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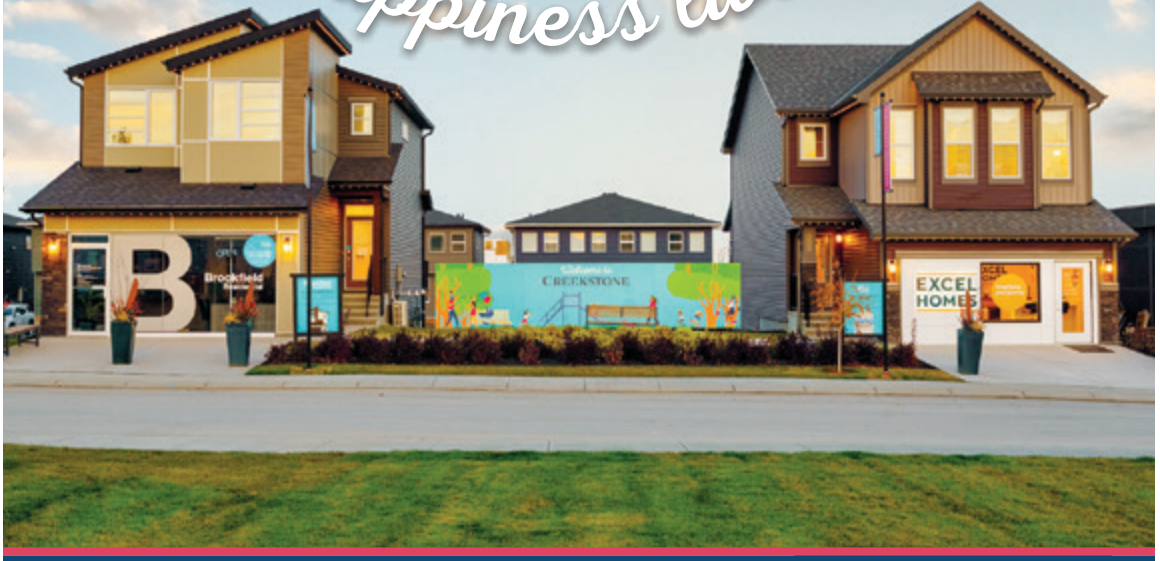


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## MESSAGE FROM THE CECA BOARD

It is May already!

Hello Evergreen residents, I hope you are enjoying the mild weather. Hard to imagine that we are in May already! The Easter Egg Hunt was held on April 8, and it was successful thanks to the group of passionate volunteers and the participation of families from Evergreen and the surrounding areas. It was a last-minute call to the community to have a resident lead the event and a group to help the event leader out as we do not have an event director at the moment and this event needs a volunteer group. So many people stepped up and helped out! A huge thank you goes to Evergreen Shoppers Drug Mart for the continuous sponsorship of this event.

I would like to share with you notes about upcoming events and programs.

CECA is partnering with Calgary Foothills Soccer Club for the grassroots soccer program put on by Foothills that will be running from May 6 to June 29.

CECA is organizing a Family Skate Day on Sunday, June 11 from 10:15 to 11:45 am. The location of the event is Cardel Rec South, #100-333 Shawville Blvd SE, Arena #4. This event is free for members and \$10 per family for non-members (two adults and up to three children).

We will have our Community Cleanup and Parade of Garage Sale in June.

You can find more details on all of CECA's programs, events, and news on the CECA Facebook page and website: [www.myceca.ca](http://www.myceca.ca).

CECA is looking for volunteers to fill two key positions, Recreation/Event Director and Membership Director. The required commitment from the board volunteer is around six to eight hours each month. If you would like to join us as a Board Member, or if you can volunteer for one of our future events, please email us at [volunteers@myceca.ca](mailto:volunteers@myceca.ca).

Please feel free to email me directly with any questions or suggestions you may have. Together we can make Evergreen a better place.

Thank you for your continued support,

*Mohamd Sltan*

President, Calgary Evergreen Community Association (CECA)

[president@myceca.ca](mailto:president@myceca.ca)

## Senior Programs

Seniors from Evergreen and the surrounding neighbourhoods have resumed their Seniors' Hobnob at Swan Evergreen Village on the last Wednesday of the month, from 5:30 to 7:00 pm. Everyone is invited to have some conversations with seniors in the community and the resident seniors at Swan Evergreen.

Computer classes and Zumba Gold likewise resumed, where seniors in the community joined resident seniors at Swan Evergreen Village. Should you be interested to join any of the seniors' activities, please feel free to connect with CECA. Zumba classes may also happen at the Sierras of the Evergreen sometime in March.



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**If you are interested in a vacant position, please email [info@myceca.ca](mailto:info@myceca.ca)**

## ATTENTION LOCAL PHOTOGRAPHERS!

Send us your best quality photo of the Evergreen Community or fun family activities for a chance to be chosen as the cover image for the Newsletter. You can win a \$10 gift card! Pictures must be 300 DPI and a minimum 1 MB in file size. (Sorry, no phone snap shots.) Deadline is before the eighth of each month. Please send your image to [newsletter@myceca.ca](mailto:newsletter@myceca.ca).

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## Traffic

### Evergreen Traffic Issues

We are continuing to work with the city to see what changes can be made to slow the traffic down in Evergreen, especially along Fish Creek Blvd and Everridge Dr. We also will be discussing traffic around the schools and at various intersections. If you have any issues you would like to bring to our attention, you can email them to [traffic@myceca.ca](mailto:traffic@myceca.ca).

### Kids Playing Outside

As the weather gets warmer and there is more daylight, the kids tend to get outside more to play. Health restrictions of the pandemic have lifted, so there is more of a chance that they are outside playing. Please make sure that they do not play on the road and that they travel safely to the local park. Drivers, pay attention to kids on or close to the road. Their actions can be unpredictable.

### Potholes

That time of year is at hand again! Let's try and make Evergreen pothole free! Please report potholes or sunken utility cuts to 311.

## Safety

### Car Safety

Keep your valuables out of sight and lock your cars. Car prowling is up over the past few months. Hide it or lose it! It is a difficult time, and some people are looking for easy pickings, this includes your hitch for the trucks. Don't give it to them! Lock your doors and keep valuables out of sight. That includes your garage door opener which might be used later by thieves.

### Develop a Routine!

Develop a 9:00 pm routine to check that all cars, trucks, house, and garage doors are secure. If you are heading out for the weekend, ensure you have locked everything before you leave.

### Do You Know Your Neighbours?

It is proven that when neighbours know each other, they tend to look out for each other.

A community that knows each other is a safer community.

## Wildlife

As spring gets into gear, keep an eye out for more wildlife in parks and yards. Keep your pets and kids close by!

## Reporting

Once again, if you witness any traffic issues on an ongoing basis, please take the time to both report it to me at [traffic@myceca.ca](mailto:traffic@myceca.ca) and also via the Traffic Service Request directly to the police. This can be done at <http://www.calgary.ca/cps/Pages/Traffic/Traffic-Service-Requests.aspx>.

Please report road and sign issues to 311. This can be done by calling 311, by going online to <http://www.calgary.ca/CS/CSC/Pages/311.aspx>, or at the app website, <http://spot311.calgary.ca>.

If you have any traffic or safety questions or concerns, or wish to comment on anything written here, you can email [traffic@myceca.ca](mailto:traffic@myceca.ca) or [safety@myceca.ca](mailto:safety@myceca.ca).

Thanks,

*Paul Bushell, Traffic Director and Utsav Agrawal, Safety Director*

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# What is a Community Association?

What is the Community Association and what do they do? Why do they need my support? Read the below article to find out more about your community association.

Many people associate community associations with a building, but CECA is one of 50 community associations in Calgary without a building.

Taken from the Federation of Calgary Communities website:

“Your neighbourhood has a community association: a not-for-profit organization run by your neighbours and other volunteers dedicated to providing you with social, recreational and educational opportunities close to home, a variety of special events to bring you together as residents, and a voice for your community!

Purchasing a community association membership – even as a Christmas gift – is a great way to get involved and show your support for the many ways your neighbours work to ensure you love where you live.”

## Benefits

There are many benefits to having a membership to your community association. The Federation offers discounts with Cloverdale Paints, Servus Credit Union, and Stealth Alarms. Evergreen CA has discounts for many local businesses: Orangetheory Fitness, Lawn Guard, Castle Toys, and many more. See the info online at [www.myceca.ca/membership](http://www.myceca.ca/membership).

Plus, your support of the CA by buying a membership will mean it has the funds for its necessary expenses. That way, it can run the events and programs for the community.

There is more information about Community Associations online.

Check out this link: <https://calgarycommunities.com/community-info/what-is-a-community-association/>.

## Volunteers

A Community Association is only as good as the volunteers that run it and the community that supports it. What is put into a community is what you will get out of it. A community that knows and supports each other, not only is stronger but also safer. Community residents that look out for each other, help each other in times of distress, and enjoy spending time together make living in that community enjoyable and worthwhile. If you have time, consider giving back to your community.

We are always looking for people to join the Board of Directors or one of our committees to help accomplish our goals.

## Amenities and Programs

The Calgary Evergreen Community Association continues to work towards providing events that allow residents to come together and have fun, like a permanent ice rink and other popular community programs. Working with our stakeholders and partners, whether that is neighbouring communities or city officials, we advocate to make living in this community better.

## Become a Member!

Support your community by becoming a member or continuing to renew your membership. Get involved by volunteering at events, on committees, or joining the Board of Directors, and help steer the direction of the community to continue to make it a great place to live.

## CA vs RA

A community association is different than a resident association. A CA has a volunteer membership and looks after events and programs. Whereas an RA or HOA (homeowners association) is a mandatory encumbrance on a home's title that is paid to a legal entity that provides certain services.

## Questions?

If you have any questions about the Calgary Evergreen Community Association, email us at [info@myceca.ca](mailto:info@myceca.ca). Also come out to any of our events and talk to a board member about how you can get involved.



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# CECA MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION FORM

**A community association membership is an excellent gift for the whole family! Get a Calgary Evergreen Community Association membership and these are the benefits that your family will enjoy for the whole year!**

**Member Discounts:** Our community partners provide discounts to CECA members. Check out the CECA Members Only section in this newsletter or online under Member Benefits.

Cardel Rec South also extends discounts for community association members for partner communities.

**Events:** Calgary Evergreen Community Association organizes and sponsor the following annual events and programs: Winter Festival, Easter Egg Hunt, Parade of Garage Sales, Community Clean Up, Member-Only Movie Screening, Christmas Lights Contest, seniors' events and programs, kids' programs, and community engagement opportunities.

Join or renew your membership at <http://www.myceca.ca>

or complete the form below and mail along with a cheque for \$20 payable to "Calgary Evergreen Community Association": PO Box 24007 RPO Evergreen, Calgary, Alberta, T2Y 0J9.

All this and more, for only \$20 per year for the whole immediate family! Annual membership expires at the end of the month one year from the when it was purchased.

### Join Us Today!

Calgary Evergreen Community Association (CECA) is actively involved in current and future development for the community. This includes developing the Evergreen Community Park (1150 Everridge Dr. SW), community land use, playgrounds and the community outdoor ice rink.

We also advocate for the community on concerns of traffic, safety, and awareness.

Join today and help us plan future community amenities that would benefit ALL EVERGREEN residents. Possible amenities may include permanent ice rink, community

centre, rink house, outdoor stage, natural playground, community garden, and park landscaping.

The Calgary Evergreen Community Association is different than the Evergreen Residents Association. Visit the [evergreenresidents.ca](http://evergreenresidents.ca) website to learn more and see if your home is within their boundary. If you are, their \$100 membership is mandatory and is affixed to the title of your property. That fee only goes toward some garden maintenance and landscaping and does not come to the community association.

### CECA or SECA?

Also, if your street name includes 'Evergreen', you are in the Evergreen Estates which belongs to Shawnee Evergreen. You can purchase a SECA membership by going to [www.shawnee-evergreen.ca](http://www.shawnee-evergreen.ca). CECA Associate Memberships are available, but holders do not hold voting rights at the AGM. Contact [info@myceca.ca](mailto:info@myceca.ca) if you have any questions.

## MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION FORM



To purchase a membership in your Community Association, please fill in this form, attach a cheque for \$20 made payable to **Calgary Evergreen Community Association** and mail to:

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## Calgary Evergreen Gardening Contest

Do you have the best-looking garden in Evergreen?

Enter the Evergreen Gardening Contest and find out!

Sponsored by the Calgary Horticultural Society and the "Spruce It Up" Garden Centre (and potentially some others).

Registration opened on March 1 and closes June 30, 2023.

Fill out the entry form at [www.myceca.ca/gardening](http://www.myceca.ca/gardening) or download the form and email it to [gardening@myceca.ca](mailto:gardening@myceca.ca).

Download the rules for the contest from our website at [www.myceca.ca](http://www.myceca.ca).

Judging will take place in August.

For the first year the contest will only be open to single detached homes in the community of Evergreen, not including Evergreen Estates or Shawnee Slopes or Park.

See the rules to see if your garden is eligible.

Questions can be emailed to [gardening@myceca.ca](mailto:gardening@myceca.ca).

### EVERGREEN GARDENING CONTEST



## Editorial Deadline!

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Nico (6)



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*Congratulations to Nico S. (6) and Spencer J (6), the winners of the March colouring contest! Big thanks to the Constituency Office of Honorable Jason Kenney, the MLA for Calgary-Lougheed, and to Mari's Bridal Alteration and Sewing for kindly sponsoring this month's prizes.*

# EASTER EGG HUNT

## What An Easter Egg Hunt We Had!

Another successful one! A huge thank you to all our volunteers, from our youngest teenagers to our seniors who help us make it a great, successful, and fun day! The weather was super nice and so were the kids of all ages who took part in the event. We had an amazing Easter Bunny (Tara W.) who was swamped with kids of all ages, including parents. A special thanks to Elise who orchestrated it all! Great job kid!

The final number for the jelly bean count was 282 jelly beans and the winner is Alin T. with a guess of 283! Congratulations!

Many thanks to our sponsors, Evergreen Shoppers Drug Mart, for donating the chocolates, and Mari's Alterations for donating the jelly bean raffle prize! Everything is greatly appreciated!

Hope you all had a great Easter! We look forward to an even bigger and better event next year! See you all again at the 2024 Easter event!









# FRIENDS *of* Fish Creek



## May in Fish Creek

### Fish Creek Community Terrace - Reserve Your Brick Before June 1

Dedicate a brick within the Fish Creek Community Terrace to help support the Friends and our conservation efforts here in Fish Creek Provincial Park. A brick would also make an amazing gift for anyone you know who enjoys visiting this unique and ecologically diverse urban park. If you have a small business near the park, consider dedicating a brick for your company. Bricks are only \$250 each and you will receive a tax receipt for your contribution. There are limited spaces available in the Fish Creek Community Terrace so make sure to dedicate your brick today! For more information, please contact the Friends of Fish Creek or visit <https://friendsoffishcreek.org/programs/brick>.

### WestJet Gift of Flight

From May to July, the Friends of Fish Creek are offering you The Gift of Flight from WestJet. Win a round trip flight for two to anywhere WestJet flies! Pick up your tickets today and enjoy this amazing opportunity to see a new part of the world or return to a favourite place. All funds raised will support the Friends and our conservation efforts here in Fish Creek. Fish Creek Provincial Park enhances the quality of life for countless community members each day, and we are committed to protecting and preserving its sensitive ecosystems and biodiversity so that future generations can enjoy this park long into the future. Enter to win one round trip flight for two guests to any regularly scheduled and marketed WestJet destination! No cash value. Fees, taxes, surcharges not included. Blackout dates and restrictions apply. Tickets are 1 for \$10, 5 for \$20, 50 for \$25, or go all in and get 100 tickets for \$100! Contest closes July 3, 2023. All tickets are sold electronically. All bookings and travel must be completed within one year from the date of the event. For more info visit <https://friendsoffishcreek.org/programs/flight>.

### The Buzz on Calgary Bumble Bees Thursday, May 11, 7:00 to 8:30 pm

### Presented by Syd Cannings, Biologist, Canadian Wildlife Service, Prairie Region Environment and Climate Change Canada

Bumble bee populations pose a conservation concern these days, and several species from the Calgary area have been assessed as at risk by the Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada. This talk will provide an introduction to bumble bees and their basic biology, examine bees whose numbers have declined, the reasons for the decline, and what we can do about the situation. Syd Cannings is a Species at Risk Biologist with the Canadian Wildlife Service in Whitehorse, Yukon. He is a member of COSEWIC, the Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada, and has led the development of the national recovery strategies and management plans for four species of bumble bees. He has also written several books, including *British Columbia: A Natural History*, and *The New BC Roadside Naturalist*. To register, visit <https://friendsoffishcreek.org/event/buzz>.

### Friends of Fish Creek - Annual General Meeting Wednesday, May 24, 2023

7:00 to 8:30 pm

Registration opens at 6:30 pm

### Fish Creek Environmental Learning Centre, Shannon Terrace

The Friends would like to thank all our members, volunteers, donors, community partners, and other supporters for helping to make 2022 a truly memorable year. The Annual General Meeting presents an opportunity to meet with Friends staff, board of directors, members, and volunteers as well as learn about the year that has come to a close and hear about our exciting plans for 2023 already underway. At this year's AGM, we will bid a fond farewell to some of our board members and welcome new volunteers to our board of directors. This event is free to all community members, however only current 2023 members are eligible to vote. To register or for more information, please visit <https://friendsoffishcreek.org/event/agm>.

# Evergreen Teen is Making a Huge Difference in Our Neighbourhood!

Patricia, a local high school student, is cleaning up the neighbourhood to raise money for the Veterans' Food Bank and she's hoping for people to contribute bottles for her youth group or food donations for the Veterans' Food Bank. These are some ways for her to actively work toward the Duke of Edinburgh Award, a youth program which teaches the value of hard work and fosters the importance of relationships and gaining connections with community members.

Patricia has been doing this for the last two years. It started when she got her dog, and he would grab garbage to eat it while on a walk. It was a constant problem. The debris she was finding was ridiculous and thankfully, she decided to do something about it. All the waste picked up by Patricia is dumped in their house waste bin.

Her family will help deliver the food donations to the Veterans' Food Bank when there is enough to make the trip worthwhile, but please don't donate expired food items.

When the community identifies specific trouble areas for cleanup, she and the team will try to spend more time on those streets as needed.

Thanks to all who have been supporting her amazing effort to beautify our community and those who have donated bottles to the cadets or gave donations to the food bank.

Please continue your hard work, Patricia! We need you and many more like you in our community! Big, big thanks!





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# Mother's Day

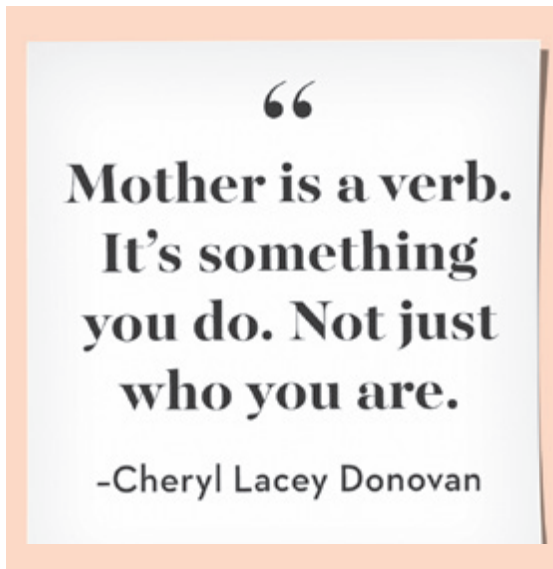
This special day typically involves small celebrations and gift-giving to one's mother, grandmother, or other important female figures in one's family. Mother figures may include grandmas, aunts, sisters, carers, or guardians. It is celebrated in over 40 countries around the world.



Carnations are a popular Mother's Day symbol in both Canada and the United States. Some people may choose to wear a carnation as a brooch on Mother's Day. However, other flowers are also given to mothers or mother figures to symbolize love and appreciation.

There are a variety of potential Mother's Day traditions, and they may be unique to a particular family. People might:

- Give their moms a rest by doing any chores she does on a Sunday.
- Make handmade items to give to their mothers.
- Write poems for their mom.
- Give gifts such as flowers and jewellery.
- Make breakfast in bed for their moms.
- Take their mother out for dinner.



# GAMES & PUZZLES

## Guess That Movie!

1. On Amity Island, beachgoers are harassed by a bloodthirsty sea beast.
2. An unlikely chef fulfills his dream of working in a famous Parisian restaurant.
3. A visit to a theme park full of genetically modified creatures goes very wrong.
4. The anti-social protagonist embarks on a journey to rescue a princess and save his home.
5. An overwhelmed princess escapes her duties and explores Rome with a stranger.



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# Happy Victoria Day!



Victoria Day, held each year on the last Monday preceding May 24, is a long weekend in Canada and the start of the summer season across the country.

The day is held in honour of British monarch Queen Victoria.

This queen had deep ties with Canada, and her father, Prince Edward, Duke of Kent and Strathearn (1767 to 1820) had a role in the eventual formation of Canada as a country. The province of Prince Edward Island is named after him.

For many Canadians, Victoria Day marks the unofficial beginning of summer, with many people opening their summer cabins. It is a popular holiday as it is the first holiday to take place in the warmer summer months.

## Did You Know?

- Victoria Day is a Canadian tradition and doesn't actually exist in most of England. But it is celebrated in parts of Scotland, especially Edinburgh, where it remains an official holiday.
- When Victoria was just a little girl, she was known by her nickname, Drina.
- Despite being born in England, Victoria only spoke German up until the age of three.
- She married Prince Albert in 1840, although they'd known each other since she was 16; and it really was a family affair. Prince Albert of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha was her first cousin, and his father was her mother's brother!
- Because she was Queen, she had to propose to Albert, and not vice versa.
- She took over the throne in 1837, after the death of William IV. She was just 18 years old.

- Despite the somewhat imposing figure she's been portrayed as in history, the real Victoria didn't completely measure up. She stood just five feet tall.
- She was the subject of at least six serious assassination attempts.
- When you see pictures or actresses playing Victoria, she's almost always wearing black. That's because when her husband died in December 1861, she went into seclusion and a perpetual state of mourning and never wore any other colour.
- She became a grandma at 39 and a great grandmother twenty years later.
- The mother of nine suffered one of the major drawbacks of such a long life, tragically outliving three of her own children.



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**Where: Cardel Rec South - #100 - 333 Shawville Blvd SE at Arena #4**

**Beat the June heat!!!**

**Please Join us for this fun family drop-in event and get to know your Evergreen neighbors! Bring your own ice skates. Helmets are STRONGLY RECOMMENDED. Please note that there are no skate rentals at this facility.**

**Free for CECA Members**

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## Emergency Preparedness Week is May 7 to 13

from the City of Calgary



Emergencies can happen anytime, anywhere. Knowing what to do before a disaster strikes can go a long way in assisting you, your family, and your community during an emergency. This year, Emergency Preparedness Week runs from May 7 to 13. This is an annual event that takes place across Canada every May.

During Emergency Preparedness Week, The City encourages Calgarians to take actions to prepare and protect themselves, their families, and their homes during an emergency event.

**Know the Risks:** Learn about the types of disasters and hazards that can occur in Calgary.

**Get Prepared:** Every emergency is different but having a plan will help you and your family know what to do and who to contact in different situations. Get prepared by reviewing your insurance coverage, practicing a home evacuation, and taking steps to protect your home. A fillable emergency action plan is available in various translated languages at [calgary.ca/getready](http://calgary.ca/getready), along with tips to get prepared.

**Know What to Do During an Emergency:** It's important to stay informed by monitoring local TV, radio, and emergency alerts.

**Know What to Expect After an Emergency:** Cleaning up after a disaster can be hazardous. Ensure that you only enter a disaster site when it's safe and with the proper protective equipment. Remember to document all damages and contact your insurance provider as soon as possible.

Learn more about how to get prepared for emergencies and the activities taking place during Emergency Preparedness Week at [calgary.ca/getready](http://calgary.ca/getready).

## Hen-Keeping is Even More Than it's Cracked Up to Be

from the City of Calgary



To Chris Huston, a City of Calgary employee, hen-keeping started as an interest in sustainability that developed into a passion for animals, his community, and cooking. "Each one of the hens has its own distinct personality," he said with a smile.

Huston participated in Calgary's urban hen-keeping pilot program last year and has made countless omelettes since last spring. "Collecting the eggs from the nests will never get old. We even invite the neighbours and their kids to visit the chickens and feed them," said Huston.

Before Huston built his coop, he talked to his neighbours; they were concerned they'd be woken first thing by a rooster. That is a common misconception about hen-keeping, but roosters are not permitted under the Responsible Pet Ownership bylaw, meaning nobody will be subjected to early morning 'cock-a-doodle-doo's' because hens are female chickens, and they are more polite neighbours than roosters.

Aside from producing eggs, Huston's hens, Tia and Tamera, have kept him busy with their home renovations: Pollo Palace, his coop, has had many additions since it was initially built. "I know my place in the pecking order," Huston joked. While his tone is jovial, the point is clear: hen-keeping is an ongoing responsibility that requires your attention and effort to keep them happy and safe.

If you're interested in hen-keeping, the City of Calgary is re-opening the program this year, and an unlimited number of licences are available from spring to fall. Visit us at [calgary.ca/pets/licences/urban-hens](http://calgary.ca/pets/licences/urban-hens) to learn more.



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## Shawnee-Evergreen Community Association Area Boundaries

Households in the area shown below are eligible to become regular members.

- For Evergreen Estates, your street name will include 'Green,' for example, Evergreen.
- Almost all other areas will include 'Shawnee' in the street name.
- Fish Creek Exchange and Beacon Hill condominiums are within the SECA boundaries.
- Non-residents are invited to join as associate members.



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## HERE IS WHAT YOUR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION (SECA) DOES:

SECA is building a neighbourly community where residents feel a sense of belonging and community pride.

- Hosts Events and Programs:
  - o Stampede Festival - June 24, 2023.
  - o Community Cleanup - September 16, 2023.
  - o Community Campfires.
  - o Monthly Children's Programs.
- Advocacy supports residents' interests with respect to:
  - o Proposed development projects in our neighbourhood and nearby.
  - o Neighbourhood safety (crosswalks, traffic lights, crime prevention, etc.)
  - o Maintaining the character of our neighbourhood.

## MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION FORM

Purchase a SECA membership to support programs, events, and the advocacy work that SECA does on your behalf. Pay just \$20 every 12 months. Complete the form and deliver it with your cash/ cheque to the mailbox at 41 Evergreen Point SW or create a profile on shawnee-evergreen.ca and pay by credit card.

Questions? Email [membership@shawneevergreen.ca](mailto:membership@shawneevergreen.ca).

Household information (held in confidence in accordance with Privacy Legislation):

Surname 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Given Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Surname 2: \_\_\_\_\_ Given Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_


E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please consider volunteering with SECA. May we contact you to volunteer? Y / N

Payment (\$20): Cash: \_\_\_\_\_ Cheque # \_\_\_\_\_

Resident  Non-Resident (Associate Member)

SECA is always looking to engage residents as volunteers on the board, on committees, and at events. Learn more by emailing [info@Shawneevergreen.ca](mailto:info@Shawneevergreen.ca).

# BRAVEHEART

This May marks 28 years since the release of the Mel Gibson directed film, *Braveheart*. The film, which portrays the Scottish revolt against the British in the 13th century, was nominated for ten Academy Awards, five of which it won. *Braveheart* was such a success that it increased tourism in Scotland!





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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It's been wonderful to meet so many residents at the five Community Campfires we've hosted since December. Thanks for attending and thanks to all our volunteers!

Join us for a Patio Party at the Fish Creek Exchange building (Shawnee Blvd at 6 St SW) on June 10. If you've driven by but never stopped in, here's your chance. The commercial tenants and SECA are teaming up to celebrate Neighbour Day a week early! More details to come.

Plan to attend SECA's Stampede Festival on June 24, outdoors at South Gate Alliance Church. Bring your friends and family members. We're preparing breakfast for the first 800 people. It takes 75 volunteers to pull off this fabulous event. If you can volunteer, please contact us.

We are so thankful to have received generous sponsorship for the Stampede Festival from these local businesses so far: Shield Restorations, Cardel Homes, TELUS, Maxwell Capital Realty, CARSTARS, and Tim Hortons (Bannister Rd).

**Mark your calendars and contact us if you can volunteer at:**

- **Children's Programs:** Monthly – See posters on our Little Free Libraries
- **Patio Party at Fish Creek Exchange:** Saturday, June 10, 2023
- **Stampede Festival:** Saturday, June 24, 2023, from 9:00 am to noon
- **Community Cleanup:** Saturday, September 16, 2023
- **Casino Fundraiser:** September 24 and 25, 2023

We are building a 55+ Program Committee and we're looking for another couple of residents with good ideas and enthusiasm to share.

A new SECA committee is exploring "Placemaking." We're keen to transform our public spaces and strengthen the connections between people and these places. Placemaking is a process centred on people and their needs, aspirations, desires, and visions, which relies strongly on community participation. Stay tuned.

It's time for spring cleaning! Please do your bit to keep our community looking its best. Take a bag with you on your walks to pick up garbage.

We can serve you best when we are connected!

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Become a SECA member for just \$20 for 12 months at [shawnee-evergreen.ca](http://shawnee-evergreen.ca).

*Lynn Jobe*

SECA President

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## THE EMERALD

The emerald is May's official birthstone. Unlike some birthstones, emerald is classified as one of four precious gemstones. Although the oldest emeralds date back 2.97 billion years and were first mined in Egypt, emeralds have been found in Canada, although they're rare. Canada's first emeralds were found in 1998 in Yukon Territory!



## Love Where You Live: Host a Block Party!

### *A Message from the Federation of Calgary Communities*

Summer is almost here! What better way to kick off the season than to host a block party? Whether you want to get to know your neighbours, celebrate your community, discover something new about the area, or just have a good time, look no further!

There is no better way to get to know your neighbours than to have a block party. Neighbourhood block parties can develop relationships among neighbours, which creates a strong sense of community and a safer place to live. Block parties provide an opportunity for neighbourhood residents to get to know one another, have some fun, and mingle! A connected neighbourhood can create a sense of pride, safety, and cohesion for all who live there. Neighbours who know each other can look out for one another and create a safer community.

A block party isn't just about gathering people together on a street; it's about bringing a community together. Block parties offer the rare opportunity to bring a sense of small-town life into Calgary. Block parties don't have to happen on a road or a street; they can happen anywhere that brings neighbours together.

Let us help you throw the best block party that Calgary's ever seen! All you'll need to do is follow these steps:

- 1. Put together your party planning committee.** It may seem like a daunting task, but planning a block party is easier than it seems – especially with a good group of neighbours working together! It's best to begin this step at least two months before the date of your event to leave time for planning, petitioning, and permits.
- 2. As soon as possible, get out there and get your petition signed by all affected neighbours!** This is an important step that must be completed early in the process. The following information should be indicated on the petition:
  - a. Date of the party/activity.
  - b. Address of the party/activity.

- c. Names and addresses of all affected residents within the block area.
- d. One adult signature from each household either accepting or rejecting the block party/street activity. If rejected, obtain a brief statement explaining why so that consideration may be given by approving authorities on the applicant's request.
- e. Whether the resident owns or rents the property within the block area.
- f. Home and business telephone number of the applicant.
- g. Map showing closure of road for the block party/activity.

### **3. Apply for a Block Party and Play Street Permit with the City of Calgary.**

Cost: Free

Timeline: Minimum of 15 business days with completed petition

- 4. Put your idea together.** Think of the fun, different things you can do! Your block party could follow any number of themes: a BBQ, potluck, catered meal, picnic, garden tour, cultural gathering, water park, or historical walk. Will you have games? Live music? An outdoor movie? A talent show? The options are endless for what a block party could be. Have fun with mixing and matching ideas!

- 5. Let's talk logistics!** A crucial step in bringing your block party to life is planning the logistics. Here are a few things for you to think about:

Parties cost money! How are you planning to pay for your block party? Neighbours can chip in for the party, but also consider reaching out for donations/sponsorships from local companies to cut costs on food and entertainment! Be sure to check for any grants or funding opportunities you may be eligible for. Otherwise, you could hold a local bottle drive or a community garage sale to help fundraise for your block party!

Will you need tables/seating? Volunteer supervisors? Decorations? Equipment? A rain-out option? What is your plan for food and drinks?





**6. Promote your party!** Let's talk promotion – after all, you want people to show up! Chances are that your neighbours were made aware of the party when you petitioned to them earlier. But have you updated them with a date, time, and location? Consider making a flyer to pass around door-to-door! Social media is also a great free tool to spread the word. Consider partnering up with your local community association to help spread the word! They might also have some resources or tips and tricks to help you throw the best block party possible.

\*Note that some grants require partnership with insured organizations (e.g., community associations) to receive funding.

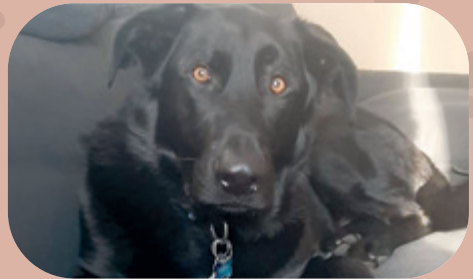
**7. Have fun!**

For more information, check out this handy guide to block parties: <https://calgarycommunities.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/Tip-Sheet-Love-Where-You-Live-Host-a-Block-Party.pdf>.

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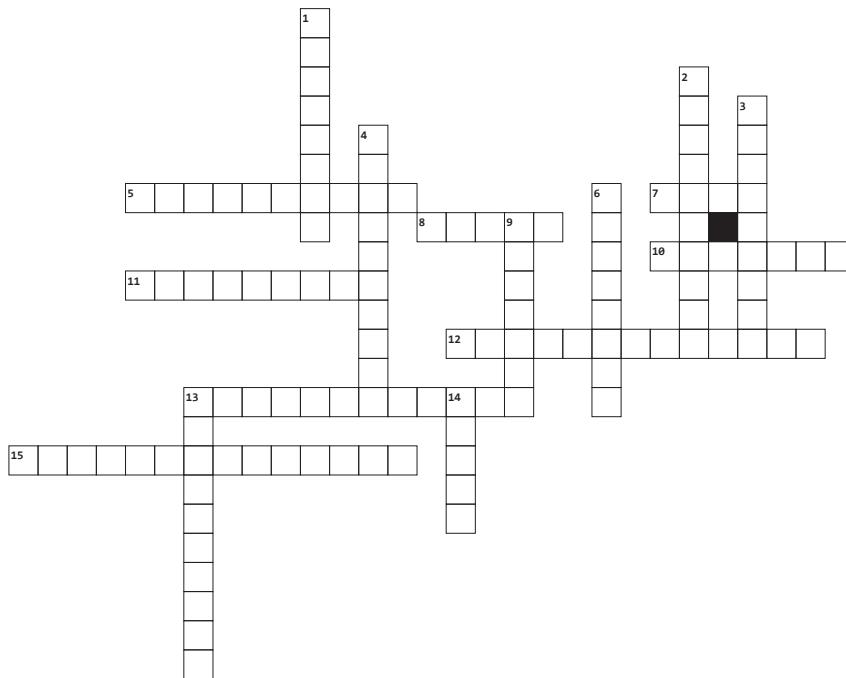
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# May Crossword Puzzle



## Across

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7. In May of 1918, some women were given the ability to do this.
8. World \_\_\_\_\_ Day celebrates and raises awareness for this endangered water dwelling mammal.
10. On May 15, this band, hailing from Hamilton, Ontario won Group of the Year at the 2022 JUNO awards.
11. A *Star Wars* pun becomes very popular on this day.
12. This actor and ex-wrestler has both their American and Canadian citizenship, only getting the latter at the age of 37.
13. This classic children's toy was introduced on May 1, 1952, and was the first toy ever advertised on television.
15. On May 11, 2019, this novel by Eden Robinson won the Ethel Wilson Fiction Prize.

## Down

1. On May 17, 1642, this Canadian city was founded by Paul de Chomedey, Sieur de Maisonneuve.
2. At San Francisco's Grand Opera House, this was played for the first time on May 4, 1878.
3. This clothing item was patented 150 years ago.
4. Released 28 years ago, this film increased tourism in Scotland.
6. A solar eclipse on May 29, 1919, proved \_\_\_\_\_'s theory of general relativity.
9. Canada's first \_\_\_\_\_ was found in 1998 in Yukon Territory.
13. In the United States, the most phone calls are made on this holiday.
14. On May 30, 1966, the first full-disk image of \_\_\_\_\_ was taken.

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