

# Falconridge/Castleridge Community News

## **SUMMER 2019**



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WEB-SITE: falconridgecastleridge.ca Phone 403-280-4422

Deadline for submissions to September/October Newsletter is August 23, 2019.

See back page for advertising information.

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9:00 am to 2:00 pm
95 Falshire Drive NE

Organics
Household goods
Cardboard, etc.
Furniture
Electronics
Metals
Appliances

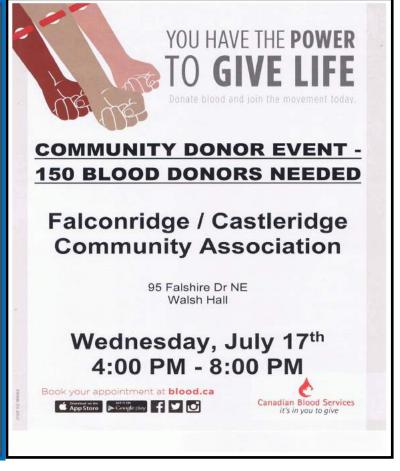




VOLUNTEERS NEEDED CALL: 403-280-4422

# Upcoming Events





## President's Report

Well, we are just into the start of summer. Hopefully June's rain will turn to sunny weather in July and August!

During July and August, the Board of Directors do not meet. However, the Board Executive does, and we meet once a month to take care of any business arising during the summer!

I would like to wish everyone a healthy and safe summer!

Be safe on holidays, if you take them, or just stay at home if you don't. It still requires safe practices for everyone!

We will be having our annual fall clean up on September 14 at the hall, and as usual we will be having several garbage and compost trucks on site from 9:00 am to 2:00pm. We will not be accepting Tires/ Paint/ Chemicals this year.

Membership is not required but we encourage community residents to buy their yearly membership for \$10.00 Our membership fees help pay for all kinds of activities that we do all year long, from Community Clean Up to Neighbour Day Breakfast. Membership helps your community survive!

See you in September!

As always we are looking for Volunteers all the time please call the office to volunteer today! We can't do all the events we do without volunteers. I have been a volunteer for our community for 36 years this year and look forward to continue to do so. Our Community is our place. Be a part of it! TEAM WORK MAKES THE DREAM WORK!!

Mark Langlois FCCA President



# FCCA Board Of Directors for 2018/2019

**President**– Mark Langlois

Vice President – Joty Sidhu

Treasurer - Dhruv Sharma

Secretary- Carolyn Bouwsema

**Directors-** Jatinder Auila

Martin Beckman

Stephanie Graves-Beckman

Brian Huff

Rauf Malik

**Gervazio Martins** 

Sandeep Sharma

Rajinder Sidhu

403-280-4422

FCCA Christmas Market November 16th, 2019 Vendors call 403-280-4422

## FCCA Staff - 403-280-4422

General Manager - Lee Pederson fccamgr@telus.net
Bookkeeper - Michelle Stringer fccabk@telus.net
Hall Rentals/Admin - Anita Warriner fccainfo@telus.net
Children's Program Mgr- Natalie Cuthbert fccacpm@telus.net

Preschool Teacher - Mandy Atwal

Buzz Club Staff - Indu, Lisa, Rajinder, Sandy, Jasmin

Maintenance – Wendell Kupila Janitor – Juan Ramirez

Event Staff- Aaron, Gabriel, Kat, Keith, Mark, Mohamed, Pat, Ronald, Serena L., Serena R., Sheenah, Umair, Zack

July 17, Blood Donor Clinic

August 5- Civic Holiday

September 2- Labour Day

September 4- Pre-school Orientation

September 5- Preschool Classes start

September 6- Night Market

September 14- Community Cleanup

October 17- Annual General Meeting

November 16- Christmas Market



# Hall Rentals

Having a Party? Wedding? Christmas Party? Birthday Party? Bazaar? **Business Meetings/seminars or training? Religious function? Banquet?** Whatever the occasion, we have spaces available!



Walsh Hall Capacity 300 people



Langlois Hall 150 people Capacity

## Smaller meeting rooms also available

For Hall Rental information call FCCA Office Monday to Friday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm 403-280-4422 email: fccainfo@telus.net

Bartenders, set-up or cleanup, and corkage packages are available as well as podium, audio visual rentals, & coffee urns. Hourly and day rates are also available. **NEW RENTAL OPPORTUNITY – portable stage** 









## FCCA PRESCHOOL



Now Accepting Registrations For September 2019 to June 2020

## **Classes**

#### 2 - Day Classes

PURPLE CLASS

9am - 11am

♦ ORANGE CLASS:

12pm - 2pm

#### 3 - Day Classes

♦ GREEN CLASS:

9am - 11am

♦ YELLOW CLASS:

12pm - 2pm

#### Weekend Class (Sat/Sun)

♦ GOLD CLASS

9am - 11am

#### MISSION

STATEMENT

"Our mission is
to be one-of-a-kind,
to inspire,
to challenge,
to teach,
to learn, to make
a difference
in the lives we
touch."

CALL FOR MORE INFO! 403-280-4422

All children must be at least 3 years old and TOILET TRAINED to attend these classes.



ACCREDITED

Before & After School Care



CLUB

CALL FOR MORE INFO! 403-280-4422

## Ages: Kindergarten to Grade 6

Sessions are year-round, including Summer Programs.
We provide breakfast, as well as after school snacks!



We are fully licensed under the
Alberta Children & Youth Services Child Care Licensing Act,
and accredited by the Accreditation of Early Learning and Care Services.







Falconridge/Castleridge Community Association









Games\*Bus Tours\*Pot Lucks\*Speakers

HAVIN' FUN & STAYIN' YOUNG!

Summer Schedule- July 15 & Aug 12 1 to 3 PM

> Weekly Meet-ups resume Sept 9th (Closed most Stat Holidays)



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## Senior's Corner

#### From the FCCA 55+ Club

There's this story about a man who went looking for purpose. His passion was his vegetable garden, so he set up a vegetable cart on a street corner to sell his bounty. As his business flourished and the demand increased, his vegetable cart grew its way into a grocery store to meet the needs of his customers. He was successful and his purpose was well served.

#### I liken this story to our 55+ Club.

We began with a few folks who shared a passion and purpose - providing senior residents with a sense of "community" and social interaction. As the demand increased, we've now grown out of our own vegetable cart. We boast a current membership of 26. It's an exciting time for the Club as we expand our vision to meet the needs of our members. Stay tuned as we grow our way into the next chapter. Or as the story goes... our own "grocery store"! Enjoy the summer and see you at the Club! Please make note of our summer schedule: July 15<sup>th</sup> and August 12<sup>th</sup>.

Regular weekly meet-ups resume September 9th.

## Fundraising Event 2019





95 Falshire Drive N.E Calgary, Alberta T3J 1P7







Together we could make a difference!



All proceeds will be donated to Kids Cancer Care Foundation of Alberta Chosen Charity of Jeanae Elisha Ventura, Junior Miss Calgary 2019

#### SHAVE YOUR LID FOR A KID

On August 10th from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm our Langlois Hall will be hosting a "Shave Your Lid for a kid" event for Kid's Cancer Care Foundation. Junior Miss Calgary 2019, Jeanae Elisha Ventura is featuring this event as one of her charities. The event will be co-sponsored by Virgin Radio 98.5, Trico Homes and Great Clips among others. Tickets and donations will be accepted at the door, or in advance on the website below- or, you can just show up and get your head shaved for Kids Cancer Care.

Did you know that every year, about 190 children in Alberta are diagnosed with cancer and their lives are forever changed? While most Canadian children survive cancer today, far too many still die. And over 75% of those who do survive are left with devastating, permanent health problems that require significant, ongoing support. That's where Kids Cancer Care comes in. They support research to find cures that save lives without causing longterm health problems. They also provide the support these kids and families need to make their cancer journeys and rebuild their lives afterwards. Recovery is often a life-long journey. Please consider attending or donating to this wonderful cause.

kidscancercare.akaraisin.com/ui/shave2019/participant



# Why do I need a membership—what's in it for me? **COMMUNITY MEMBERSHIPS OFFER:**

- **Programs and Services** for all ages. Preschoolers to seniors, community associations offer programs directly or provide support to other organizations offering programs.
- Sports and Recreation. Community Associations offer you recreational and sports opportunities.
- **Community Safety**. Community Associations regularly meet with Police and City officials and report any issues from the community at large. Many, such as ours, have committees with community members who meet in regards to safety concerns.
- **Special Events**. Many events are provided throughout the year, that provide opportunities to meet others in the community and have some fun. Events include Neighbour Day Breakfast, Community Clean-up, Sports Days, Skating Days, and other events which are always being developed.
- Awareness and response to Planning and Development Issues. The Community Association makes every effort to keep track of development proposals in the area such as transportation, park developments, and traffic issues. The City Of Calgary often consults with the community association.
- **Communication.** The Community Association Newsletter communicates to the residents the activities, programs and services that are happening in the community. We also offer volunteer opportunities to show for community pride. Our web-site is www.falconridgecastleridge.ca and our Facebook page is Falconridge Castleridge Community Association.
- Facility Operations and Rentals. Most associations operate a facility that is available for programs, meetings, social and private functions. Outdoor recreational spaces, such as basketball courts, skating rinks, and playgrounds are available and maintained because of the Community Association.
- Representing the Community on Regional Committees and Initiatives. Community Association designates represent the community on regional issues of interest such as major parks, infrastructure projects in the area or social issues. Community Associations also offer referrals to assist people in their daily well being, such as food bank, ethnic groups and general assistance.
- Improving the quality of life. Community Associations are created by individuals who want to improve the quality of life for themselves and others in the community.
- Volunteer opportunities Show your community spirit and pride. Make a difference in your community.

Annual Family memberships are now \$10.00. Contact FCCA office

## **STAFF RECOGNITIONS**

FCCA has initiated staff recognitions for our staff who go above and beyond for customers,
Board Members or fellow staff.

Winners get a lunch with their peers and gift cards.
To nominate a staff member for recognition, send an email and a brief outline of their story,
to fccamgr@telus.net
or call Lee Pederson at 403-280-4422.

Award winners will be determined by
Management and Board Members.



# **Past Events**

## Volunteer Appreciation Banquet-June 1, 2019



Every year FCCA Board Of Directors honours our volunteers with a banquet. This year it was a Mexican theme complete with a Mexican buffet, a photo booth, plinko game and door prizes. Certificates were awarded to volunteers who offered exceptional service to the community in a number of categories, including the Dennis Walsh Memorial Award, which went to Anita and Richard Warriner. Our Volunteer Of the Year was our rink volunteer Chris Cote. Other awards were presented to: Mark & Lois Langlois, Martin Beckman, Stephanie Graves-Beckman, Rauf Malik, Carolyn Bouwsema, Jagjot Sidhu, Rajinder Sidhu, Brian Huff, Lee Pederson, Michelle Stringer, Ravinder Sharma, Surinder Sidhu, Bill and Gayle Johnson. Congratulations!!!!



## Neighbour Day Breakfast-June 15, 2019

Yahoo!!! Our second annual Pre-Stampede Breakfast was held June 15th in conjunction with the City Of Calgary's Neighbour Day. Besides pancakes, sausages and bananas for food—many activities were offered. Horse and buggy rides, bouncy castles, rope maker, face painting, henna, Super Heroes and activity games. KFC and Canadian Blood Services, also had booths set up. "Backroads Travellin' Band entertained us and even got some of us dancing. Councillor George Chahal took a turn making pancakes. Thanks to all of our volunteers—we could never do it without you.





#### **FCCA Supports Charities**

FCCA President, Mark Langlois is pictured delivering cheques totalling \$10,000 to 3 charities: Brown Bagging for Calgary Kids (left); Distress Centre (right); and Alberta Children's Hospital Foundation (no picture). FCCA uses funds earned at our Casino nights to give back to the community.



Further to the above donations, FCCA is supporting FCCA event staff member, **Serena Rayner** in her fund-raising efforts for *Kids Up Front Foundation*. Serena is participating in "Stranded In Water Valley". On August 9-11 she will be hauled into the

middle of nowhere in Water Valley, Alberta where she will be stranded just like the show Survivor. Our donation of \$2,000 will help in Serena's fund-raising goal. Good luck Serena, we are proud of you and hope you enjoy your adventure in the wilderness.





FCCA will be requiring volunteers for upcoming events:

September 14- Community Clean-up. To volunteer call 403-280-4422

At North East Family Connections, we're proud to offer community responsive family-focused programs and services right here in your community:

- We advocate for strong families and have a team of experienced and caring staff who will help you along your journey.
- We offer free parenting programs and unique monthly services geared toward empowering families.
- With our support we will work together to help you reach the goals you want to achieve for you and your family. We look forward to meeting you.

#### FREE PROGRAMS FOR JULY & AUGUST

KIDS HAVE STRESS TOO -Saturday, July 20th- 10:30am – 1:30pm Saturday, August 17th 10:30am – 1:30pm

PARENT CHILD MOTHER GOOSE - July 19th - August 23rd 10:30am -1:30am

(THIS IS BEING HELD AT #14 147 RUNDLEMERE ROAD N.E.)

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER CALL: 403-293-0424



If you would like to know more about what we offer we invite you to visit our website <a href="http://www.NEFCS.ca">http://www.NEFCS.ca</a> or call 403-293-0424.



## Dispose of household hazardous waste the right way



Paint, oil, propane tanks, and chemicals don't belong in your carts.







Hazardous waste will have symbols like this on the container.

Take to a City landfill or designated fire station for safe disposal.



## The right way is the safe way.

For everyone's safety when handling leftover chemicals:

- Package materials properly and label it clearly.
- Follow instructions at City drop-offs and place materials in the designated areas.

Keep material in the original container so staff know how to safely handle the contents.

If you use a different container:

- Pick a sturdy leak-proof container.
   Avoid thin plastic containers like pop bottles, or milk jugs.
- Do not mix chemicals together.
- Make sure your container has a lid and it's on tight.

For more information visit calgary.ca/HHW

### **Dear Ward 5 Resident:**

We are officially well into summer and July is an action packed month! Stampede season is in full swing and I hope to see many of you enjoying the events and festivities in Ward 5 and the rest of Calgary. The Calgary Stampede celebrates our culture and history and includes an amazing rodeo, exhibition, and festival grounds, which dates back to 1886! Canada Day is also celebrated in July, along with a number of cultural festivals, such as the Latin Festival, Mexi-Fest, Turkish Festival and Arab Festival. Let us have fun and also be responsible – please have a designated driver for any activities where alcohol will be consumed!

During the summer, your water use can jump by 30 to 40 per cent because of outdoor watering activities. This increased demand places a strain on our rivers and treatment plants. Save water, money and time by adopting a few simple water saving tips. The best time to water is early in the morning. Avoid watering in the heat of the day (10 a.m. to 3 p.m.). Reduce mowing and watering by keeping your lawn at least 2 or 3 inches high. Taller grass shades the soil meaning it requires less water and stays healthier. Visit *calgary.ca/waterguide* for more programs, tips and tools for creating a water efficient home and yard.

The Summer Youth Passport is back! Youth ages 12-17 can enjoy unlimited drop-in swimming, skating, climbing, sport and fitness activities at recreation facilities across Calgary from July 1 to August 31 with the Summer Youth Passport. Summer Youth Passports are on sale now at all participating City and partner facilities. Visit *calgary.ca/youth passport* for details. If you're looking for something to do with your family or friends, or a fun new activity for your child, check out the free events and programs happening in a community near you this summer! To find schedules and locations for these free programs and many, many more, visit *calgary.ca/free*.

311 Live Maps is the online service that allows you to see what crews are working on directly in your neighbourhood. Simply go to *calgary.ca/311* and select the "View live map of 311 requests" link. Type your address into the search bar or zoom in to see if a request has been reported. Click on one for details and to find out what work is being done. Our most requested services are on 311 Live Maps now. More services will be added throughout 2019. 311 is your best way to access the City anytime, anywhere.

Please contact our office at ward05@calgary.ca ca to keep your finger on the pulse for everything Ward 5 and the City of Calgary!







To advertise in the bi-monthly edition of the Falconridge/Castleridge Community News call 403-280-4422 or via email fccamgr@telus.net

# Kids Summe

A 3-WEEK CAMPING SKILLS PROGRAM AGES 5-13. WITH AN OVERNIGHT CAMPING TRIP.

Tues. & Thurs. 6:00pm - 7:30pm July 9th - 27th July 30th - Aug. 17th

\$100 per child, financial aid available. Parent involvement encouraged. For more information go to www.outdoorcouncil.ca/Summer-Camp





## DONATION DROP-OFF SPOT!

DROP OFF YOUR DONATIONS AT **Our Castleridge Attended Station** 

55 Castleridge Blvd. NE



Please visit donatetocpalberta.com or call 1-888-477-8030 to request a free pick-up.



Your donation supports our vital programs & services.

## OTHER ORGANIZATIONS OPERATING

### **WITHIN FCCA**

**Alcoholics Anonymous Brownies and Sparks EPIC Calgary Canadian Blood Services Centre For Newcomers Excel Society Lady Element Yoga** Gatka-Sikh Martial Arts **Light Of Jesus Family Church Opendoor Fillipino Church Of Calgary RSS Radha Soami Society Church** SIEC Sufi Islamic Education Centre Sister Fellowship

#### **BE PROUD OF YOUR COMMUNITY!!**

**FCCA** photography contest. **Community residents submit** their own photo of something within our communities (Falconridge or Castleridge). Winners will see their photo within a future Newsletter as well as the on the Facebook page and website. We would welcome submissions of scenery, activities, people or even pets. As long as it is in our communities and may be of interest to our residents. Send your photos to fccamgr@telus.net and include your name and phone number. One winner will be selected by committee per Newsletter issue.