



# ***Falconridge/Castleridge Community News***

**SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2019**



**FCCA Community Cleanup**  
**September 14th 9:00 am to 2:00 pm**

**Volunteers call 403-280-4422**

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# COMMUNITY CLEANUP

SATURDAY, September 14th

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**



In Partnership with the Falconridge Castleridge Community Clean-up: Reduce -REUSE- Recycle

**FREE DROP, SWAP OR SHOP!**

*DROP* off gently used clothing and small household appliances for donation

*SWAP* your stuff for some new-to-you stuff

*SHOP* for new-to-you stuff. No drop off required!



LOOK FOR US BESIDE THE DROP-OFF LOCATION  
FOR THE COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP  
95 FALSHIRE DRIVE NE

**September 14, 2019 9am-2pm**

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# Falconridge/Castleridge Community Association



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**Annual General Meeting  
October 17, 2019 @ 7pm  
Langlois Hall**

**FCCA BOARD POSITIONS AVAILABLE**

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- Vote for new Board Members**
- Community Memberships available**
- Be involved!**

**Light refreshments provided**

**95 Falshire Drive NE**



# 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**

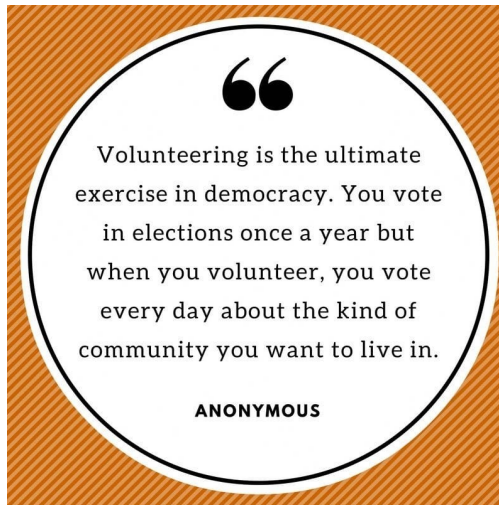
**Or email: [fccainfo@telus.net](mailto:fccainfo@telus.net)**

# President's Report

- Well back to **Fall!** Our **Summer** wasn't that great this year as we had lots of rain. Maybe we will get some warm weather in September and October?
- Please do not leave your **Garage/Yard sale** signs out on the posts or street light posts or intersections!! ByLaw has been talking about fines for doing this. It is solely your responsibility to remove these signs by the next day!!
- Sept 14 is our **Community Clean up!!** This gives all residents, in the Falconridge/ Castleridge area, a chance to get rid of excess garbage for FREE!! Everyone should take the opportunity to get rid of junk piled up in the their yard, and alley that needs to be cleaned up. Bylaw Officers will be going around our area during the week and possibly giving out tickets if it is not cleaned up. Any junk put out in the alley is an eyesore for all of us. Please do your part by cleaning up and bringing your garbage to the Community hall from 9:00am to 2:00pm. A clean neighbourhood is a safe neighbourhood.
- We received sad news of the **Boys and Girls Club** leaving us at end of June! We have had a great relationship with them over past decade and more 😞.
- We have decided over the summer to move our **Buzz Club** (Before & After School) into the space that Boys and Girls Club was using. We had to do a lot of construction and add new washrooms to the area and make this a permanent space for them at a significant cost! This new venture allows use to rent out Langlois Hall now and we have already secured a lot of bookings for 2019/2020. We could not rent this hall due to time constraints that the Buzz Club needed to operate, so moving forward gives us a lot of opportunity for rentals that were lost previously.
- Our **AGM** is coming soon on October 17 so we are working on some Bylaw changes that need to be changed and have to be done @ the AGM . This AGM will be Election for **President** for a Two Year Term. The other positions on the Board of Directors will done in house at a specially called Board of Director 's meeting held approximately 2 weeks after the AGM.
- Our next **Casino** will be held on January 19 & 20/2020. I will be starting the recruiting volunteers for the Casino after the AGM. We need approximately 40 volunteers @ various positions to accomplish this.
- As always we are we are always looking for new **Board of Directors** and Volunteers throughout the year to do what we need do!

## TEAM WORK MAKES THE DREAM WORK

Mark Langlois  
FCCA President



### FCCA Board Of Directors

- President**– Mark Langlois
- Vice President**– Joty Sidhu
- Treasurer**– Dhruv Sharma
- Secretary**- Carolyn Bouwsema
- Directors**- Jatinder Aujla
- Martin Beckman
- Stephanie Graves-Beckman
- Brian Huff
- Rauf Malik
- Gervazio Martins
- 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**

- September 6– Night Market
- September 14– Community Cleanup
- October 17– Annual General Meeting
- November 16– Christmas Market
- December 14– Breakfast With Santa
- December 25– Christmas Day
- December 31– New Years Eve
- January 1– New Year's Day





Falconridge/Castleridge Community Association

**ALL SENIORS WELCOME**

**Games + Bus Tours + Potlucks N' more**

**MONDAYS 1 to 3 PM**

(Closed Stat holidays)

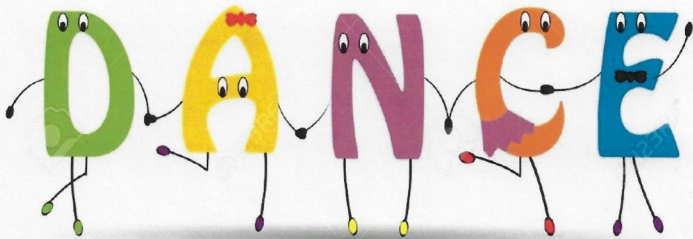
95 Falshire Drive N.E.  
FCCA Office 403-280-4422

# Line Dancing

## FREE CLASSES

LATIN AND BALLROOM STYLES AND SOME COUNTRY

Falconridge/Castleridge Community Association  
95 Falshire Drive NE Calgary



**FALL SESSION RESUMES** Sept 26<sup>th</sup> 2019

Thursday evenings from 7:45 pm to 8:45 pm

For more information call Christine 403-474-7017  
email wallychristine@hotmail.ca

# Senior's Corner

## From the FCCA 55+ Club

Our summer was far too short but, the Club did have a few bus tours and a fun sports day on the greens behind the hall. Add some BBQ's and breakfasts to the mix, I would say we had a fine time. Now we move into fall season.

A time for team work and planning.

What do you like to do in the fall and winter?

Bring your ideas and join us as we plot the next season.

See you at the Club!

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### 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**

### FCCA BOARD MEMBER POSITIONS

Will be available at the upcoming AGM. Board Members not only represent the Association, but the community at large. You have a say on what you want to see and happen in YOUR neighbourhood. You gain valuable contacts and make lifelong friends within the Board. Fresh faces and new ideas are essential for the success of any organization. Please consider joining the Board by attending the AGM (Oct 17- 7PM) and signing up for the Board Of Directors. There are monthly meetings, as well as special events to attend. Call the office for more info **403-280-4422**



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Before & After School Care



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CALL FOR MORE INFO!  
403-280-4422

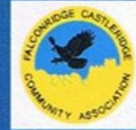
Ages: Kindergarten to Grade 6

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.



# BUZZ CLUB

# is moving

On September 2nd, 2019, our Buzz Club (Before and After School) Program relocated within our facility to the space vacated by Boys & Girls Club. This will give them exclusive space with no setup and takedown, thus offering a better opportunity to make friends, learn, play, and of course have snacks. Washrooms have been installed within the area to continue offering privacy from public and better supervision of the children. This change is a positive one for the staff and parents, as well as Management and Board Of Directors. It also allows us greater opportunities to offer space in the Langlois Hall, which was being used for this program. It too will be renovated to better serve our customers with improved appearance and availability. Watch for pictures in upcoming issues and on our Facebook page: [Falconridge Castleridge Community Association](#) and web-site: [www.falconridgecastleridge.ca](http://www.falconridgecastleridge.ca)

**FCCA will be requiring VOLUNTEERS for upcoming events:**

**September 14– Community Clean-up. December 14– Breakfast with Santa  
January 19 & 20 Casino**

**To volunteer call 403-280-4422**



# 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.

**Preschool Classes are nearly full and choices are limited at this time**

### **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](mailto:fccamgr@telus.net)**

**or call Lee Pederson at 403-280-4422.**

**Award winners will be determined by  
Management and Board Members.**



**Deadline for submissions to November/December Newsletter is October 25, 2019.**

**See back page for advertising information.**

**Facebook: Falconridge Castleridge Community Association**

**Address: 95 Falshire Drive N.E.**

**WEB-SITE: [falconridgecastleridge.ca](http://falconridgecastleridge.ca) Phone 403-280-4422**



# 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 will be getting spruced up and will be available for weekday bookings starting in September 2019

Langlois Hall  
Capacity 150 people

*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](mailto: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**



## 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](http://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.



join

*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 we invite you to visit our website

<http://www.NEFCS.ca> or call 403-293-0424.

#### FREE PROGRAMS FOR FALL 2019

**POSITIVE DISCIPLINE** - Thursdays starting September 19 to October 24

6:00 pm to 8:00 pm (Childcare Available)

**KIDS HAVE STRESS TOO** - Thursdays November 7, 14, 21

6:00 pm to 8:00 pm (Childcare Available)

To register for these programs go on website [www.nefcs.ca](http://www.nefcs.ca) on the PROGRAMS tab

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL: 403-293-0424



Dear Ward 5 Resident:

I hope everyone had a wonderful summer and had the chance to enjoy all the festivals and events in and around our city. Our office will be starting our continuous sessions of *Chai with Chahal* and other community engagement events to address relevant issues in our communities. These are great opportunities for our residents, businesses, and community groups to have open dialogue with our office about issues that are important to them. Serving our residents is our main objective and we want you to have a voice through these platforms. Please e-mail [ward05@calgary.ca](mailto:ward05@calgary.ca) for information on how to get more involved.

Be sure to take advantage of the festivities in and around the city with your families over the next few months. Halloween is approaching and we want to encourage parents and children to take safety precautions while trick or treating. Make sure you are dressed according to the weather and are wearing colors that are visible to automobile drivers. Remind children to follow rules of crossing streets – look both ways and cross only at intersections and crosswalks. Let's have fun and stay safe!

The 2019 Canadian Federal Election is scheduled to take place on October 21<sup>st</sup> 2019. A strong Calgary means a stronger Canada. The energy sector alone, headquartered in our city, provides 533,000 jobs across Canada and \$12 billion in average revenue to governments (2014 to 2016). Economic recovery has been slow and if Calgary is going to continue contributing to Canada's economic success, there needs to be support from the federal government. The City identified several priorities at the federal level and is asking the major political parties where they stand on:

### **Honouring commitments made to Calgarians**

Committing to long-term transit funding. This means providing the federal share of funding for the next 26km of Green Line. Working with provinces to ensure that municipalities receive their fair share of cannabis revenue. Delivering on the promise of more timely funding for municipal infrastructure by permanently increasing the Gas Tax Fund.

### **Supporting Calgarians through the recovery**

Allowing locally-based mortgage rules to help homebuyers enter the housing market.  
Establishing a pilot multijurisdictional table to tackle the growing challenge of mental health and addictions; and provide emergency funding.

### **Promoting economic recovery in Calgary**

Defining an economic recovery strategy for Calgary and investing in existing initiatives.  
Increasing pipeline capacity to ensure that Canada is getting the best price for its resources. Addressing climate change and moving to a low carbon future will take a strong economy. We can be part of a global solution if our resources can reach new markets.

Please visit [yycmatters.ca](http://yycmatters.ca) as you consider what local candidates, parties and policies will do for Calgary in the upcoming federal election.

The City of Calgary's Fall Recreation Program Guide offers hundreds of fun and affordable recreational opportunities to get you and your family more active, more often. Registered programs are offered at dozens of facilities located throughout the city, include swimming, fitness, dance, visual arts, skating, golf, sailing and more! To learn more and find a program that's right for you, visit [Calgary.ca/register](http://Calgary.ca/register).

311 Live Maps is the online service that allows you to see what city crews are working on directly in your neighbourhood. Simply go to [calgary.ca/311](http://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. 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 visit [GeorgeChahal.ca](http://GeorgeChahal.ca) to keep your finger on the pulse for everything Ward 5 and the City of Calgary!



*George Chahal*

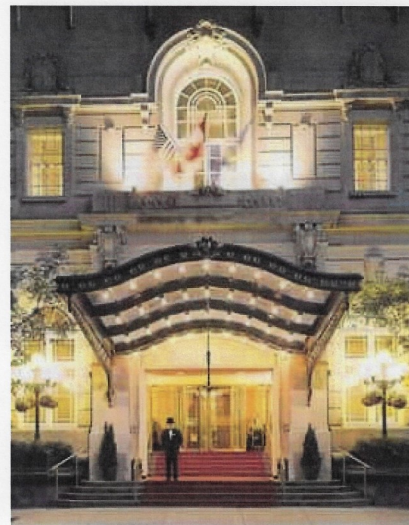


**Advertise**

To advertise in the bi-monthly edition of the  
**Falconridge/Castleridge Community News**  
call 403-280-4422 or via email [fccamgr@telus.net](mailto:fccamgr@telus.net)



Our latest fund-raising effort is our new snacks vending machine located next to our drink machine across from our main office. It has proven to be very busy over the first few weeks, and features products for all ages and tastes. Most items are priced competitively under \$2.00. With the restart of the school year, it is likely to be a challenge to keep it full.



I am offering to teach your kids basic French.

Learn useful French expressions through flash cards and fun games.

I encourage the use of French in conversation.

Snacks will be available.

Let's have fun!

Call Keith:  
403-590-9060

[KeithJRL@hotmail.com](mailto:KeithJRL@hotmail.com)

**SEP. 11<sup>TH</sup> – OCT. 30<sup>TH</sup>**  
**8 WEDNESDAYS**  
4:00 – 5:30 P.M.

**FRENCH FOR KIDS!**  
**GRADES 4 - 6**

**PERSONAL INSTRUCTION!**

**FALCONRIDGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**

FUNDED BY CITY OF CALGARY, NEIGHBOURHOOD GRANT – NORTH OF MCKNIGHT COMMUNITY HUB  
SPONSOR: NORTH EAST FAMILY CONNECTIONS



**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](mailto:fccamgr@telus.net) and include your name

and phone number. One winner will be

selected by committee per Newsletter issue.