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Please make sure you forward this newsletter to your neighbours, so they can find out about all of the great things that our community association does.

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JUNE 12 - A COMMUNITY DAY IN SPRINGBANK HILL!

Garage Sale

Join us on Saturday June 12th for our annual Garage Sale, Community Clean-Up and Family Barbeque! If you're doing some spring cleaning, mark your calendar for this date! You can register a Garage Sale by calling Fiona at (403) 869-8068, and she will put your sale on a map, do the advertising for you, and give you a package containing all the planning tools and price tags you'll need for a successful day.



Community Clean-Up

From 9am to 2pm, at Ambrose University College, you'll find many community residents hard at work to help rid you of the things you can't sell or no longer need. We will have 2 garbage trucks on site (thanks to the City of Calgary Animal and Bylaw Services), and a document shredding company (Maximum Security Shredding). Garbage trucks cannot accept tires, household chemicals, paint, car batteries, home appliances, propane tanks or metals.

Habitat for Humanity will take your gently used furniture/appliances/home décor.

E-cycle Recycling will be on hand to take your old computers and stereos, ghetto blasters and tape decks. You can also bring your unwanted used clothing, which we will take to the Salvation Army for you. We are determined to make spring cleaning a little easier!

Family BBQ

Still on June 12th, there will be a Family Barbeque from 2-5pm, at our newly constructed playground at the corner of Springborough Blvd and 26 Ave SW. We really don't need a "reason" for a party, but we will be celebrating our playground and the volunteers who helped bring it to life, as well as welcoming what is sure to be a beautiful summer! There will be bouncy castles, hamburgers and hotdogs, and games galore! Those planning to attend are asked to bring chairs, beverages and a side dish or dessert to share with the crowd. If we can give you more information about any of these events, or if you would like to volunteer in any capacity, please email events@springbankhill.org. What a great day it will be!

PLAYGROUND CONSTRUCTION - May 26-29

Thanks to the tireless efforts of our Playground Planners, Julie Sutherland and Fiona Christiaansen, the Springbank Hill Regional Playground on 26 Ave SW is now fully funded and on its way! Construction is set to take place from **Wednesday May 26- Saturday May 29** and we need your help. Our teams will be building over morning, afternoon and evening shifts, and every little bit of help is appreciated. If you can spare a few hours for a shift or two over those days, email: info@springbankhill.org, **Attn: Julie**, and we'll fit you into the schedule. For most of us, this will be the closest we ever get to literally building our community, so please join us for some community fun.

General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting for Springbank Hill Community Association will be held:

Wednesday, May 19, 7-9pm
Valleyview Presbyterian Church
7655-26 Ave SW

The meeting will include a report on our past year's activities and a discussion of plans for next year. The financial report will also be reported, highlighting our continued success from your ongoing support.

Ward 6 Alderman Joe Connelly will be speaking as well as many of the dedicated volunteers who serve on our Board of Directors.

This event is a great opportunity to learn about the many activities of our community association, and there's no better chance to get involved with our fun and energetic group. If that's not enough reason to attend, coffee, tea and snacks will also be served!

SCOUTS UPDATE

The SBHCA 137th Scouts troop is looking forward to a full program launch in mid-September this year.

For the first season, Beavers (5-7 years old) and Cubs (7-9 years) will use First Lutheran Church in Strathcona as a home base, and will meet Thursday evenings. The program is open to boys and girls.

Currently, the troop is recruiting Scout leaders to help run the program, and will soon be opening youth registration. Watch <http://137shca-scouts.ca> for details, or for more information, email Mark McNair at: info@137shca-scouts.ca

Scouting is a great way to develop character through fun and engaging activities. Being a Scout leader is a great way to spend quality time with your kids, while they learn many valuable skills.

Summer Sports Camps for Kids and Teens

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Westhills Community Sports Program was formed out of a partnership of all of the west-hill community associations. The program operates a variety of affordable recreational camps through the summer for youth. Soccer, basketball, tennis, fine arts and Mad Science are all activities that are organized and run by certified and trained instructors. All participants must have a valid community membership. Visit www.westhillssports.ca for more details on programs and dates. If you haven't booked the summer's worth of activities yet, be sure to check out the great new programs being developed in our own neighbourhoods.

PARK N' PLAY/ STAY N' PLAY

Springbank Hill Community Association will once again be sponsoring the summertime Park n' Play/Stay n' Play program run by the City of Calgary. As previous, the fun days will take place in the soccer fields on 26 Ave SW, and will be held **August 9-13**. Watch our website for more details as we get closer.

UPGRADE TO GLENMORE TRAIL AT 37 STREET

The City continues to work to address traffic challenges on Glenmore Trail at 37 Street SW. Starting in May this spring, construction will begin on an overpass which will eliminate the traffic signals, which are so often the cause of the traffic bottleneck. This process will also see a new large traffic circle built on the north side of Glenmore Trail while maintaining the existing traffic circle south of Glenmore Trail. Ultimately, this overpass is planned to be integrated into the South-West Calgary Ring Road project. We will work to keep our members informed of planned delays, and we've been assured that this project team is coordinating schedules with the West LRT planning team to minimize the potentially devastating impact on commuter traffic. More information on the 37 Street overpass is available on www.calgary.ca and construction is expected to be completed by 2011.

Upcoming Events

May 19, 2010

SBHCA Annual
General Meeting

May 26-29, 2010

Springbank Hill
Regional Playground
Construction Dates

June 12, 2010

Community Garage
Sale/ Clean-Up/ Family
BBQ

August 9-13, 2010

Park n' Play/ Stay n'
Play



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WEST LRT

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Yikes. What a mess!

17 Ave and 69 Street will continue to see disruptions to traffic flow for the coming weeks. 69 Street should resume normal flow by the end of April, while 17 Ave will see improved flow once the bridges are installed in early May. Please drive with caution in all LRT construction zones, as lane configurations will change often. Visit www.westlrt.ca for up-to-date information on potential traffic delays, and plan extra time if using 17 Ave or Bow Trail to get downtown.

Community Garden Update

The Springbank Hill Community Garden was constructed on April 17th on St. Moritz Drive, on property provided by St. Martin's Church. Many thanks to the 30 or so volunteers that helped build 22 raised beds, filled with great soil and arid "fertilizer". We look forward to a great growing season in our sold-out garden!

Check out our website
for up-to-date
information on news
and events around our
community.

springbankhill.org

MEET YOUR COMMUNITY HEROES!

We rarely get a chance to say a proper thank you to those that have tirelessly contributed to the growth of our community and community association. That changes today! There are many people on our board or one of our committees that deserve a collective thanks, but today we celebrate three individuals that have made a huge impact on the growth and success of our programs.

Doug Ramsay

Doug has been our Planning and Development Chair for the past five years, and is retiring from that position at our AGM this spring. Doug has been instrumental in establishing our community association as a strong voice of reason at City Hall, and has poured thousands of hours into ensuring that the development community remains responsible to our area plan. Whenever a hand is needed or advice required, Doug has never hesitated for a moment to help in any way possible. Doug has truly been a mentor for many on our association board and we are infinitely appreciative of his efforts.

Thank you Doug!

Trent Dean

Trent has been the convenor of our 4-6 year old soccer/ t-ball program for the last 3 years. As his kids will be past the age of participating at the end of this season, he will be passing the responsibility on to someone else. While under Trent's keen supervision, the program has grown from 30 kids to over 95. Trent has managed all aspects of this program over the years, including finding sponsors, washing uniforms and storing piles of equipment in his garage. Trent was also instrumental in getting our skating rink developed, and can be seen flooding at all hours of the day, despite the most brutal winter weather conditions.

Thank you Trent!

Corynn Gammon

For the last three years, Corynn has been our Special Events Coordinator, and will be retiring from that position at our AGM in May. The overwhelming success of our Halloween parties, Family BBQ's and Winterfest events have all been the result of Corynn's tireless quest to build community by bringing people together. And what better way to do it than a party.

Thank you Corynn!