



HOUNSFIELD HEIGHTS – BRIAR HILL BEACON

FEBRUARY 2011

HHBH's new CA President

A mission and a vision for our community: you can be part of it

A lawyer with a heart? It can happen – there's at least one living in our neighbourhood: new Community Association President Kellie Johnston.



*2011 HHBH CA Board President
Kellie Johnston*

Specializing in environmental and regulatory law, Kellie works in the oil patch to produce change that is sustainable both environmentally and economically. The work requires big-picture thinking supported by a mastery of the small print, and Kellie adds big helpings of enthusiasm and pragmatism to that mix.

After two years volunteering on a variety of committees and projects for the CA, Kellie agreed to take over the helm at the November Annual General Meeting –

and she's ready to shake things up a little.

"I think it's time we had a vision and a mission for this community," she said recently. "I want the CA to help create the kind of small-town atmosphere where neighbours watch out for one another, wave at each other going down the street.

"There's clearly that kind of community around Briar Hill School already – but what if you don't have children in elementary school?" she asks.

Kellie and husband Denny Kwan are in that position – as young professionals without children, they have lived in the community since 2004, and both decided to get involved in the community association within months of moving into their current home on 22A Street in 2008. Denny took up chairmanship of the CA's traffic calming committee, and Kellie volunteered in a variety of areas, including the Strategic Planning committee, Community Clean-Up and

- Calendar of Events -

*Send us information about your
annual or one-time event.*

- Community Board Meetings**
Feb. 10, Mar. 10, Apr. 7 at 7 pm,
Community Boardroom
- HHBH Playschool Open House**
Feb. 23, 7 - 8:30 pm,
southwest entrance of Briar Hill School
- 2011 Outdoor Soccer Registration**
Tues., Feb. 28, 6:30 - 8 pm,
CA Boardroom
- "Recycle A Friend" Used Book Sale**
Mar. 23 - 25, Briar Hill School
- Tots' Time Play Group**
Mondays, 9:30 - 11:30 am,
Community Gym
- Adult Badminton**
Tuesday through Friday,
9 am - 12 noon, Community Gym
- Women's Soccer Night**
Thursday nights, 8 - 9 pm,
Community Gym
- Family Open Gym Nights**
Fridays, 6:30 - 8 pm, Community Gym

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Board meetings are held at 7 pm on the second Thursday of each month (except July and August) in the Community Hall meeting room. Residents are welcome and encouraged to attend.

To include an item on the agenda, please contact the Board at least one week prior to the meeting.

Contact the HHBH Community Association at:

Mailing Address: Box 65086, RPO North Hill Calgary, AB T2N 4T6

Phone: 282-6634 (voice mail)

Email: hh-bh-communityassociation@hotmail.com

(phone messages and emails are checked 1 – 2 times per week)

Beacon Submissions to: Barbara Green, Editor

email: thebeacon2005@hotmail.com

Deadline for submissions for next issue: March 15, 2011

Beacon Ads: hhbhacct@telus.net

Hall/Gym Bookings: Andrea.Schmidt.09@gmail.com or 282-6634

Website: www.hh-bh.ca

Community Hall/Gym 1922 – 14 Avenue N.W.

Parking is 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.

The HHBH Gym and Boardroom schedule can now be viewed online at www.hh-bh.ca.

Traffic calming follow-up

Wondering what happened to the sheaf of reports about traffic concerns that were submitted by local residents after last June’s community meeting on traffic calming?

They’ve been collected and collated by Traffic Calming Committee Chair Denny Kwan, reviewed by Calgary Police Community Liaison Officer Eric Levesque (who also personally visited the site of each concern) and approved and forwarded to the city’s traffic branch by Alderman Druh Farrell.

But don’t stop filling out the reports – we can continue to send them in, and Kwan plans to work up a revised application for a traffic calming study in the next few months.

Traffic report forms are available online at http://www.calgary.ca/DocGallery/BU/trans_planning/transportation_solutions/traffic_calming_policy.pdf (the form is in Appendix 1) or by calling 3-1-1, and the completed forms can be dropped off at the Louise Riley Library, the HHBH community hall or Briar Hill School.

If you have any questions, please contact Denny at dellienye@shaw.ca or contact the HHBH CA (email and phone contact info on previous page).

Sears Gas Plume

By Emmanuel Malterre

The remediation plant in Lions Park which finally began operation last fall was shut down in December for several weeks while waiting for parts to repair the pumping system. In addition, to reduce noise spillage, a wooden barrier was put up to buffer sound; we’re hoping some local children can get involved painting a mural there.

The bi-yearly Site Monitoring Report is expected soon.

Get community news online

Did you know you can receive the Beacon and other community notices by email? If you’re interested, just send your email address to: hbbhacct@telus.net.

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heading up the NeighbourWoods project in 2009.

NeighbourWoods is a City of Calgary initiative to replace city-owned trees in mature neighbourhoods such as HHBH. Kellie not only did the logistical work to get HHBH on the city’s list for NeighbourWoods trees and support, she also went door to door in the community talking to residents about it.

“I wish we had been able to do more of that,” she says now, “because every tree we planted was in the yard of someone we talked to personally.”

In all, 73 new trees were planted with the help of dozens of community volunteers on the planting day in September 2009. “People who got involved were just thrilled, and it was a really good day,” Kellie recalls. Since then, many residents have asked if we can do it again. Kellie also got involved with the CA’s Strategic Planning Committee when it seemed that HHBH might be next on the list of communities like Brentwood which were developing plans in conjunction with the city’s Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) and Plan-It initiatives.

“What stopped (our work on) that was when the city said they weren’t coming to our neighbourhood for some time,” Kellie says. However, she is determined that HHBH shouldn’t wait until the city comes to us to create a vision for community development – we should be proactive and come up with one ourselves.

She now chairs the Strategic Planning committee, which plans to launch a community engagement and visioning process over the next few months.

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The 2011 Soccer Season is here!



Registration

Tuesday, February 28
at the HHBH Community Centre (Fire Hall)
from 6:30 to 8 pm.

Volunteers Make This Soccer Program Happen!

The community soccer program needs volunteers: coaches, assistant coaches, equipment managers, field maintenance, registration, wind-up picnic organizers, and tournament organizers.

Please bring 2 cheques

- 1 for your HHBH membership
- 1 for the soccer program

More details on the spring soccer program, as well as registration and membership forms can be obtained from the community website:

<http://www.calgaryarea.com/nw/briarhill/communitynews/soccerinfo.htm>

If you have any questions, please contact Leigha Pidde and/or Jenny Hoops at hbhbsoccer@gmail.com or 283-2829.

Green Park sledding slope stays tree-free



Slippery slopes usually seem like bad things, but in Green Park, the short, gentle slope at the southwest corner has been a good thing – a safe place for young kids to have their first sledding experience.

However, local residents were concerned recently when the City of Calgary announced reforestation plans that included planting a tree at the bottom of that hill, presenting a serious navigation and safety hazard for local sledders.

Fortunately, with the help of a hand-drawn map and explanation provided by resident Lorne Cowan and helpful civic officials Wayne Baptist and Zbigniew (Ziggy) Lisiecki, the planting plan has been changed. According to recent email exchanges between Baptist and Lisiecki, no tree will be planted in that location – it's clear sledding for local kids and a relief for local parents.

And big thanks to city officials for listening and responding to local concerns.



Hounsfield Heights/ Briar Hill Parent-Child Cooperative Playschool

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We are located in
Briar Hill School, Rm. 13
1233 - 21 St. NW

Phone: 210-5126
www.hhbhplayschool.ca

- **Open House**
Wednesday, February 23 from 7 - 8:30 pm
 - **Pre-registration begins**
Thursday, February 24 from 7 - 8:30 pm
 - **General registration**
Thursday, March 3 from 7 - 8 pm
- General registration throughout the year



Senior Support Services

The Alberta Supports Contact Centre (ASCC) allows Albertans seeking information on government social programs, including seniors programs, to contact one source for information and referrals. Callers to the provincial Seniors Information Line will be automatically redirected to ASCC for assistance where trained Information Officers will be able to assist with inquiries related to Alberta's seniors programs.

You may access information by visiting a single website (www.albertasupports.ca) or calling one phone number (1-877-644-9992 toll free).



2011 Run for L'Arche

Whether you're a seasoned runner or just looking for a new challenge, **The Economical Insurance Group presents the Rogers Insurance Run for L'Arche** half-marathon is a great opportunity. The run will take place on Sunday, Mar. 26.

Runners are encouraged to collect pledges for L'Arche Calgary. If you're not ready to take the plunge and run a full 21.5 km, there is a 1 km Fun Run open to all. For more information, visit larchecalgary.org/events/run-for-larche-half-marathon/.

L'Arche Calgary creates homes and faith communities where people with developmental disabilities and those who share life with them find a place of belonging and reveal their gifts.

In place of emergency: after-hours care now available at old Grace hospital

By Janice Paskey

Newsflash!

One part of our health system seems to work well. I was recently able to get my son into a quiet after-hours medical clinic—with an appointment. It's part of the Primary Care Network (PCN).

So ERs may be a mess, but PCNs seem to be picking up the load.

PCNs are groups of family physicians funded by the province for extra services: hiring specialists in their clinics (asthma educators, or a nurse to do Pap smears), running clinics for those without a doctor, consulting about chronic care and, importantly, staffing after-hours care clinics for PCN member patients.

There are four PCNs in Calgary (ours is the Foothills PCN) and three have after-hour clinics. Some 70 per cent of family doctors belong. But too few know care exists. My doctor, who is a member, never mentioned PCN services; Health Link didn't suggest the PCN when I called about my son's eye infection.

It was one of my Mount Royal students who alerted me to the after-hours clinic at the old Grace Hospital, just a few blocks from home.

I called Health Link back to ask about it, and we were called the next day for a same-night appointment.

Alas, there was no signage to the clinic, which caused some confusion. So more calls back to Health Link because the after-hours clinic has no phone number.

My son left with a good assessment and a prescription. His file was faxed to his doctor. His infection resolved.

Rick Ward of the Foothills PCN says all research shows primary care is the best health investment.

Some 19 per cent of those at its after-hours clinic said they would have gone to an ER instead. The Foothills after-hours clinic saw 7,000 patients in one year.

Is that enough? It seems that a clear "how to use" these clinics communication is crucial.

This spring, as Alberta Health renegotiates PCN contracts, after hours care should be a core part of PCN financing.

This article first appeared in Metro News Calgary (<http://www.metronews.ca>) and is reprinted here by permission.



**Briar Hill School's
16th "RECYCLE A FRIEND" USED BOOK SALE
MARCH 23 - 25, 2011**



Planning for our 16th "Recycle a Friend" Used Book Sale is starting!

The annual Book Sale at Briar Hill School promotes literacy for children and adults and provides substantial resources for the school's classrooms and library (usually \$5,000 each year). Recycling our literary friends to real-life friends and neighbours also gives us an opportunity to be environmentally responsible with our books.

We have an excellent three-person coordinating committee and are confident that students, teachers, families and community members will both contribute to and benefit from this highly successful annual event.

Here's how you can be part of it:

Now - GO THROUGH YOUR BOOKSHELVES Start going through your shelves and setting aside books, CDs and DVDs that you are willing to let go to a new home.

In March - DONATE BOOKS Once again we are going to focus on children's material. All children's material that is received will be sorted and priced and available during the sale. We will accept adult fiction and non-fiction, but we will sort and price these books if time and manpower permits.

What Can You Recycle?

YES: fiction for all ages and interests

YES: non-fiction books for all ages and interests

YES: board books and comic books

YES: children's magazines and posters

YES: CDs and DVDs

NO: cassettes, videos, Beta tapes

NO: general interest magazines

NO: computer manuals or textbooks

NO: puzzles or games

Sale Dates:

Wednesday, March 23, 9am-7pm

Thursday, March 24, 9am-8pm

Friday, March 25, 9am-Noon

Bring your donations to the school from Monday, Mar. 7 to Friday, Mar. 18. **Please DO NOT bring books to the school before Monday, Mar. 7** as we have no storage space.

Now thru March - SPREAD THE WORD We need shoppers as well as books! Tell family, friends, neighbours and co-workers about the Used Book Sale. We are one of Calgary's larger used book sales with a tremendous variety of well-priced (a.k.a. cheap) books.

2011 Book Sale Coordinators - Dianne Gilchrist, Marsha Fehr, Shelley Harrop-Grant

Community policing

Protect your home — by protecting your blue cart

The Calgary Police Service offers these tips to keep your blue cart — and your home — from becoming a target for vandals or thieves.



- Keep your blue cart in your garage or out of sight within your yard whenever it's not out for recycling pickup. Leaving it in the alley or on your driveway can make your cart a target for graffiti, arson or damage by vehicles.
- Take refundable containers such as pop cans to bottle depots. If these containers are left in blue carts, they encourage people to go through the blue cart contents, which can lead to littering and vandalism.
- If you don't find recycling depots convenient, you may also consider donating your refundable containers to local bottle drives, or simply dropping the containers off at a bottle depot. Many depots have a bin for donations and the money collected goes to charitable organizations.
- Don't put hazardous materials such as solvents or batteries in your blue cart, as these can endanger City staff and damage equipment during recycling pickup and processing. For a convenient list of blue cart materials, and options for non-recyclable material, check The City of Calgary website at www.calgary.ca or call 3-1-1.
- Shred all documents that contain personal information such as bills, bank statements, receipts, etc, and place them in a clear plastic bag before disposing of them in your blue cart.
- If your blue cart is vandalized, please report it to the Calgary Police Service using the non-emergency phone number: 266-1234. This helps the police establish patterns of crime, which in turn helps create solutions.
- Let your neighbours know if your blue cart has been vandalized, so they can take precautions to protect their blue carts.
- If you see a blue cart being vandalized, report it as a crime in progress to 9-1-1.

For more crime prevention tips, visit www.calgarypolice.ca

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- **Open Y Day:** On the third Sunday of every month, Calgarians can enjoy FREE all-day access at any YMCA Calgary branch.
- **CBC Live Right Now (January 3 – July 1, 2011):** CBC Live Right Now is designed to inspire Canadians to join together and improve the health and wellness of this country. The focus is on small steps everyone can take in their life to improve their health. People of all ages can take part in daily challenges found on the Live Right Now website and earn rewards for steps taken toward bettering their health—and through small, manageable changes join together to improve the health of our families, communities and country. YMCA Canada is proud to be a national partner in this movement, supporting the idea that health and wellness should be accessible for Canadians. When people are healthy and well, it helps to strengthen the foundations of community. **In addition to a number of local initiatives, YMCA Calgary is offering one-week 'Try the Y' vouchers as one of the Live Right Now challenge rewards (given out online for steps taken to improve health and wellness). The vouchers provide one-week access to any YMCA branch in Calgary.**
- **YMCA Program Registration:** It's never too late to join in the fun! Registration continues even after programs have begun and fees are adjusted accordingly. Get energized in a new program or enjoy one of the ongoing favorites!
- **Free Youth Leadership Programs:** As a commitment to the health and wellness of our community, YMCA Calgary is delighted to offer all Youth Leadership Programs at ZERO COST. YMCA helps children and youth grow, thrive, lead and belong.
- **Teen Night:** Giving youth a fun and safe place to go, YMCA Calgary branches host Teen Night every Friday night. Activities vary by branch.
- **Day Camps and Residential Camps Registration:** It's that time of year! YMCA Calgary offers an incredible array of choices for Spring Break and Summer Day camps. Registration dates vary by camp. Give your kids a chance to meet others, build confidence and get active and excited!

For more details on these and other events happening at YMCA Calgary, contact any YMCA Calgary branch or visit www.ymccalgary.org.

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Your annual membership is good from April 1 through the following March 31 and entitles you and your family to participate in a variety of different community programs and activities. The cost is only \$20 annually per family/ household or \$10 for seniors, including GST. Simply fill out this form and mail it in.

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The Hounsfield Heights-Briar Hill gym and board room schedule can now be viewed online at www.hh-bh.ca. We are planning on adding improvements to the site over the coming months.



Calgarians embrace cats in need during Feline Frenzy at Animal Services



Animal & Bylaw Services' adoption promotion, Feline Frenzy, brought

forth many generous and compassionate Calgarians who were willing to open their homes and their hearts to cats in need of loving homes. Between Nov. 29 and Dec. 12, 2010, 65 fantastic felines left the Animal Services Centre with their new adoptive families. Amazed, the staff at the Animal Services Centre watched as happy cat after happy cat was carried out the door. Again and again we heard Calgarians exclaim that the Animal Services Centre was a beautiful facility, but should not be a long-term home for an animal. Many of the new cat owners were simply not aware that Animal Services had pets available for adoption.

"It was fantastic to be a part of the event," declared one member of the shelter staff. "Seeing so many cats, some of which had been with us for over six months, out of their kennels and in to proper, loving homes was simply astounding!"

Animal & Bylaw Services, along with Humane Societies and Animal Services organizations nation-wide, have made 2011 the Year of the Cat. It is a whole year dedicated to raising awareness of the plight of these beautiful creatures.

In contrast to their canine counterparts, cats end up sitting in shelters because their owners do not license or

provide their cats with permanent identification. Often cats are allowed to roam in their communities. Likewise, the owners of lost or stray cats often don't bother to search for their lost cat. Cats simply seem to be valued less than dogs in our society.

Calgarians have already made many positive strides towards responsible cat ownership. Cat licensing became mandatory in Calgary in 2006 under the Responsible Pet Ownership Bylaw. We currently boast close to a 50% compliance rate in regards to cat licensing. Not only does this high level of licensing allow Animal & Bylaw Services to achieve one of the highest return-to-owner rates and lowest euthanization rates for shelters in North America, but licensing fees, not tax dollars, allow us to provide key services to Calgarians.

The No Cost Spay/Neuter program for low income Calgarians, the operation of the Animal Services Centre clinic, education programs and the Drive Home program are just some of the programs that pet licensing fees help to provide.

Calgarians are definitely on the right track, but there is always room for improvement. In celebration of the Year of the Cat, let's work together to keep cats out of the shelters in Calgary.

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Take a swing at Adult Badminton

By Lorne Cowan

Did you know there's an ongoing adult badminton program at the community hall gym every morning, Tuesday through Friday?

The program runs from 9 am to 12 pm with a \$4 drop-in charge and \$1 fee for birdies each time (up to a maximum of \$3 per half-year session).

Matches are played as doubles and when the match is finished the next four players go on.

We have beginners and fun games on Wednesday and Thursday, and on Tuesday and Friday the more advanced players square off. Pick a time that suits your schedule and skill level and join us!

It's time to renew CA memberships

If you have kids in soccer, playschool or kindergarten locally, you have probably already renewed your Community Association membership – but for the rest of us, it's a detail that can easily be overlooked.

Having an active membership is important in many ways – first, it's a good sign of a vibrant community, it encourages us to get to know one another, and it adds weight to any lobbying the CA does on behalf of residents at other levels of government.

The family membership (\$20 per year per household, or \$10 for seniors) also entitles you to participate in community programs such as family gym night, youth badminton and women's soccer, which are held in the community gym.

A membership also entitles you to vote at the CA's annual general meeting in November, and to sit on the board.

Also, by taking out a community membership, you show your support for programs the CA sponsors for all residents, including the Stampede Breakfast, volunteer appreciation night, community clean-up and NeighbourWoods tree planting.

Please fill out the membership form on page 9 and drop it off at the community hall or in a mailbox with your membership fee.

Thank you!

Hounsfield Heights/Briar Hill

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For players aged 9 – 12 yrs (beginner level)

For players aged 12 – 14 yrs (intermediate level)

Space available for 12 players per level

Winter Session:

Mondays: 5:30 - 7:00 pm
(ages 9 to 12; beginner)

Wednesdays: 5:30 – 7:00 pm
(ages 12 to 14; intermediate)

Starts Monday, January 24 and
Wednesday, January 26, 2011
10 lessons

Cost: \$80.00
with HHBH community membership
\$100.00
for non-community members

Location: HHBH Community Gym
1922-14th Ave NW
(Next to North Hill Mall)

Registration:

Starting December 1, 2010



• 1:6 Coach to student ratio

• Coaches are Level 1 & 2 qualified by Badminton Alberta

**For information call: Theresa
Phone: 289-0921
Email: Lorne2@telus.net**



Family Drop-in GYM TIME

Free for HHBH Community
Association Members Only

Fridays 6:30 - 8 pm

Bring your neighbours.
Play badminton/volleyball/
basketball.

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2. **Infrared Inspection of panel** – I check your panel for dangerous hot spots with an infrared detector. Recommendations if any. (Value \$147)
3. **Inspect and tighten all connections in Electrical Panel** – I will eliminate all shorts and arcs in your panel by making sure your connections are clean and tight. This includes all breakers, neutral conductors and grounding wire. Recommendations if any. (Value \$147)
4. **Smoke Detector Inspection** – I will test to make sure all your smoke detectors are in good working order. I will also check them for other safety features you are unaware of. Recommendations if any. (Value \$ 97)
5. **Service Capacity Calculation** – I check that your connections to the city power are adequate for the present needs of your home. Be sure your meter, panel, main breaker and wires' demand load rating is up to snuff! Recommendations if any. (Value \$ 97)

Total Value - \$635

Your Price - \$77

This offer is the first of two steps to stop any electrical disaster in its tracks. Once you've done this step, you'll know whether or not you need GFCIs. For appointment, **call and ask for Arthur directly at 403-680-3900** or for tons more about this offer, **check out my website at:**

TheElectricDude.com/briar-hill
(But hurry – this offer is ending soon!)

Hounsfield Heights/Briar Hill (HH/BH)



TOT'S TIME PLAYGROUP

Come check us out!!

When: Mondays, 9:30 - 11:30 am
Begins September 13th

Where: HH/BH Gymnasium - 1922-14 Avenue NW

- North of Louise Riley Library and Program Centre
- Entrance is on SW corner of gym; parking is west of library

Cost: \$20 per family
(Sept. - May)
plus community membership



Alternating families provide snack for all children.

For more information, contact Dawn at
dawnehardy@hotmail.com



HOUNSFIELD HTS / BRIAR HILL COMMUNITY WOMEN'S SOCCER NIGHT

Tired of watching the kids have all the fun?
Come try women's soccer at the community gym.

When: Thursday nights, 8 - 9 pm,
Where: Briar Hill Gym
Cost: \$40 (community members),
\$60 (non-members)

Each session begins with warm-up and drills/skills, then a scrimmage for the rest of the hour.

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know if it was “hot” or “not”**Programs for 50+*

50+ Coffee & Conversation: Join us for coffee, conversation and informal presentations of interest. Mondays, Feb 28, Mar. 28, and Apr. 25 from 2 - 3 pm.

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Programs for Kids

Bottle Caps and Booby Traps: Veteran Calgary Storyteller Karen Gummo presents a variety of interactive and surprising stories, songs, and rhymes that can be reused and recycled anytime! This program is generously sponsored by the Alberta Beverage Container Recycling Corporation. Ages 6 to 9. Saturday, Mar. 5 from 2 - 3 pm.

Closures in February: The Library will be closed on **Feb. 21**.

See you soon at the Louise Riley Library!



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