



Falconridge/Castleridge Community News

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2019



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Facebook: Falconridge Castleridge Community Association

Address: 95 Falshire Drive N.E.

WEB-SITE: falconridgecastleridge.ca

Phone 403-280-4422



Upcoming Events



FCCA Christmas Market

Saturday, November 16th, 2019

11:00 am to 3:00 pm

Now Accepting Registrations



COST PER TABLE: \$30.00

Arts and Crafts



Baking

Jewellery

Knitting or clothing



Gift items



For info and table bookings call:

403-280-4422

Or email: fccainfo@telus.net



SATURDAY, December 14, 2019 10:00 am to 12:00 noon

Call to Register 403-280-4422

No Walk-Ins—Pre-registration is required

Children Must Be Accompanied By An Adult
 Adult tickets: Members- \$5.00
 Non-Members- \$8.00 before December 1st
 - \$10.00 after December 1st
 Memberships and tickets available at FCCA
 Office (M - F 9 - 4) purchased in advance.

Free
 Photos



With Santa
 (kids)



FCCA Casino Fundraiser



Sunday,
 January 19, 2020
 Monday,
 January 20, 2020



To Volunteer call FCCA Office 403-280-4422

FCCA Board Of Directors

After October 17th AGM

President– Mark Langlois

Vice President– Joty Sidhu

Treasurer– Dhruv Sharma

Secretary- Carolyn Bouwsema

Directors:

Martin Beckman

Stephanie Graves-Beckman

Brian Huff

Rauf Malik

Sandeep Sharma

Rajinder Sidhu

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, Jasmin, Jasmine, Rajinder, Sandy

Maintenance – Wendell Kupila

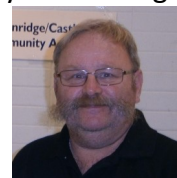
Janitor – Juan Ramirez

Event Staff– Aaron, Gabriel, Keith, Leisha, Mark, Mohamed, Pal Pat, Ronald, Serena L., Serena R., Sheenah, Umair, Zack

President's Report

- I was elected as President at our AGM On October 17 for a two year term!
- We proposed some new Bylaw Changes for operations of the Community and it's been 9 years since the last change to bylaws that were made in 2010. These changes were really needed to modify our changes over the past few years.
- We had a Quorum at our AGM but mostly thanks to our 55 club for attending. AGM's are mandatory for communities that have are a Society and they to be done every year!
- We also discussed our Budget for the 2019/2020 year at our AGM.
- We are still in need of volunteers for Board of Directors. If You are interested in helping keep Falconridge/ Castleridge a vibrant community then you need to join us! We meet every 3rd Thursday for couple of hours. As a Board of Director, you serve the community as a volunteer, and we also have several committees to sit on of your choosing, to help make our community a better place!
- Our Casino is coming up in January so please have a look at the posting in our newsletter for further details. We require volunteers for the 2 days of January 19 & 20/2020. Our Casino is one of our most important fundraising events we have among others! We only get these every 2 years and with these funds we survive and plus we try to help other groups with donations. 🙏
- I have been working with communities to develop a new North of McKnight Presidents group and hope to be having our first meeting in November. The group will be Falconridge/ Castleridge, Saddleridge, Taradale, Martindale, SkyView, Redstone, Cityscape plus a few other community facilities.
- When approved on our Bylaws, our new Membership year will be from September 1 to August 31 of each year starting September 2020.

Mark Langlois, President



OTHER ORGANIZATIONS OPERATING WITHIN FCCA

1999 Army Cadets

Alcoholics Anonymous

Brownies and Sparks

EPIC Calgary

Canadian Blood Services

Centre For Newcomers

Excel Society

Gatka– Sikh Martial Arts

Light Of Jesus Family Church

Opendoor Phillipino Church Of Calgary

RSS Radha Soami Society Church

SIEC Sufi Islamic Education Centre

Sister Fellowship

For Contact information on these programs

call **403-280-4422**



*Merry
Christmas
to all!*



Falconridge/Castleridge Community Association

ALL SENIORS WELCOME

Games + Bus Tours + Potlucks N' more

MONDAYS 1 to 3 PM

(Closed Stat holidays)

**95 Falshire Drive N.E.
FCCA Office 403-280-4422**

FCCA will be requiring VOLUNTEERS

for upcoming events:

November 17—Christmas Market

December 14— Breakfast with Santa

January 19 & 20 Casino

To volunteer call 403-280-4422

Senior's Corner

From the FCCA 55+ Club

MOVIN' AND GROOVIN'

Another year is drawing to a close, and we wonder where all the time has gone. The Club has been busy doing things and going places. Our new Planning Committees are part of the reason so much has been going on. We have an In-House Committee that comes up with all sorts of ideas for our regular meet ups, and an Out-Of-House Committee that draws from our wish list and arranges activities that take us to places outside of the Club.

If that were not enough to keep us active, we continue to attend monthly breakfasts, senior's events in other N.E. communities, bus trips, etc. There is no reason for our senior folks to sit at home alone.

I feel very fortunate and proud of what we have accomplished since this Club was established in May of 2017. Our growth escalated to the point that we moved out of the Meeting Room and into the Langlois hall. We now have the space to plan more Variety Mondays, and invite other Clubs to join us for potlucks and events.

You can be sure we will be Movin' and Groovin' our way into the New Year, so please feel free to come by to check us out. We offer a little bit of everything, but if we don't happen to have what you are looking for, we welcome your ideas. You know where to find us. Meanwhile, the Club wishes you all a beautiful winter season, and the very best in the coming year!

See you at the Club ~ Cher

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.

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

FREE PROGRAMS FOR Winter 2019

PARENT/CHILD MOTHER GOOSE— Fridays, November 8 to Dec 6
10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

KIDS HAVE STRESS TOO – Thursdays, November 7, 14, 21
6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. (Childcare Available)

FINDING OUR VOICES— Wednesdays October 30 to December 5
1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. (Russet Court location)

To register for these programs go on website www.nefcs.ca on the PROGRAMS tab

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL: 403-293-0424



Children's Programming



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.



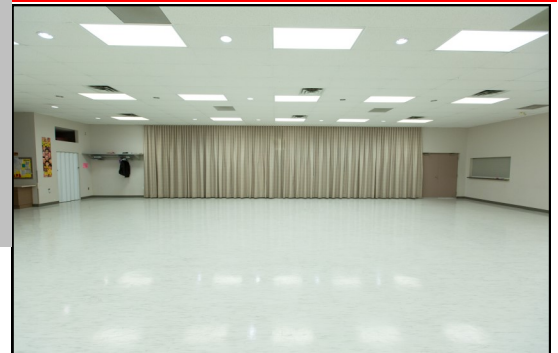
Hall Rentals

**Having a Party? Wedding? Christmas Party? Birthday Party? Bazaar? Banquet?
Business Meetings/ seminars or training? Religious function?**



Walsh Hall : Capacity 300 people

**Smaller meeting
rooms
also available**



Langlois Hall : Capacity 150 people

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

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

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.
- ◆ **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.
- ◆ **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

Community Cleanup

Calgary



On behalf of Calgary Community Standards & Waste and Recycling Services

Thank you

Falconridge/Castleridge Community Association

Congratulations on a successful **Community Cleanup** on September 14, 2019.

The weights collected for this year:

Garbage: 21,920 kg

Organics: 1,730 kg

Recycling: 210

Total: 23,860 kg

Truck Loads Hauled: 6

Thank you to the Community Association and residents for your commitment to keep our communities healthy, safe and vibrant.

On September 14th we held our Annual Community Cleanup. Lineups of vehicles were long, but we went non-stop for 5 hours and not only moved the volumes as listed above, but also filled two loads of metals and appliances, as well as a full load of electronics. Our Drop and Swap was a great way to have some product salvaged by taking home something that was unwanted by someone else. Congratulations to Board members and volunteers who worked tirelessly to assist in cleaning up our yards and homes.



Advertise

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

Greetings Ward 5!

The holiday season and New Year are fast approaching. As the year is coming to an end, I want to take this opportunity to thank the countless volunteers and organizations throughout Ward 5 and Calgary for their service. We are only able to accomplish all that we do through your dedication and service. I encourage citizens to lend a helping hand to those in need as this is the season of giving. There are a number of organizations around the City that can use additional help during this time, such as the Women's Centre, Youth Centre, Food Bank, and many others! I would also like to remind everyone this holiday season to enjoy responsibly and not to drink or consume cannabis and drive. Let's stay safe everyone!

With winter upon us, City of Calgary crews are keeping an eye on the forecast all winter long, preparing roads with anti-icing solution before the snow falls, and maintaining City streets as soon as snowflakes hit the ground. Stay informed during every snowfall by following @yyctransport on Twitter and downloading the Road Conditions App for frequent updates. You can also stay updated with snow removal schedules and snow route parking bans in your neighbourhood at Calgary.ca/snow

The City of Calgary has approximately 5,700 km's of sidewalks and is responsible for clearing snow for roughly 10 per cent of these sidewalks. The majority of the accountability belongs to adjacent property owners. The City encourages practicing being a Snow Angels to make sure pedestrian safety on these sidewalks is maintained. Snow Angels are individuals who shovel a neighbour's sidewalk to be a good neighbour. A Snow Angel can be especially helpful to older adults, people with limited ability and anyone else needing help. Each year The City recognizes those who step up as Snow Angels. You can simply nominate a Snow Angel at Calgary.ca/snowangels.

You can also become more active and creative this winter by taking part in the City of Calgary recreational programs and classes. The Winter Recreation Program Guide is now available and registration begins Nov. 26, 2019. The City offers hundreds of fun, affordable programs for Calgarians of all ages, led by certified, professional instructors at convenient locations throughout the city. For schedule and program details calgary.ca/register.

311 is your best way to access The City anytime, anywhere! This is a great resource the City has set up and we want all of our residents to utilize this service. 311 is for non-emergency and non-law enforcement (i.e. by-law related issues, potholes, street cleaning etc.). You can download the 311 app on your phone for convenience, or just simply dial 311.

Please contact our office at ward05@calgary.ca, join us on Twitter/Facebook @ChahalGeorge or go to my website at GeorgeChahal.ca to keep your finger on the pulse for everything Ward 5 and the City of Calgary! Wishing you all a Holiday filled with family fun and laughter, and very best wishes for a prosperous New Year!



George Chahal

Calgary



November 16- Christmas Market
December 14- Breakfast With Santa
December 25- Christmas Day
December 31- New Years Eve
January 1- New Year's Day
January 19 & 20- Casino



Happy Holidays