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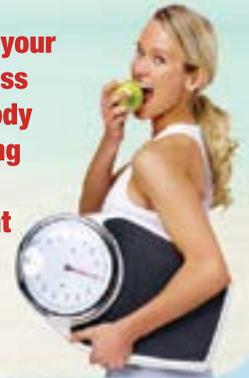
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# Come out and volunteer!



**W**e are fortunate to live in an area that has many organizations that support and provide services for members of our community. There are Home Owners Associations, church groups, children's activities like Scouts, businesses and the Community Association (that's us!). Many of these

organizations are run by volunteers – people who live here and want to see our community thrive. Our Community Association is a board of about 14 people and countless volunteers that work to provide events, our new community park, the newsletter, and representation to various levels of government. Do you have a few hours per week or month to help your community? Contact us or other organizations in our area to see where you can help! There is sure to be something that interests you or where your skills can be helpful.

I'm always happy to have your feedback – e-mail me at [president@rrroca.org](mailto:president@rrroca.org)

~ Tessa Sakamoto



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The information contained in this newsletter is believed to be accurate, but is not warranted to be so. Thank you.

**MARK YOUR  
CALENDARS**

- July 1 Happy Canada Day
- July 8 Stampede Parade (downtown Calgary)
- **July 9 Free RRROCA Community Stampede Breakfast from 8am – 11am at the North West Family Church (see page 7 for details)**
- September 18 Community Cleanup from 9am – 2pm in the London Drugs parking lot



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## You and Your Self-Driving Car

By Tolu Aro, RRROCA Director of Transportation



**T**he year is 2025. You so love your self-driving car that you named it 'Charlee.'

**Day 1:** Charlee drives you downtown at 7:30am, and self-drives back home to pick up your kids for school. He comes for you at lunch, brings the kids home after school, at 4:00pm drops your daughter in dance class, your son at music school, and finally picks you up from the office at 5:00pm. Welcome, the self-driving cars. You drive past a billboard that reads "Parking; \$1.00/month." Who needs downtown or airport parking when Charlee can drive home to park for free? It has been a tough day and Charlee senses you are dozing off; he vibrates your seat to wake you up. You respond "No, Charlee" so he lowers the seat and rocks you to sleep. You arrive home fully rested but wishing Charlee could carry you to your bedroom.

**Day 2:** You peep out of your window and your 6th grader has "driven" Charlee out. Who needs driver's licenses when Charlee drives safer than any human on earth? Like ants, they tell each other the best routes, best passengers, and destinations. Traffic lights, speed limits, and stop signs have gone the way of the dinosaurs as software decides which vehicle (sorry, who) has the right of way. The city council is losing revenue as traffic tickets are a thing of the past.

**Day 3:** You get rid of Charlee, as there is now a network of on-demand vehicles. You can order an Audi in the morning, BMW in the afternoon, Lexus in the evening, Benz at night and Subaru for weekends. No more visits to the garage, car wash, and insurance agents. You order a vehicle but none arrives; you call, call, and call, but still none. Charlee tweeted a bad review: "Demanding and domineering customer." You are stranded for life. A negative vehicle review is worse than murder. A set of lights emerges from the fog, familiar, but angry looking lights. Joy turns to horror as you realize Charlee is here to kill you. He knocks you off your feet, you scream, your spouse stands over you, shaking you, and screaming "Wake up, wake up, wake up!" You open your eyes and realize it is a dream... or maybe not. You can never trust a new vehicle so at retirement you drive a 1988 silver Toyota.



## Babysitter Registry

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## REPORTER - EDITORIAL POLICY

the official newsletter of the Rocky Ridge Royal Oak Community Association

All content appears at the discretion of the Board as well as Mind's Design Publishing. All copy may be edited due to space as well as grammar and usage.

We welcome all community content including Community Event listings, area schools updates, good news stories, Senior and Youth content and Letters to the Editor. The editor welcomes and encourages writers from our community to write for this newsletter; either one-time articles or ongoing columns.

Political representation is accepted but limited to elected representatives of this community (ie: if their name appeared on a ballot and they were elected).

**Submission Deadlines:** community content is due on the 8th of the month for the following month's issue. Articles should be no more than 500 words in length.

Photographs are welcomed from both local professional and amateur photographers for inclusion on the cover or inside the issue. Please email high quality JPEGs to the Editor (email attachments are acceptable). We cannot pay for photos but will give credit as the photographer's personal name.

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## RRROCA Fall Clean Up

By Michelle Drysdale, RRROCA Director of Events



RRROCA is partnering with The City of Calgary and London Drugs for the third year in a row for our Community Clean Up, Sept. 18 from 9am to 2pm, in the London Drugs parking lot (8888 Country Hills Blvd. NW).

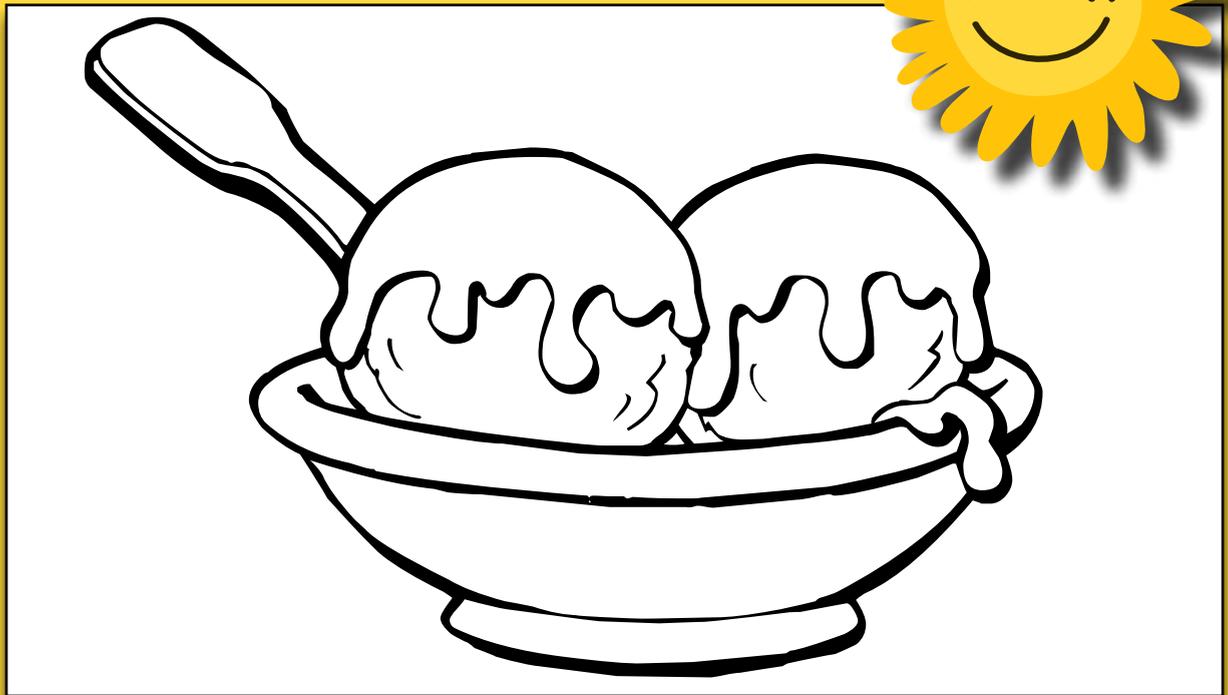
There will be a variety of recyclers on hand to accept items you are ready

to part with. And, the city will station two dumpsters in front of London Drugs: one to throw away your trash and one for your organic yard waste.

Be sure to check the September issue of the RRROCA Reporter, or [rrroca.org](http://rrroca.org) closer to the event date, for detailed information on what will be accepted.



# KIDS! THIS IS YOUR PAGE!



## What's your favourite flavour?

Colour the sundae in your favourite flavour!

CHOCOLATE? STRAWBERRY? CARAMEL SAUCE?



## Thank You, Sponsors and Volunteers!

By Tessa Sakamoto, RRROCA President

With another successful Spring Sports Season in the books, we wanted to take a moment to thank all of those volunteers that made it possible for our athletes to hit the fields. Did you know this year almost 500 players and over 200 volunteers participated in the program?

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our very generous community sponsors. Without them, our players wouldn't get to sport those flashy jerseys! ATB Financial, Blink Eye Wear, Charlesglen Toyota, Chopped Leaf, CIBC, Co-Op, Crock a Doodle, Goji's, Lexus of Royal Oak, My Gym Calgary, Orange Theory Fitness, Pet Valu, Royal Oak Dental, Royal Oak Family Dentistry, Royal Oak Veterinary Clinic, Spyhill Dental Clinic, Subway, The McKelvie Group, Toothworks Calgary and Urban Real Estate Services Ltd. In addition, we'd like to thank Men in Kilts who provided balls to some of the age groups, and a special thank you to Tim Hortons who provided TimBits and coffee on the first day of soccer for each team. Thank you for your support!

Next year's program will start registration in early 2017. Don't miss out, and keep an eye on our newsletter and social media



outlets for more information. We are also looking for volunteers to start planning for next year (yes, already!). If you are interested in helping, please email [programs@rrroca.org](mailto:programs@rrroca.org).

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### Stay n' Play (3-5y)

Free, safe, and supervised. This is an opportunity to help your child stay active and make new friends. Weather dependent. Drop-in participants are accepted on a first-come first-served basis each day (recommended pre-registration "Play Pass" available until Wed. before program start).

- Monday – Friday 10 am – noon
- various park locations

### Park n' Play (6-12y)

Free, safe, and supervised. This is an opportunity to help your child stay active and make new friends. Weather dependent. Drop-in participants are accepted on a first-come first-served basis each day (recommended pre-registration available until Wed. before program start).

- Monday – Friday 10 am – 3:30 pm
- various park locations

### Youth Days (12-17y)

Learn new skills, have fun. Specialty areas include sports, leadership, creative arts, and cooking. Drop-in.

- Monday – Thursday 1 – 4 pm; one location

### Lawn Chair Theatre (families)

Bring your own lawn chair, enjoy great snacks and live entertainment.

- Thursday: 6 – 8 pm
- various communities

For more information and full program/ location listings please visit [calgary.ca/communitysummerprograms](http://calgary.ca/communitysummerprograms) or contact 311.

Pre-registration available at [calgary.ca/recreation/eregistration](http://calgary.ca/recreation/eregistration)

## NEW IN THE NEIGHBOURHOOD?

Did you just move to the neighbourhood? Are you looking for information on Rocky Ridge and Royal Oak? Do you want to try some fabulous local businesses at a discounted rate? Contact Welcome Wagon to take advantage of all of this for FREE! My name is Erica and I am your local Welcome Wagon representative. I would be happy to provide you with some information on Rocky Ridge and Royal Oak and answer any questions you have about the neighbourhood. Give me a call at 403.272.4029 or send me an e-mail at [eosen@shaw.ca](mailto:eosen@shaw.ca).

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AGES 5-13  
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## REGISTRATION FOR Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and

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Rocky Ridge Co-op Community Room

Tuesday, June 7th from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

For more information,  
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**A**re you itching for a fun round of golf that includes lunch and dinner, as well as the opportunity to win amazing prizes like a trip for two to Mexico and up to \$15,000? If so, register today for the Federation of Calgary Communities 4th Annual Chip in Fore Communities Golf Tournament, presented by Save-On-Foods! The tournament will take place on Friday, August 12, 2016 at The Canal at Delacour Golf Club.

Registration fees are extremely affordable at only \$160 for an individual golfer and a discounted rate of \$600 for a foursome! Your fee includes lunch, a round of golf in a power cart, a delicious dinner, and the chance to win one of many exciting prizes.

There are 150 community associations in Calgary with more than 20,000 volunteers involved, making it the largest collective volunteer movement in the city! Community associations come in all shapes and sizes, are run by your neighbours, offer you endless opportunities, bring you together as a community, and are dedicated to addressing local issues and ensuring you love where you live. They can be the anchor for community life, but they need support to effectively operate in today's competitive not-for-profit world. The Federation of Calgary Communities is that support organization.

This golf tournament will help raise funds for the Federation of Calgary Communities to continue providing programs and services that help community associations build capacity, support and mobilize residents, be on the front lines of important issues in their community, and improve neighbourhood life in Calgary.

If you have any questions or are interested in finding out more, please contact Rebecca Dakin with the Federation of Calgary Communities at [communityrelations@calgarycommunities.com](mailto:communityrelations@calgarycommunities.com) or (403) 244-4111 ext. 204.

**VISIT:**  
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events](http://calgarycommunities.com/events)  
to register today!



# Chip in Fore Communities

GOLF WITH US ON  
AUGUST 12!

# VOLUNTEER CORNER



**By Frances Kalu, RRROCA  
Director of Volunteers**

**T**hank you everyone who stepped up to take on various roles within RRROCA. We have only one long term role available on the board and committees, and one event that will require 150 volunteers. As we anticipate

the opening of the ice rink at the community park, we will be looking for volunteers to maintain the ice on the rink. Please take a look at the roles we have below and let me know, if you can help out by sending an email to [volunteer@rrroca.org](mailto:volunteer@rrroca.org). We are currently updating our volunteer database and invite you to send an email if you will like your name to be added for future events.

**We are currently looking for the following positions:**

## BOARD

### Secretary

The Secretary is responsible for the clerical duties associated with the community association including recording and distributing accurate minutes of Board meetings, maintaining

a current filing system and overseeing general Board correspondence. **Time commitment: 6 hours/month**

## COMMITTEES

### Newsletter Editor

Works with the community, board and publisher to create the official Newsletter, the RRROCA Reporter. **Time commitment: 5 hours/month**

### Signage Lead

Working closely with the Director of Communication, you will be responsible for advertising events in the community. This will involve putting up bold signs and sandwich boards, and other advertising needs that may arise. **Time commitment: 2 hours/month**

## EVENTS

### Stampede Breakfast

Over 150 volunteers needed in July to flip burgers, direct traffic, serve juice, clean-up, and assist in the kids corral amongst others. This is our biggest event of the year and every support we can get is appreciated. Choose from 3 shifts between 7 – 12pm. **Time commitment: 3 hours only**

### Skating Rink Volunteers

Are you interested in helping out with our community ice rink? No experience required, just a keen will to keep the ice in a great condition for skating. The RRROCA community ice rink will be ready by next winter and we will need some help to get it going. **Time commitment: Varies**

## MEMBERSHIP



**By Muoi Leong,  
RRROCA Director of  
Membership**

Membership sign-up for 2016 is now underway. Please go to our Web site ([www.rrroca.org](http://www.rrroca.org)) under "Join Us" to sign up for a membership.

Membership is required to register for RRROCA sponsored programs, such as adult fitness classes, and spring soccer and slo-pitch for children. Membership (new and renewal) costs \$30 and will be valid until December 31, 2016.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at [membership@rrroca.org](mailto:membership@rrroca.org).

Send form and your payment to Rocky Ridge Royal Oak Community Association or RRROCA:

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## Black Forest Tiramisu



By Terri Gilson, Rocky Ridge Resident and Volunteer Contributor

### Ingredients:

300 g of chocolate pound or loaf cake (store-bought or home made)  
4 (158 g) containers of instant chocolate pudding snack

1 ½ cups mascarpone cheese

1 can (540 ml) cherry pie filling

48 lady fingers (400 g pkg)

2/3 cup brewed (cooled) vanilla flavoured coffee (regular coffee and

1/2 tsp vanilla can be substituted)

4 Tbsp. Kahlua

5 cups whipped cream



### Garnish:

cocoa (about 2 tsp)

10 Maraschino cherries (optional)

### Directions:

1. Mix cooled brewed coffee and Kahlua together.
2. Pour ½ of the coffee mixture on the bottom of 9X13 inch baking pan.
3. Place 1/2 the lady fingers in coffee and Kahlua mixture and quickly turn once.
4. Break up cake and place evenly over soaked lady fingers.
5. In a separate bowl, mix pudding with mascarpone cheese.
6. Spread pudding mascarpone mixture over cake.
7. Pour remaining coffee Kahlua mixture into shallow bowl. Dip remaining lady finger and quickly turn once.
8. Place the rest of the soaked lady fingers over pudding mixture.
9. Spread cherries evenly over lady fingers.
10. Top with whipped cream and spread evenly.
11. Garnish: sprinkle cocoa over whipped cream. Top with maraschino cherries, if desired.
12. Serve and enjoy or refrigerate until ready to serve.

**Yield:** serves 10

Notes: This is best served in dessert bowls, as it has more of a trifle consistency.

**Questions about this recipe or other cooking/  
baking questions?**

**E-mail Terri at [newsletter@rrroca.org](mailto:newsletter@rrroca.org)**



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# YOUR COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Happy 10th Birthday Lillian!**

Love, Mom, Dad and Victoria



**Happy 4th Birthday Ammaar!**

**THANK YOU** to all the leaders of our local Scouting and Guiding programs. You are all so dedicated at giving up your evenings and some weekends to spend time with the boys and girls of Royal Oak and Rocky Ridge. You always come up with great ideas for teaching crafts, games, nature lessons, and other important life skills. You show them what a positive character is and lead by example. You often don't get a lot of thanks but you are an important part of building up this community and our future citizens.

Our local Scout and Guide groups are a valuable asset! The families of the young people that you lead appreciate you!

Do you have a birthday or anniversary to celebrate? Or perhaps a graduation, wedding, new baby or engagement announcement? Why not share these special milestones with your community? Please send your announcements and photos to [newsletter@rrroca.org](mailto:newsletter@rrroca.org) by the 8th of the month to be included in the next month's newsletter, and yes, it's FREE. To place your announcement, email [newsletter@rrroca.org](mailto:newsletter@rrroca.org)

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## Where there's water, there IS a risk

Calgary's rivers, lakes and waterways can be a fun and refreshing way to spend a hot summer day. Your Calgary Fire Department wants to remind you about Water Safety.

### LIFE JACKET SAFETY

Always wear a properly fitting life jacket or personal flotation device (PFD) when boating or rafting anywhere.

- Check the PFD or jackets size and weight restrictions.
- Start with the buckles and straps loose, do them up from the bottom of the jacket to the top. Make sure the jacket or PFD fits snugly.
- Test the life jacket or PFD once you have done it up; hold your arms over your head and ask a friend to grab the tops of the arm openings and gently pull. Make sure there is no extra room above the arm openings and that the jacket does not ride up over your face or chin.

### SWIMMING IS A LIFESAVING SKILL

Water skills give you the confidence to safely take part in water sports throughout your life. The City offers swim lessons for all ages, throughout the year. We also offer First Aid and National Lifeguard certification classes.

Remember, always keep toddlers or young children within arm's reach while in or around all bodies of water.

### BEFORE YOU RAFT OR BOAT

Always SCOUT, ASSESS and DECIDE from shore before going on rivers, lakes and waterways.

Scout the river for potential hazards and check the weather and water conditions.

Assess the level of danger. Check for river advisories and assess the swimming and paddling skills of your crew.

Decide if it is safe to raft or boat.

Ensure you have emergency supplies on board with you.

For further information visit [calgary.ca/CSPS/Fire/Pages/Safety-tips/Safety-tips-for-water/River-Safety.aspx](http://calgary.ca/CSPS/Fire/Pages/Safety-tips/Safety-tips-for-water/River-Safety.aspx)

**DID YOU KNOW?**  
The Calgary Fire Department has Firefighters trained in water rescue that work out of 6 station (downtown) 21 station (Silver springs) and 39 station (Douglasglen)?

## GOING ON a Holiday?



### SUMMER IS A GREAT TIME TO ENJOY A VACATION!

But before you do, make sure your home is as safe and secure as possible. The keys to protecting your home when you are on vacation are not just the ones you use in your deadbolt lock.

### Below are a few tips to help reduce your risk:

- Double-check your insurance policy to find out if and when you require someone to check in on your home.
- Give a trusted neighbour or friend a key and trip details and ask them to check in on your home.
- Don't advertise that you are going away.
- Create a lived-in appearance. Be sure the lawn is cared for while you are away, and stop any newspapers or have flyers collected from your door or yard. Set lights and TVs on timers so your home is not dark during evening hours.
- Encourage a trusted neighbour to park their car in your driveway while you are gone.
- Ensure that your door and window locking devices are working and are locked when you leave.
- Disable your garage door while you are gone. Most have a switch that can be turned off. You can also put a padlock or similar device through the door tracks to ensure it cannot be opened.
- Put away, or secure all lawn furniture or tools (i.e. ladders) so they can't be used to assist a burglar in gaining access to the upper story windows of your home.



For more helpful safety resources, check out the Federation of Calgary Communities website at [calgarycommunities.com](http://calgarycommunities.com) and visit the Virtual Resource Centre.



**WARD 2 COUNCILLOR** Joe Magliocca

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**Happy Canada Day!**

**T**hroughout the summer months, The City of Calgary will be making numerous community improvements throughout Ward 2. Some of these projects include new enhanced crosswalks, road repairs and parks projects. As always, please feel free to contact our office via www.joemagliocca.com and send us a webmail on your priorities, opinions and any other suggestions you have to improve our community.

One issue that I have been receiving a lot of feedback on has been the fees for the new Green Cart Program. The Green Cart Program fees were approved at council on May 30th, 2016. I voted against the fees for this program as I believe that there could be greater efficiencies found within the program and that there are other options available to finance this program. I do support the concept of the Green Cart Program

and increased waste diversion. Our current waste facilities are reaching their capacity and the cost to taxpayers to acquire new waste management facilities or export waste to other municipalities would be significant. It is estimated that the cost of a new waste management facility would be in the hundreds of millions of dollars. That is why waste diversion is crucial to reduce this type of cost on the taxpayer. However, I believe that the Green Cart Program could have been more flexible, more affordable and designed to be tailored to the specific needs of Calgarians. For more information on this program see: [www.calgary.ca/greencart](http://www.calgary.ca/greencart)

**JOE'S TIPS:**

Please join me at our Ward 2 Community Stampede Barbeque on Sunday, July 10th at the Symons Valley Ranch between 11am – 2pm. There will be free burgers, beans and great stampede style entertainment.

**YOUR CITY SECTION**

For current news and updates follow The City of Calgary on Facebook and Twitter. Or visit our blog at [www.calgarycitynews.com](http://www.calgarycitynews.com).

**Check out these important updates from The City of Calgary**

<p>The risk of river flooding is greatest in Calgary between May 15 and July 15. The City has tools and resources available to help Calgarians know their flood risk and tips on how recreational users can enjoy our rivers in a safe manner.</p>	<p><a href="http://calgary.ca/floodinfo">calgary.ca/floodinfo</a></p>	<p>Explore swimming and flying creatures this summer at The City's free children's nature drop-in programs.</p>	<p><a href="http://calgary.ca/parksguide">calgary.ca/parksguide</a></p>
<p>You have opinions. We want to hear them! The City is looking for more Calgarians to join Calgary's online panel at <a href="http://citizensview.ca">citizensview.ca</a>.</p>	<p><a href="http://citizensview.ca">citizensview.ca</a></p>	<p>Planning on doing some yard renovations this summer? Be sure to visit <a href="http://calgary.ca/homeimprovement">calgary.ca/homeimprovement</a>.</p>	<p><a href="http://calgary.ca/homeimprovement">calgary.ca/homeimprovement</a></p>
		<p>The City of Calgary's Park n' Play and Stay n' Play supervised programs help children make new friends and learn a variety of games and activities.</p>	<p><a href="http://calgary.ca/communitysummerprograms">calgary.ca/communitysummerprograms</a></p>
		<p>This summer, The City of Calgary is providing a variety of free and affordable community programs and events for families, youth and seniors. Join the movement!</p>	<p><a href="http://calgary.ca/getmoving">calgary.ca/getmoving</a></p>
		<p>Take a kid to the course week – Juniors golf for free at McCall lake Par 3 and Richmond Green with one paid golfing adult. July 4-10 only.</p>	<p><a href="http://calgary.ca/golf">calgary.ca/golf</a></p>

# COMMUNITY CRIME REPORT

Crime	Rocky Ridge	Royal Oak
Arson	-	-
Assault	-	1
Attempted Murder	-	-
Commercial Break-in	1	-
Homicide	-	-
Residential Break-in	2	2
Robbery	-	-
Sex Offence	-	-
Theft	8	7
Theft from Vehicle	3	7
Vandalism	-	-
Vehicle Theft	0	9



Statistics provided  
by Calgary Police  
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## LOCAL

# PHOTOGRAPHERS



A High Morning Sky Over Paskapoo Slopes  
**BY MIKE SMITH**



See below to find out how your pictures can be featured in the RRROCA Reporter

Lilacs for my Wife

**BY BRIAN RUSHFELDT**

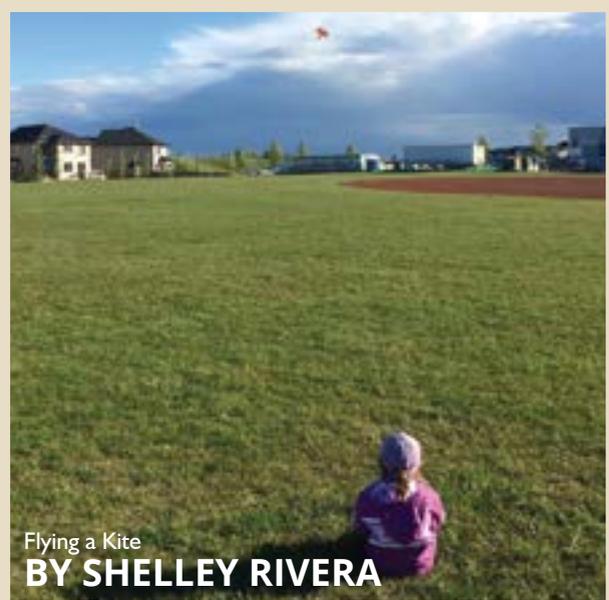


Royal Oak Neighborhood Watch  
**BY DAN PETCH**



Coyote

**BY TARA PETITFOR**



Flying a Kite

**BY SHELLEY RIVERA**

**The REPORTER** wants to showcase the talents of our local photographers throughout the year, both as our monthly cover feature as well as in the newsletter. **Think seasonal:** send us your Stampede photos for July, or your street decked out for December for example. **Think local:** capture our community in a great light, our natural environment or just something unique that you've seen when you're out and about. Amateur and professional photographers of all ages are welcome to submit. We cannot provide monetary payment but we will give you a photo credit using your personal name (not your business name, if you have one). Please send your photos as high quality JPEGs to [newsletter@rrroca.org](mailto:newsletter@rrroca.org) and who knows, you just might see your photo(s) in print!

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3 Days (Mon, Wed & Fri)	\$210
2 Days (Tue & Thurs)	\$180
Registration Fee	\$50



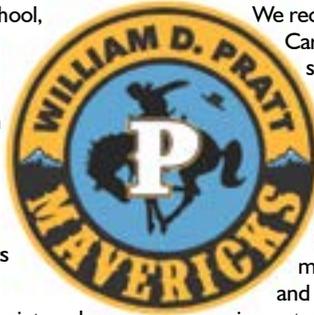


## Update on William D. Pratt School

By Doug Swift, Principal, William D. Pratt School

We are thrilled to be opening a new CBE school, William D. Pratt School, this fall in the community of Royal Oak. The school is located at 9850 Royal Oak Way. For the 2016-2017 school year, our school will be home for any children in grades 4 – 8 who live in the Royal Oak or Rocky Ridge communities. We plan to open with more than 575 students in grades 4 – 8. In the 2017-2018 year, we will expand our grade range to include grade 9 students. We anticipate reaching the school's capacity of 900 within the first 4 years.

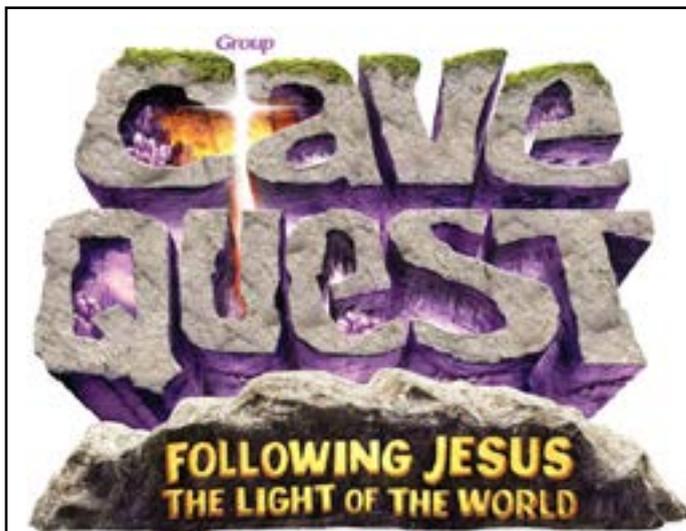
We have hired almost all of our teaching staff at this point, and are working to hire remaining support staff in June. Our meetings together have been very productive and we will open as a fully functional school with everything you would hope to see in an active, creative Middle School. Please be mindful that 575 more children in the community are now walking to school come September. We need to come together as a community to welcome them back to the community and ensure that we raise them as productive, positive citizens.



We recently attended the launch of the Community Pace Car Initiative in the community, and we will be proudly supporting it to ensure the safety of all of our students.

If you are interested in contributing to the School Council, please reserve the evening of Wednesday, September 21st from 6pm to 9pm at the school. At this time the Alberta School Council Association will be meeting with us to establish our school council. Guiding principles, bylaws, the council governance model, and the council executive will all be discussed and chosen during this evening. This will be an important evening for our school council and we hope to see all interested parents there.

Any questions you have regarding the school can be directed to our phone line at 403-817-3520. Updated information about the school can be found on the CBE website, or by Googling "new schools CBE Pratt". We have also established a school Twitter account: @WDPrattSchICBE where you can keep up on the latest news.



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## CALGARY STAMPEDE TAXI STANDS

### STAMPEDE TAXI STANDS

Stampede taxi stands are designated areas near Stampede Park where taxis will be lined-up to wait for customers. Two temporary taxi stands will operate at all hours during Stampede. These stands are located at the South and North entrances of Stampede Park. The taxi stand located at the North entrance of Stampede Park will provide priority service to people with accessibility needs as this entrance provides the most direct route to enter into the park.

### LATE NIGHT TEMPORARY TAXI STANDS

Within Stampede Park there are multiple entertainment venues. In 2016 all venues are closing at 3 a.m. To accommodate the evening rush two additional late night temporary stands will be established. For details, visit [Calgary.ca](http://Calgary.ca) and search taxi stands.

## Civic Chat



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Web Site: [www.Calgary.ca/ward1](http://www.Calgary.ca/ward1)

### Summer has arrived!

Ward 1 is fortunate to have several notable parks in its communities. Pack a lunch and enjoy a picnic while it is nice outside. Take a stroll through your community park at the 12 Mile Coulee Natural Environment Park, Bowness Park, Shouldice Park, Baker Park, Bowmont Natural Environment Park, or the BirthPlace Forest in Silver Springs.

Parks are an essential part of quality urban living. We use our parks for sports, festivals and exercise as well as for quiet respite and enjoyment of nature. Great parks contribute to healthy communities and a high quality of life in Calgary. If you have a dog, let's remember to take care of our precious parks by picking up after your pet. Get involved and learn how you can educate other dog owners by signing up for the Off-leash Ambassador Program or attend a Pick Up Pooch's Poo Yourself (P.U.P.P.Y.) program. Contact the Ward 1 Office at [ward01@calgary.ca](mailto:ward01@calgary.ca) for more information.

Some of the parks are still in various stages of restoration, repair and growth. Note that Calgary Parks has created a Pathways & Trails 2016 Work Plans Map. This map details the proposed locations of work for 2016, includes work for future years (2017+), and shows locations completed in 2014 and 2015. As well, the map shows existing pathway lifecycle projects as well as new missing link connections. The "live" document that will be frequently updated so check the list periodically throughout the year to keep up-to-date and current at [www.Calgary.ca](http://www.Calgary.ca).

Want to know more about municipal and community updates in your community? Sign up for Councillor Ward Sutherland's community e-newsletter at [www.WardSutherland.com](http://www.WardSutherland.com)

~ Ward Sutherland



# Rocky Ridge Ranch Homeowners Association



10709 Rocky Ridge Blvd NW Calgary, AB T3G 4G1 • Please see [www.rrrha.ca](http://www.rrrha.ca) for office hours.

## SUMMER CAMPS OFFERED AT ROCKY RIDGE RANCH:

Kids Summer Tennis Camps instructed by First Serve Tennis will be available Monday-Friday during the following weeks:

- July 11 – 15, 2016
- July 25 – 29, 2016
- August 8 – 12, 2016
- 7-9 year old Beginners: 9:00am-10:15am
- 10-12 year old Beginners: 10:15am-11:30am
- 7-12 year old Intermediates: 11:30am-12:45pm

Registration available now through RRRHA. Please contact the Ranch office if you have questions or would like to register for classes.

### Also being offered at RRRHA:

**Bricks for Kidz: July 18-22**  
Half day camps, Monday – Friday  
9:00am-12:00pm; 1:00pm-4:00pm  
(lunch supervision provided)  
To register please visit  
[www.bricksforkidz.com](http://www.bricksforkidz.com)

**Pedal heads:** Weekly camps running Monday to Friday from June 27 – September 2

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[www.pedalheads.com](http://www.pedalheads.com)

**Tuck N' Tumble:** July 11-15  
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[www.tuckntumble.ca](http://www.tuckntumble.ca)

**The Deborah Laxton School of Dance:**  
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Monday – Friday 10:00-11:00am  
For more information, please visit  
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## Notes from the Office

Registration ongoing for Rocky Ridge Ranch 2016 Spring Programs. Punch passes available. Contact the office or visit [www.rrrha.ca](http://www.rrrha.ca) for details.

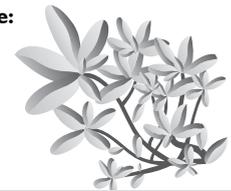


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## **The RRRHA Mission Statement:**

To enhance the value and properties of Rocky Ridge Ranch through judicious self management of all lands, properties and assets and to enhance the programs made available through our Ranch Centre which best serve our community's diversity, providing additional homeowner value and benefit.

### ■ RANCH AND PARK ACCESS

For some time now we have been having a few difficulties with the ageing gate and door entry system. Some unfortunate park users will recall the day the gate simply refused to cooperate and locked them in. Enquiries into repair or replacement of the entry system got underway in 2015 and a number of estimates were sought. Replacing the existing system would have cost in excess of \$30,000. An alternative was found that offers a more cost-effective solution. It involved an IT upgrade at a third of the cost. This went ahead in March. It means that we will need, at some point, to reset our members access cards. RRRHA will let you know when to come in, and we apologise for any inconvenience.

### ■ GIVING MOTHER NATURE A HELPING HAND

Do you have a green thumb? Are there areas of our neighbourhood that you would like to see in bloom? Any eyesores that need trimming or weeding? Signs of Spring are all around and keen Rocky Ridge residents have already started enquiring about RRRHA's landscaping plans for Spring and Summer 2016. RRRHA will be working closely with the City of Calgary to identify areas in need of tender loving care.

RRRHA would love to hear from you. We've taken on board your suggestions from 2015 and the Horticultural Committee will give special attention in 2016 to planting native perennials and shrubs well-suited to our zone's temperatures. Join our team of landscapers and amateur gardeners on the RRRHA Horticultural Committee.

### ■ SPRING AND SUMMER PLANS

RRRHA is looking into offering new programs and facilities for the coming season, with ideas being put forward that include opening a food and drink concession, offering supervised film and video-game nights for tweens and teens, paint nite and new exercise classes. A facelift for the tennis courts includes necessary repairs and some extra fencing going up along the northern boundary of the park, to increase security. With health and safety paramount, areas of the lake will be fenced off to prevent accidents. Also, RRRHA will be hiring extra seasonal staff to help out over the summer. Applicants must be over 18, have First Aid/CPR certification and provide a criminal background check. Enquiries to RRRHA General Manager Roshni Norum ([officeadmin@rrrha.ca](mailto:officeadmin@rrrha.ca) or call 403.547.6633)

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