

June 2005

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Mayfair Bel-Aire Community Association

Mayfair/Bel-aire Stampede Breakfast

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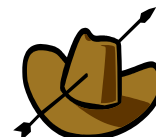
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at Malibou Park

July 16th, 2005

9:30am to noon



Join us for a Delicious Breakfast and Kids' Activities/Games

*We require some eager cowboys and gals to assist
in the setup, serving, and clean up.*

*This is a great opportunity for you to show some Stampede spirit
and meet some new people in the community.*

*Please contact Naomi Fisher at 258-2772
if you are available to assist*

all members welcome

*memberships will be available for purchase at the Stampede Breakfast
If you have already purchased your membership, please come by and pick up your card*

Don't forget to
renew your
community
membership.

See back page!

News Updates Via E-mail

**Did you know that we
send e-mail updates
containing important
community news such as
neighbourhood crime-
alerts and Glenmore
construction updates?**

**If you are interested in
receiving these updates,
please email
maybel@shaw.ca**

Father's Day Baseball Game

Sunday June 19

Christopher Robin Park 1:30-3:30

Bring your glove (if you have one)
and bats and balls too.

Refreshments will be provided.

Everyone welcome!!!!



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!

CRIME STATISTICS

-Calgary Police Services

We are pleased that there were no crimes reported in the neighbourhoods of Mayfair or Bel-Aire in March or April of 2005. May statistics are not available at time of printing, but we are aware of one theft from vehicle whereby a license plate was stolen and replaced with a different stolen plate. There was also some vandalism to the mirror of the vehicle. This serves as a reminder to ensure that you walk behind your vehicle to check that your license plate is intact.

Volunteers Required

We are seeking individuals to volunteer for the following positions:

Stampede Breakfast volunteers to assist with setup, cooking, serving for our community association breakfast on July 16th. Last year's volunteers made this an incredible event. Please contact Naomi at 258-2772.

Website Coordinator to maintain our website at www.maybel.org. This is a great opportunity for a student to apply their knowledge and add this to their resume! Call Sue 262-2419

Casino Volunteers for the upcoming casino September 16th and 17th 2005. Last year's casino raised over \$60,000 for the community. Contact Nora Bridge at 259-2826

High School Student Community Volunteer Requirements: If you are a junior high school or high school student who has volunteer requirements, why don't you consider helping us out by leading children's activities at our community events? We need volunteers to help run the activities for the kids at Winter Festival, the Stampede Breakfast, and our annual Halloween Party. Call Allison Sutton at 253-7928 or absutton@shaw.ca

Street Captains to go door to door a couple of times per year on your street. Call Natalie 253-0795.



Stay'n'Play & Park'n'Play & Nine12 Zone

Kingsland Community Association,
505 – 78th Ave S.W.

August 15 - 19, 2005

10:00 – 12:00 Stay'n'Play (ages 3-5 years)

10:00 – 3:30 Park'n'Play (ages 6-9 years)

FREE drop-in programs for children (parents must accompany children in the Stay'n'Play program). Join in the fun with games, crafts & other activities led by qualified leaders.

NEW 10:00 – 3:30 Nine12 Zone (ages 9-12 years)

Free Drop in program introducing elements of leadership, culture, and adventure through a variety of recreation activities. Participants will be able to provide input into what activities they would like to do. Call 221-4560 for info.

Calling all Second World War Veterans!

Calling all Second World War veterans! Alberta's MLAs invite you to be their guest at Rexall Place in Edmonton for a July 24, 2005 matinee performance of the Commemoration of the 60th anniversary of VE-Day, VJ-Day and the end of the Second World War in 1945.

The Legislative Assembly of Alberta will host a reception for Second World War veterans on July 24 prior to treating them to a spectacular show featuring military bands, pipes and drums, soldiers, sailors and airmen. For ticket registration, pick-up and or more information please contact the Calgary-Elbow Constituency office.

Veterans are entitled to two free tickets to the Sunday Matinee event. A maximum 2 tickets per Veteran. There are a limited number of free tickets available so please sign-up quickly as the DEADLINE is June 15. After June 15 tickets can be purchased through Northlands at (780) 451-8000

Honourable Ralph Klein
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MBCA participates in the stakeholder process for revising the Low Density Resident Districts development rules:

-Adam Hedayat

The City of Calgary Administration was directed by City Council to review and rewrite the Land Use Bylaw 2P80 dealing with Low Density Residential Districts development rules. The Bylaw has not been revised for the past 24 years, while many aspects have changed in our city. A revised Bylaw is needed to reflect many of the socio-economic changes that have occurred over the past 24 years and to be responsive to future trends.

Recognizing that the time to act is now while the new revisions to the Bylaw are being rewritten, over the past four months and almost weekly, Adam Hedayat from our MBCA Board participated in the process as a member of a Stakeholder Team to provide input on developing a low Density Residential Framework reflecting the concern and needs of our community as well as other communities. Dan Baxter and Margot Willox provided support in review of the material and providing a written response to the City. Given the general trend and direction and some of the expressed goals of the City, such as increasing the density of the inner core or of new developments, may be worthwhile overall objectives but cannot be applied to our community without unacceptable disruption to the existing character of the community.

All residential districts are regulated by the general rules within Section 20 of the Land Use Bylaw. This includes rules for projection into yards, decks, balconies, building heights,

driveways, garages, fences, home occupation, restrictions such as RV parking or commercial vehicles, etc.

All residential districts have a list of Permitted Uses, Discretionary Uses and rules to regulate these uses. For example:

- Any permitted use that meet all the rules of the Land Use Bylaw and all the Permitted uses rules within a district is approved by a Building Permit.
- Any Permitted Use that does not meet a rule within the Land Use Bylaw can make application for a Development Permit;
- Any Discretionary Use requires an application for a Development Permit;
- Discretionary Uses allow the Approving Authority to consider the appropriateness of the use, council policy, community comments and other planning principles in the decision making process; and
- Discretionary Use and Permitted Use with relaxation Development Permits are open to an appeal process by the applicant and other affected parties.

We are glad to report that our efforts are working and aside from minor changes, the rules governing the developments in Mayfair and Bel-Aire are likely to be the same. Of course the final approval is in the hands of City Council.

Community Beautification and Branding

Thank you to Dwight and Maggie Barton for deciding to become involved in their community and take over the stewardship of the installation phase of our Beautification and Branding Projects. Please contact Dwight Barton if you have some ideas or would like to help out in a small or large way. mdx2bar@telus.net or 253-2458. Expect some news from Dwight in September.

David Pidgeon has begun research on updating the Front Entrance Signs.

There is some talk about being able to make a **naturalization area on our ridge** - trees? Benches? The City Parks people are looking into the feasibility of this.

The community is investing the funds raised at our casinos into landscaping, signage, and other beautification projects in our community. If you can volunteer at the September 16/17, 2005 casino please call Nora at 259-2826.



Community Classifieds:

Going on vacation? If you are going away during the summer, Thomas McGoey is available to get your mail and/or mow lawns. 259-6107

Part-time Job Available
Babysitter - Caring for two boys, 4 and 7. Great summer job right in the neighbourhood. Previous experience required. Call me at 229-1991 for details.

Casa Pelo Hair Studio
20+ years experience
located right here in Mayfair!
25% new client discount
Call Leeanne 201-3592

For Sale: 56" round dining table and 4 chairs. Glass table top, iron base. Sue or Paul 262-2419

Babysitter List:
Sandy MacDonell would like to put together a list of available babysitters in the community. If you are interested in having your name and phone number available for Mayfair/Bel-Aire families, please contact Sandy MacDonnell at 229-1991 or email at sandy.macdonell@telus.net. Also, if you are a family looking for a babysitter, please call or email Sandy.

If you would like to place a classified notice in the next newsletter, please contact Sue at 262-2419 or sphomik@telusplanet.net

Christopher Robin School

Ongoing enrollment for age three to Grade Three. Contact Ms. Payne 252-6063 for a brochure or come for a tour

Alexander Calhoun Library

Our address: 3223 14 St SW
Telephone 221-2010



Technology Classes:

Introduction to the Internet - Part 1

FRI June 3

10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Register in person or call 221-2010

starting April 25

The Internet: Beyond the Basics - Part 2

FRI June 10

10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Register in person or call 221-2010

starting April 25

Cyber Seniors

WED June 1 - 22

10:00 - 12:00 pm

Registration limited to 7

Register in person or call 221-2010

Storytime at the Library

Drop-in Family Storytime

MON Jul 18 10:15 - 10:45 a.m. and

MON Aug 8 10:15 - 10:45 a.m.

Ages 2 to 5 with a parent/caregiver

No registration required.

Baby and You

FRI May 27, Jun 3, 10, 17, 24

10:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

Register by calling 781-1450

Drop-in Baby Storytime

TUES Jul 12

10:15 - 10:45 a.m.

OR

TUES Aug 16

Are You a Computer Geek?

If so, our community association needs you to update our website! If you can volunteer an hour or two each month, please contact Sue at 262-2419 or sphomik@telusplanet.net



Moms and Tots at Malibou Park



Do you want to get together with other moms in the neighbourhood?
Moms & tots to meet on Thursday mornings at 10am in Malibou Park,
weather permitting. The kids can play, moms can visit.

Kids still babies? Bring your stroller and go for a walk with other moms/babies.



Lesson Schedule:

Ages 6-10

Mon 6:20-7:20pm
Tues 6:20-7:20pm
Sat 2:30-3:30pm

Ages 11+

Mon 7:30-8:30pm
Tues 7:30-8:30pm
Sat 3:30-4:30pm

Cost:

\$32 one class/week
\$64 two classes/week

Tennis Lessons

The May after-school tennis lessons were a big success, and we will be continuing with a June session beginning Monday, June 6th for four weeks. With continued interest, a third session will be added during July.

Children are given the option of attending one or two classes per week, but not all three. They may attend the Monday or Tuesday class but not both, as well as the Saturday class if they wish. When registering, please indicate which night your child will attend and whether he/she will be coming to the Saturday class. There will be a minimum of three children per class, and a maximum of eight. In the event of a rain-out, the instructor

will schedule a make-up lesson.

The instructor is Greg Mitchell, part-time tennis professional at the Glencoe Club. Greg has extensive experience, both as an athlete and as a teaching pro. He was ranked in the top seven in Alberta as a junior, and won the provincial doubles title in his last year of under-18s. Assisting Greg will be Zack Radetzky, currently ranked #1 and provincial champion of under-18s in Alberta.

Greg is also willing to teach adult groups or private lessons and offers racquet stringing upon request. For information and registration, please contact Greg at (403) 870-6180, or e-mail him at jalamitchello@mail.com.

Southfour Basketball Registration



Registration is available online until July 31, 2005. The website is www.sporq.com. Our organization id is #146. Choose the event name for your child and follow the instructions.

Each event category (e.g. Mini Girls Basketball) has a cap of 40 registrants.

After the cap is reached, registrants will be placed on a waiting list.

For more information, please contact Dawn Osborne, President of Southfour Basketball, 403-259-6502 or holloback66@hotmail.com

Lawn Bowling

Are you interested in a summer recreational activity? Why not try lawn bowling at Stanley Park Lawn Bowling Club.

Free beginner instruction. For information package call Dave at 201-0370 or Bob at 251-7090.

St. Andrew #118 Scouts

Another fun and busy year of Scouting has wrapped up for the Beavers, Cubs and Scouts at the 118th. Several of our Scouts are looking forward to the rare opportunity of attending a week long Scout Brotherhood Jamboree this summer.

Registration for the upcoming Scout season will be taking place at the St. Andrew's United Church on Wednesday, June 15, 2005 from 7:00 to 8:30 pm.

If you are interested in learning more about Scouting in your community, mark

this date on your calendar and come and check us out. See you there!



REGISTRATION FOR FALL

June 15, 2005

7-8:30pm

St. Andrew's Church

*Summer
weather means
more kids are
outside playing.
Please
remember to
drive slowly
and cautiously
through our
neighbourhood*



Message from our Glenmore Interchange Committee

- Bruce Williams

Since our last review there has been much activity in the GE 5 construction project (Glenmore Elbow 5th Avenue), in the community and more recently in the media. As many of you are aware, the City introduced a plan which they called the "ultimate plan" to our community on February 8th at an open house at Christopher Robin. Unfortunately this plan was not consistent with the "preferred plan" which the community thought was the basis for the project. The new plan incorporated a number of changes which were new including a wider footprint (more traffic lanes), less community park space, shallower Glenmore Trail trench which was coming to grade sooner than previously projected, higher elevations on Elbow Drive and the pedestrian walkway across Glenmore, and reduced residual land behind Massey Place. Discussions were immediately requested with the City and Alderman by the Mayfair/Bel-Aire Community Association to discuss this new plan and its impact on our community. A local group of residents along south Malibou Road and south Massey Place organized a group called the Green Belt Preservation Group (GPG) to deal with the direct impact of the new plan upon their properties culminating in their appearance in front of the land use committee of Calgary City council on May 18.

As a result of the various (and numerous) meetings held with the City officials, the Mayor and Alderman Erskine, there have been some amendments to the Ultimate plan which are welcome. For example the City has agreed to deepen the trench by about 1.5 meters which will reduce the height of the pedestrian walkway from its proposed 3 meter height and lengthen the distance before the road returns to grade. Furthermore the City has employed a sound consultant to work directly with the Mayfair/Bel-aire community to assist in developing the best sound attenuation options for presentation to the City in the fall. Unfortunately we have not yet been able to recover any of the parkland behind Malibou Rd and Massey Place. Because of the changes in the project, many residents on south Malibou and Massey have indicated their dissatisfaction with the new plan and its direct negative impact upon their properties. Many residents on south Malibou and south Massey Place have found it impossible to sell their properties at any reasonable price due to the impact of the large construction project in their back yards. Residence appraisers are unable or unwilling to value the properties and real estate agents listing the properties are having no buyer interest. This negative impact on South Malibou and Massey has undoubtedly affected property values in both Mayfair and Bel-aire to some varying degree and will continue to do so while the GE5 is under construction.

Due to sustained complaints from local residents City Council has instructed its corporate properties division to consider purchasing selected properties whose value and ability to enjoy has been adversely affected by the construction project where the resident has needed to sell their property on market terms and had no seller interest. Such letters should be delivered or emailed to Corporate Properties (Ms. Sharon Purvis, Corporate Properties, City of Calgary, P.O. Box 2100, Station M #8052, Calgary AB T2P 2M5, fax 268-1948 or email Sharon.Purvis@calgary.ca) indicating their interest in selling their property to the City by no later than June 6th and outlining the reasons for their request. It would be appreciated if you could advise Sandy MacDonell of the Community Association/GPG at 229-1991 if you are writing Corporate Properties as the Community Association and GPG would like to keep track of your progress. There is a possibility that this program may be extended to a general purchase programme by the City for residences along south Malibou and a portion of south Massey but this option is only in a preliminary discussion stage at this time.

The Community association has provided \$5000 in funding to assist the residents of Greenbelt Preservation Society to examine their legal alternatives. Also, several residents of the community have contributed additional funds to support possible legal or community defense costs.

Please check the community website (www.maybel.org) for a new updates which the Community Association receives from the City. The City is trying to provide us with project information on a timely basis and the best way to circulate the information is via the internet. For those residents who do not have an internet connection, please advise your local Community Association representative and they can arrange for current information to be provided directly. If you do have an email connection, please send your request to receive regular updates to maybel@shaw.ca.



Calgary Southwest Communities Resource Centre

#42 2580 Southland Drive, Calgary SW (located in the Professional Wing of the Oakridge Co-op Mall)
Phone:238-9222 E-mail: swcrc@telus.net

Seniors Outreach Worker - Drop-In Time.

Terri Wexler from Jewish Family Services will be at SWCRC Wednesdays from 12:45 - 3:00 pm to meet with seniors to answer questions, provide information on services, benefits and opportunities and help with filling out forms.

In-Sync Parenting Program

Is your relationship with your 0-6 year old child(ren) more awkward than relaxed? More tense than fun? Not as spontaneous and loving as you and your child would like? Sandy Wagner, with Calgary Family Services, offers a program that uses play to help parents and children get their relationship "in sync!" She is at the SWCRC on Fridays, and can work with parents and children in the office or in their homes. Call the SWCRC for more information.

Drop-in Computer Use - New Hours

SWCRC computers are available to the public at:
Monday 10:00-12:00 and 1:00 -4:00

Tuesday 1:00-4:00

Wednesday 10:00-12:00 and 1:00-4:00

Thursday 10:00-12:00 and 1:00-4:00

Friday 10:00-12:00 and 1:00 -3:00

Please note that there is a time limit of 2 hours per person per day.

Positive Parenting Program

Through partnership with the YWCA-Sheriff King Home we are excited to offer the Positive Parenting Program. The program started on Tuesday, February 08th from 9:15 am-11:15 am and will run for 12 weeks. The topics covered will include Understanding Your Child, Building Self-Esteem, Positive Discipline, Communication Skills, Anger. If you would be interested in attending the Positive Parenting Program in the fall of 2005, please call the SWCRC to have your name placed on a waiting list.

Story Time

Drop in Tuesdays 10:30-11:00am to enjoy stories, puppets and finger plays with the staff of the *Calgary Public Library*. For children 3-5 years.

Mastering the Mouse

A free computer tutorial for new users to introduce a number of concepts including internet, email and word processing. Call SWCRC to register.

Need a Boost with your Homework?

SWCRC will be offering one on one tutoring over the summer. This free program offers support to students taking summer courses or those just wanting some extra practice! For more information, or to register, contact Janica Fisher at 238-9222

Bike Helmet Safety

Bicycle crashes are the leading cause of brain injury to school aged children. Every year Calgary paramedics respond to medical emergencies where helmets have prevented a serious injury or saved a life. While this is encouraging, there are still a significant number of people that do not wear a helmet. Helmet safety for cyclists has received a great deal of attention and a Provincial law now requires anyone under 18 years of age to wear a helmet when riding a bicycle. However, a helmet should also be worn when using a skateboard, in-line skates or a scooter.

The majority of bicycle injuries do not involve motor vehicles. Most often, they occur when a cyclist falls, strikes a stationary object like a pole or collides with a pedestrian or another cyclist.

Helmets should be replaced every 5 years even if it hasn't been in a crash. UV rays can weaken the helmet. And any helmet that has been in a crash MUST be replaced.

-Calgary EMS

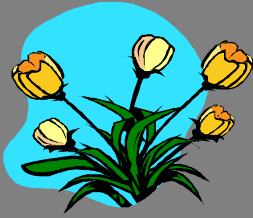
Where to Start:

- cyclists that choose their own helmet are more likely to wear them; allow children to assist choosing their helmet
- start wearing a helmet early and make it a habit, even if young children are learning on a tricycle
- one simple rule: no helmet, no bike; make the rule for children and stick to it
- lead by example for others - always wear your own helmet

Make Sure the Helmet Fits:

- the helmet should be level on the head, snug but not tight
- use sizing pads for a comfortable fit
- adjust the straps to form a "Y" below and slightly forward from the ears
- only one finger should fit under the chin strap

Have a great summer!



Mayfair Bel-Aire Community Association

We welcome your input!
For submissions please contact
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Message from the MBCA President:

Thank you to community residents who have been actively participating in the GE5 project. It is hard to fathom the man hours that this physical project has garnered from our neighbours and from the city workers. It impacts us all and especially those dealing immediately with the unknown landscape just outside their back yards. Please read Bruce Williams notes to update yourself on the current plans. Also our website www.maybel.org and our e-mail list at maybel@shaw.ca are ways for us to communicate this ever changing project to you. If you have concerns give one of the board members a call and make constructive suggestions. I would like to once again thank Mark Smith and Herve Boscher for the past four years of their time on the city stakeholder committee. It is not an easy road. Thank you to Eric Libin and Bruce Williams for taking on the leadership of this committee.

The community continues to grow and change as new members move in. Welcome! Naomi and Andy Fisher are ready for the Stampede breakfast this July 16th. Call them up if you would like to have a small role in the event. The design stage of the Beautification and Branding Committee is ramping up with Dwight Barton in charge.

We have been working with the owner of Cottage Crafts to determine what type of sale would be best for him and for our community. Things might change with the city looking at helping out residents who can not sell their homes due to the GE5. We are just starting to hear rumours about a change at Christopher Robin School. Please let us know if there are other things in the community you would suggest we focus on. And, remember that there is something here for you to try if you CHOOSE to spend some time giving back to your neighbourhood. Call me anytime.

Enjoy your summer.

Allison Sutton

Mayfair/Bel-Aire Community Association

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& Branding		Christopher Robin	Lynda Kiinsella
Skating Rink	Louis Stack	Babysitters:	Sandy MacDonnell
		Art	Margaret Sundstrum

-see reverse side for membership application form-

MAYFAIR BEL-AIRE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Membership Drive

Covers July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006

The AIM of the EXECUTIVE:

- To involve everyone in the community
- To reach 100% membership registration
- To complete membership drive by June 30, 2005

It is important to everyone in the community that we have your participation. Many community services and events are made possible with your help:

- We all benefit from the liaison aspects of maintaining the parks and playgrounds
- Planning and Implementation of the new entry signs and other beautification plans to follow
- Representation on city projects such as the GE5 (Glenmore Trail/Elbow Drive/5th Street interchange) and the Residential zoning status – maintaining our RR1 and R1 grading
- Facilitating good neighbourly relations
- Newly resurfaced tennis courts and the backboard that will be installed this spring
- Numerous Social events. The 3rd annual Evening with Neighbours again had over 80 tickets sold – some stayed till 3 in the morning! Father's Day Baseball game on June 19th and the Stampede Breakfast on July 16th, Halloween in the Park and the Winter Festival in January
- Skating rink – What a lot of work Louis and backups have done!
- Newsletter, website (www.maybel.org) and email communication (maybel@shaw.ca)
- Monitoring the selling of Cottage Craft and what is a good option for our community

Choose to be an active member in our community.

Please fill out this year's membership application on the reverse side today, sign your cheque for \$40 and drop in the mail or deliver to:

Mayfair Bel-Aire Community Association (MBCA)

c/o Kathy Benham

1408 Beverley Place SW, T2V 2C6

Thanks from your community executive,

Kathy Benham,
Membership Coordinator

MAYFAIR BEL-AIRE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
Membership Application
July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006

Member Information	
Names:	
Street Address:	
Telephone:	
E-mail:	

We strongly suggest that you supply us with your e-mail address or send a note to:
maybel@shaw.ca

This past year we sent out time sensitive notices regarding updates on the *GE5* (Interchange) and the string of *break & entry* occurrences.
 We will not inundate you with e-mails.
 We do not sell or lend our community address/e-mail lists!

Program	Name of Volunteer
Director	
Membership Drive	
Casino – September 2005	
Website	
Parks upkeep	
Street Captain	
Sports Sign-up Liaison	
Beautification & Branding	
Events	
Your suggestion	

Send this completed form today with your \$40.00 cheque payable to:

Mayfair Bel-Aire Community Association or MBCA
 c/o Kathy Benham
 1408 Beverley Place SW, T2V 2C6

A completed card will be available for pick up at the Stampede Party:
July 16th 2005 Malibou Park