



DALHOUSIE NEWSLETTER

May 2021 Newsletter

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admin@dalhousiecalgary.ca with your
name and e-mail address to ensure future
delivery!

THE NEXT DCA BOARD MEETINGS WILL BE
TUESDAY, APRIL 13TH, 2021 AT 7PM
ALL DALHOUSIE RESIDENTS ARE
WELCOME TO ATTEND. MORE MEETING
DETAILS TO COME ON OUR WEBSITE!

**THE DALHOUSIE COMMUNITY CENTER
REMAINS CLOSED UNTIL GOVERNMENT
RESTRICTIONS ARE LIFTED**

UPCOMING EVENTS

Parade of Garage Sales & Parking Lot Sale - May 10 - 26
Dalhousie Out of School Care (DOSCC) Registration - June 1st
Community Clean Up - June 20
DCA Summer Day Camps & Third Party Camps - July & August
Show N' Shine - September 11th
Christmas Craft Fair - November 27

The City of Calgary would like to thank citizens and businesses for their continued adherence to public health orders and for playing an important role in the health of all Calgarians.

More information is available on [Calgary.ca/covid19](https://calgary.ca/covid19).

PARADE OF GARAGE SALES

March 10th – May 26th, 2021

The Parade Of Garage Sales and Parking Lot Sales are coming up! Unless COVID measures restrict this event from happening, registration will open **May 10th @ 9am and end on May 26th @ 12pm.**

Cost: \$10 (non-refundable)

Optional Yard Sign Deposit: \$10 (refundable)

*The registration cost covers marketing and staff costs.

If you choose to have a yard sign and stake from the DCA, you will sign it out and place a deposit. If it comes back in good condition and no writing on it, you will receive your deposit back.

Parade Of Garage Sale:

- You choose your day(s) of the week and hours
- Sale must be at a Dalhousie address
- Your address will be added to our community Parade of Garage Sale and Parking Lot map that will be available online, at the centre, and circulation through our members mailing list.

Parking Lot Sale:

- Sale is Saturday only from 10am-2pm
- You are designated a stall and must have all your sale items within the painted parking stall perimeter
- Tables are not provided. You can bring your own tables, blankets, tubs or whatever you will use to display your items
- The sale will be displayed on the community Parade of Garage Sale and Parking Lot map that will be available online, at the centre, and circulation through our members mailing list.



All registrants will have the option to list any key items you would like to mention to be advertised.

For further information, visit www.dalhousiecalgary.ca or email admin@dalhousiecalgary.ca



LOOKING TO VOLUNTEER? WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

The DCA is looking to continue to build our list of volunteers and even expand into some new volunteer positions year-round! We want to hear from you about what your interests and skills are, and how you would be interested in potentially volunteering around the community centre!

We have a variety of categories to choose from including:

- Gardening
- Community Clean Up Event
- Outdoor Maintenance
- Casino
- Veteran's Food Drive Drivers
- Flyer Delivery
- And Much More!

Please visit our website at www.dalhousiecalgary.ca and go to Community Info, or email admin@dalhousiecalgary.ca to retrieve the form that we have created to help track our volunteers, along with their skills and interests!

A MESSAGE FROM COUNCILLOR SEAN CHU

Greetings Ward 4 Residents,

Did you know that part of your yard is made up of rights-of-way, and your property line doesn't begin at the edge of the road or sidewalk closest to your home?

The City of Calgary is responsible for managing access to municipal rights-of-way in Calgary. A right-of-way is an area that gives The City space to install infrastructure (e.g. street light poles and trees), while also giving shallow utilities (i.e. power, gas and telecommunications providers) a place to install and maintain their critical infrastructure.

When utility work is required in your community, crews can apply for the permits required to access the right-of-way to install infrastructure, both above and below ground. All properties contain a road right-of-way, but only some properties have a utility right-of-way on them. In most cases, the utility right-of way starts at your property line and extends inward, toward your home.

The space the right-of-way takes up in a yard will vary and it can also be located along the side of your home or at the back. As a homeowner, you are responsible for mowing and general maintenance, but it is technically the road right-of-way and is considered public land. To learn where the right-of-way is located on your property, visit calgary.ca/row.

The City is working hard to ensure Calgarians receive outstanding value for their property tax dollars. We're committed to delivering services that meet Calgarians' needs in the most efficient way possible while continuing to focus on reducing costs and supporting the local economy.

For 2021, your City Council approved an overall property tax rate decrease after \$90 million in savings were found. Approximately 77 per cent of all residential properties will see a reduction or 0 per cent increase in their 2021 property tax. Visit calgary.ca/taxcalculator.

Your property tax bill includes both a municipal and a provincial portion. For residential taxpayers, approximately 63 per cent goes to fund City services such as police, fire, streets and parks, while 37 per cent is remitted to the province of Alberta.

Property taxes are the primary revenue source used to fund municipal programs and services that Calgarians value and use every day. We remain committed to ensuring that Calgarians receive value for their property tax dollars. We're continuously improving and modernizing our services to reduce costs and are seeking innovative new ways to encourage and support Calgary's success. Visit calgary.ca/OurFinances to learn more.

Thank you for your attention,
Ward 4 Councillor Sean Chu

DALHOUSIE STREET SWEEPING



The City's street cleaning program removes sanding materials and debris that has accumulated on roads during the winter months. Residential street sweeping begins April 19, and street sweeping in Dalhousie will be on **June 11th and 15th**. The City's Spring Clean-up is a \$9.8 million dollar program..

The City uses a balanced approach with our Spring Clean-up Program while upholding safety and environmental considerations within communities. Sweeping reduces water pollution by preventing the run-off of sanding materials into our storm water system and reduces air pollution. Clean surfaces also help Calgarians use infrastructure more flexibly and to adhere to social distancing guidelines. **Please watch for the sign shown on the right**

For more information, please visit <https://www.calgary.ca/transportation/roads/road-maintenance/spring-clean-up-street-cleaning/spring-clean-up-street-cleaning.html?redirect=/sweep>



TLC CLEAN UP KITS

While COVID-19 has changed how we do things, there are still spring clean ups to be done, and many Calgarians are stepping forward to volunteer to help clean up garbage in their community. Usually Community Associations plan big clean ups but with COVID-19 variants spreading fast, the City has created individual clean up kits for cohorts, and family's to use to help clean up their home community while staying safe. #yyc #yyccspring #yyccc #ward4 #yyccleans



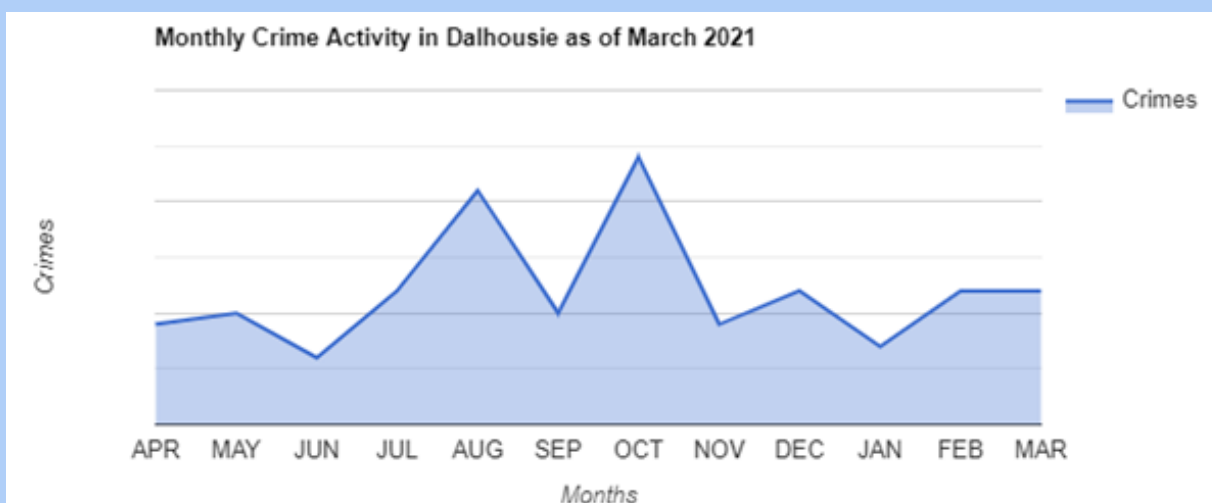
Each kit contains enough for 10 participants: gloves, garbage bags, hand sanitizer and instructions for the cleanup!

For more information, please visit

<https://www.calgary.ca/csps/parks/volunteer/tlckits.html>

DALHOUSIE CRIME ACTIVITY WAS UNCHANGED IN MARCH 2021

The Dalhousie community experienced 12 crimes in March 2021, in comparison to 12 crimes the previous month, and 10 crimes in March one year ago. Dalhousie experiences an average of 12.0 crimes per month. On an annual basis, Dalhousie experienced a total of 144 crimes as of March 2021, which is down 17% in comparison to 173 crimes as of March 2020. Total Dalhousie crimes is calculated as the sum of break & enters (dwelling, commercial, and other premises), theft from vehicles, theft of vehicles, assaults (nondomestic), commercial robberies, street robberies, and non-domestic 'other' violence.



DALHOUSIE COMMUNITY CLEAN UP!

The City of Calgary has approved the Dalhousie Community Center to be host of one of the annual Community Clean Ups! This is a very highly anticipated and well attended event in the NW – it will be held on June 20th, 2021 from 9am-2pm. More information on what items can be disposed and recycled at the event will be available in coming weeks on our website, Digest and E-newsletters, and social media.

We will be looking for volunteers for this event. We prefer volunteers to be over the age of 18, with steel toed or close toed shoes, and a good work effort. It is a busy day but a very fun day in the community! If you are interested in volunteering, please email admin@dalhousiecalgary.ca!

For a list of all City of Calgary Community Clean Ups, please visit www.calgary.ca and search "Community Clean Ups".





DALHOUSIE'S TENNIS AND PICKLEBALL COURTS



Did you know that Dalhousie had their Tennis/Pickleball court surface replaced 3 years ago? The playing ground have really improved and you will be able to formally book courts through the City of Calgary! If you don't book, it is first come first serve and you may not be guaranteed a court. You can check the City of Calgary website to see if a court is available or not – if it is not available, it is booked by someone else. The DCA does not book/reserve courts for participants, nor are we mediators for anyone using the courts. If you have questions or concerns about the usage of the courts or participants, please call the City of Calgary at 311 or in case of an emergency call 911.

The DCA has had Introduction to Pickleball workshops that are free for those that have a current DCA membership! Keep an eye on our website and social media for information on if and when this workshop will be offered this year. We are hoping to offer as many opportunities and we safely can once COVID measures have been eased and it is safe to move forward for everyone involved.



DALHOUSIE SPRING SOCCER

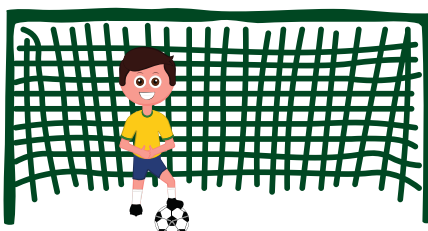


There is still time to register for Spring Soccer in Dalhousie! We have partnered with SoccerTech to provide online registration and certified coaches to train and play with your children this year! The season is set to start early May and run until the end of June, with additional dates booked in case of weather or COVID interruptions.



Please visit **www.soccertech.ca** to register today!

It is important to know that you must have a 2020-2021 DCA Membership card to register for soccer. Good news – they are free this year! Sign up for yours at <https://www.dalhousiecalgary.ca/community-info/memberships/> and we will email you your membership number and you will receive your card in the mail!



CHILDREN'S SUMMER DAY CAMPS!

Dalhousie will be host of many fun and exciting Day Camp opportunities for children! We will have our own awesome Dalhousie Day Camps which are operated through the DCA, as well as the highly anticipated musically theatre camp with Miss K with this year's theme being "Jambo To The Jungle". We also have Mad Science, Engineering For Kids, and more coming to the Dalhousie Community Centre this summer!

For more information about camps, please look below for contact information on how to register:

- **DCA Day Camps and Musical Theatre Camp** - admin@dalhousiecalgary.ca
- **Mad Science** – madsab@telusplanet.net
- **Engineering For Kids** - calgary@engineeringforkids.net
- **Spanish and French Immersion Summer Camp** - contact@polyglots.ca
- **Stagecoach Musical Theatre Camps** – calgary@stagecoachschools.ca



Keep watch on at dalhousiecalgary.ca for updates on our camps, themes, dates and more!

DCA SUMMER DAY CAMP DATES AND PRICING

- July 5th to 9th, 2021 – **Cowboys and Aliens**
- July 12th to 16th, 2021 – **Princesses and Pirates**
- July 19th to 23rd, 2021 – **Science, Science, Science**
- July 26th to 30th, 2021 – **All Around the World**
- August 3rd to 6th, 2021 – **The Great Outdoors** (short week due to August Long Weekend)
- August 9th to 13th, 2021 – **Under the Sea**
- August 16th to 20th, 2021 – **Animals and Insects**



Families must register for the entire week OR month! NO DAILY RATES AVAILABLE!

- **Basic Option (9am-5pm):** \$200
- **AM Option (7am-5pm):** \$215
- **PM Option (9am-6pm):** \$210
- **Full Option (7am-6pm):** \$225

Prices are lower for the week of August 3rd-6th, 2021. Please see below!

- **Basic Option (9am-4pm):** \$160
- **AM Option (7am-4pm):** \$175
- **PM Option (9am-6pm):** \$170
- **Full Option (7am-6pm):** \$185

"JAMBO TO THE JUNGLE" MUSICAL THEATRE CAMP



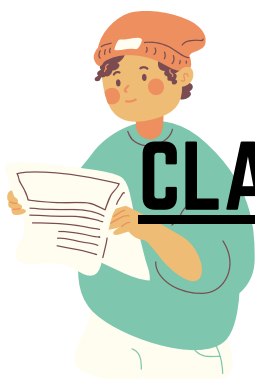
JAMBO TO THE JUNGLE!
MUSIC THEATRE CAMP
DALHOUSIE COMMUNITY CENTER
JULY 12TH - JULY 16TH 2021
9:30 AM - 2:30 PM
AGES 6 AND UP (max of 15 participants)
PERFORMANCE - FRIDAY JULY 16TH @ 6:30 PM

Join us for a fun week of singing, playing the jungle beat, and helping with set design, props and costumes. This is a musical based on Aesop's Fable - **THE LION AND THE MOUSE**.

My favorite line in the musical is, "*AND THOUGH THEY WERE DIFFERENT, ONE BIG AND ONE SMALL, THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THEM, DIDN'T MATTER AFTER ALL.*"

Campers will be asked to follow COVID-19 protocols set out by the DCA.
Please bring a water bottle and a lunch.

HOPE YOU CAN JOIN ME!
MRS. K (Wendy Kondrat)



CLASSIFIED **ADS**

DJ RECKLEZZ

Are you planning an Event (Weddings, Corporate Parties, Birthdays, Community Events, etc...)? Do you require exceptional music that will wow your guests? DJ

RECKLEZZ could be a part of your event at the Dalhousie Community Association. Come experience the professionalism of the Disk Jockey World. Email borrice1@hotmail.com for further details and mention "CODE DCA" for applicable discounts.

PET & SITTING SERVICES

House sitting/inspection, cat/dog visits \$25. Dog walking \$18. Dog Day Care \$25. First aid pet certified. Call Elena at 403-247-6205

WILL DO ODD JOBS

Weeding, Raking, Hedges, Junk removal, Small tree trimming, Yard clean up. Need a hand with something? Call Warren at (403) 286-4348 or (403) 988-3276.

Looking to place classified ad? Email admin@dalhousiecalgary.ca for more information!

JOHN LAURIE BLVD UPDATE



Construction is set to start in mid-May 2021 and is anticipated to be substantially completed in October 2021. We have created a public information presentation video in order to help the public better understand the scope, the schedule and the impacts of the project. This video is posted on the project web page. Please note, there will be various lane closures and speed reductions throughout the construction limits for the duration of construction. The project team has worked hard to minimize the impacts to the commuters and travelers in the area as much as possible, however, delays will be expected. We are asking commuters to follow all posted signage in the construction area including speed reductions.

We plan to continue to provide you with updates as we reach closer to the start of construction.

As mentioned previously, regular project updates will be available at www.calgary.ca/johnlaurieblvd. You can also sign up for the email newsletter via the link on the webpage. Please feel free to share this web page and the above information via your channels.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the project team at JohnLaurieBlvdProject@calgary.ca.

GREEN CALGARY COMMUNITY WASTE EXPLORATIONS

Are you looking to be more eco-friendly this Spring? Practicing sustainability should not be rocket science, and you can easily incorporate green actions starting from your home. Green Calgary is here to help! Join us for our free Community Waste Explorations Webinar to learn more about the ins and outs of waste, recycling and organics in Calgary. Through our interactive program, you will learn more about:

- what goes where for all of your waste carts
- how you can lower your waste production
- how to do an at home waste audit
- create a unique action plan for your household
- plan how to track your progress
- how to continue your plan into the future

You will receive tips and support from your Green Calgary educator and a free Waste Journal to help you on your waste journey. This program is completely funded and offered at no cost. Maximum participants per session is 30 people. This program will be delivered through MS Teams, but Green Calgary is willing to facilitate through other platforms if necessary. This program is offer in non-ESL and ESL versions.

To register your community association for this program or to inquire, please email Breanna at breanna@greencalgary.org!



THE DCA HAS A NEW LOGO!

Thank you to everyone that had submitted a piece for the DCA new logo contest! The DCA Board and Staff have voted on a winner!



Thank you, Andrew and other participants of the contest!

IN NEED OF CHILD CARE?

We would love to know more about what our Dalhousie residents are interested in us offering. Are you a parent, or maybe know someone, who would be interested on weekdays (early morning, early evening) or weekend child care while you work? We would love to hear your input if you have a need for this service or are interested in learning more if it is something we are able to offer in the future.



Please email doscdirector@dalhousiecalgary.ca if you are interested in learning more about our future possibilities.

COMPOST FOR COMMUNITY GARDENS

The City of Calgary is offering up to 10 cubic yards of Screened Category A compost to all community gardens in Calgary that can be used as a soil amendment for vegetable and flower beds. Please note this is separate from compost giveaway events for residents. If your community garden is interested, please complete the attached community gardens compost request form and email form to both contacts on the request form. Once the application has been received, a City representative will contact the community organization to schedule the pickup of the compost.

Organizations are responsible for arranging a transport vehicle to pick up the compost from one of the following locations:



- **East Calgary Waste Management Facility** – 3030 68 St SE
- **Spyhill Waste Management Facility** – 11808 69 St NW

Please note:

- Compost is loose, no bags or totes will be provided.
- Limited quantities of compost are available.
- Pickup location will be assigned by a City representative.



Loading Requirements:

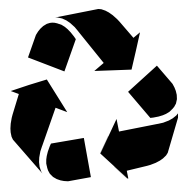
- Organizations picking up small volumes of compost in personal cars, trucks or trailers will need to bring their own shovels and containers/tarps for loading purposes.
- Organizations picking up large volumes of compost can contract a tandem truck and request that The City of Calgary staff use a Wheeled-Loader or Skid Steer to load the compost.

KEEP YOUR RECYCLABLES LOOSE

Put your recyclables in your blue cart loose. Make sure your recyclables are not packed too tightly or they will not fall out of the cart during pickup. The only recyclables that should be in bags are bagged plastic bags and bagged shredded paper.

Don't put recyclables in black garbage or blue recycling bags. The recycling facility isn't set up to unbag recyclables and they need to be loose to be sorted by the machines. For the safety of workers, garbage bags are marked as garbage and are not opened.

Visit calgary.ca/recycle for more tips on how to prepare your recyclables properly.



WEEKLY GREEN CART RETURNS END OF APRIL



Weekly green cart pickup is returning at the end of April. Visit calgary.ca/collection to check your schedule and sign up for reminders, or download the [Calgary Garbage Day](#) app.

Here are some tips for using your green cart:

- All food scraps, food-soiled paper, pet waste and yard waste go in the green cart.
- Use only certified compostable bags or paper yard waste bags in your green cart – no plastic bags.
- Always fill your green cart first, then fill paper yard waste bags. Roll tops of bags closed and set at least two feet to the side of your green cart.
- No plastic plant pots or bedding trays in the green cart. Rinse out and recycle in your blue cart instead.

Compost giveaway: Compost will be available for pickup, by appointment only, from May 10 to June 26. For details visit calgary.ca/compost.

BEGINNER'S GARDENING TIPS!

- Pick the right spot – it is helpful to know where your yard/area you have your garden drains, how much sun/shade it gets, and what the soil is like are factors to consider
- Is water nearby – not only the environmental elements should you think of, but also consider where your source of water is so it isn't too far away
- Start with great soil and fertilizer – read the instructions on potting soil, mix, and fertilizer
- Consider using potting containers depending on what you are trying to grow!



- Read the backs of the seed packets – it is important you have a suitable “home” and won't be set up for potential disappointment
- Discover your zone – Yes! Alberta has gardening zones, you can find out more online through a quick Google search
- Learn your frost dates and what to do if unexpected frost comes
- Add some mulch/compost to your dirt

SPRING CLEANING TIPS!

Already overwhelmed with everything to clean and prep now that Spring is here? Who doesn't! Here are some helpful tips to help navigate your spring cleaning this year (and maybe prepare for the DCA Parade of Garage Sales and Parking Lot Sale?!)

1. Do one room at a time. Don't move on until it is done – top to bottom, all drawers declutters, unused items donated/sold/discarded, etc.
2. Always vacuum any room's surfaces before wiping and organizing, and then after. If you don't you are spreading around dirt and making mud that is harder for yourself to clean!
3. Read. The. Instructions. Don't wreck a surface just because the cleaner wasn't made to be used on it. Save yourself time, money and frustration!



4. Look at when your nearest City of Calgary Community Clean Up is. The Dalhousie Community Centre is a host location on June 22, 2021 from 9am-2pm. Visit our website to learn more about what you can bring here – it is a free event!
5. Wash window early in the day so if you take a while to finish, you aren't washing when there isn't natural light coming in the windows!



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It matters to every patient across Canada.
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Donate blood

Brentview Baptist Church

3512 Charleswood Dr NW

Gymnasium

Saturday, May 29

9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Donor Event - 100 donors needed

Appointments are required during Covid-19



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ATTENTION CALGARY TRANSIT RIDERS!



With grades 7-12 moving to online learning, we know many students won't use April YOUTH passes for the rest of the month, so we're extending their validity through May. For details visit

<https://www.calgarytransit.com/content/transit/en/home/news/april-youth-pass-extension.html>



My mother held John's hand, holding it for the moment she was able, feeling the feeble squeeze of his fingers. Her instinct, I know, would have been to stay there at his side, providing the emotional care he needed in his last hours. Other patients though, needed medication, dressings changed, and hands held, if only for the smallest moment.

She would come home, exhausted, shed her nurse uniform and move to the kitchen to nourish her family. Dad would be on the road, doing his part, calling home every few days from a hotel phone when he could. Tummies full, my brother and sister and I would make our way to bed. Mom would distribute hugs, stories and "tuck-ins" liberally until every fear was resolved and we were sleeping soundly. For us she was more than mom, she was synonymous with "home".

Older now, I see my wife leading others as an expert in her work. I see her rise early, address the most urgent items of her day, and then turn her full focus to our bright-eyed son whose world is only full of amazing possibilities. I see her turn off the computer when he returns from school. Playing, laughing and teaching until it's her turn to give hugs, stories and "tuck-ins". Then back again to her computer to work into the evening, tired but dedicated to see the job done. For our son she is also "home".



Mother's Day started in May 1908 when after her mother's passing, Anna Jarvis wanted to find a way to honor the sacrifices made by mothers for their children. With the support of a department store owner, the event caught on. Eventually, through lobbying and mass letter writing campaigns, Mother's Day became a nationally recognized day in the US; soon followed by other countries across the world.

The sacrifices are endless. Mothers who cannot be home when they want to be, to make sure their family is sheltered and fed. Mothers who release their personal dreams for a new dream of who their children can be. Mothers who give their time, their sleep, their health, and sometimes even their lives for their children.

So, take time this year, to honor the sacrifices of your own mother. Regardless of how big or small. Tell her something specific that you remember, or something you still see now, that makes you thankful for her and all that she has done. And make her Mother's Day a happy one.

THE ORIGINS OF VICTORIA DAY

Victoria Day is celebrated every year in Canada on the Monday before May 25th to mark the birth of Queen Victoria. The holiday is Canada's oldest non-religious holiday. It began in 1845 and was celebrated with picnics, parades, sport tournaments and fireworks. It wasn't observed on the 2nd last Monday of May until the government changed the holiday in 1952.

Here are some interesting facts about the legendary monarch you might not know:

- Queen Victoria was born on May 24, 1819 and ruled the United Kingdom and the British Empire for 63 years, starting in 1837.
- Her reign began when she was 18 years old.
- She was originally named Alexandrina Victoria, after her godfather, Tsar Alexander I, but preferred her second name.
- She was fifth in the line of succession for the British crown, behind the four eldest sons of George III, including her three uncles and her father.
- She was barely five feet tall – four inches shorter than Queen Elizabeth II.
- She survived multiple assassination attempts.
- She started the trend of brides wearing white and wedding guest not allowed to wear white.
- She and her husband, Prince Albert, started the custom bring trees into the home at Christmas and decorating them.

The May long weekend usually signals the unofficial beginning of summer in Calgary: patio sets come out, barbeques are heated up, and some families head out for their first camping trip. It is usually a good weekend to start planting the garden...if you don't fear the annual May long weekend snowfall!



PLAN NOW: NEIGHBOUR DAY – JUNE 19

Neighbour Day (Saturday June 19) is a yearly celebration of community spirit in Calgary. It started in 2014 in honour of the incredible support and generosity Calgarians showed after the 2013 floods. Since then, the City has promoted grassroots events or activities that to foster and recognize the value of connecting with neighbours, showing how we care for each other and celebrating how we all can make Calgary a great city. And while the uncertainty of COVID public health restrictions may seem like a reason not to make a fuss over this day in 2021, one could also view it as even more of a reason to start thinking “outside the box” about how you can safely and positively mark this day! More than ever, the past year has shown us how precious our connections to one another are along with the value of vibrant and supportive communities. Our friends, neighbours and family, as well as local businesses, schools and their employees, and our community activities, groups and their volunteers have never been more important in our day to day lives. Like wise the parks, greenspaces, playgrounds, biking and walking paths of our city. So start now to think about how you might want to honor, celebrate or give back.



Can you help people connect in some way? Is there an activity or project you can help promote? Can you decorate to lift people’s spirits, or promote a virtual gathering or (hopefully) in-person event? Can you inspire others to help a worthy cause? Your contribution might be as small as saying “thank you” with a hand-written note, or something bigger that inspires a viral movement! Since COVID public health restrictions will be an unknown, your plans may require flexibility and a healthy dose of “wait and see” patience. But start to think about what is important to you, and what you might be able to contribute. Start conversations, share good ideas, and let’s all (safely) celebrate Neighbour Day 2021 in our fantastic Dalhousie neighbourhood!

DALHOUSIE COMMUNITY PLANNING (U OF C STUDENT PROJECT)

The Future Layers of Dalhousie Project, conducted by Travis and Melody as the capstone project for their studies at the University of Calgary School of Architecture, Planning and Landscape, wraps up mid-April and they plan to post their final report to the website <https://cc.nextcalgary.ca/dalhousie-ds21w-vision> sometime in late April. Through community participation they have gained a better understanding of Dalhousie, which has allowed them to identify opportunities that can be used by all of us to help the community to remain vibrant and attractive to residents, community groups and visitors, now and into the future.

Sincere thanks to the many Dalhousie residents who took time to participate in the project and provide their valuable input!



ENGAGEMENT, ENGAGEMENT, ENGAGEMENT

It's a busy time at the City for planning projects that benefit Calgary communities. Engagement is always an important part of planning any project and there are several engagements underway right now that may interest you.

North Central BRT Study: <https://engage.calgary.ca/greenline/brtstudy>

As Green Line leaves downtown and crosses the Bow River to 16 Avenue N in the first stage of construction, we know that communities to the north must connect to the transit network and that bus service will need to adapt to the new LRT line. The study will consider improvements from downtown along the existing Centre Street N and Harvest Hills Boulevard route to 160 Avenue N.

North Central Mobility Study: <https://engage.calgary.ca/greenline/mobilitystudy>

With the addition of the Green Line LRT and North Central BRT, Calgarians are going to move differently throughout Calgary. This study is being conducted to understand how travel patterns may change as a result of Green Line operations and BRT services on opening day and into the future. We will share our ideas on how to improve services for all transportation users and how to protect community livability by reducing cut-through traffic. Your input will help shape the future of mobility in north central Calgary.

Plus 15 Wayfinding Improvements: <https://engage.calgary.ca/plus15wayfinding>

This Plus 15 network is well-used by people who live, work, and visit downtown, but it can be a confusing place to navigate. A clear wayfinding system will make it easier to use the Plus 15 network, attracting more people and creating a better overall experience. We are engaging with Calgarians to help us understand the key issues that a new Plus 15 wayfinding system should address.

Explore Your Street Survey: <https://engage.calgary.ca/exploreyourstreet>

The City of Calgary is collecting your input to help us understand how neighborhood streets around the city are used by Calgarians walking, wheeling and taking transit. Share your experiences, observations, drawings and photos of how the streets in your community are used.

Foothills and McMahon Concept Plan: <https://engage.calgary.ca/Foothills-McMahon>

The City of Calgary, in partnership with the University of Calgary, is in the early stages of creating a Concept Plan for the City-owned Foothills Athletic Park and university-owned McMahon Stadium lands. The Concept Plan will provide a roadmap for the future development of the site that reflects the needs of its users and the community.

Balmoral Circus: <https://engage.calgary.ca/BalmoralCircus>

In fall 2020, as part of the Neighbourhood Streets North Hill Area project, a pilot park expansion at Balmoral Circus transformed the intersection at 2 Street and 19 Avenue N.W. We want to hear from you about design considerations for permanent changes to Balmoral Circus to help us create an attractive and meaningful community destination.

Hillhurst-Sunnyside Streetscape and Public Realm Improvements: <https://engage.calgary.ca/kensingtonarea/hillhurstsunnysideimprovements>

This project is part of the Established Areas Growth and Change Strategy, a program that provides funding to support public realm improvement projects in established communities where growth and change are happening. We are looking to make a series of community-level improvements within the communities of Hillhurst and Sunnyside

West Hillhurst Streetscape and Public Realm Improvements: <https://engage.calgary.ca/kensingtonarea/westhillhurstimprovements>

This project is also part of the Established Areas Growth and Change Strategy, a program that provides funding to support public realm improvement projects in established communities where growth and change are happening. Your feedback will help us create a list of potential area improvements that we will ask you to prioritize in our next phase of engagement.

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Do you have an interest in planning, development or transportation? Do you want to help guide your Community through its ongoing evolution? If so, consider joining the Dalhousie Community Association Planning and Development Committee. If you want to find out more, you can email us at pd@dalhousiecalgary.ca or check out the Planning and Development section of the Dalhousie Community Association website at <https://www.dalhousiecalgary.ca/development/>

May 2021



DISPOSE OF PET WASTE CORRECTLY!

With the warmer weather finally upon us, you may be cleaning up your yard or outside enjoying the sunshine with your pets. Help keep our city clean by disposing of pet waste properly.



- You can put pet waste and kitty litter (all varieties) in your green cart for composting. For the safety of your collector, put pet waste in a certified compostable bag or paper bag and securely tie/roll closed.
- Never put plastic bags or bags labelled biodegradable in your green cart. These bags do not break down and end up as small pieces of plastic that contaminate the finished compost.
- If using conventional plastic bags to clean up pet waste, please double bag and securely tie closed before disposing of in the black cart.
- Only dispose of pet waste in your own carts. If you want to use someone else's bins, you need to have permission from the homeowner or occupant.
- If you live in a multi-family complex like a condo or townhouse, check with your building owner or manager to see if your compost collection company accepts pet waste.

To see a list of acceptable compostable bags, visit calgary.ca/greencart.



CINCO DE MAYO!

Cinco de Mayo falls on May 5th and is a holiday that celebrates the date of the Mexican army's May 5, 1862 victory over France at the Battle of Puebla during the Franco-Mexican War. Cinco de Mayo is not Mexican Independence Day. Instead, it commemorates a single battle.

Within Mexico, Cinco de Mayo is primarily observed in the state of Puebla, where the army victory occurred, although other parts of the country also take part in the celebration.

Traditions include military parades, recreations of the Battle of Puebla and other festive events. For many Mexicans, however, May 5 is a day like any other: It is not a federal holiday, so offices, banks and stores remain open.

Here are Yelp's "10 Best Mexican Restaurants in Calgary"

1. Native Tongues Taqueria (SW)
2. La Casa Latina Mexican and Latin Grill (SW)
3. Taqueria El Charrito (NE)
4. Tacos Mexico (SE)
5. Moose and Poncho (SE)
6. Anejo Restaurant (SW)
7. La Bodega (NW)
8. Salsita (NW)
9. Molcajete (SE)
10. Fiesta Market and Restaurant (SE)





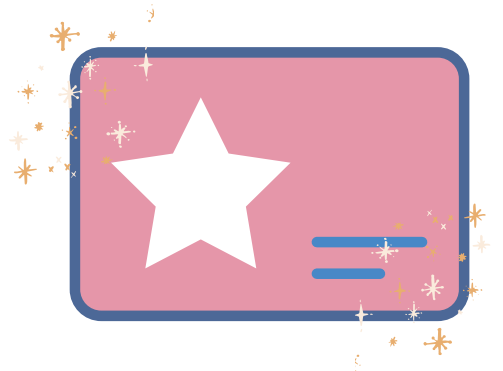
FREE DCA MEMBERSHIP!



The DCA is feeling extra generous this year, and offering free DCA 2020-2021 DCA Memberships! All you have to do is email admin@dalhousiecalgary.ca with your name(s), phone number, address and email address(es) that you would like

associated with the account.

What does a DCA Membership get you? It covers you and those indicated on your membership with insurance in all of our DCA programs and events. We are working towards collaborating with Dalhousie and other Calgary businesses to be able to offer discounts and deals at their business. Check out www.dalhousiecalgary.ca under the Memberships to get our updated list of partners!



If you have already purchased a membership for the 2020-2021 year, you will receive a free membership for the 2021-2022 membership year!

Please note: DCA Membership years run from September 1st to August 31st of each year.

Added Bonus! - Starting in September, if you show your 2020-2021 DCA Membership card at The Hangar Flight Museum you receive 10% off admission!

Is there a recreation program that you would like to see brought to the DCA? Email admin@dalhousiecalgary.ca with suggestions on programs you would like to see in your community!

CALLING ALL 2021 BRIDES AND GROOMS!

Did you know the DCA has an Auditorium, with attached Conference Room and Commercial Kitchen with a bar for rent? We can host up to 250 people seated at tables (depending on other layout requests)! There is no need to worry about setting up or taking down the tables, our staff do that for you. You can rent the space up until 1:00 a.m.. We also have microphones, speakers, projector and screen, a portable bar and more available to you as well.

Here are Saturdays available
between May 2021 and
September Long Weekend 2021:

May 8, 15, 22, 29

June 5, 12, 19, 26

July 10, 17, 31

August 14, 28

September 4

A refundable damage deposit of \$550 for the Auditorium/Conference Room and \$250 for the Commercial Kitchen (if applicable) is required to hold the space for your special day.

We would love to host your wedding any day of the week that is available! If you have an inquiry about a different date or any rental question, please email admin@dalhousiecalgary.ca



RENTAL SPACE AVAILABLE AT THE DCA!



Weekly, Bi-weekly, Monthly or One-Time – we are open for select bookings during these difficult times. We are open for renters that run registered programs and one-time bookings that are able to adhere to current Alberta Government gathering guidelines, the City of Calgary by-law, and DCA guidelines.

We currently have the following rooms available during the said dates and time frames:

Mondays

Auditorium: 9am-6pm
Phoenix Room: 9am-9pm
Sunrise Room: 1230pm-9pm
Conference Room: 9am-9pm
Dance Studio: 9am-330pm
Multi-Purpose Room: 4pm-9pm

Tuesdays

Auditorium: 9am-6pm
Phoenix Room: 9am-9pm
Sunrise Room: 9am-9pm
Conference Room: 9am-9pm
Dance Studio: 9am-9pm
Multi-Purpose Room: 4pm-9pm

Wednesdays

Auditorium: 245pm-545pm
Phoenix Room: 9am-9pm
Sunrise Room: 9am-9pm
Conference Room: 9am-9pm
Dance Studio: 9am-4pm
Multi-Purpose Room: 4pm-9pm

Thursdays

Auditorium: 9am-630pm
Phoenix Room: 9am-9pm
Sunrise Room: 9am-9pm
Conference Room: 9am-6pm
Dance Studio: 9am-430pm
Multi-Purpose Room: 4pm-9pm

Fridays/Saturdays: ALL DAY

Sundays

Auditorium, Conference, Sunrise,
and Phoenix: 1pm-1am
Dance Studio & Multi-Purpose
Room: All Day

Here are the current capacities with the minimum social distancing for each room:

Auditorium – 70
Conference Room – 8

Sunrise Room – 10
Phoenix Room – 10

Multi-Purpose Room - 15
Dance Studio – 20

Check out our website www.dalhousiecalgary.ca for FAQ, prices, and photos. If you have further questions or inquiries email admin@dalhousiecalgary.ca

DCA RENTALS

We have a our commercial kitchen available to rent! The commercial kitchen boasts 4 large stainless steel counter spaces, 4 commercial grade sinks, a large freezer, a large 3 door cooler and two smaller coolers, ice machine, dishwasher, stove and oven, convection oven, and other additions!

We have two rental options: \$250 for the day or \$40/hour, with a minimum 2 hour rental and an additional \$250 refundable damage deposit



Please note as it is a commercial kitchen, there are no dishes, pots and pans, cutlery, etc. The kitchen must also be cleaned before the end of your booking, and your booked time must include your time you allocate to clean the kitchen.

For further questions, please email admin@dalhousiecalgary.ca

BE A PART OF THE SOLUTION: REPORTING COMMUNITY ISSUES TO THE CITY

Have you stumbled over an uneven sidewalk, noticed a sinkhole or frost heave in the road, or came across hateful graffiti? These are only a few scenarios that can be reported to the City via their 311-application available in the iOS and Android store. The application is easily downloaded and setup. Once setup, citizens can use the application to geo-tag and flag issues for the City to follow-up on. Our City is big and our community relatively small, so bringing our items of concern to the City's mind will help in as much as “the wheel that squeaks the loudest is the one that gets the grease.”

Dalhousie Out Of School Care



The Dalhousie Out of School Care Program has recently upgraded our Programs and Services to better accommodate our families within the community. Now you can access Full Time Care, Part Time Care and Innovative Child Care Service Options with ease. Please visit our website for further information at <https://www.dalhousiecalgary.ca> or contact the Out of School Care Director via email at

doscdirector@dalhousiecalgary.ca

Space is limited and on a first come, first served basis so don't delay, reach out and inquire today!



What Component of Care Do You Require?

Before School Care ONLY – Grades 1 to 6

Five (5) Days per Week – Monday to Friday

- Dalhousie Elementary School = \$407.00 per month (\$20.35 Daily Rate)
- West Dalhousie School = \$165.00 per month (\$8.25 Daily Rate)

Three (3) Days per Week – Monday, Wednesday & Friday ONLY

- Dalhousie Elementary School = \$300.00 per month (\$25.00 Daily Rate)
- West Dalhousie School = \$120.00 per month (\$10.00 Daily Rate)

Two (2) Days per Week – Tuesday & Thursday ONLY

- Dalhousie Elementary School = \$216.00 per month (\$27.00 Daily Rate)
- West Dalhousie School = \$96.00 per month (\$12.00 Daily Rate)

After School Care ONLY – Grades 1 to 6

Five (5) Days per Week – Monday to Friday

- Dalhousie Elementary School = \$407.00 per month (\$20.35 Daily Rate)
- West Dalhousie School = \$407.00 per month (\$20.35 Daily Rate)

Three (3) Days per Week – Monday, Wednesday & Friday ONLY

- Dalhousie Elementary School = \$300.00 per month (\$25.00 Daily Rate)
- West Dalhousie School = \$300.00 per month (\$25.00 Daily Rate)

Two (2) Days per Week – Tuesday & Thursday ONLY

- Dalhousie Elementary School = \$216.00 per month (\$27.00 Daily Rate)
- West Dalhousie School = \$216.00 per month (\$27.00 Daily Rate)

Before AND After School Care – Grades 1 to 6

Five (5) Days per Week – Monday to Friday

- Dalhousie Elementary School = \$520.00 per month (\$26.00 Daily Rate)
- West Dalhousie School = \$520.00 per month (\$26.00 Daily Rate)

Three (3) Days per Week – Monday, Wednesday & Friday ONLY

- Dalhousie Elementary School = \$384.00 (\$32.00 Daily Rate)
- West Dalhousie School = \$384.00 (\$32.00 Daily Rate)

Two (2) Days per Week – Tuesday & Thursday ONLY

- Dalhousie Elementary School = \$280.00 (\$35.00 Daily Rate)
- West Dalhousie School = \$280.00 (\$35.00 Daily Rate)

Kindergarten Care

Five (5) Days per Week – Monday to Friday

- Dalhousie Elementary School = \$875.00 per month (\$43.75 Daily Rate)
- Dalhousie Community Kindergarten = \$875.00 per month (\$43.75 Daily Rate)

Three (3) Days per Week – Monday, Wednesday & Friday ONLY

- Dalhousie Elementary School = \$576.00 per month (\$48.00 Daily Rate)
- Dalhousie Community Kindergarten = \$576.00 per month (\$48.00 Daily Rate)

Two (2) Days per Week – Tuesday & Thursday ONLY

- Dalhousie Elementary School = \$400.00 per month (\$50.00 Daily Rate)
- Dalhousie Community Kindergarten = \$400.00 per month (\$50.00 Daily Rate)

A Glimpse into DOSC

Dalhousie Out of School Care

Are you thinking of signing your child(ren) up for before and/or afterschool care? We serve West Dalhousie Elementary School (Kindergarten through grade 6) and Dalhousie Elementary Spanish Bilingual School (Kindergarten through grade 5).

At West Dalhousie, our Site Supervisor Miss. Christy has been there since September 2019. She has her Childcare Worker Certification and has been in the field for 6+ years with experience working with Children with Special Needs and Exceptionalities. This program currently has capacity up to 45 children.



At Dalhousie Elementary we have two Site Supervisors for kindergarten students. Miss. Linda who has been with our program for 2 years with her Child Care Worker Certification and Miss. Saima who has been with our program for 5+ years and has her Child Care Supervisor Certification. This program has capacity of up to 30 children.

Lastly, our third Site Supervisor for the Dalhousie Elementary Students in grades one through five is Miss. Yang Yang. She has been with our program for 3 years and has her Child Care Supervisor Certification. This program has a capacity of up to 70 children.



Call 587-437-8218 or email doscdirector@dalhousiecalgary.ca to reserve your spot today!

DOSC PUBLIC REGISTRATION!

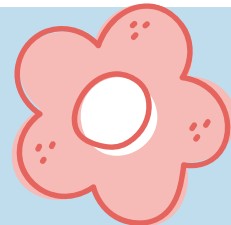
We are already looking forward to the next school year as we start to look into winding up the current school year with our children in the Dalhousie Out of School Care program (DOSC)! We will start public registration for new families starting June 1st, 2022 and will continue until spaces are filled in both schools. In order to receive more information about what you need to register and when you can make an appointment to do so, please email Sharon at doscdirector@dalhousiecalgary.ca or give her a call at 587-437-8218!

We hope to see your family in September!





DOSC Licensing/Health Visits were a huge success!



The Dalhousie Out of School Care Program has recently had their Licensing and Health Inspections completed! All sites were visited and all locations passed with flying colours. Even with an unannounced surprise visit at our West Dalhousie School, there was nothing but great reviews all around. If you are interested in finding out more information about our programs, please visit our website at <https://www.dalhousiecalgary.ca> or contact the Out of School Care Director via email at atdoscdirector@dalhousiecalgary.ca. Space is limited and on a first come, first served basis so don't delay, reach out and inquire today!



DCA KINDERGARTEN

Celebrate Kindergarten!



The program at Dalhousie Community Kindergarten is designed to offer a wealth of experiences to our eager learners and we are very proud of the variety of challenges we offer. We believe that our classroom is a place where we can (and should) build a foundation that encourages a lifelong enthusiasm for learning and exploring! In February we celebrated the 100th day of school – how time has flown! This was a day for our students to celebrate much they have learned and how much we have grown – both literally and figuratively!

Our Kindergarten classroom is definitely the place to bring enthusiasm for trying new things and learning new skills. In February we also started outdoor skating lessons on our community rink. Some of our students were on skates for their first time ever, while others brought established skills. All were enthusiastic about working hard, picking themselves up inevitable slips and falls and supporting each other to learn something new. We send a heartfelt thank you to the volunteers who have built and maintained this little treasure in our community. Given the restrictions of COVID, we were so fortunate to have an outdoor rink option in our backyard.

Our class for 2021-2022 is currently full, but we will be keeping a waiting list, as there are often changes. Please email us or call our office (403-288-1050) if you are still considering options. You can also find information about our program at www.dcakids.com. We always welcome inquiries and would be please to tell you more about our exceptional community kindergarten program.





DCA PRESCHOOL



PRESCHOOL
registration

Registration is now ongoing for the 2021/2022 school year, please check our website www.dcpreschool.ca for more information or contact our registrar: registrar@dcpreschool.ca

We hope all of our families had a wonderful spring break and got to spend some time together outdoors as we are now well into Spring! The days are getting longer and warmer, so we have been taking advantage of our playground for some outdoor play, exercise and fresh air! Inside the classroom we finished learning about space and made a sandwich in zero gravity, and then lucky enough to have a visit from Mad Science who showed us some bubbling potion experiments! We also had a crazy hair day, and it was so fun to see all the crazy hairstyles from both the children and teachers!

If you are ever around the Dalhousie Community Centre please come take a look at our outside window to see the beautiful art made by the children! They sure do work hard!

Registration is now ongoing for the 2021/2022 school year, space is limited! Please check our website www.dcpreschool.ca for more information or contact our registrar: registrar@dcpreschool.ca

Upcoming Dates:

May 21st - PD Day (no school)

May 24th - Victoria Day (no school)

Skip the Depot:

If you would like to support our community preschool, you can easily do so by donating your empty cans and bottles! We have teamed up with Skip the Depot to help raise funds for our non for profit preschool!

It's super easy:

1. Download the Skip the Depot app <https://app.skipthedepot.com/dcpreschool>
2. Schedule a pick up time and leave your bags outside
3. Receive your refund and donate to the school

This is a really simple, zero contact way to support the school, while decreasing your to-do list! Any donations would be greatly appreciated!

If you have any inquiries or questions about the preschool please contact registrar@dcpreschool.ca or visit www.dcpreschool.ca for more information.

