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#### PARKDALE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION PRESENTS

## MICRO-GRANTS PROJECT

PCA Micro-grants of up to \$500 will be awarded to initiatives that encourage community involvement and good citizenship.

This program is meant to encourage active citizenship by providing residents with funds to implement creative projects that benefit their local community.

To learn more & apply, please visit email Jean-Michel Pare at volunteer@parkdaleyyc.com



### NATIONAL BEST FRIEND DAY

In Canada and the US, June 8 is National Best Friend Day! This observance exists thanks to US Congress who, in 1935, decided that a day was needed each year to celebrate close friends. June 8 was selected for its pleasant weather, making it a great day to spend outdoors with friends!

#### **MESSAGE FROM THE PCA BOARD**

Hello Parkdale.

Summer is upon us, and with it, we can look forward to warm weather and chances to enjoy precious time with friends and family. Of course, quite a number of people use summertime to get away for a while, but let's not forget that there is a whole range of activities and events in and around Calgary – truly something for everyone. Cycling, barbecues, festivals, sports, nightlife - you name it, it's here, and it's also adapting all the time to what people here like to see and do.

A Calgary summer isn't complete without the Stampede being a centrepiece, with all that surrounds that week of fun. Many families must also turn to the age-old situation of the kids being off from school - what are they going to do for the next two months? Everyone wants to make the best of the time we're given, and there's a lot to consider!

At Parkdale Community Association, we know that our residents and neighbours enjoy taking advantage of summertime outdoors in our community, and we want to help you enjoy the local and so we have plans for summer and beyond. We want to have our rink space well-utilized in the summer, just like it is in the winter; we are adding features like booked times with new sports equipment. We will of course continue to offer events in the summer with some exciting changes in store to make them more valued and welcoming to you. And the nearby permanent features like the park space and playground are great for an evening diversion, topped off by a walk through our garden to see what our members are growing. Our local businesses love to see residents too; if you're visiting, let them know that you live close by.

What are some of the things you like about our neighbourhood in the summer? Are there other things you would like to see Parkdale offer - in summer or otherwise? Let us know! Post on our Facebook or Instagram, drop us an email at office@parkdalevvc.com. or if you know one of our volunteers, please pass on your thoughts!

Parkdale Community Association





by Anne Burke

Spring brought renewal and awakening of Mother Earth in April. There was a three-hour interpretive walk to connect with cultural landscapes through the ages in Nose Hill Park where attendees could be closer to the stars.

The group at the John Laurie Blvd parking lot began the 2.2 km route on pathway and gravel trail. The leaders were Crystal Many Fingers, a Blackfoot member of the Kainai First Nation of Treaty 7, and Laureen Bryant, a professional archaeologist who focused on human occupation.

Legends and sharing stories are an integral part of an oral culture. The importance of Nose Hill to pre-contact indigenous people is highlighted by sites such as the buffalo rubbing stone for ceremonies, vision questing, and fasting.

A natural area is a City-owned park with a natural/ native plant community. Our primary role is to preserve the natural significance. Conservation protects these (relatively) undisturbed parcels of land. Damage can be repaired while loss can be restored.

Public engagement and feedback from tourists will contribute to Calgary's 20-year Park Plan. After a draft proposal, there comes a final version by spring 2024, before presentation to City Council. For more information, visit https://engage.calgary.ca/parksplan.

#### **SAFE & SOUND**



Emergency Medical Services (EMS) would like to encourage parents and caregivers to ensure their backyard play areas are made safe for children this summer. Although direct supervision is the best method to reduce the chance of injury, always ensure play equipment in your yard is in good repair and is suited to the age and skill of the children using it. Check the equipment often; replace or repair any worn or broken parts. It's also advised to set up play equipment on top of a nine-inch layer of shock-absorbing material which extends six feet out in all directions from the play area.

#### **Water Hazards**

- Drowning contributes to unintentional injury-related death among children ages one to four
- · Children can drown in just a few centimetres of water if it covers their mouth and nose
- Ensure all backyard swimming pools are fenced. The fence must be at least 1.8 metres high and have a self-latching, self-closing, lockable gate. (\*Alberta Building Code)

#### **Lawn and Garden Tools**

 Keep young children away from outdoor power equipment

- · Serious burns may result from touching hot engine surfaces
- · Ensure that all sharp tools, fuel, chemicals, and other hazardous substances are stored in a secure, locked area. A simple latch may not be sufficient.

#### **Insect Bites and Stings**

- · Minimize the risk of attracting insects by not wearing strong perfumes or scented lotions
- Avoid wearing brightly coloured clothing outdoors
- · Consider destroying or relocating hives and nests situated near your home
- •To avoid injury through inadvertently stepping on a stinging insect, always wear footwear outdoors
- If your child has received an 'EpiPen, Junior' prescription from your physician (for anaphylactic reactions only) ensure they understand when and how to use it
- · If your child experiences a severe reaction to an insect sting, or other environmental cause, seek medical attention, or call 911.

## U/D **SUMMER EVENTS**

Join us for some fun. family activities!

UNIVERSITY DISTRICT



The U/D Night Market is back with more vendors on the last Wednesday of each month. Join us for an evening filled with live music, entertainment and a diverse collection of local artisans. In partnership with Marketspot.

> MAY-SEPT, 5-9 PM (last Wednesday of each month)



Our popular pooch-friendly event is back. Bring out Fido and your friends for an afternoon of fun in the park. With music, entertainment and activities the whole family can enjoy.

JUNE 18, 1-5 PM

Visit the events page at myuniversitydistrict.ca for more details.

#### **MENDING OUR EARTH**

**Parkdale United Church** 2919 8th Ave NW Saturday, June 3, 2023 1:00-2:30pm

Reps will give financial and practical advice on solar panels.

Please join us!

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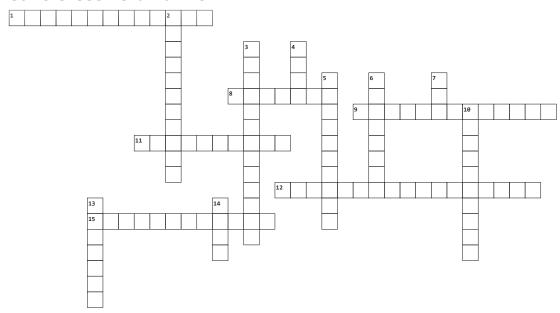
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#### **June Crossword Puzzle**



#### Across

- 1. Born on June 27, 1859, Mildred J. Hill composed this song, which is considered to be one of the most well-known songs in the English language.
- 8. In Sweden and Finland, Midsummer Day is traditionally celebrated by singing and dancing around this.
- Canadian singer-songwriter Alanis Morissette wrote this breakup song in about 30 minutes.
- Midland, Ontario holds an annual festival in honour of this classic Canadian pastry every June.
- Canadian author Lucy Maud Montgomery's debut novel, which was released in June of 1908.
- 15. This Calgary landmark was opened to the public on June 30, 1968.

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#### Down

- 2.The song "I Will Always Love You," first recorded on June 12, 1973, by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ gained renewed popularity with a re-release by Whitney Houston.
- 3.43 years ago, this NHL hockey team relocated to Calgary.
- 4. The month of June is named after this Roman goddess.
- 5. In North America, National \_\_\_\_\_ Day is celebrated on June 8.
- 6. 29 years ago, this popular Disney movie, based on Shakespeare's play, Hamlet, was released.
- 7. The first Friday after Father's Day is National Take Your to Work Day.
- On June 2, 1967, this band released their iconic album, "Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band," in the US.
- 13. This European country experiences the longest summer solstice due to its geographical location.
- 14. The official Father's Day flower.



#### **SWAG PRICE LIST**

Hoodie S	\$50
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Hoodie L	\$50
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Hoodie 2XL	\$50
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Ball Cap	\$35
Beanie	\$30









#### Parkdale Real Estate Update

Last 12 Months Parkdale MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
April 2023	\$ 885,000	\$ 883,000
March 2023	\$ 774,900	\$ 755,000
February 2023	\$ 761,890	\$ 722,500
January 2023	\$ 862,450	\$ 780,000
December 2022	\$0	\$ 0
November 2022	\$ 520,000	\$ 490,000
October 2022	\$ 659,000	\$ 623,500
September 2022	\$ 811,950	\$ 782,500
August 2022	\$ 794,700	\$ 770,000
July 2022	\$ 949,900	\$ 925,000
June 2022	\$ 702,450	\$ 702,500
May 2022	\$ 599,900	\$ 595,000

Last 12 Months Parkdale
MLS Real Estate Number of Listings Update

	W W D W D W D W D W	
	No. New Properties	No. Properties Sold
April 2023	6	7
March 2023	10	5
February 2023	6	2
January 2023	4	4
December 2022	4	0
November 2022	2	1
October 2022	2	5
September 2022	7	8
August 2022	5	2
July 2022	8	3
June 2022	13	10
May 2022	8	5

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## GAMES & PUZZLES Guess That Book!



- 1. A nurse accidentally time travels to the 18th century.
- 2. On Long Island, a bond salesman rents a bungalow next to a wealthy man.
- 3. Humans are artificially bred and sorted based on intelligence.
- 4. A former physics postdoctoral student goes on a road trip with his girlfriend.
- A forbidden romance ruins the lives of two close-knit Yorkshire families.
- 6. The 200-year-old protagonist is interviewed by a reporter.

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