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All users of our facilities must now abide by the City of Calgary Vaccine Passport Bylaw as described on our website.

We welcome rental enquiries for our facilities. We offer a choice in hall size, a kitchen with an updated stainless steel appliances, a portable bar, a projector, sound system, and loads of tables and chairs.

Rental Rates:

Main Hall – 186 person capacity \$550/day or \$55/hour; \$500 damage deposit

North Hall – 60 person capacity

\$400/day or \$44/hour; \$400 damage deposit

There is a once per year 25% discount for HPCA area residents with a current membership.

All rentals are subject to GST.

Our facilities can only be rented until 10:00 pm.



HIGHLAND PARK

Centrally located en route to downtown in Highland Park Community Hall Non-profit, parent operated, traditional preschool offering high quality programs for 3&4 year olds with excellent teachers that love what they do! 3716 2nd Street NW

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Mon/Wed/Fri - 1pm-3:30pm - \$105 per month

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Interested in getting involved in Highland Park?



HIGHLAND PARK UPCOMING EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

As always, for more information about the events below, please contact either our Hall Manager, Stephen, at hallmanager@hpca.ca or contact our volunteer coordinator, Anne, at 403-276-5048 and leave a message or email volunteer@hpca.ca.

Monthly Seniors' Luncheons: We are looking at possible restart dates for this much-loved event, hopefully soon. Contact SeniorsCoordinator@hpca.ca for more info about attending or volunteering.

Available Now: Highland Park Activity Kits are available to sign out. These are kits that were created with the support of a City of Calgary Neighbourhood Grant and are intended as a way to work with some friends and neighbours (while abiding by COVID safety rules) to do a fun activity. We'd love it if you would share the details of your activity on Highland Park's social media also. There are five different kinds of activity kits to choose from, and each should have everything you need to complete the activity. Do you want to make a craft of a pinecone bird feeder? Want to add some Highland Park history, stories, poetry, and/or pictures to a shared community binder? Maybe you want to help kids and adults make an animal mask while reading the picture book, "Sometimes I Feel Like a Fox"? Or plant wildflower seeds or garlic to sprout in the spring? Or even set up a lemonade stand on a sunny day? For more details, navigate to the HighlandParkCommunity.ca website, and click on the three lines in the upper right, then select Community Connections, and Our Activity Kits. A sign-out form is on the website at the bottom.

Tuesday March 15 then April 19: Good Food Box order date at HPCA Hall, 6:00 to 7:00 pm with cash or cheque, or contact-free via e-transfer before 4:30 pm to HPCA's Vice President, Anne Naumann, at AnneNaumann@ shaw.ca.

Thursday March 24 then April 28: Good Food Box pick-up date at HPCA Hall, 6:00 to 7:00 pm.

May 7 (not March, sorry for confusion) 4:00 to 7:00 pm, HPCA Craft Market: To be held outdoors at HPCA grounds, weather permitting (indoors if needed). Food Trucks will be on-site to provide delicious supper and treat options. Email Markets@hpca.ca for more information or to register for a vendor table.

HPCA Email List and Website: Are you one of the new residents of Highland Park? Are you on our email contact list? If not, you should be! We send out periodic emails about important things going on in the community that may not make it into the newsletter before the deadline. Sign up via our website: hpca.ca. While you are on our website, have a look at some of the new information we've added, click the three lines in the upper right to access the menu. Look for the 'Community Connections' section for info on events, programs, and ways to connect with neighbours to get involved with the community, including our new Activity Kits (you can make a Pinecone Bird Feeder craft for winter, or an Animal Mask, this is another project funded by a Neighbourhood Grant), and our Human Library (see what skills and knowledge some of your neighbours are willing to share). Both these programs are free for community residents.

Get Social with HPCA: We also recommend you connect with us on social media – "Like" our community Facebook page for updates when we post something (www.fb.com/highlandPkCA), and if you live in Highland Park you can also sign up for the Highland Park Neighbourhood group, which is designed to allow people to interact with their neighbours (www.fb.com/ groups/highlandparkyyc). Also, be sure to follow us on Twitter and Instagram @highlandPkCA (login is not required to see our posts).



Elliot Lindsay – Friends of Confederation Creek

The Friends of Confederation Creek (FOCC) are a volunteer-led society concerned with the Confederation Creek watershed. We have launched the "Uncovering Confederation Creek" project this year thanks to Watershed Stewardship Grant funding administered by the Land Stewardship Center of Canada. We encourage anyone interested to contact us at friendsofconfederationcreek@ gmail.com and follow us on Facebook. Please check out our previous articles, introducing the project and background in several Calgary Great News community newsletters.

The Confederation Creek watershed (drainage area) is the largest in all of Calgary, with an area of 2700 hectares of NW Calgary from Shaganappi Trail NW to Edmonton Trail NE. While parts of Confederation Creek, Queen's Park Creek, and a few springs remain above ground, many streams were buried in concrete pipes beginning in the 1950s. Burying streams has serious negative ecological and social implications. Fortunately, no river or stream is ever truly lost, and given the right amount of effort, even the most degraded and forgotten stream can be rehabilitated to a healthier and more functional state. The best hope for a buried stream is often davlighting. The organization American Rivers defines stream daylighting as a process which "...revitalizes streams by uncovering some or all of a previously covered river, stream, or stormwater drainage."

Confederation Creek and its many tributaries represent near-ideal candidates for daylighting, as many are flowing through concrete storm sewer pipes beneath green spaces already part of Calgary's pathway or park system, with very little infrastructure to impede restoration. So why aren't we doing it!? The simplest answer is that many simply do not know that these streams are there! Even fewer may be aware that rehabilitation for these streams would be very possible and indeed beneficial. So where would we start? Well, wherever we can. Each community can begin the process of restoring pieces of this amazing watershed in their own backyard. We hope to have planted the seed through these articles, showing that this exciting process could happen here in Calgary, and highlighting the need here in our own backyards.

Calgarians need to ask decision makers to commit to restoring these features in their communities. Trafford Creek in Thorncliffe, Queen's Park Creek in Highland Park, lower Confederation Creek in Tuxedo, and more. Daylighting would mean cleaner water, reduced flood risks for downstream communities, better pathway connections, restored habitat for nature and people, all lost for decades and replaced with constructed unnatural landscapes. Imagine taking a walk along Confederation Creek, along an open flowing stream from West Confederation Park (formerly Camore Park) to Nose Creek where Confederation Creek enters at 32nd Avenue at outfall #25 (across the street from the Rona)

Fish could again migrate from Nose Creek into Confederation Creek and its tributaries. A new generation could grow up playing in the shade of stream bank shrubs lost for over 50 years. Residents could awake to the sounds of babbling brooks currently silenced in a concrete tomb. These streams are right here beneath our feet, and they are waiting for someone to speak up for them. Talk to your councillor, your MLA, and your neighbour about daylighting in your community. Let's get to work!



HIGHLAND PARK PLANNING AND DEVELOMENT REPORT

by D. Jeanne Kimber | development@hpca.ca

As of today's date, we can report on the following applications of interest to Highland Park:

LOC2021-0175 for a land use change to R-CG at 457 33 Avenue NW will be proceeding to the Calgary Planning Commission (CPC) for review. A date has not yet been set for the CPC hearing. If and when approved, it will go to Council for a public hearing.

Application LOC2021-0187 for a land use change to M-CG at 3404 3 Street NW is intended to permit construction of a 5-plex and 5-car garage on this 63 ft lot. The application will be heard by the CPC on February 24. A date for the future Council hearing has not been set.

Concurrent with LOC2021-0187 is Development Permit application DP2021-0979 for the 5-plex and garage buildings. Although the building design has some merit with respect to the family accommodation it would offer, the HPCA will be stating our opposition to the development on several grounds:

Building depth is excessive and could negatively impact the adjacent properties.

Landscaped area (both soft and hard landscaping) is less than the required minimum.

Loss of mature trees and insufficient space to plant replacements.

Potential increase in parked vehicles and vehicular traffic on the streets.

Our concerns about the impacts of this development are heightened by the recent application for a land use change directly across the street at 404 33 Avenue NW. Application LOC2022-0007 is for a change to R-CG to enable construction of a rowhouse, potentially with secondary suites. The cumulative impacts of both these developments are significant. When considered together, these two proposed developments would represent anywhere from a three to four times increase in density in just that one corner of Highland Park.

DP2021-5688 for construction of a rowhouse at 4024 2 Street NW is still under review and is temporarily stalled pending receipt of revised plans to city planners from the developer. A clean-up order has been issued for the property owner to remove the debris from the property. DP2021-8142 for a rowhouse across the street at 4025 2 Street NW is also still under review.

LOC2021-0084 for a land use change to M-CG at 308 32 Avenue NE went to Council on January 11, 2022. The application was refused by Council on a technicality, but we expect it to be resubmitted.

Construction of the rowhouse at 428 34 Avenue NW was temporarily delayed due to soil instability, and the builder had to dig deeper for the footings. Construction should be resuming soon.

Application has been made for a mixed-use building at 115 36 Avenue NE, combining residential with commercial uses. The file number is DP2022-00939. No further details are available right now.

The property at 204 40 Avenue NW had a development permit approved for a rowhouse. That property was then offered for sale. However, the developer informed us that they decided not to sell the property and will proceed with construction. File reference DP2020-6082.

An application for a cannabis store at 4319 Centre Street NW is pending decision. The Community Association opposed the application. The file reference is DP2022-00160.

Status information about any Development Permit or Land Use Change application can be found on the City's Development Map at https://developmentmap.calgary. ca/. Just zoom in and click on the property you wish to examine.



RECIPES FOR YOUR GOOD FOOD BOX - SHAMBHARO Recipes for Your Good Food Box - Chicken Fajitas

by Anne Naumann

I've had a few people ask me this question recently, so I'll answer it here. Yes, the Good Food Box program is for anyone. You don't even need to live in Highland Park to order through us. We just serve as one of the Community Kitchen Program's dozens of depots for ordering and pick-up locations within Calgary. We coordinate our depot with community volunteers; all the funds we collect for the boxes are passed on to the Community Kitchen Program.

The next order date is Tuesday March 15, with the pickup date on Thursday March 24 at our hall between 6:00 and 7:00 pm. You can e-transfer payment for your order to me at AnneNaumann@shaw.ca, preferably by no later than 4:30 pm on the order date, or you can order in-person (with cash or cheque) at our hall on the order night between 6:00 and 7:00 pm. If you are ordering via e-transfer for the first time, please also send us a follow-up email to GoodFoodBox@hpca.ca with your contact information (phone and/or email) so we can contact you to remind you about the pickup date and the next order date. We have also been asked by the Community Kitchen folks to provide basic demographic information about the people being served by this program through each ordering depot like HPCA's. So, if we haven't already, we'll ask you how many total families, adults, seniors, and youth your box is for.

The recipe below is one I make when we have lots of onions and peppers on hand. Our family likes it.

Chicken Fajitas

Prep and Cook time: About 40 minutes (or less if using pre-cooked chicken chunks)

Kitchen Supplies Needed: Large bowl for marinating chicken, sharp knives. large frying pan

Ingredients:

· 500 g or so of boneless, skinless chicken breasts, chopped into chunks (can substitute pre-cooked, unseasoned chicken chunks, cut into bite-sizes)

• 2 Tbsp fresh cilantro, chopped (can substitute approx. 1 Tbsp of cilantro in a squeeze tube)

• 2Tbsp cooking oil (such as olive or canola, for marinade)

1 Tbsp soy sauce

• 1/2 tsp each of chili powder, smoked paprika (can substitute regular paprika, or omit if you don't have it), salt, garlic powder, ground cumin

- 1 Tbsp lime juice
- 1 Tbsp cooking oil (for sautéing)
- 1 onion, thinly sliced
- 2 red peppers, cored and thinly sliced (can substitute other colours of peppers)
- ¹/₂ tsp chili powder (for sautéing)
- Salt, to taste
- Tortillas for each serving
- Toppings: grated cheese, guacamole or avocado slices, sour cream, salsa
- Optional: shredded lettuce

Directions:

1. In large bowl, add cilantro through lime juice, and add in chicken chunks; stir until coated, and refrigerate for 30 minutes (or longer).

2. Heat large frying pan and add 1 Tbsp. of cooking oil. Add onions, peppers, chili powder, and salt, and sauté for 6 to 7 minutes until softened, stirring occasionally. If using raw chicken, remove the vegetables from the pan.

3. Add marinated chicken to the pan, and, if raw, cook until no longer pink/make sure it's cooked through, about 5 to 8 minutes. If the chicken is pre-cooked, the chicken can be added to the vegetables in the pan until warmed.

4. Serve with warm tortillas, and your favourite toppings.

Serves four to six



HIGHLAND PARK COMMUNITY SENIOR'S LUNCHEON

\$6/person for HPCA members \$10/person for non-members of HPCA

Cancelled until further notice.

Bowwest Community Resource Centre

Struggling to make ends meet?

BowWest connects you to resources: Food, clothing, shelter, transportation, counselling, no or low cost recreation. 403-703-0140

BowWest Community Resource Centre regrets to announce that the food market, usually held every second Thursday at the Highland Park Community Association, must be tempo rarily discontinued. Please watch for updates regarding a re-start of the food market in Highland Park on your community association Facebook page and newsletter. You may also contact BowWest at 403-703-0140.



HIGHLAND PARK MARKET & FOOD TRUCK EVENT



It's FREE to explore, discover and shop local. Scan to download and access discounts, offers and promotions from amazing local businesses!



Highland Park Community Association

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The Good Food Box

The Good Food Box is a Community Kitchen initiative available to anyone, not just residents of Highland Park. Bring cash only to the address below on the payment date, then pick up your produce in the pick-up date.

It's an excellent deal on fresh produce!

Large Family Size Box: 45-50 lbs \$35

Family Size Box: 35-40 lbs \$30

Single/Senior Box: 25-30 lbs \$25

Where: HPCA Hall, 3716 2 St. NW

Time: between 6:00 and 7:30 pm

Please contact Anne Naumann before 4:30pm on order date at annenaumann@shaw.ca.

HPCA Good Food Box 2022

Order Date Tuesday, March 15 Tuesday, April 19 **Pick-Up Date** Thursday, March 24 Thursday, April 28



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HIGHLAND PARK'S Block Connector Program

Join the Highland Park Block Connector Program to:

- Connect with your neighbours
- Learn about local resources and opportunities
- Create some fun on your block!

Contact Jennifer DiMarzo with the City of Calgary at jdimarzo@calgary.ca for more information.

HIGHLAND PARK HALL CALENDAR

MARCH 2022

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For the latest hall calendar, please visit hpca.ca/hall-calendar.

Highland Park Community Association MEMBERSHIP FORM

Fees: Families - \$20 • Individuals aged 18 to 64 - \$10 • Individual seniors (age 65 & over) - \$5

Associate members (non-residents) - \$10

Memberships good for one year from date of purchase

Please make cheques payable to: Highland Park Community Association

Please mail cheque and this form to: Highland Community Association, 3716 – 2nd Street NW, Calgary, Alberta T2K 0Y4

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Our Neighbourhood Grants turn local ideas into tangible actions The Community Social Work program offers grants of up to \$1000 to High land Park or Thorncliffe Greenview residents with project ideas that:

Build Inclusive Neighbourhoods | Foster Truth & Reconciliation | Increase Economic Participation

Decisions are made by a committe consisting of residents and a Community Social Worker.

For more information email: NeighbourhoodGrants@Calgary.ca or Contact: jennifer.dimarzo@calgary.ca or (403)852-6137

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