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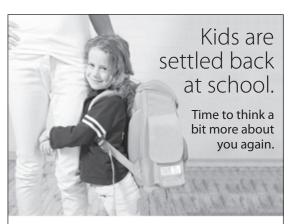
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#### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Community board meetings are held every second Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the HH-BH Community Centre boardroom, and all community residents are invited! To be on the agenda, please contact admin at hh-bh.ca at least 2 weeks in advance. **Next Meeting:** October 11, 2018.

Our second annual **HHBH** / **greenC Holiday Night Market** will be held on Friday, November 9th. We are looking for crafty entrepreneurs and artisans in our local community. Please contact Colleen Garnsey for more information. colleen@greenC.ca

We will be holding our **Hounsfield Heights-Briar Hill Community Association annual general meeting** at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday November 21st, 2018 at the Centre - 1922 14 Ave NW. Please plan to attend - we would love to see you there!

This year, **Hounsfield Height-Briar Hill turns 65!** A celebration will be held in our community centre gym (1922 14 Ave NW) on November 24th from 7:00 p.m. to midnight. HHBH residents are encouraged to send any stories and photos to Margaret at events@hh-bh.ca. See ad in this issue for more details.

If you are able to volunteer for any of these events, please reach out to Margaret (events@hh-bh.ca).





#### HHBH Gym Drop-In Programs

Badminton: Tues-Fri: 9:00 am – 12:00 PM Pickleball: Tues, Wed, and Thurs from 1:00 pm – 3:30 pm Rates: \$5 per person, \$4 for seniors (55+)

#### **Family Open Gym Night**

Free open gym for the community provided Friday nights when available. Please visit our website at www.hh-bh.ca/community-open-gym-free to confirm availability.

# **Hounsfield Heights-Briar Hill Drop-in Fee Increase**

After a review of our operating budget and a comparative review of other Calgary community associations confirmed that our drop-in rates have fallen behind. To manage and maintain our facility and related services, and to continue ensuring safety and compliance with all bylaws, we are required to modestly increase our rates.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all our clients and members for their continued support.





# **Hounsfield Heights – Briar Hill Community Association BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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Board Room / Gym - 1922 - 14 Avenue N.W.

Parking: west of the Louise Riley Library, accessed via the library driveway. Hall/Gym is located NE of our parking lot, just across the soccer field.

**Phone:** 403-282-6634 Email: admin@hh-bh.ca

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Boardroom/Gym Bookings: bookings@hh-bh.ca

The HH-BH Gym and Boardroom schedule can be viewed at www.hh-bh.ca.

For the latest news, programs and events, please visit our Official HH-BH Community Association website at www.hh-bh.ca.



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Have an idea for a great community program or event? Send your ideas to vp@hh-bh.ca.

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

With fall in full swing I hope you have had time to take some 'crunchy leaf' walks in a warm sweater and are looking forward to Halloween.

First let me remind you of a couple of community events.

#### Hounsfield Heights-Briar Hill Community Association **Annual General Meeting**

We will be holding our annual general meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday November 21st, 2018 at the Hounsfield Heights-Briar Hill Community Centre - 1922 14 Ave NW.

Please plan to attend. The new board will be formed, and you are encouraged to step up to take on a role (read the 'What's in it for me' article in this issue for a few reasons why it's a good thing to do).

Our board members are a talented and committed group of residents and along with our executive director, we are able to accomplish a lot. Please join us!

#### **Hounsfield Heights-Briar Hill 65th Anniversary** Celebration

Saturday November 24th – 65th Community Anniversary Celebration

Location - Hounsfield Heights-Briar Hill Community Centre - 1922 14 Ave NW

Please send any stories and pictures you may have to events@hh-bh.ca.

For more details check out our website! http://www. hh-bh.ca/events/65-anniversary-celebration/

As a community we continue to face issues that impact the well-being of our residents, and as a board we are continuing to bring you information and work to best support the community. Please do attend the board meetings where you can get more information and of course watch the web site, http://www.hh-bh.ca/, for updates.

#### **Sears Plume**

As of the writing of this, we have not heard the outcome of the mediation session scheduled September 11th, 2018, in Calgary. We have also not had any contact with the community member group, the Hounsfield Heights Landowners Group (HHLG).

Please continue to monitor the website for the latest information as we post what is sent to us to keep you as up to date as possible.

Sears has also set up a website for official Environmental Order communications to residents, https://searscanada epo.sears.ca/.

#### **Louise Riley Library Development**

There have been no updates on this, however, we expect more information once the municipal budget has been approved sometime in November.

#### Louise Riley Library Fire Engine/Children's Program:

The board met with library representatives and reviewed the plans for the placement of the temporary structure to house the vehicle and program. The discussion focused on the placement of the temporary structure and its parking, security and safety implications. We are waiting to see the final development permit to ensure our concerns were addressed.

#### Alberta Health Services Development on the ADDAC property:

The Alberta Health Services held their first information session on August 23rd. It was fully attended, and we are expecting further engagement, please watch our website, http://www.hh-bh.ca/, for dates and further information.

Please remember your attendance is always welcome at the Board meetings, which are held at 7:00 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month from September through June at the HH-BH Community Hall at 1922 -14 Avenue NW. Attending these meetings is a great way to stay up to date on what is happening and to ensure your ideas and concerns are heard and incorporated into the management of the community association. To include an item on the agenda please contact admin@ hh-bh.ca at least 2 weeks prior to the meeting.



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October 2018 - April 2019

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### Seniors' (55+) Discussion Group

Mondays (except holidays) from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Come on out for an afternoon of socializing and amiable discussion on topics of your choosing.

Meet in the Board Room at the Hounsfield Heights-Briar Hill community centre every Monday beginning October 1st, 2018.

Parking is available on the West side of the Louise Riley Library.

For any further information, please contact Linda, 403-284-3526

# What's in It for Me?

by Sandra Falconi - HH-BH Communications Director

Life is busy. Whether you're a dual income family, single parent, active senior, or live in a myriad of other family configurations, the days seem to get fuller and the time shorter. So why would you consider taking on even more responsibility by volunteering for your community association? Here are just a few reasons (in no particular order):

Reason 1. In 2018, Calgary was named the best city to live in in North America, and fourth best in the world by The Economist. There is no doubt that community associations play a role in that achievement with over 20,000 community association volunteers city-wide contributing 2.4 million hours of service with an equivalent monetary value of over \$28 million. (Source: Federation of Calgary Communities - calgary communities.com).

Reason 2. It takes a village... our children have the right to grow up surrounded by people who care enough to ensure their safety and access to social and recreational experiences. Playschool, soccer, and other activities and family events are only possible with the support of volunteers.

Reason 3. It takes a village... in our fast-paced world with families increasingly geographically separated, seniors are sometimes left to manage on their own. As this demographic continues to grow, so will the challenges of helping seniors age in place and access the services they need to ensure the quality of life they deserve. This is one group that is currently under-served in our community and we need help to make it better.

Reason 4. With continued municipal development and growth, the role of liaison to the City and other levels of government is critical to ensure we maintain the elements and character that sets our community apart, and continues to make HH-BH a desirable neighbourhood to invest in.

**Reason 5.** Despite best efforts, crime in our community exists and there is increased accountability on community residents to monitor and report issues. A Calgary Police Services officer assigned to our community attends our monthly board meetings and provides board members an opportunity to discuss issues and ways to address them.

**Reason 6.** It is not unusual with today's busy schedules to go years without getting to know your neighbours. Community associations help build relationships. When residents join together to plan and attend events such as the Summer Solstice and Stampede Breakfast, they not only get to know each other, they get to know the needs of their neighbours and the issues facing their community. This builds a community spirit and creates a common bond.

Reason 7 As a board member you will have access to numerous training opportunities, get to work with fun and interesting people, and are rewarded with seeing how your efforts make a difference!

So, there you have it, seven (good) reasons to step up and consider one of the roles that need to be filled at our November AGM, which will be held Wednesday November 21st, 2018 at the HH-BH Community Centre on 1922 14 Ave NW. For more information, or to let us know you're interested, please contact me, Sandra, at communications@hh-bh.ca.



#### **Briar Hill School**

Briar Hill School Council invites all ghosts and goblins to attend our Halloween Hey Day party scheduled for Friday, October 26, 2018 from 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. at Briar Hill School, 1233 - 21 Street N.W. We welcome all community families to attend! The event is both a fundraiser for our School Council and a great community builder. Come play some carnival type games, visit the Haunted House and even get your fortune told! Coupons may be purchased at the school the evening of the event. Please no full-face masks. Have guestions about the Halloween Hey Day? Please contact Maria at maria.nash@me.com or Joy at zolk@shaw.ca

#### RESIDENT PERSPECTIVES







## Haunted Calgary Ready to Unleash Terror Again by Christine Campbell, Creative Director or "HallowQueen"

What lurks in Calgary, boiling just below the surface of our quiet, friendly city? The cesspool of human society: a ghoulish collection of creeps who would make your skin crawl and your stomach turn. Evil so wicked that even the most macabre will shudder. The promise of fresh victims calls to these soulless entities as they gather at Calgary's Halloween tradition in the northwest community of Rocky Ridge.

Haunted Calgary's approximately 10,000 square foot walk-through haunted yard attraction has been designed, built, and operated by volunteers for the enjoyment of the community for over 25 years. With a cast of approximately 60 actors, some Hollywood-scale animatronic monsters, and uniquely handcrafted sets, the attraction is guaranteed to be a new experience each year.

The attraction gives back to the community in many ways. Seasoned volunteers offer hands-on training for youth, women, and under-served populations, include safe power tool operation, basic construction skills, painting and set design, acting, special effects makeup, administration and customer service, etc. Those interested in volunteering can visit www.hauntedcalgary. org for more information.

Haunted Calgary raises funds for animal rescue and food for the food bank through its gate admissions. Cash, Visa, MasterCard, Debit Tap, Google Pay, and Apple Pay will be accepted at the gate.

Haunted Calgary brings the community together, attracting over 5,000 visitors over three nights and for many has become an annual family Halloween tradition. The "Low Scare" during daylight hours features few to no actors and less spooky lighting for the little ones and the faint of heart. But if you're brave enough, we highly recommend you visit during full scare hours in the evening. Low scare 2 – 4 pm, full scare 6 – 10 pm. Parental discretion is advised.

SAVE \$2 per ticket by bringing a food donation, at least one food item per ticket to receive discount. Groups of 6 or more save 10%.

Low scare special offer (between 2pm and 4pm): Pay only for the children in your group. Adults not accompanied by children pay child price. For hours and admission prices, please visit www.hauntedcalgary.org.

Friday, October 26; Saturday, October 27; Wednesday, October 31.

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# WHICH WITCH

The word "witch" comes from the Old English wicce, meaning "wise woman." In fact, wiccans were highly respected people at one time. According to popular belief, witches held one of their two main meetings, or sabbats, on Halloween night.

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