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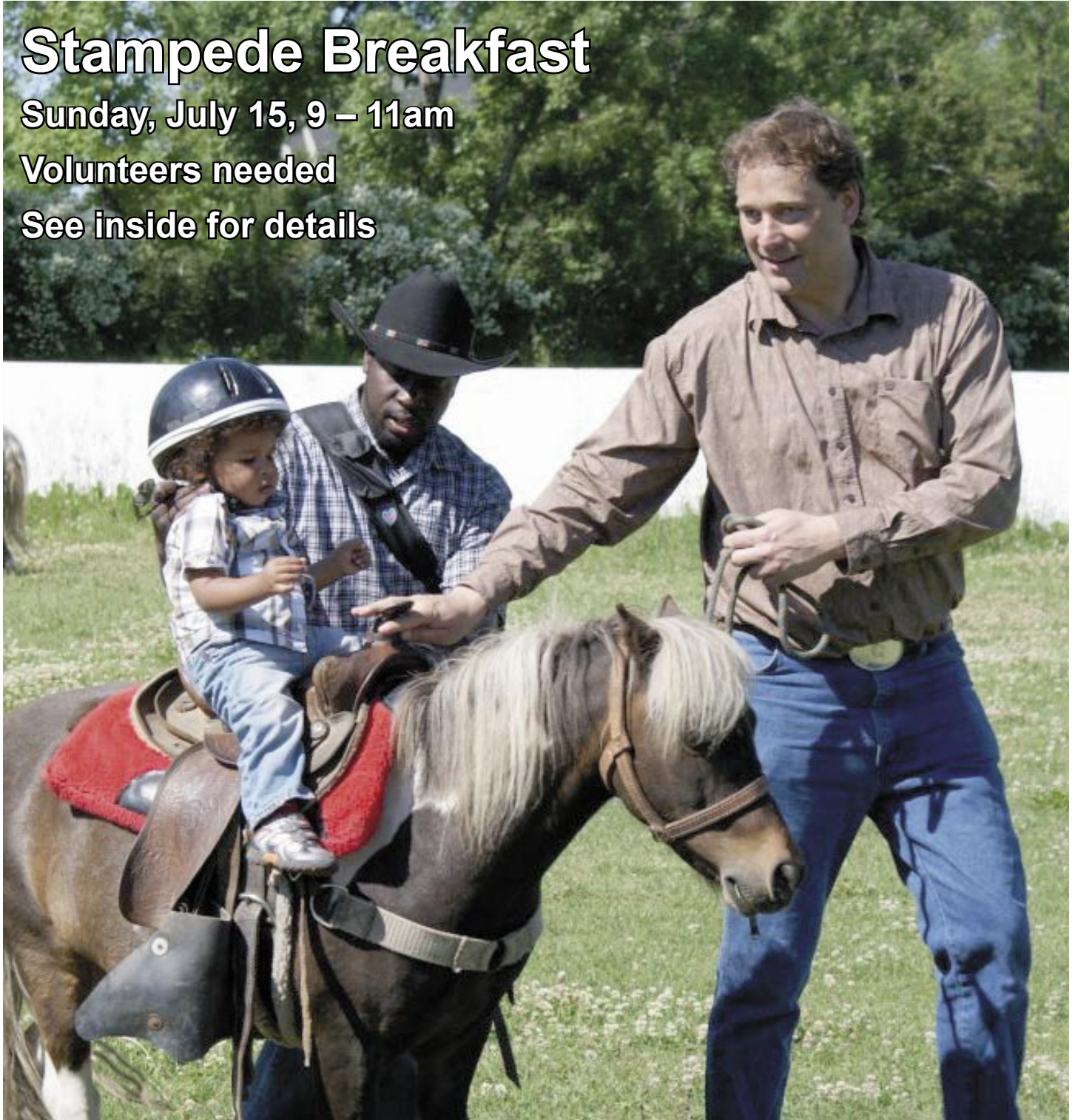
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President's Notebook

by John McDermid

On a cool blustery June 10, as I rush to meet my newsletter deadline, which is rapidly disappearing in the rear-view mirror, we are gazing intently into summer, and hoping for finer weather by the time this combined July-August edition of the newsletter appears. We are also anticipating our annual Stampede Breakfast on July 15 (free, as ever, to CHCA members!) and still need volunteers to make the event run smoothly. If you can spare an hour before, during or after the breakfast on Sunday, July 15, please get in touch at chchboard@hotmail.ca or give me a ring at 403-277-8653. Extra provisions for volunteers! Real Maple Syrup (never again the foul imitation stuff) but be careful not to get too much of it in your hair, it can be brutal if left in overnight.

A shout out of thanks to Daniel Dang for again organizing our annual Community Cleanup on May 27. Each year the event benefits from further refinements, while certain features of the cleanup grow in popularity. There was a steady stream of vehicles, wagons and wheel-barrows making their way to the hall to dispose of household goods and refuse that for one reason or another can be hard to dispose of by way of normal garbage collection. The scrap metal collection bin was new this year and into it disappeared an amazing number of cast-off barbeques, clapped out old bikes, etc. One increasingly popular aspect of the event is the re-use area. Here, residents who have useful, functional, but no longer needed items can leave them for possible acquisition and re-use by others. I managed to pick up five never-used peony rings, not quite the large clay pots I got last year or the bench vise of the year before, but they were deployed in the garden this very day to help prop up some unmotivated monkshood. Some massive televisions made their way into the electronics recycling bin, and based on the weight of some of them our e-cycling tonnage will probably reach a record level from this year's cleanup.

Also new this year at the cleanup was the presence of our Building Safe Communities Crew, who welcomed people as they arrived and distributed customized Calgary Street Survival Guides, excellent swag and an opportunity to win a fabulous gift basket. This was the first public roll-out of CHCA's Building Safe Communities program, as we seek to raise awareness, encourage people to get to know their neighbours better and learn what activities are normal in our community and what people or activities may be singularly out of place. We can tell you what a classic drive-by drug deal looks like, for example. Special thanks to Adriana Boss (also of the Neighbour to Neighbour Team (N2N)), for taking the lead, as well as Leslie Marion, Jack Lawson and Kellee Grounds, some of our newer CHCA board colleagues who also helped out. Thanks to Yoka Hulkenburg for staying on site throughout the duration of the event. Daniel also arranged for the rental of a truck, which made numerous arranged pick-ups at various homes in the community, and ferried bulky and heavy items to the cleanup site. All in all another fun and very successful event that helps to improve our local environment and the quality of life in our community. A big thanks goes also to Encana Corporation, who kicked in their generous support of \$200 (on very short notice), which in turn was a result of the efforts of Crescent Heights resident and Encana employee Alison Martin. The presence of the Federation of Calgary Communities' Community Engagement Coordinator Barb Payette throughout the event was very welcome as well: thanks again for being there with us and for providing the amazing boxes of FCC-themed swag!

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Our Building Safe Communities program continues to establish, assert and define itself. During the week of June 4, the Calgary Herald and the Calgary Sun both ran news item about an elderly Crescent Heights Resident who was robbed in her home in the daytime, highlighting the vital role of a neighbour and a passerby in assisting police to later capture the culprit. I am inquiring about permission to reprint the Herald article elsewhere in this issue, and if it comes through you may see that item in these pages. Surely there is a special circle of hell reserved for deadbeats who would prey upon the elderly. At just about the time our Block Watch program was segueing into stealth mode, our focus was shifting slightly to partner with an agency then operating in adjacent communities to provide supports and services to the many seniors who make Crescent Heights home. Perhaps this troubling robbery will be just the trigger to bring more residents to our table for Building Safe Communities. If you would like to learn more about how to watch out for vulnerable seniors, contact our Crime Prevention Director and Building Safe Communities program member, Jack Lawson (jclawson@shaw.ca). You'll recognize him as the man on the condo balcony manning the water-cooled Gatling gun, and if he asks you questions you'd better have the right answers ready, quick.

Remember, too, that upcoming in August, Crescent Heights will again host our Park and Play program from August 7-10. See the City of Calgary's website for details. Park and Play is a free outdoor drop-in program for kids ages 6-12, with fun activities including games and crafts. At the same time, the Stay and Play program is for kids 3-5, who must be accompanied by a parent or guardian to join in the fun. These are free outdoor programs hosted by the City of Calgary and CHCA at the community hall. Huzzah. Summer in the Village in the City.

A special "thank you" to
Brad Mason
for helping to deliver *The Crescent View*.
Your volunteer efforts are very
much appreciated!

Newsletter Editorial Deadlines

The Crescent View is published ten times per year.

Deadline: The 10th of each month for the following month. For example: To be published in the June issue, the deadline is May 10. Special September issue deadline: August 5 (to accommodate all the 'back-to-school' material).

The July/August issue is combined into one publication and so is the December/January issue. The deadlines for these two issues are June 10 and November 10 respectively.

Please email your articles or event listings, as an attachment in MS Word form, to Elizabeth Hancock at chcaview@gmail.com.

Distribution/Circulation Manager needed for *The Crescent View*

Penny Smith will be stepping down as the Distribution/Circulation Manager after the September *View* distribution. Here is an outline of the position:

- approximately 10 boxes of newsletters are delivered to your home, ten months of the year. You will be contacted by the Publisher as to the delivery date and time;
- you deliver 4 boxes to the NW distributor in Crescent Heights;
- the remaining copies are sorted into bundles for 23 carriers in the NE which you deliver in bundles to their homes;
- will need a place to sort the newsletter and a car for delivery.

All information such as carrier's names, number of copies, addresses and phone numbers will be provided.

Please contact Penny Smith through e-mail at: smithpenny@shaw.ca if you are interested in volunteering for this position or if you have any questions. Thanks!

Traffic Woes?

Traffic concerns? We need your voice! The Crescent Heights Community Association has been discussing concerns regarding cut-through traffic, speeding and non-compliance at stop signs.

So what's the plan? We know the City of Calgary Traffic Planning department responds to traffic issues of concern to many residents, not just a few. Our plan is to reach out and gather comments. In doing so, we will identify the problem spots and demonstrate the show of concern required to get action. Consider encouraging your neighbours to comment. The next step will be to share this information with the City's Traffic Planning department and request that they work with us to identify possible solutions.

Please take the time to fill out a Community Traffic Issue Reporting Form and either mail, email or drop it off at the community hall. Copies of the Community Traffic Issue Reporting Form can be found in this month's issue of *The Crescent View* (on page 9) or on the CHCA website; <http://www.calgaryarea.com/nw/crescenthts/crescent.htm>.

Forms and other traffic related issues can be emailed to chtraffic@hotmail.com or mailed to: CHCA, 1101-2nd Street NW, Calgary, AB, T2M 2V7.

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Location of problem(s). Be specific - indicate streets, intersections, addresses:

Type of problems. Check all which apply:

- ☐ Pedestrian safety
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- ☐ Parking
- ☐ Speeding vehicles
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Starting at 9:00 am, a steady stream of cars, trucks and wheelbarrows dropped off enough material to fill two full packer trucks - approximately 15 tonne of material – in addition to over 1758 kg of electronics and 1180 kg of recyclable metal products.

A worthwhile addition to our event this year was the rental truck donated for our use by PENSKE truck rentals, which made over 25 stops in our community to help pick up larger items which would not have any other means of getting to the collection site. CHCA volunteers helped to load everything from dressers to mattresses for disposal. Look for this popular service to continue next year. However, please remember to book your pickup in advance to avoid missing out!

Of course, our informal swap meet was another favourite at the event. A steady stream of residents dropped off unwanted items, while others carted off items to be reused. Due to our event being held on a Sunday this year, our charitable partner at the Interfaith Furniture Store was not able to take part. Nevertheless, we dropped off a significant quantity of good clothing at the Salvation Army at the end of the cleanup.

Of course, we had a good turnout of community volunteers to make this event a fun and exciting community effort. The CHCA thank all of our excellent volunteers for their helping hands to make this another successful event. We will do it all again, in about a year's time.

Understanding the Past... Creating the Future

Mark your calendar for an upcoming community event:
Understanding the Past...Creating the Future
Sunday, September 30, 2 - 5pm at St. Vladimir's Church

Do you live in Crescent Heights – what does it mean to feel part of a community? Join your neighbours and learn about the history of Crescent Heights and what our future may bring. We promise special guest speakers, neighbourhood resources and merchants, and some great stories about our community.

Brought to you by N2N (Neighbour to Neighbour) and the Crescent Heights Community Association.

Stay tuned for more details in the September edition of the newsletter.

EOC Update

As the EOC building is getting closer to completion, there is still a lot of activity on the site. Over July and August, finishing touches will be completed inside and out, and building tenants are preparing to move into the building beginning in late September 2012.

Over the summer, there will be tests of equipment and systems within the building. These tests are not expected to impact the community or residents.

Community residents may see briefly increased traffic as furniture and equipment is delivered to the EOC in anticipation of tenant move-in. Suppliers and movers will be asked to follow designated routes in the community and access points to the site to minimize disruption to the community.

The Calgary Emergency Management Agency (CEMA) is the primary tenant in the building on a daily basis. Street parking within the community should not be impacted during normal operations as there is sufficient parking on-site for CEMA staff. When an emergency occurs and the Municipal Emergency Plan is activated, there is increased attendance at the EOC building. While we will endeavour to impact our neighbours as little as possible, we appreciate your patience and understanding as we work to respond to and recover from the emergency situation.

A community open house will be held in fall (date to be determined) and community residents will be invited to attend and have their questions answered. Updates regarding the EOC will be posted online at www.calgary.ca/EOC. Should you have questions or concerns, please bring them to the attention of your community association president or call 3-1-1.

Thank you for your continued patience with the construction process! On behalf of The City of Calgary, have a wonderful and safe summer!

Cara Katterhagen
Communications Strategist
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Community Liaison Officer Monthly Report

Tip of the Month: How do I report graffiti in my neighbourhood?

To report graffiti **vandalism in progress call 911**. To report existing graffiti, call 311, or 403-268-CITY (2489) if calling from outside Calgary.

It is important to report all graffiti on public or private property, as both Animal & Bylaw Services and the Calgary Police Service track graffiti activity in the city.

If the graffiti is on your property, it should be removed within 72 hours. The longer the graffiti is up, the more likely additional graffiti will occur. If the graffiti re-appears, continue to remove it. Reinforce the message that graffiti is not welcome.

Crime Statistics

Statistics for: Crescent Heights



| | 2012 YTD | 2011 YTD | 2012 MAY | 2011 MAY |
|-----------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Robbery Commercial | 1(0) | 1(0) | 0(0) | 0(0) |
| Robbery Street | 1(0) | 2(1) | 0(0) | 0(0) |
| House Break And Enter | 25(3) | 17(2) | 10(1) | 4(0) |
| Shop Break And Enter | 6(0) | 15(2) | 0(0) | 0(0) |
| Theft Of Vehicle | 5(0) | 7(1) | 2(0) | 0(0) |
| Mischief To Property | 7(5) | 9(7) | 1(1) | 0(0) |
| Property Damage | 12(3) | 16(3) | 1(1) | 2(0) |
| Theft Under | 20(3) | 16(3) | 4(0) | 5(1) |
| Theft From Vehicle | 25(1) | 20(2) | 5(0) | 9(1) |
| Aggravated Assault | 0(0) | 0(0) | 0(0) | 0(0) |
| Assault With Weapon | 0(0) | 4(3) | 0(0) | 1(1) |
| Assault Causing Bodily Harm | 0(0) | 3(3) | 0(0) | 1(1) |
| Assault/Common Assault | 6(5) | 8(8) | 5(4) | 4(4) |

CHCA Building Safe Communities

A key element of crime prevention is 'getting to know your neighbors'. Activities that may have been previously unreported become suspicious as a result of knowing more about those living near you. The 'treat others as you would like to be treated' also occurs when an individual become acquainted with persons in the community.

The CHCA Safe Communities Group is eager to support events within a block, several blocks or throughout Crescent Heights' community in its entirety with the goal of getting residents to meet each other.

Please think of what you would like to participate in as an individual or a family and email your ideas to creshtswalk@gmail.com or drop a note through the mail slot at the CHCA hall, 1101 2nd Street NW. Let us know if you are interested in helping with the organizing as well.

One of the ideas that came out of Building Safe Communities is that it would be great for interested individuals to walk together in order to get to know each other, our other neighbors and more about the neighborhood. A group of us have decided to meet to do just that, in order to make our streets more welcoming!

If you are interested, please join us for our first walk on Monday, June 11 at 7pm, at the Crescent Heights community hall. We will meet each Monday - same time, same place. Please dress for the weather.

Message from your Alderman

by Druh Farrell

1912 was a remarkable year for Calgary as thousands of new residents migrated here to benefit from a booming economy. In the span of ten years, Calgary's population grew almost 45%, from about 45,000 to 65,000.

It was a time of optimism and grand ambition, fuelling the genesis of many public institutions that continue to thrive today. The Calgary Stampede, City of Calgary Recreation, Calgary Public Library, and the Grand Theatre are all celebrating their centennials this year.

If you are planning your summer holiday, it will be a perfect year to enjoy a "STAYcation" in the city! Besides the scores of Stampede centennial celebrations and summer festivals, the Calgary Public Library and City of Calgary Recreation have planned many free or discounted family-friendly events. A city-wide library scavenger hunt will take place throughout the summer; check out a GPS unit to join in the fun!

During Historic Calgary Week (July 27 to August 6) a lot of Calgarians will be marking the 100th birthday of their houses. Benefiting from a small grant from the City, the Century Homes' participants will host neighbourhood walking tours and post signs in their front yard, describing the history of the home and some colourful tidbits about former occupants. In the tradition of our poet laureate, the City will be announcing its first Historian Laureate, and a poetry/history slam is being planned in a location soon to be disclosed.

2012 is Calgary's year as Cultural Capital of Canada and what a year it's turning out to be! We will be posting a calendar of activities on my website, www.druhfarrell.ca. Also check out centuryhomes.org, calgary.ca/rec100, and calgarypubliclibrary.com for new events posted each week. Have a wonderful summer!

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Area Event and Resource Guide

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Hall Rentals: Call the hall at 403-277-6201

Newsletter email: convenor.editor@gmail.com

Facebook page: <http://on.fb.me/fqjLG>

Crossroads 50+ Club: Meet every Monday at 6:30pm at the Crossroads Community Centre. Join us for fun times and meet your neighbours. For information call 403-277-6201 or visit our website at: www.crossroads50plusclub.com

Free Family Movie Nights are Back! Friday September 14th - Doors open at 6:30pm, movie starts at 7pm - Pick up your Perk - our CCA Membership gets you a coupon for a FREE popcorn!

Pub Night at Crossroads:

July 27th at 7:30pm in the Upper Hall.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Skate Board Park in Vista from 1 to 8pm; July 10 thru 23

Crossroads Community Association 50th Anniversary - July 14

Neighbourhoods Watch Planting Day - July 16

Park & Play (Vista Heights School) Aug 7-10

Park & Play (Crossroads Community Hall) Aug 13-17

Crossroads Program Registration 6:30pm - Sept 5

CCA Annual General Meeting and Board Elections - Sept 9

Crossroads Community Clean-up - Sept 22

Crossroads 36 Scouting Bottle Drive - Sept 29

BRIDGELAND-RIVERSIDE

Bridgeland Riverside Community Association

Hall: 917 Centre Avenue NE

Ph: 403-263-5755, Hall email: hall@brccalgary.org

Newsletter email: newsletter@brccalgary.org

Visit our web site at: www.brccalgary.org for a complete listing of programs and classes.

Attention all walkers! Meet at the BRCA parking lot every Monday evening - walking begins at 6:30pm; we walk for about an hour. We can adapt to speed, agility and ability so please come join us. For more information contact bridgelandrunwalk@gmail.com

Japanese Festival : August 18, 10 - 5

Change Your Mind Day : Aug 11, Lynn Chazotsang 403-235-0765

NEW! Yoga classes, Tuesdays 6:30 - 7:45 at the hall.

Contact Jani Krulc at 403-463-5926 or janikrulc@gmail.com

ZUMBA! Mon at 6pm; Thurs at 6:15pm at the BRCA hall. 1st night free!

Callanetics: Tuesdays, 5:15 - 6:15 www.canadiancallanetics.com or call 403 681-3439

Bridgeland Riverside Playgroup: We meet Wednesdays from 10am to noon at the Gateway International Church, 235-8A Street NE. For more information please email: playgroup@brccalgary.org

Women's Centre - The Women's Centre of Calgary is a unique street-front organization that provides a variety of services and opportunities to the women of Calgary. We offer drop-in support services and all programs and services are free. Join us for a workshop or drop in for coffee and to connect with other women. We are located at 646 - 1st Ave NE. You can reach us at 403-264-1155 or info@womenscentrecalgary.org.

Girl Power Camps: Camps are free for girls ages 10-12 and include one week of activities and curriculum, lunch/snacks. **Camp 1: July 16 - July 20; Camp 2: July 23 - July 27** For more information contact Caterina at 403-264-11555 or email caterina@womenscentrecalgary.org

TUXEDO PARK

Tuxedo Park Community Association

Hall: 202 29 Avenue NE

Ph: 403-277-8689

Newsletter email: sam@cherubconsulting.com

Casino Fundraiser - July 23 and 24 - Volunteers needed!

Contact Sam Rafoss at 403.988.7507 for more information and available shifts.

Craft Nights at Tuxedo Park

Third Thursday of the month, 7 to 10pm in the upper hall. You can sit uninterrupted and work on your craft. There is no fee for the evening, but we ask that you purchase a current community membership (\$5 for singles, \$10 for families), which are available at the hall.

UPCOMING 2012 EVENTS - at the hall

July 01 Canada Day Breakfast and Celebrations

July 13 Community Supper - Pot Luck

Aug 10 Community Supper - Cold Meat Platter

NOTE: Community supper is at 6pm and costs \$14 per person, children 6 years old and younger - \$7 each.

Our events are open to everyone: members, residents, family and friends of Tuxedo Park both in and outside our community.

For more information please call Kelly at 277-4723 or Bev at 277-8689



CRESCENT HEIGHTS

Crescent Heights Community Association

Hall: 1101 - 2nd Street NW

Hall Rentals: Call 403-804-5600

Newsletter email: elizhancok@shaw.ca

Weekly Walking Group: Interested in walking? We're starting a weekly group to walk throughout our community. Join us each Monday at 7pm at the community hall. Email to creshtswalk@gmail.com if you are interested.

Crescent Heights High School's Bottle Drive! Please save your empties and bring them to Crescent Heights High School, the 2nd Saturday of the month, September until June, from 10am-noon. Your support makes a huge difference to our various teams, clubs and programs! **Sept. 8, Oct. 13, Nov. 10, Dec. 8., 2012 and Jan. 12, Feb. 9, Mar. 9, Apr. 13, May 11, June 8, 2013.**

Crescent Heights Playgroup - Wednesdays 10am -11:30am Crescent Heights Community Hall. Community membership required. Contact Stacie Banks at 403-670-6872 or stacie_banks@yahoo.ca

HIGHLAND PARK

Highland Park Community Association

Hall: 3716 - 2nd Street NW

Hall Rentals: Call 403-276-6969

Newsletter email: highlandparkeditor@gmail.com

Park 'n' Play: August 20 - 24, 10am to 3:30pm, lunch included.

For ages 6 to 12. Free City of Calgary programs for children. Don't forget your hat, snacks, appropriate footwear, sunscreen, bug spray and plenty of water. Registration with City leaders is required on-site each day. Groups of six or more are required to call 3-1-1 one day prior to attending.

Lawn Chair Theatre: July 19, 6:30pm-8:30pm. All ages.

Bring your chair and enjoy a performance from magicians, actors or musicians. Free give away and snacks.

Music in the Park: July 10 to August 28, every Tuesday evening 6:30 - 7:30 pm. Listen to different styles of music from emerging or established artists. Come with a picnic, bring your chair or blanket to listen to some music in a friendly atmosphere and meet your neighbours.

Music in the Park is looking for musicians and bands that live in Highland Park (or very close) that would be interested in participating in the 2012 Highland Park program at Highland Park Community Association. For more information, call Neighbourhood of Promise, City of Calgary, Elaine Stringer @ 974-1900.

RENFREW

Renfrew Community Association

Hall: 811 Radford Road NE Ph: 403-230-7055

Hall Rentals: Call 403-230-7055 and leave message.

Newsletter: newsletter@renfrewcommunity.ca

Renfrew Bingo - The little hall with the big payouts!

Saturday and Monday evenings. Nickel Games at 6:10pm, regular games at 6:50pm, Satellite at 8:45pm. Concession open.

Renfrew Community Bottle Drop

No bottle drops over summer. See you in September!

Renfrew Community Pub Night (Social Room)

Most Fridays from 7pm until close. Non-members welcome - be our guest. Free pool, free shuffleboard, free foosball.

Renfrew 50+ Club - 1318 Regal Crescent NE

Daily events and activities. Contact Tina Wilding at 276-4747 or email renfrew50club@shaw.ca for more information.

RCA 2011 Stampede Day: Saturday July 7. Family Fun all morning: 9am-11am **Free Pancake Breakfast.** 10am-1pm **Kids Carnival.** 9am-noon Live Music, Canteen.

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Park 'n' Play, Stay 'n' Play: July 23-27

(Free City of Calgary programs for children)

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Area Event and Resource Guide

MARLBOROUGH

Calgary Marlborough Community Association
Hall: 636 Marlborough Way NE Ph: 403-273-5894
Hall Rentals: Call 403-273-5894 or email
calmarca@telus.net
Newsletter email: cmccnews50@yahoo.com

Annual Stampede Breakfast! Fun for everyone, all welcome!
Saturday July 14, from 9:00 am to 11:00 am

Indoor Soccer Registration (CMCA And Memorial FC)
Marlborough Community Hall (Upstairs) 636 Marlborough Way NE
Saturday, August 25 1-3pm
Thursday, September 6 7-9pm
Saturday, September 8 1-3pm
On-line: www.memorialfc.com or www.marlboroughca.ca
Questions: Phone Peter at 272-0462

Bingo at the Bingo Barn Volunteers needed:
Please call Marg at 273-7952.

Youth and Family Programs: At the community center this year, courtesy of Calgary Community and Neighborhood services:

Park 'n' Play (Ages 6-12, 10 am – 3:30 pm, July 30 – Aug 3 and Aug 7 – Aug 10, Drop-in)

Stay 'n' Play (Ages 3-5, 10 am – noon, July 30 – Aug 3 and Aug 7 – Aug 10, Drop-in)

Youth Days – Outdoor Adventure – July 2 – 5 (to register call 311)

LEAD Program – July 30 – Aug 10, 10am – 3pm (to register call 311)

Lawn Chair Theatre – Aug 2, 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm FREE

Scouting – Scouting is for Boys and Girls ages 5 and up.

The East Calgary Scout Group covers 4 areas (Penbrooke, Marlborough, Marlborough Park and Forest Heights and surrounding areas).

Guides – Guiding is the place for today's girls. Sparks - Ages 5 to 6, Brownies - Ages 7 to 8, Guides - Ages 9 to 11, Pathfinders - Ages 12 to 14, Rangers - Ages 15 to 17, Leaders - Ages 18+ . Visit www.girlguides.ca

At the hall: Open stage in the lounge. July 28, Aug. 25, Sept. 29

MARLBOROUGH PARK

Marlborough Park Community Association
Hall: 6021 Madigan Drive NE
Hall Rentals: Call 403-248-1775
Newsletter email: marlpark@shaw.ca

Stampede Breakfast, July 8th , 2012: 9am to noon
Hosted by MPCA and MLA Moe Amery. Donations for the Food Bank accepted. We will also have a penny carnival for the kids to enjoy.

Blood Donor Clinic : August 25 from 9am to 2pm (at the hall)

Marlborough Park PreSchool:
On-going Registration. Please call 403-235-2996.

Summer Programs at Marlborough Park

Youth Sports Week - August 7th to 10th

Skateboard Park in parking lot - August 9th to 23rd

Park 'n' Play, Stay 'n' Play: Aug 13-24

Picnic in the Park for families - August 25th

Loma Seniors Wednesday afternoons at 1pm. Please call Tony at 403-273-4534 for more information.

Drop-in Tai Chi Drop-in Tai Chi is held at the Marlborough Park Community Centre every Tuesday from 9:15 to 10:15am.

LEGO Contest: Saturday, Sept. 22. \$5/per entry.
Age Groups: 2-5 yr (Duple/Lego), 6-8 yr, 9-12 yr, 13-17 yr, Adult
Full contest rules and entry forms by e-mail at marlpark@shaw.ca

WINSTON HTS - MOUNTVIEW

Winston Hts - Mountview Community Association
Hall: 520 - 27 Avenue NE
Hall Rentals: Call 403-276-5474 or
Email hallmanager@winstonheights.ca
Newsletter email: newsletter@winstonheights.ca

WHMCA Neighbourhood BBQ and Dance: July 7.
Tickets are now available, members - \$20; non-members - \$25
Includes steak dinner (steak, baked potatoes, Caesar salad, and all the fixin's), a drink and admission to the dance. **Contact Dianna at (403) 277-2741 or nosotros@shaw.ca**
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RUNDLE

Rundle Community Association
Hall: 2409 - 50 St. NE
Hall Rentals: Call 403-280-4752
Newsletter email: rumbles@shaw.ca

FREE drop-in program for children

In partnership with Rundle Community Association

Park 'n' Play (Ages 6-12, 10am to 3:30pm, July 3– July 6)

Stay 'n' Play: Ages 3-5, 10am to noon, July 3– July 6
(parents must accompany children in the Stay 'n' Play program)

Rundle's best kept secret! **The Summit Pub at the hall.**

July 14 - LIVE BAND - DRINK SPECIALS YAHOO with us!

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Rundle Playschool: On going registrations
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Four Year Old Playschool: M/W/F 9:15am - 11:15am, Cost: \$105/month

M/W 9:15am-11:15am, Cost: \$70/month

M/W 1pm-3pm, Cost: \$70/month

Three Year Old Playschool: T/TH 9:15am-11:15am, Cost: \$70/month
T/TH 11pm-3pm, Cost: \$70/month

*All programs require a Registration Fee of \$70 and a Rundle (yearly) Community Membership, \$10. Call: 403.293.7643 to register.

Rundle Scouting

Beavers : Ages 5 – 7, Cubs : Ages 8 – 10, Scouts: Ages 11 – 14,
Venturers: Ages 14 – 17, Rovers: Ages 18 – 26, Leaders: 21+
The 719 N Properties Scout Group relies on donations of cans and bottles, which is used to offset the cost of running the program. If you would like to donate yours, please contact us at 403-285-6682.

September Registrations for Guiding and Scouting
Sept. 5 2012

Christmas Craft sale - November 17

If you are a crafter and would like to have a table at this sale, please contact Wendy ... either call 403-280-4752 or 403-285-2397 and leave a message, or email me @ rumbles@shaw.ca

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MOUNT PLEASANT

Mount Pleasant Community Association
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Newsletter email: publicity@mpca.ca

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Pleasant Times – Upper Hall, 602 22 Ave. NW

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Outings: **Bar U Ranch**, Thursday, July 19
Drumheller Passion Play, Friday evening, July 20
Hutterite Colony Tour, Wednesday, September 12
Local day trips this summer

If you'd like to be informed of our planned activities and trips in advance, please contact Linda at (403) 289-8390 or lohanlon@telus.net. You also can check mpca.ca for information.

Book Club - 4th Tuesday (usually) of the month from 7 to 9pm in the Lower Hall. Our July 24 book will be *Reading Lolita In Tehran* by Azar Nafisi. Our August 28th book is *The Secret Lives of Bees* by Sue Monk Kidd. For more info e-mail lohanlon@telus.net or call Linda at (403) 289-8390.

St Joseph Church Open House: July 29 at 640 - 19 Ave. NW
St. Joseph Catholic Church, in the heart of Mt. Pleasant, is celebrating 100 years of parish life in 2012. Free event - everyone welcome! Drop In anytime between 1:00 p.m. and 4 p.m. Guided Tours (30 - 45 minutes) beginning at 1:30 and 2:30 pm.

Mount Pleasant is turning 100 - join the party - July 29th!

Festival 3-6 pm: Historical Photographs Exhibition, Classic and Antique Cars, Wagon Rides, Bouncy house, kids activities, BBQ, Open Mic and Artist tables

Street "Social" 6-9 pm: Beer Garden, Live Music and BBQ, All Ages
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Mount Pleasant Playgroup

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- Susen

Off the Shelf

Book Review by Judith Umbach

Agaat

by Marlene van Niekerk

To read *Agaat* is to be absorbed by a literary work of art. Marlene van Niekerk portrays rural South Africa with precisely chosen words. She contrasts the beauty of the land with the harsh, passion-filled crises experienced by her main characters. The silences in every scene are stiff with repressed emotion. The most subtle beauty is in the long narrative arch that tells the story of mistress, Milla and maid, Agaat.

The story is revealed in the diaries, memories and mental anguish of Milla, as she is dying of ALS. In her bed, unable to care for herself and cared for by Agaat, she slowly reveals a tragedy born of Christian charity. We don't know that for a long time. Her starting point is at a particular moment that is meaningful in her own mind. The reader is a silent listener to her thoughts that wander from one scene to another, sometimes in her past, sometimes in the present.

Agaat is ever-present, except during the unwise and hasty courtship of Milla and Jak. Clearly Agaat's position is as maid; but, in a twist on the stereotype of the wonderful servant who loves her mistress, a rich blend of malevolence, servitude, loyalty and intelligence fills the stiffly starched apron and cap of her life-long uniform. Milla strains to know Agaat, as do

we; the only Agaat we can know is filtered through Milla's perceptions.

Although this novel is set in South Africa during the liberation struggles and was written in Afrikaans, its themes are pivotal to how we all make choices and live with the far-reaching consequences of love. The isolation of the farm, the claustrophobia of the remote community and the silence of ALS magnify the depth of the interdependency of Milla and Agaat. Neither one can leave.

Agaat is a magnificent novel that explores the both the richness and the poverty of the human condition.



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