getting started, these gatherings offer invaluable tips, techniques, and a chance to connect with fellow gardening enthusiasts.

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