

ELBOWPARK

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Elbow Park Residents' Association www.elbowpark.com

SPRING 2010

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

There have been no significant new items that are being tackled by the EPRA Board. Many of the outstanding items continue, a number with much greater intensity.

Of note:

I. PROPOSED REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR RIVERPARK/BRITANNIA SLOPES/SANDYBEACH

This redevelopment plan was first available in the Fall of 2009 after approximately 14 months of study and input through various sources. The EPRA has submitted a letter to the City in opposition to a number of the components of the redevelopment plan that affect our community. Specifically the construction of a walking pathway between Lansdowne Avenue and Britannia Drive running east-west through the slope between those two streets and the expansion of the parking lot at the end of Riverdale Avenue. Our rationale for opposition is related primarily to safety concerns, potential for increased crime and attraction of increased non-residential traffic into our community. There are many other features of the overall design plan that appear to have raised significant opposition and a meeting of a committee of the alderman tasked with reviewing and approving this plan is scheduled for May 5, 2010. It is at that meeting that all interested parties can air their concerns. To view the proposed plan go to the City's website: www.calgary.ca and click on "City Hall", then "Business Units", then "Parks", then "Development & Construction" and finally "Riverpark/Sandybeach/Britannia Slopes". If you wish to participate at the May 5 meeting please review the requirements in connection with attending those meetings which can also be found on the City's website by clicking on "City Hall", then "Boards & Committees" then "Boards, Commissions & Committees of Council Listing" and from there you can find related links to the requirements in relation to attending and presenting.

2. OFF-LEASH PARK STATUS

The City of Calgary has now completed its preliminary review of criteria for off-leash areas. Our community park in Elbow Park is unique, as I have previously reported, in that we lease the park area and we have the authority to determine whether or not we wish to be an on-leash park or an off-leash park under our lease. There are very, very few other communities which actually lease their

park area which is what makes us unique. It is clear that the criteria for an off-leash park are not met in the case of our community. That said, and as previously reported to residents through the Gazette and at the AGM, the board of directors of the EPRA wishes to receive input on this important issue from community residents. Please see the enclosed article regarding off-leash status and the mechanic we have set-up for receiving your feedback in that regard.

3. CLUBHOUSE RENOVATION

We continue to refine our plan with regard to our clubhouse renovation. Community feedback has continued to be extremely positive and our philosophy with regard to the renovation is not to duplicate any other facilities in the community, rather to merely fix what is aging and ailing and update it to make it work better for the users of our facility. Tim Sprung has been leading this initiative and we are hoping to organize some specific fundraising events and be able to show detailed plans to anyone interested in the next month or so.

4. ELBOW PARK SCHOOL

We have been contacted by the head of the parents council at Elbow Park School who has requested the EPRA involvement in liaising with them in connection with their design and one of our board members has agreed to shoulder that responsibility.

5. PLAYGROUNDS

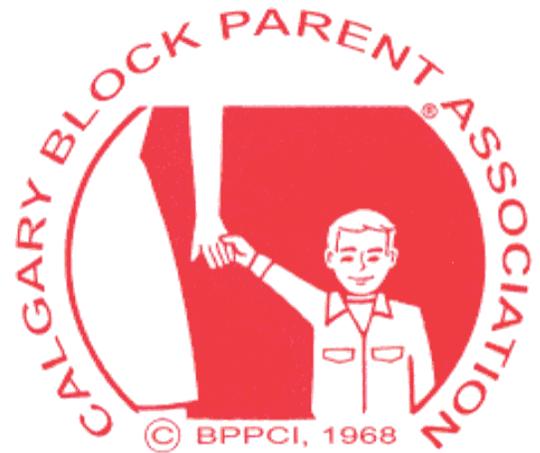
The Playground facilities for children in both east Elbow Park and the main Elbow Park area are tired to say the least. We are looking at replacing them and working with a number of volunteer residents in that regard.

6. WEBSITE

Our renewed and reinvigorated website is now up and running and by all reports is very user friendly. Bare with us while we continue to add content but do check it out.

7. TRAFFIC

Lots of it still cutting through Elbow Park and eroding our community's quality of life.



February 25, 2010

PRESS RELEASE

CALGARY, AB --- The Calgary Block Parent Association has been awarded with Calgary's Child Magazine's Publisher's Award of Distinction for 2010.

Every issue of Calgary's Child Magazine includes well-loved Features and Departments: Front & Centre, Best Bets, Calgary Cares, Community Connection, Education, Food & Travel, Ages & Stages, The Single File, Family Fun, Childish – What's New & Hip, Health & Wellness, Parent Connection, Workplace, HomeWorks, Going Green, About-Town, plus a monthly calendar of events, contests and more.

Given its incredible reach, engaging content, and endless resources made available to Calgary families, it is a great honour to be recognized by this publication and its readers.

The Calgary Block Parent Association is grateful for this recognition. 2009 was a year of revitalization for Block Parent in Calgary and we will continue, with focus and determination, our dedication to creating safe and caring communities throughout Calgary.

For questions and/or interview opportunities, please contact the Calgary Block Parent Association at 403.269.6460 or by email at exec.director@calgaryblockparent.ca.

The Calgary Block Parent Association
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YOGA & PILATES IN THE PARK

SPRING 2010 SCHEDULE

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Hatha Yoga Level 1 (Glenda) 6-7:30 pm

Hatha Yoga Multi Level (Glenda) 7:45-9:15 pm

TUESDAY

Hatha Yoga Multi Level (Glenda) 9:30-11 am

WEDNESDAY

Early Morning Hatha Yoga (Glenda) 6:15-7:30 am

Intermediate MAT

& Stability Ball Pilates (Christy) 9:15 - 10:15 am

Stability Ball Pilates (Christy) 10:30 - 11:30 am

THURSDAY

Intermediate MAT Pilates (Christy) 9:15 - 10:15 am

Intermediate/Advanced

MAT Pilates (Christy) 10:30 - 11:30 am

Belly Dance (Afsana) 6:30 - 9:30 pm

FRIDAY

Svaroopa Yoga (Mary Lynn) 9-10:15 am

Prana Flow (Mary Lynn) 10:30 - 11:30 am

For details of class descriptions, registration and pricing please contact the teachers directly.

Afsana

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Christy Hayne

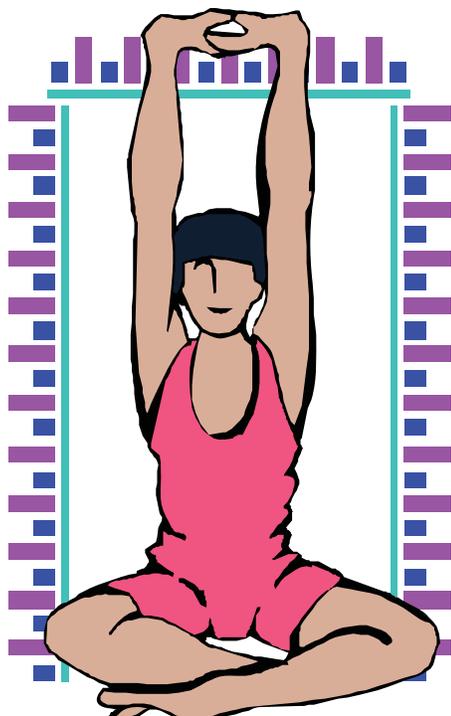
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TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

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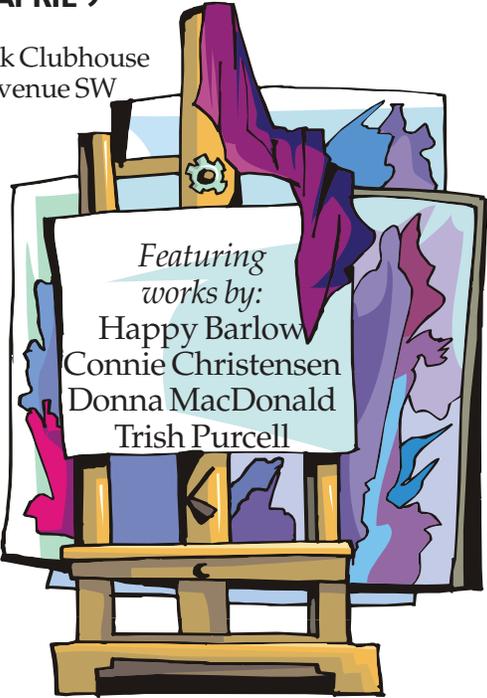
1. Ensuring final completion of all aspects of the Elbow Drive project. A few aspects of this project (most notably the extension of custom lamp posts between 34th and 36th Avenues) have been delayed due to the pending development of a number of properties along Elbow Drive;
2. Ensuring final completion of the Sifton Boulevard project;
3. Continuing the dangers and quality of life issues raised by the high traffic volumes which travel through Elbow Park, and in some locations by the speed of such traffic, by developing a comprehensive traffic plan for consideration by residents and ultimately for consideration by the City of Calgary.

We hope to be reporting some more specific developments in these areas in the spring.

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ELBOW PARK SCHOOL

ELBOW PARK 2010-2011 KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION

Elbow Park staff will be providing a kindergarten orientation on Thursday, April 22, 2010 beginning at 7 pm. We currently have 35 registrants which means we will be able to offer two kindergarten classes.

School staff will present an overview of the Calgary Board of Education's Kindergarten program. As well, the current Kindergarten teachers will share a typical day at Elbow Park and what parents need to know prior to September. If you have any questions, please call the school at 403-777-6920. We look forward to meeting you!

Sincerely,
Joan Olafson Principal

WEBSITE NEWS!

The freshly completed version of our website, www.elbowpark.com, is now up and running. We are continuing to update it daily, and hope to have all the latest Elbow Park news available to you 24 hours a day. The website is intended to provide the most current news and events, so be sure to check back regularly!



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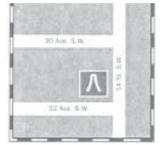
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EASTER HOURS

The Library will be closed for Easter on Friday, April 2 and on Sunday, April 4. We will be open regular hours on Monday, April 5.

SPRING & SUMMER PROGRAMS

Program guides for our spring and summer programs will be available sometime in the middle of April. Registration for spring and summer programs will be begin on Monday, April 26.

BABY AND YOU FOR MOMS

Topics include infant crying, sleeping, toys, games, health, nutrition, and community resources. Presented by Alberta Health Services. Register by calling 403-781-1450. Ages 2 to 9 months with a parent/caregiver
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ROXANNE RIZZUTO, THE TUTOR DOCTOR

No matter how smart you are, if you don't know how to study, your marks will never reflect your true abilities. Remember that study time doesn't just address test preparation; it also addresses any form of schoolwork (ie. book reports, essay writing, research reports, projects). Thus, being able to effectively use study time to complete your work efficiently is what designates great students.

Effective study skills are not something we're born with; they're something that you have to learn and practice. Studying isn't just a habit that you'll use during your school years either. If you know how to use study time effectively, you'll be able to translate that into other skills in the workforce and in life.

1. Study for short periods at a time and take regularly scheduled breaks.
2. Have a set schedule for your study times and try and make it part of your daily routine. As well, try and study in the same place each time.
3. Make sure your study area is comfortable (but not too comfortable – no napping!) and it's someplace you like to spend time.
4. Decide ahead of time what you want to accomplish in that scheduled study time. Make sure it's a reasonable expectation.
5. When you meet your expectation, reward yourself – ex. meet up with a friend, have a favourite snack, play a video game or read a book – anything you enjoy and would perceive as a reward.
6. Tackle the hardest (and most disliked) assignment first. Getting that one done will help you feel like you've really accomplished something and you'll sail through the remaining work.
7. There will always be subjects you don't enjoy and assignments that seem insurmountable. Try and find something you enjoy despite your feelings of loathing and disgust. It will make it much easier to get through it if you can find something you like about it.
8. Reread the assignment and corresponding notes before you begin so that you're not spending time doing the assignment incorrectly.
9. If you're struggling with something, it's okay to call a friend to request assistance or if the assignment isn't due immediately, speak to the teacher as soon as possible to clarify any issues.
10. If it makes it easier, it's okay to study with friends, but only if you are doing schoolwork, not if it's a social gathering.
11. Avoid procrastination. The longer you wait, the harder it is to tackle that calculus assignment or book report you've been avoiding and the more work that's piling up.
12. Remove distractions – for example, if you're going to be tempted to answer the phone when you see it's your friend calling or can't help yourself from texting, study in a room without a phone or leave your cellphone in another room.
13. Regularly review your notes and texts so that when test time comes, you're ready and not cramming anxiously the night before.
14. Remember why you're doing this. You have goals and aspirations, and realizing them takes hard work!

BIO

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Roxanne is the owner of Tutor Doctor, a tutoring company that "makes house calls" for all grades and subjects. Roxanne facilitates and enriches the learning process by matching students with just the right tutors who then work one-on-one in the home to administer individualized lessons.



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POLITICALLY SPEAKING

GREAT NEWS FROM WARD 8

Some of the recent projects that have been launched by the center City Team have included; Operation Sentinel as a Clean to the Core safety strategy, Alderman Mar launched this awareness program to remind all that public telephones are to be used for legitimate purposes, Corporate Security and Calgary Police Service in cooperation with TELUS launched a pilot on 30 public telephones on public (City) property and placed WARNING stickers on them.

Another project in its infancy was to address to address the number one form of litter in the Centre city (Cigarette butts) a pilot called Bubbles & Butts is underway whereby 60 small litter bins have been placed in various locations in the centre city such as on the 7th avenue C-Train corridor and the Beltline next to many of the pubs and nightclubs as well as James Short Park. According to the C-Train Station Attendants, citizens appreciate the units and have been using them.

Since the inception of Clean to the Core it appears that safety has increased in the Centre City as well, the three year crime trends are down in the areas of social disorder, person crimes and property crimes. You might also notice more officers on the street as over 4000 man hours are clocked each month by the dozens of beat officers walking in Calgary's Centre City. Other initiatives include all agencies (EMS, Bylaw, CPS, Transit) now have mountain bike units with 63 officers trained; LRT officers have adopted C-Train stations, etc.

The Clean to the Core's Safety Impact Team - has run several successful operational plans and initiatives and they pertain to education on pathway safety, arresting drug traffickers, educating on water safety on the Bow & Elbow, education about legitimate public telephone use and telephone removal policies, closed circuit television, and addressing social disorder and safety in and around entertainment and drinking establishments.

Lastly, on November 5th an event of partners of Clean to the Core & the Centre City Safety Impact Team was held with over a dozen initiatives undertaken by individuals and groups that have made a difference in keeping Calgary's Centre City safe & clean. Please visit Calgary's website at www.calgary.ca/centrecity to learn more.

CALGARY BOARD OF EDUCATION TRUSTEE REPORT

A few months ago the Board provided Calgarians with some information on the recommendations it put forward to the Alberta Government regarding possible ways to make reductions to school board budgets. Now that the budget has been announced, the Board is pleased to see that Minister Hancock has been responsive to feedback provided by school boards and other stakeholders in this year's budget.



While the reductions many were anticipating for Education are not a reality, there are still some potential budget implications for the CBE. Recent wage increases granted to teachers and staff will have an impact on how the Board is able to allocate its budget dollars, as Alberta Education has asked school boards to pay for the current year's wage increases for the time being. Education Minister Dave Hancock plans to request additional funds from the Treasury Board to help cover some of these costs, but it will not be known until later this Spring if any of the additional funding will be granted.

Trustees also recently provided input to the government on the School Act. The Board's suggested changes would allow the CBE to be responsive to changes as they occur and better prepare students for future success. If you'd like to review these recommendations in full, please visit: www.education.alberta.ca/media/1164781/calgaryboardofeducation.pdf.

Another important consideration for 2010 is the fact that Calgarians will be going to the polls this year to elect their school board trustees at the same time they elect their aldermen and mayor. The Board encourages interested citizens to learn more about what is involved in serving as school board trustee. If you have a passion for education and want to help CBE students reach their full potential, we invite you to attend an event on the evening of Wednesday, May 12 to learn more about this exciting opportunity. Or you can visit: www.cbe.ab.ca/trustees for more information.

If you have any comments or concerns, I'd be happy to speak with you. Feel free to contact me at 403-294-8123 or pjcochrane@cbe.ab.ca.

Pat Cochrane
Trustee, Wards 8 and 9



Calgary Board of Education

POLITICALLY SPEAKING



Lee Richardson
Member of Parliament
Calgary Centre

When we think of a season of celebration, we tend to think of the mid-winter holidays. During this time we get together with friends and family, eat warm food, drink warm drinks and share in the warmth of good company. But as the edge comes off of the chill in the weather, putting me in an anticipatory mood for spring – I realize that this is a celebratory time as well.

With the coming of longer days and warmer weather we brave the outdoors and reconnect with our communities and neighbours. We have BBQs, and work in our gardens; we dust off our bicycles, racquets or skateboards and head for the pathways and parks.

As we move into spring, opportunities blossom (pun intended) to get out and get involved in new activities. In March I had the opportunity to participate in a shared reading group called Best Buddies (www.bestbuddies.ca), helped kick-off Good Turn Week (www.scouts.ca) and celebrated the unveiling of the Franco-Albertan flag (www.citedesrocheuses.com); all events that were about celebrating and participating in our communities.

Well-connected communities are resilient communities, and they offer a high quality of living. Nearly a year ago, I attended a school parent committee's traffic forum; they were concerned about speeding and high volumes of traffic near the school. Acknowledging that a large component of the problem was parents dropping their children off, the group initiated a "Walking School Bus." I was delighted to hear at a Community Association last month that this initiative is still going strong – taking steps to reduce traffic and safety concerns in the neighbourhood. (Way to go Altadore Elementary!)

There are many opportunities for us to get involved in our communities and make them even better places to call home. These opportunities can be very local and home-grown, like the Walking School Bus; or they can be more organized opportunities by your area Community Association or the City.

Community activities such as neighbourhood cleanups, both of private properties and public spaces are planned. Some are establishing community gardens, others are planning mural and street painting, many are hosting picnics, movie nights, kite days, street parties and dances.

In the City, in the spring, there will be Scoopy Doo day and the River and Pathway Cleanup day; and of course, festivals! The Lilac Festival, Marda Gras and the Folk Festival are a few of my favourites.

Our summers are relatively short, so take advantage of all that our city has to offer. Check out your community association for any events that are planned, get involved in our neighbourhood, hit a festival or two over the spring and summer, get out and help make our city a better place for everyone. You won't regret it.

For information, either check out the City of Calgary website, www.calgary.ca or the Ward 11 website, www.ward11calgary.ca. There you will find information on events, as well as links to all the community associations. I look forward to seeing you out there participating, enjoying... Celebrating!

BUDGET 2010: LEADING THE WAY ON JOBS AND GROWTH...

On March 4, 2010 the Honourable Minister of Finance Jim Flaherty announced our Government's 2010 Budget Plan that focuses on job creation and growth to support Canada's economic recovery. The budget also includes a disciplined long-term plan to return to balanced budgets.

Budget 2010 has three key objectives. First, it confirms \$19 billion in new Federal stimulus spending under Year 2 of Canada's Economic Action Plan to create and protect jobs. Second, Budget 2010 invests in targeted initiatives to build jobs and grow the economy for tomorrow by harnessing Canadian innovation and making Canada a destination of choice for new business investment. Thirdly, the Budget outlines a three-point plan to balance the budget once the economy is recovered. This includes ending the temporary stimulus package, restraining growth in spending through targeted measures and an in depth review of Government's administrative functions and overhead costs. These steps will cut the deficit in half in two years, by two-thirds in three years, and fully balanced shortly thereafter.

BENEFITING CALGARY...

Alberta will receive increased Federal support through Budget 2010 with total transfers hitting \$4.2 billion in 2010-11, an increase of \$88 million from last year. Our Government's new Budget will provide \$391 million in personal tax relief to help workers and families in Alberta manage these difficult economic times.

Alberta communities and businesses will benefit from \$14.7 million per year in ongoing funding for Western Diversification to support commercialization, enhance global competitiveness and drive economic growth and development in communities in Western Canada.

Calgarian's will also enjoy \$43 million as its share of the \$1 billion Community Development trust and the \$400 million Police Officers Recruitment Fund. Calgary will also welcome the construction of a new Sports Hall of Fame.

Lee Richardson
Member of Parliament, Calgary Centre

Bicycle Helmet Safety



Bicycle crashes are the leading cause of brain injury in school-aged children. Most injuries occur when a cyclist suffers a fall, strikes a stationary object, or collides with another cyclist or pedestrian. Remember – it is the law in Alberta that cyclists under the age of 18 must wear a helmet (and highly recommended for all ages). Helmets should be CSA approved and worn during recreational activities such as skateboarding, in-line skating, or cycling.

Getting informed

- Wearing a helmet while cycling can prevent a serious injury or save a life.
- Brain injuries can cause permanent disability or death.
- Reduce your risk by always wearing your helmet.
- Replace any helmet that has been involved in a crash, even if it appears undamaged.

Getting started

- Allow children to assist when buying their helmet. Cyclists who choose their own helmet are more likely to wear them.
- Start the habit early. Young children learning to ride tricycles need to wear helmets.
- Parents must lead by example: always wear your own helmet when cycling.

Getting the right fit

- Take the time to properly fit and adjust your helmet to ensure maximum protection in case of a crash.
- When worn properly, helmets should fit level, not tilted up or down over the forehead.
- Helmets should feel snug, but not too tight. To test the fit, the helmet should not fall off when you shake your head from side to side while the straps are unfastened.
- Adjust the chin straps to form a “Y” below and slightly forward from the ears.
- Only one finger should be able to fit under the chin strap when it is fastened.
- Do not forget to use the sizing pads included with the helmet. They will help improve the overall fit and comfort.



CALGARY-ELBOW CONSTITUENCY ASSOCIATION

Why should I join?

- We are Alberta’s only fiscally conservative, socially moderate political party
- Our leader, Danielle Smith, is an intelligent, principled, articulate woman who would be an outstanding premier
- Our party is committed to restoring the Alberta Advantage and Alberta’s economic strength
- Our constituency association’s goal is the election of a Wildrose Alliance Party MLA for Calgary-Elbow

How can I join?

- Visit www.wildrosealliance.ca/join. Memberships are \$10, \$25 or \$40 for one, three or five years, respectively.
- Contact President@cewapca.ca

How can I learn more?

- **Attend our Constituency Dinner** to be held on Thurs. June 3 at the Calgary Golf & Country Club. Guest speakers will be Wildrose Leader Danielle Smith and Airdrie-Chestermere MLA Rob Anderson. They will address the topic: “Getting It Right: Fixing Alberta’s Finances and Restoring the Alberta Advantage”. Tickets are \$195 per person and each will receive an official tax receipt for \$170. For more event information and ticket order forms, please visit www.cewapca.ca or call 403-988-3951
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PRIVATE GRAFFITI ABATEMENT PROGRAM

The City of Calgary is partnering with residents and business owners in an effort to remove graffiti from private property. Under the program, residents can call 3-1-1 to report graffiti on their property. They will be asked to pay a \$25 fee and sign a waiver granting a City contractor permission to remove the graffiti. There is a \$100 removal fee for businesses. All revenue will be reinvested into the program.

For more information, visit calgary.ca/bylawservices or call Laura Shott at 403-268-1880.

PAY IT FORWARD

A big Thank You from The City of Calgary Animal & Bylaw Services to the thousands of Calgarians who annually license their dog or cat. These responsible pet owners recognize the value of licensing their pets and are being rewarded for it through a new program.

The I Heart My Pet rewards program is a reward for Calgarians who license their pets.

Over 90% of dogs and 45% of cats are currently licensed in our city. Calgary is recognized as having the leading pet licensing program in North America.

HOW TO ACCESS THE REWARDS PROGRAM:

- A letter and the I Heart My Pet rewards card will be inserted in with pet owners' licence renewals starting in March 2010.
- Responsible pet owners who have licensed their pets will get their cards throughout 2010 with their renewal notices.
- The rewards card will provide pet owners with discounts and special promotions through our partnering vendors.
- The I Heart My Pet rewards card is valid until December 31, 2011.
- Calgarians who currently have a free six-month licence for their dog or cat will receive a rewards card when they renew their pet's licence.

By using the rewards card only a few times, pet owners of licensed pets can recoup their licensing fees. Visit iheartmypet.ca to see the list of vendors and available discounts.

If you would like to receive your pet reward card sooner, come down to The Animal Services Centre at 2201 Portland Street S.E. during working hours: 10:00 am to 7:00 pm Monday to Friday; 10:00 am to 4:00 pm Saturday and Sunday (closed statutory holidays).

A licence is your dog or cat's ticket home!

For more information visit calgary.ca/animalservices or call 3-1-1



ELBOW PARK OFF-LEASH PARK STATUS

Elbow Park is unique to most other communities. We actually lease the entire park area and not just the Clubhouse. Accordingly we are responsible for maintenance and operations within our leased area including dealing with the trees, tennis courts, hockey rinks, grass, playground and related facilities. Under our lease we also have the ability to determine whether or not we wish our park area to be designated on-leash or off-leash. The City of Calgary has been undergoing a review of its off-leash dog park requirements for some time as it is looking to generate additional off-leash areas in the City to accommodate demand. We now have those guiding principles which are reproduced below.

Upon review of our specific site in light of these principles it appears there are a number of problems with our current designation, in particular: (i) there is a children's playground that is heavily utilized by residents and the adjacent preschool at Christ Church; (ii) there are active sporting activities (on our baseball diamond, soccer pitches, ice rinks/skating pathway and basketball court); (iii) our site is unfenced and borders roadways on three sides; (iv) the off-leash area occupies more than 30% of our multi-use area; (v) ours is a small park; and (vi) our park is bisected by a well used pathway. We have also had a number of incidents between dogs and children in the past, none of which have resulted in significant injury, but do nonetheless pose a potential risk to the safety of park users.

As promised we seek your input and views with regard to the designation of our park area. Please submit an e-mail to dogs@elbowpark.com providing your name and address and whatever views you feel would be valuable for the Board of Directors in making a decision. This is an emotional issue for many, including those of us on the Board, but the safety and welfare of park users is paramount and our goal is to make the best decision for our community having regard to community feedback, the City of Calgary's guiding principles for off-leash areas, consideration for the safety of park users and consideration of our community interests as a whole. Thank you in advance for any input you are able to provide us.

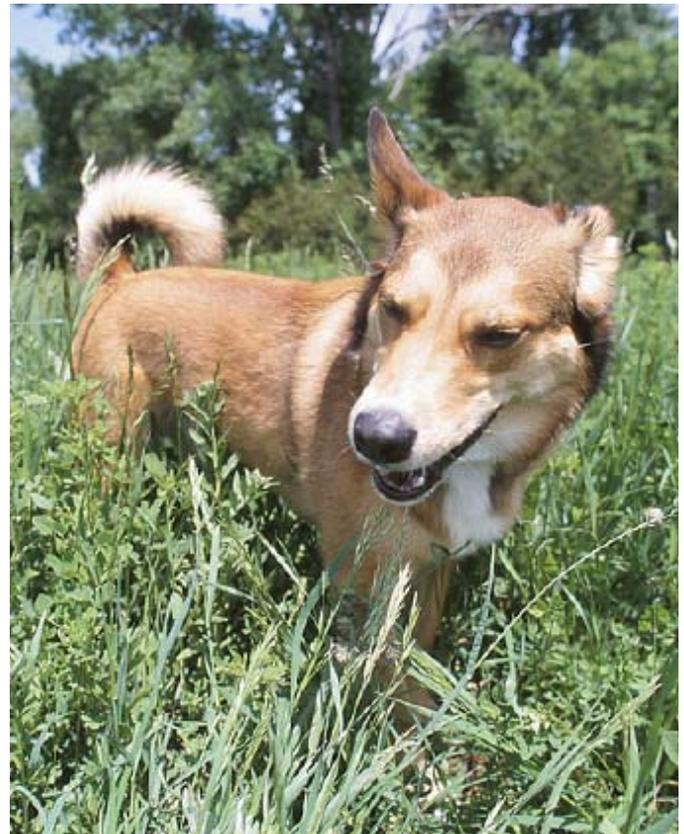
CITY OF CALGARY PRINCIPLES GUIDING DOG USE DESIGNATION

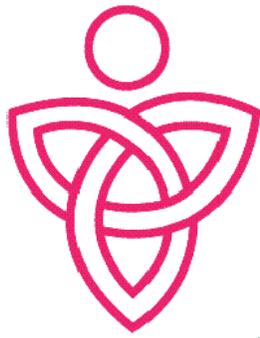
When considering a site potentially suitable for supporting a designated dog off-leash area, the site should be evaluated on the basis of the following principles:

- classification and/or function of the entire site
- size of entire site
- types of recreation activity in the vicinity/close proximity
- intensity of uses on and near the site
- public health and safety factors
- economic impacts of potential enhancements
- ability to clearly sign and delineate areas

WHEN FEASIBLE, NEW DOG OFF-LEASH AREAS SHOULD:

- be at least .5 hectares in size
- not occupy more than 30% of a multi-use parcel
- not bisect Regional pathways
- be located in disturbed natural areas only
- have clearly delineated boundaries
- when unfenced, not border roadways
- utilize functional vegetation and landscape that allows owners to maintain visual contact with their animal while ensuring safe movement of users





THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF
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GOOD FRIDAY CHILDREN'S SERVICE TO HIGHLIGHT HOLY WEEK AT CHRIST CHURCH

This week, Christians of all denominations will observe Holy Week, a week in which Christians commemorate the seminal events of the Christian faith: the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Christ Church will offer services in the Anglican tradition.

A complete schedule appears below and on the Christ Church website (www.christchurchcalgary.org).

A highlight will be the Children's Good Friday service on Good Friday, April 2, at 9.30 a.m. This service will be instructive and interactive, involving movement and activities. It will convey the story and significance of the death of Christ, but in a way that remains sensitive to the sensibilities of young children. Each year this service has drawn increased attendance and has become a truly intergenerational event. Pre-school children to grandparents will find the service a positive and edifying experience. The children's service will end by 11 a.m. The regular Good Friday service, suitable for adults and older children begins at noon.

Christ Church's Maundy Thursday (April 1 at 7.30 p.m.) service recalls Christ's Last Supper with his disciples and his prayer in the Garden of Gethsemane. This service of the Holy Eucharist (communion) concludes with a dramatic stripping of the altar, followed by a prayer vigil – the Garden Watch – until midnight. Saturday night, the Service of Light begins the vigil at 9 p.m., followed by scripture readings, a renewal of Baptismal vows, and the first Holy Eucharist of Easter. The Easter Day services at 9 and 11 a.m. will be followed by an opportunity for children to hunt Easter Eggs in the church.

HOLY WEEK AT CHRIST CHURCH

Palm Sunday, March 28

8 am	Holy Eucharist
10:30 am	Sung Eucharist
7:30 pm	Way of the Cross & Passion Music

Maundy Thursday, April 1

7:30 pm	Maundy Thursday Liturgy and Garden Watch
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Good Friday, April 2

9:30 am	Children's Service
12 noon	Good Friday Liturgy

EASTER AT CHRIST CHURCH

Great Vigil of Easter, Saturday, April 3

9 pm	Proper Liturgy & First Eucharist of Easter
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Easter Day, April 4

8 am	Holy Eucharist
9 am	Sung Eucharist
11 am	Procession & Sung Eucharist



You always are welcome at Christ Church, and the staff would be delighted to answer your questions about the Christian faith, the Anglican tradition, and services and programs at Christ Church. Call the Church office at 403-243-4680.

ELBOW PARK RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

A volunteer canvasser (most likely one of your neighbours) will knock at your door to greet you in person and provide membership information. If aren't home then it is too bad we missed you, but don't worry because this form is everything you need to be a part of what is taking place in Elbow Park!

Please check out our website at www.elbowpark.com for upcoming activities, committee updates, ongoing initiatives and even some history of the area. You can become a member online or we've made it easy for you to just fill in this form and mail us your information.

FAMILY/SPORTS \$35

Family use of sports facilities including hockey, skating, tennis, basketball, etc. In addition to community projects and maintenance and enhancement of local area parks and buildings

SINGLE/ASSOCIATE \$25

Supports maintenance and enhancement of local parks, buildings, and community projects

NON-RESIDENT \$20

Non-Resident use of sports facilities including hockey, skating, tennis, basketball, etc.



2010 MEMBERSHIPS

Name(s) _____
(Please include full names of both partners.)

Address _____ Postal Code _____

Phone _____ E-mail (optional): _____

EPRA Membership (check applicable):

Family / Sports \$35 \$ _____

Single / Associate \$25 \$ _____

Non-Resident \$20 \$ _____

Additional Donation \$ _____ (tax receipt will be sent) \$ _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ _____

Your financial support is appreciated. Please mail the completed form and cheque payable to
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