

# St. Andrews Heights Community Newsletter



October 2010

I need your help... call 3-1-1 if you are concerned about speeding and commuter short cutting in our community. Regarding our application for a Traffic Study, our application is being considered by the City of Calgary Transportation Department. I and others have spent many hours on this project (our application included 120 households) but so have other communities. It has been made clear to me that if residents (you) register concerns with the City, our chance of success is increased. Commuter short cutting (especially Hamilton Street) and speeding are the top concerns. I have reports of racing on Toronto Crescent.

Volunteer Appreciation Night will be held on Monday November 22, 2010 at 7:30 pm (immediately after the Executive Meeting). It will be a Wine and Cheese affair. Everyone in the community is welcome and encouraged to thank our volunteers, ask about opportunities to help out (big and small jobs), and be thanked.

I'd wish to pass along a friendly reminder that dogs are not permitted in the school playground per by-law. Dog owners are also expected to pick-up after their pets.

We would like to know your interest in a Young Children's Learn to Skate Program to be held at our outdoor rink this year. Please email Kevin Noakes (knoakes1@telus.net) if you would like your children to participate or wish to help out.

The Brentwood Care Centre is re-visiting a proposal for a new addition as part of their phased re-development. Your executive committee are generally supportive of the proposal but we also appreciate that residences closest to the site may have specific questions or concerns. A document has been prepared for the Community Association. Email me if you wish to receive a copy.

If you get this newsletter before Oct 31... don't forget to stop by the Community Centre from 5 – 9 pm on Sunday October 31, 2010.

Regards,

Jeff Schaefer, President

president@standrewsheights.ca

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The deadline for submissions for the November issue of the St. Andrews Heights Community Newsletter is: November 19, 2010.

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Please direct all requests to the Editor: newsletter@standrewsheights.ca, or Gwen at 289-0625 or mail to: St. Andrews Heights Community Association 2504 – 13 Ave NW Calgary, AB T2N 1L8

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## **SAH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP DRIVE**

John Howarth – Membership Chairman

On behalf of the Executive I would like to thank the 21 canvassers who helped in this year's membership drive and to all those residents who purchased a membership. Special thanks go out to new arrivals in the Community who have chosen to join the Association. The Community has a stronger voice in the city with your active support.

The number of members this year, and the amount collected, was down compared to last year. Overall, to the time of writing in mid-October, we have collected \$5,805 compared to \$6,158 at the same time in last year's Drive, a \$353 decrease. However, over the next few weeks I hope to receive fees from those who were away during the Drive and late in taking out memberships. Not included in the above total are fees purchased by non-residents to participate in the Art Club. Ten such memberships added another \$250.

All monies collected go into the Community budget and will help in funding this newsletter; the running costs of the hall; the ice rink; and the upkeep of the tennis courts. Two hundred and sixty-five, or 65%, of the 405 households in the neighbourhood have purchased memberships to date. This is down from 283 (70%) at this time last year.

While the Drive is officially over, I am still accepting memberships on behalf of the Association. Fees may be dropped off with me, and I will deliver a membership card to you promptly. Our membership year runs from October 2010 to October 2011. If you need more information, please give me a call.

John Howarth, 2911 – 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW, T2N 1J1. 403-284-3518.

## **SUPPORT THE FOOD BANK**

Come and meet your neighbours at our annual St Andrews Heights Food Bank coffee party. Coffee, tea, and treats will be served from 10 am till noon, Saturday, November 13th. Last year, through the generosity of community members, we raised over \$2500.00 for the Calgary Interfaith Food Bank. The Food Bank serves over 100,000 clients per year, many of them children.

Let's continue the tradition! Please bring your cash or chequebook to make a donation (no food donations please).

We are looking for two volunteers to host the coffee party next year - for further information call Leslie at 403-289-4127 or Betty at 403-289-7395.

See you on the 13th!

**ICE MATTERS** by Nik Rasula

Well here's your chance! Open call for volunteers to try out for the ice crew. As in previous years, testing of aspirants will be done on a time-reserve basis, with testing dates slated for the Saturdays, Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> and Nov 20<sup>th</sup>. The attributes of strength, speed, power, and agility will be our main (but not only), focus.

To book, call either:

Larry Lozinski @ 403-289-1421

Roger Smith @ 403-289-0431, or

Nik Rasula @ 403-282-8098

Best of luck to all!

In Other News:

Our pumpkin seed drive for the charity *Seeds for Food*, is in full gear. Let's all support this worthy cause.

After carving the family pumpkin, simply follow the steps below:

Separate the seeds from the pulp.

Rinse the seeds with water.

Allow the seeds to dry on a plate for a few days.

Place the dried seeds in an envelope.

Drop the seeds @ a designated drop-off location.

Drop-off locations are:

Lozinski residence, 2524 Toronto Crescent

Smith residence, 1322 Windsor Street

Rasula residence, 2812 Toronto Crescent

The St. Andrews Community Hall, 2504 13<sup>th</sup> Ave.

*Send Seeds, Send Life*

**Seniors Turkey Supper**

Community members 50+ and their spouses

Only 10 tickets remaining

5:30 Saturday November 27<sup>th</sup> at St Andrews Community Hall

Catered by Extreme Catering

Ticket price \$15.00 per person

Contact Betty Schmidt @ (403) 282-8949 paulizschmidt@shaw.ca



### 2010 'A Year of Bird Watching in Calgary'

Sorry I forgot to submit a report last month. As I write this, an Indian Summer has set in but most of our summer birds are long gone. Leaving the hardy species that live in Calgary year round (Black-capped Chickadees, Nuthatches, Downy Woodpeckers, House Sparrows, Magpies etc.), the birds that find Calgary an attractive winter location compared to their summer nesting grounds that may be high in the mountains or further north (Ravens, Redpolls, Bohemian Waxwings etc), and, a few stragglers from summer whose migration clocks have become confused and may or may not be able to survive winter in the Calgary area. Now is the time to decide whether or not you are going to feed the birds in your yard this winter. It is a controversial issue with some people adamant that it upsets the bird's natural feeding patterns. However, we cannot deny that we have already upset the natural habitat of birds in our cities so I'm not sure that the argument is valid.

Assuming you decide to feed or provide water for the birds this winter it is important to be consistent, particularly during bitterly cold or snowy weather or when you snowbirds go on your own migration. To feed the birds until it turns cold then abandon them is likely a death warrant.

If you are interested in learning more about birding in Calgary; checkout Nature Calgary's website (<http://cfns.fanweb.ca>) where you will find information on the numerous free, bird watching trips that are available in the Calgary area.

Let us know if you see something unusual in SAH.

Happy Birding.

Dave & Susan Russum,  
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### November

#### **One Book, One Calgary**

November marks the start of Calgary Public Library's first city-wide book club and the first selection is ***Mavericks: An Incorrigible History of Alberta***, by local author Aritha Van Herk. Pick up your copy at the Louise Riley Library and join the conversation! For more information on **One Book, One Calgary** programs and events, check the Library's Web site ([calgarypubliclibrary.com](http://calgarypubliclibrary.com)), call 403-260-2620 or visit us at Louise Riley.

#### **City of Destiny: A Revisionist History of Early Calgary**

Local historian and maverick John Gilpin presents a startling view of Calgary's early development, uncovered in his research on Calgary Parks. Ages 50 and up. Monday, Nov 29 from 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

You can also discover the history of Calgary using 21<sup>st</sup> century tools. Explore historic spots referenced by Aritha Van Herk using handheld **Global Positioning (GPS) Units**. GPS units are available at the Library in partnership with The City of Calgary Parks.

**Just for Teens!** Express yourself in our teens only performance space! Bring your guitar, poetry, writing, jokes -- whatever. Come watch, perform, or both at **Teen Open Mic Night**. Ages 13 to 17. Tuesday, Nov 16 from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

**Calgary Teens: Write Now** Hear from great local writers! Get ideas about different kinds of writing and publishing. Lunch and prizes provided. Call 403-260-2657 for details. Ages 13 to 17. Saturday, Nov 20 from 11:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

#### **Renewals**

Did you know you can now **renew your items up to four times**? Renewals can be made online at [calgarypubliclibrary.com](http://calgarypubliclibrary.com) (you'll need your Library card number and pin number) or by calling 403-262-2928 (you will need to provide your card number over the phone).

**See you soon at the Louise Riley Library!**



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7:00 PM

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or

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**GREETINGS** from Constable Kastamonitis

With fall upon us and people cleaning up around their homes and businesses; this is the perfect time for everyone to CPTED their properties. CPTED is the acronym for Crime Prevention through Environmental Design. Think of CPTED as the 3D's;

Designation: What is the intended purpose of the space?

Definition: How is the space defined?

Design: Does the design reinforce the designated purpose of the space and how it is used?

When viewing your home or business look at it from the prospective of a perpetrator and ask yourself; what are the points of vulnerability? And how do I eliminate these vulnerabilities? By conducting such a review around your home or business, this will alert you to the changes needed.

This is why the Calgary Police Service asks you to report any suspicious individuals or activities through the non-emergency line at 403-266-1234. Always call 911 to report a crime in progress.

If possible, obtain a physical description, including clothing, along with a direction of travel of any suspicious individuals, as this information is crucial to responding police officers.

**I'd also like to remind you that certain non-emergencies, such as lost property, graffiti and some thefts can be reported online, through our website at [calgarypolice.ca](http://calgarypolice.ca). The Service recently launched a crime-mapping application on our website, which enables Calgarians to learn about what types of crimes have occurred within the last six months, in their communities and surrounding areas.**

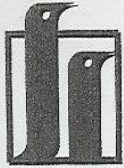
If you have any questions or concerns, I can be reached at the District #3 office at 403-567-6300

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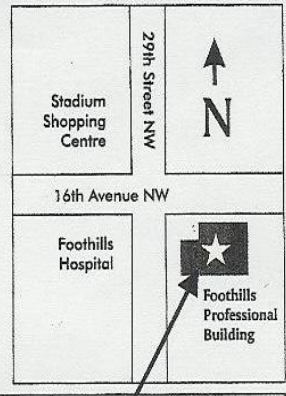
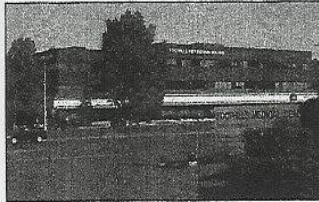
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## OPEN HOUSE & REGISTRATION

Monday, January 10, 2011  
Registration begins at 5:30 pm  
Open House from 6:00 - 7:30 pm  
Room 11, Briar Hill School  
1233 - 21 Street NW

**MEET** the Teacher and parents of children currently in the program

**SEE** the classroom and sample work of current students

**REGISTER** your child for Kindergarten (2011/12)

### WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Children must be 5 on or before March 1, 2012

### TO REGISTER, please bring:

- Completed registration form (forms will also be available at the Open House)
- Chequebook to pay the \$65 non-refundable registration fee  
(this includes \$20 Community Membership fee which is required)
- Original birth certificate of the child
- Alberta Health Care number of the child

Registration forms available online by mid-December at [www.calgaryarea.com/nw/briarhill.htm](http://www.calgaryarea.com/nw/briarhill.htm)

(Community Kindergarten Information 2011-2012)

OR outside the classroom

**For more information, contact the Kindergarten at 220-9775.**

## **ANIMAL & BYLAW SERVICES**

### **Responsible Gifting Fosters Responsible Pet Ownership**

We've all heard the stories of friends or family members getting a cat or dog as a gift or for a special occasion. Sometimes it works out, but sometimes it doesn't. Often, the recipients of such gifts find out their fuzzy friends are not what they expected. Perhaps they were not prepared for the time commitment and cost or perhaps the pets were not good matches for them or for their lifestyles.

With the holiday season approaching, Animal & Bylaw Services strongly encourages you to give Animal Services' gift certificates instead. We believe that choosing a pet is an important personal decision. Owning a pet is a responsibility for the lifetime of that animal therefore, a lot of time and care should be taken when entering into a decision. Our gift certificates are valid for one year from the date of purchase in order to provide potential pet owners with the time to choose the cat or dog that best fits their home and lifestyle.

Not only are Animal Services' gift certificates available in any denomination, they don't have to be used solely for adopting a pet. They can also be used for the purchase of cat or dog licenses. All cats and dogs in Calgary must be licensed at three months of age. Part of being a responsible pet owner is licensing your pet and providing permanent identification. A license helps to ensure that Animal Services is able to reunite a lost pet with his owners. License fees also support all the work we do such as our adoption program, volunteer program, drive home program, educational programs and the operation of our clinic.

Gifting in a responsible way will help to lessen the number of unwanted animals in our city and will encourage your loved one to be a responsible pet owner.

For more information on our gift certificates, adopting an animal or licensing a pet, call 3-1-1, visit [calgary.ca/animalservices](http://calgary.ca/animalservices) or visit the Animal Services Centre at 2201 Portland Street SE, during business hours.



## **ANIMAL & BYLAW SERVICES**

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### **Trees and Alleys**

With the roll out of the new black carts by Waste & Recycling Services that started mid-October, this is a good time to remind homeowners to keep their trees trimmed to allow for proper garbage collection and the passage of vehicles accessing the alley.

Under the **Street Bylaw 20M88**, no owner or occupant of a premises can allow trees, hedges or shrubs that overhang their property, to interfere with vehicles using the alley. This allows trucks to properly collect your garbage, as well as the unobstructed passage of other City or emergency vehicles if required. Animal & Bylaw Services asks that any overhanging vegetation be trimmed back to the property line up to a height of 4.6 metres or 15 feet.

Animal & Bylaw Services and Waste & Recycling Services thanks Calgarians for their cooperation.

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## Community Events

**Keep Fit Classes** - Mondays and Wednesdays 7-8pm in the school gym. Call Karen 403-289-7820

**Art Group** - Wednesdays from 12:30 to 3:30 pm at the Community Hall. For information call Betty 403-282-8949

### **St Andrews Anglican Church**

**1611 St Andrews Place NW  
Annual Tea & Bazaar Saturday, November 20 from 1 pm to 3:30 pm.** Admission is \$4.00 and includes refreshments, a light lunch, and a chance at a door prize. We have many crafts, baking, gourmet items, frozen food, gifts and treasures. If you have any questions please call 403-282-3234, wheel chair accessible.

## Classified Ads

### **Snow Shovelers:**

Anneke Weweler 587-999-0313

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### **ATCO Gas Works for You**

Calgary, **Alberta** — ATCO Gas will now be reading meters until 8:00 p.m. Monday to Friday and 4:00 p.m. on Saturdays in the City of Calgary. ATCO Gas staff visiting customers' homes will wear photo identification that includes the company logo.

If customers do have a question, they can contact ATCO Gas at (403) 245-7888.

A color version of the newsletter is available on the SAH website!  
[www.standrewsheights.ca](http://www.standrewsheights.ca)