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GENERAL MANAGERS'S UPDATE



Hi Springbank Community & SPFAS Members

Well summer is being enjoyable, and we got in the token motorcycle ride West of Cochrane, switched up bikes again, joined in a variety of family fun events, got in a Sylvan Lake boating activities trip, a Vancouver Island trip, and took in an Edmonton held wedding.

Now it's back to work, and the Park's fun multi-faceted Fall Fair is coming up on Saturday September 7th, and you will see lots of details and promotions in this Newsletter. It kicks off at 9:30am with a Lions Club hosted Pancake Breakfast, and then you have the Horticultural show, farm animals to see and pet, a Kids Play Zone with lots of fun activities, face painting if something inspiring, our community / trade show and booths in the big tent, a Bull riding mannequin in the parking lot, a beer garden, food trucks and lots more family fun!



Besides Hockey, Figure Skating, Playschool, Football, Curling and our other activities kicking back in (e.g. drop in Men's 55 + Shinney hockey now running Wed & Fri mornings; Ladies 18 yrs + Shinney Hockey running on Tues mornings, etc.). Fall is when things at the Park really start ramping back up for the main seasons.

Construction also recently got started on our Springbank Lions Club sponsored permanent Washroom facility over at the Lions Soccer Park, which is nice to see (& special thanks goes out to Gordon B., Richard, Al, Ray, Gordon T, Gerry, Nick, Peter, Dale, Lyle, Les, Rae, Jim, and Val, for all the years of service to the community. Your generosity with your time, support and the lasting legacy the Lions Club contributed to the SPFAS is 1st class and much appreciated by all).

We have a had a number of more meetings over the summer as well, to do with the New Multisport Gymnasium and Indoor Turfed Training Field complex / facility, that SPFAS would like to add, and we are now in the final stages of finishing up the Park's Business Case proposal for it. We are looking to add it to the East side of the Park (across from the Outdoor Rink), so as to provide easy close walking access to & from the current Park buildings. The conceptual design looks great, and with success in getting it to the construction and then grand opening stages, it would see Courts for pickleball, basketball, volleyball, and indoor training for baseball, soccer, football, and lots of other events use opportunities. It would also be equipped with a walking / running track for the cool winter months or rainy days use, and provide lots of other community minded fun.

Once the conceptual plans and other requested info is finalized. It will all be moved over sometime in Sept to RVC for further consideration. The initial conceptual footprint shows the new facility going on the East side of the Park's current buildings.

You will see on page 6 of this Newsletter, that the SPFAS AGM is coming up on Monday Sept 30th at 6:30pm, and we already had this cycles SPFAS Casino assigned on Oct 31 & Nov 1st (refer signup link on page 11). It's also posted on the Parks website. This is the Park's specific Casino, which gets scheduled typically every 18 months, and the funds raised through it, go specifically to help off-set facility operating expenses, which in turn helps keep facility rental fees some lower, and it also serves as the Park's fundraising requirement, as it applies to applying for grants, seeking RVC project support, etc. For filling the volunteer spots, we do rely on all our User Group / SPFAS members, and other Community minded individuals and members to give us a helping hand.

Here's to another season of great sports achievements and seeing children, youth and adults all out either participating, or being supportive fans, or just out enjoying the different things the Park has to offer.

Cheers

Todd Muir, BPE

General Manager, SPFAS

Email: todd.muir@springbankpark.com

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES & NEW HAPPENINGS





SPFAS FUNDRAISING CASINO

(Oct 31 - Nov 1)

The event will be held at the new luxurious ACE Airport Casino located at 40 Aero Crescent NE, Calgary, AB.

We are seeking Volunteers to fill Shifts either day from 11:00 am – 7:30pm; 6:45pm-3:30am, or count room 11:15pm to 3:30am.

The Casino helps keep facility fees lower and contributes to helping SPFAS maintain and keep the Park's many facilities in great shape. For 2024/25 the SPFAS Board approved the offering of a special SPFAS members incentive, which will see each User group on-behalf of volunteering member qualify for a \$100 fees rebate, that will be sent back to their primary User Group (being represented) – for crediting the member/family for helping out! This is the SPFAS Casino, and this new incentive, is the SPFAS way of showing appreciation to User group members/volunteers.

Here is our sign-up link, and it can also be found on the SPFAS website's main page

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Contact our GM

Todd Muir, at Ph: 403-669-2387,

or by email at todd.muir@springbankpark.com

for assistance and or more information.

Thank You



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MEET THE STAFF

This edition would have continued the tradition of introducing our highly valued staff members, but we are pleased for Sept, to be retaining all our current staff team, and you will see us adding on one more new Operator position to help support the Curling Rinks ice and maintenance care, come Sept/Oct. Some good applicants have come in, but the final decision is still yet to be determined, at the time of newsletter printing.

Our current staff team includes Todd Muir (General Manager), Jody Wesgate (Administration Manager), who you can find located in our main floor offices, and or out and about the facility supervising. Jeff Schmidt (Operations Manager), Shaun Smoole (Operations Supervisor), and Jane Graham (Administration Assistant), along with Alice (Custodian), and lets not forget Jamie, Geoffrey, Akeem, Meghan, Jason & Ryland (Operators).





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Springbank 52nd Annual Fall Fair © Springbank Park For All Seasons Saturday, September 7th

Cochrane Lions Club Pancake Breakfast 9:30 am - Noon

Kid Zone featuring Games, Activities, Face Painting, Tot Bouncer Mechanical Bull and Prizes 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Agriculture & Horticulture Show 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Agriculture Displays, Demonstrations, Exhibits, Farm Animal Education 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

> Book Swap 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

> Vendor Market 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Food Trucks, Onsite DJ, Beer Gardens 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

> Horticulture Awards 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm

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SPFAS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING





Monday, September 30th 6:30 pm 2nd Floor, SPFAS Dryland Area

Come and be a part of the SPFAS's positive direction, meet Board members and learn how the SPFAS is conscientiously governed.

To inquire about potential Board positions please contact Todd Muir. E: todd.muir@springbankpark.com



The Springbank Park For All Seasons is governed and operated by an 18 member(s) volunteer Board of Directors, who are elected each year at the AGM (& include representatives from each of the main User groups, including Springbank Minor Hockey, Figure Skating, Curling, Playschool, Phoenix Football and Soccer).

In addition to the Directors duly elected at the AGM, we also have a Robinson Family (that donated the land SPFAS sits on) Director's position, one Division 1 currently serving Councillor representing Division 1&2 of Rocky View County position, and a representative of the Board of Trustees of Rocky View Schools position.

For this 2024/25 operating year, we look to have up to four Director at Large spots available to be filled, and an Executive Committee Secretary position, that would be filled as part of

electing the Executive Committee, which takes place at the Board meeting portion right after the AGM.

The positions are elected for 1-year terms, and the Park holds approx.10 Board meetings per year, if there is enough business, updates and or motions, etc. to be made, with typically July and Aug off months. Meetings can range from 1-1.5hrs in length. If this is something that strikes a interest, and your or the person you would like to put forwards experience, background and skill set is felt would be a good match. Please contact our GM, at todd.muir@springbank-park.com, or 403-669-2387.

A Special thanks goes out to our outgoing Treasurer Joe Petratur, who has been volunteering as the Park's Treasurer since 2019/20, and was a Director at Large prior to that dating back to 2014/15. That's a great 10 yrs. of Springbank community service Joe, and your contributions are much appreciated by all!

A Special thanks goes out to our past User Group's presidents as well, including the Playschool's past president Joanna Nutma, who is handing things over to new Playschool President Lindsay Henwood.

SPRINGBANK LIONS CLUB TRIBUTE



SPRINGBANK LIONS (L-R) Gordon Berard, Richard Roberts, Al Mayer, Ray Bussey, Gordon Toews, Gerry Sytsma, Nick Maksymiut, Peter Heerschop, Dale Barnes, Lyle Ford, Les Csabay, Rae Morton, Jim Toews, (Val Finch - unavailable)

THE SPRINGBANK LIONS CLUB'S FINAL ROAR

Did you hear it? The Springbank Lions Club held their 'FINAL ROAR' celebration at the Valley Ridge Golf Club Monday, May 27, 2024. Yes, it's a rather sad situation but our Springbank Lions Club has had to shut down due to a dwindling membership and an inability to attract the new members needed to continue it's operation. The Springbank Lions Club was formed in June 1982 when 28 members from the Springbank community met to discuss ways to work together to improve and help grow a stronger community. Jim Toews and Lyle Ford were original members who signed the Charter. But rather than mourning the passing of our Club, the Springbank Lions held a final banquet to celebrate "a life well lived" during it's 42 year history of being an active and valuable member of the Springbank community.

This Lions Final Roar celebration was held at the Valley Ridge Golf Course where a i memorable banquet was specially prepared for our Lions Club by Chef Peter and staff. The dinner consisted of a four course meal capped with a molten chocolate lava cake with vanilla ice cream and a sugar garnish for desert. There were also fresh roses (in Lions colours of course) for our spouses who have been steadfast in their support behind the scenes in all our community work. The after dinner program Included a review of the Club's community work over the past four

decades to raise over one million, two hundred and eleven thousand dollars (\$1,211,000). The Club is proud to note that every penny of the money raised was donated back to the local, national and international communities which it served.

Our review of the history of the Springbank Lions club was enhanced by Jody Wesgate from Springbank Park For All Seasons who dug through the archives to identify 73 pages of Lions articles published in previous Park Patters.

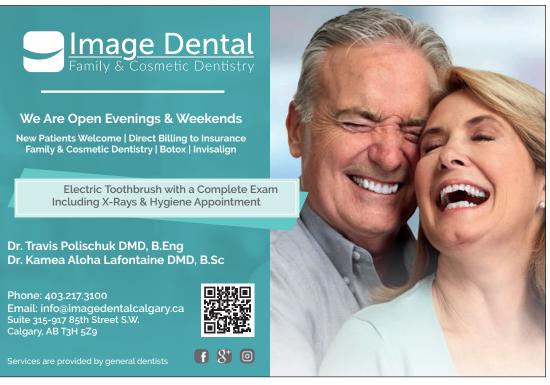
It is interesting to note that one of the first money raising projects of our new Springbank Lions Club back in June,1982 was to place a large bin behind the Springbank High School to collect and resell used paper from the community. And today June, 2024, forty-two years later, one of our last projects was creating an annual student scholarship at the Springbank High School that will continue for at least 20 years until the money is depleted.

At its height the Springbank Lions Club had as many as 42 members. But our membership had dwindled down to 12 members today and we found that our community work could not be maintained with this small number of aging Lions. So we are formally disbanding our Springbank Lions Club as of June 2024.

In conclusion, the Springbank Lions wish to thank the Springbank community for the opportunity to work together to improve and help grow a stronger community. We have worked hard to accomplish that goal and we're confident that all our work has been appreciated.

Submitted by Lion Jim Toews





SFSC SKATING CLUB

Welcome to a New Skating Season!



Dear Skating Enthusiasts:

We are thrilled to welcome you to another exciting year at the SFSC Skating Club! Our mission is to foster a love for skating in individuals of all ages and skill levels. Whether you're a beginner taking your first steps on the ice or a seasoned skater refining your technique, we have a program for you.

Our Programs:

-Canskate (3 years and up)

Our Canskate program is designed for young beginners, focusing on fundamental skating skills in a fun and engaging environment. It's the perfect introduction to the world of skating.

- Teenskate

This program is tailored for teenagers who want to improve their skating skills, whether they're skating for fun, fitness, or looking to advance to more competitive levels.

- Group Star

Group Star is a fantastic way for skaters to progress together in a group setting, developing both their technical skills and their love for the sport.

- Star 1-3 Academy

In the Star 1-3 Academy, skaters begin to focus on more advanced techniques and routines. This program emphasizes both on-ice skill development and off-ice training to build a solid foundation for future success.

- Star 4 and Up Academy

Our Star 4 and Up Academy is designed for skaters

who are ready to take their skills to the next level. This program includes intensive training, with a focus on advanced techniques, edging, and performance.

Upcoming Events:

- Club Carnival - 19 December

Get ready for some holiday magic on ice! Our Club Carnival in December will be a festive event showcasing our Starskaters' talents and celebrating the joy of skating. Stay tuned for more details!

- Club Competition - Springtime

Mark your calendars for our annual club competition in the spring. This event provides an excellent opportunity for skaters to demonstrate their progress and compete in a supportive and encouraging environment.

Join Us!

We invite you to come and skate with us, whether you're a returning member or new to our club. Our programs are designed to encourage lifetime skating skills and incorporate off-ice training and edging, ensuring a comprehensive skating education.

For more information on our programs and upcoming events, please visit our website or contact us directly.

springbankfsc.coordinator@gmail.com Springbankskating.com

See you on the ice!
The SFSC Skating Club Team





Did you know...

- Cochrane Family & Community Support Services (FCSS) has a free Community Block Party Trailer. For more information or to book the trailer visit www.cochrane.ca/blockparty.
- FCSS has a community development team focused on building and strengthening community life. If
 you have ideas to make your community stronger, email fcss@cochrane.ca.
- Family Resource Network (FRN) has childhood development programs for children birth to 6 years of
 oge and they also offer a large variety of parent education and supports for parents and caregivers
 with children 0-18 years of age. For program information, visit Facebook:
 https://www.facebook.com/CachraneERN.
- Both FCSS & the FRN have Resource Workers that offer free and confidential meetings to connect you
 to supports that are unique to your family needs. Learn more about programs such as food hampers,
 Cochrone Connect Cord, Volunteer Income Tax and more.
- Many local organizations are looking for volunteers. To get connected visit www.cochrane.ca/volunteer.
- · All services are open to residents of Cochrane and West Rocky View County.

To learn more about what we have to offer:

- Families with children 0-18 call the Family Resource Network at 403-851-2265;
- Families with children 18+ and individuals call Cochrane Family & Community Support Services at 403-851-2250; or
- · Visit www.cochrane.ca/fcssfrn

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Springbank 52nd Annual
Agriculture & Horticultural Bench Show
10:00 am - 4:00 pm
Curling Rink

Get involved in the Show by entering your amazing creations in the many categories, and age groups available including Horticulture, Home Skills, Arts, Crafts & Hobbies, Cooking, Photography and Artwork.

The 2024 Exhibitors Guide is available online at www.springbankpark.com FALL FAIR tab.

General Rules & Etiquette can be found on page 5 of the Guide.

Make it a family event!

Enter your largest potato, make your best batch of cookies, take a beautiful photo or submit a lovely art or craft project!

Join us from 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm on Fair Day in the main parking lot for the Horticulture Awards Ceremony and to cheer for the winning entries!



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EMBRACE THE CHILL CURLING SEASON 2024/25!

The first night of curling for the 2024/25 season is scheduled for Monday, September 30!

ICE IMPROVEMENTS:

The Curling Club has been collaborating with Springbank Park (SPFAS) to address last season's ice challenges. Exciting news! SPFAS is investing in a new scraper, papering the rocks this summer, and making personnel changes to ensure top-notch curling conditions and experience for the curlers.

SPRINGBANK FRIDAY MORNING MIXED 50+ CURLING

Think of a cool, white, smooth sheet of curling ice. This is yours to enjoy if you participate in the Friday morning fun mixed curling league which will start up again in October. All levels of expertise are welcome from rank beginners upwards. We'd be happy to have you join us. The season is divided into two sessions.

Fall runs October to December and the Winter session, January to March. You may register for one or both sessions. Our draw master, Brian Davies, makes a random draw to compile the teams before the start of each session. Alternatively, If you prefer to play on an impromptu basis you can sign up as a spare. For beginners and those interested in a refresher there will be training sessions offered prior to the start of

SECURE YOUR SPOT:

Teams eager to secure their spot should reach out to their league coordinators via email, you can find their contact information at springbankcurling.com

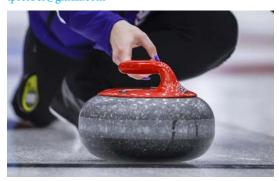
UPCOMING CLINICS:

Mark your calendars for October 5 and 6, 2024! The Curling Club has secured Andy Jones for Junior and Adult Curling Clinics. Plus, stay tuned for details on the Stick and Wheelchair Curling Clinic.

SUMMER VIBES:

Email us at springbankcurlingclubcalgary@gmail.com if you have any questions, and in the meantime, enjoy your summer, and we'll see you back on the ice in September!

the regular play schedule. To register or obtain further information please contact our draw master, Brian Davies (403) 861-2742 briancapitalland@gmail.com or our league president, Tim Presber (403) 827-2755 tpresber@gmail.com





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Kidney March Returns to Springbank for 15th Anniversary!

Calgary, AB - This year marks the 15th anniversary of Kidney March, a three-day, 100-kilometre charitable march held annually in the Calgary area. Traditionally, the march passed through Springbank every September. Following a few years of route changes due to construction, the march is set to return to its original path. On the final day, approximately 500 Kidney Marchers, Crew, and Volunteers will traverse Springbank Rd, to complete their heroic journey.

We appreciate your assistance in keeping the Kidney March community safe and spreading awareness about this impactful event. On Sunday, September 8, 2024, between 9:00 am and 2:30 pm, residents of Springbank are encouraged to show their support and cheer on the brave marchers. Motorists are advised to exercise caution and adhere to speed reduction zones along Springbank Rd to ensure everyone's safety.

Kidney March is not your average walkathon. It is the only walk of its kind in the world. No other walk goes this far, for this long, for this cause. Kidney March is a true testament to the indomitable human spirit and the power of collective action. By dedicating three days of their lives to walking an average of 33 kilometres per day, participants aim to symbolize the difficult and often strenuous journey faced by those living with kidney disease. It is a life-changing experience that has an incredible impact on the lives of millions of Canadians living with kidney disease.

"It's more than a walk. Kidney March means so much to so many, it brings a lot of hope to people who need it, and it is a vital source of community support. Every year Kidney March makes a huge impact," explains Michelle Hofer, Manager of Communications and Community Development, The Kidney Foundation of Canada, Southern Alberta Branch. The funds raised through Kidney March play a crucial role in kidney disease prevention, lifesaving research, patient programs, health education, and organ donation initiatives through The Kidney Foundation of Canada's work.

Kidney March participants are drawn together from across Canada, and internationally because their lives have been touched by this disease. Patients, loved ones, doctors, nurses and researchers all participate side by side, connecting and building bonds that go far beyond the event itself.

Kidney disease is a leading cause of death in Canada and there is no cure. It's called a silent killer for a reason. By the time you know you have it, it's often too late. Anyone can develop kidney disease, but some are at higher risk than others such as those with high blood pressure, diabetes, and genetic predispositions.

1 in 10 Canadians has kidney disease, each day 15 people learn their kidneys have failed. Kidney disease is a lifelong illness that kills thousands, costs the health care system millions, and devastates families. Unless we stand up and act, this silent disease will continue to take lives and livelihoods.

"People are counting on us. The funds raised will improve lives, there's no question about that," says Joyce Van Deurzen, Executive Director, The Kidney Foundation of Canada, Southern Alberta Branch. "We are thrilled to have incredible support from our community. It is truly inspiring.

Kidney March asks Marchers and Crew to do the most they can do for kidney disease and organ donation, and over the last 15 years they certainly have. This year's goal is to raise one million dollars. Calgary is a worldwide centre of excellence on kidney research, so the money raised by this event makes a huge difference, it's going to change the future for those facing a kidney disease diagnosis."

It's not every day that ordinary people get to be heroes, but at Kidney March they do. The Kidney Foundation is thrilled to see Kidney March celebrate its 15th anniversary and continue to grow every year. Join us in 2024 for an unforgettable journey where... Kidneys May Fail. We Won't.

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As we enjoy our summer, our maintenance department working hard. The following a list of the major projects that be undertaken this summer. These funds are in addition to the ongoing maintenance to keep our schools clean and well-maintained.

Projects Budget Allocation Total

\$2,864,478

Exterior building envelope and drainage \$70,000 A.E. Bowers, George McDougall, W.G. Murdoch, Elizabeth Barrett

Student washroom upgrades \$480,000 Roofing upgrades and replacements W.G. Murdoch & one barrier-free washroom \$200,000 Cochrane High, Meadowbrook

Mechanical & plumbing upgrades \$100,000

Electrical & fire panel upgrades Banded Peak, preventative maintenance \$150,000

Gym floor sand and re-line Manachaban, Glenbow, Bearspaw, Springbank High \$100,000 Cooper's Crossing and 2 other gyms

Plumbing fixture upgrades \$150,000

LED upgrades Edwards, preventative maintenance \$200,000 Elizabeth Barrett, Banded Peak, Edwards

Painting \$100,000 A.E. Bowers, Chestermere High, Muriel Clayton, Cochrane High

Flooring replacements \$300,000

Duct cleaning Crossfield, Banded Peak, Cochrane High, W.G. Murdoch \$100,000 Cochrane High, Springbank Middle, Elizabeth Barrett, Ralph McCall, Bow Valley High

Various laminate replacements \$30,000 Throughout the school division

Barrier free entrances - door hardware \$40,000 Beiseker, throughout the school division

Condensing units in modulars \$150,000 Nose Creek, R.J. Hawkey, Indus, Westbrook

Asphalt \$150,000 Elizabeth Barrett, Kathyrn

Optimization of classrooms, gyms \$170,000 Emergent projects Airdrie Middle, Mitford, A.E. Bowers Throughout the school division \$378,478

Computer and Technology Infrastructure Enhanced to Support Learning

RVS' Technology for Learning department is committed to ensuring staff and students have up-to-date devices to support student-centred, personalized, authentic learning as well as a robust infrastructure to support technology that aligns with both RVS' Strategic Plan and Alberta Education's Learning and Technology Policy Frameworks.

During the 2023/24 school year, the department replaced aging devices in the core infrastructure, leading to more stable and robust systems. Portable computers, school projectors and school desktop computers were replaced as part of the division's annual evergreening plan.

Working with the Communications department, a new corporate website and 49 new school websites were launched before the end of the school year. These websites provide visitors with easy access to the information they need and provide a window into school culture and learning.

The infrastructure team monitors applications and systems performance to ensure reliable and consistent uptime, allowing teachers to deliver classroom instruction to students without interruption.

There are staff changes that are occurring in Ward 5 schools.

Elbow Valley Elementary new principal Simon Pols, assistant principal -Jodie Clease

Banded Peak new principal Jody Moore, Assistant principal - Richard DuPre.

Submitted By: Judi Hunter



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The Springbank Creative Arts Club Mission is to encourage the development of arts and crafts within the Springbank community.

We are pleased to announce that the Springbank Christmas market has been booked for Nov 2 and 3rd, 2024 at the Springbank Community High School. The high school art students are invited to show off their artistic skills as part of our mission.

There are tables available for anyone who has handmade quality items, baking, crafters, jewelers, wood working, potters, stained glass, upcycling etc.

Please email yjo999@gmail.com for all information and application forms. Send a few pictures of your items for the jury. Fee is \$130.00 for one 8ft table or space. Limit of 2 tables/spaces per vendor.

There is also room for new members to join the Springbank Creative Arts Club! If you are live in area, have organizer or decorator skills that can be utilized, or just want to meet with likeminded people, please let us

know. Do you have a craft that you would like to share with the group? Send the details and we will see if there is interest. For more information about membership email yjo999@gmail.com

Please contact Janice – email janice3lambert@gmail. com for any new business to be introduced at meetings, dates that are to be determined.

The Annual Fall Sale in November, a few months away, but we are organizing and preparing now for the Christmas Market. The summer goes fast! This event is a great way to meet the fine folks of Springbank and it is a very social event.

See us at the Springbank Fall Fair for a selection of the quality items that will be available at the Christmas Market. Application forms will also be available for membership or vendors.

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Submitted by:

Yvonne Bamlett,

Springbank Creative Arts Club

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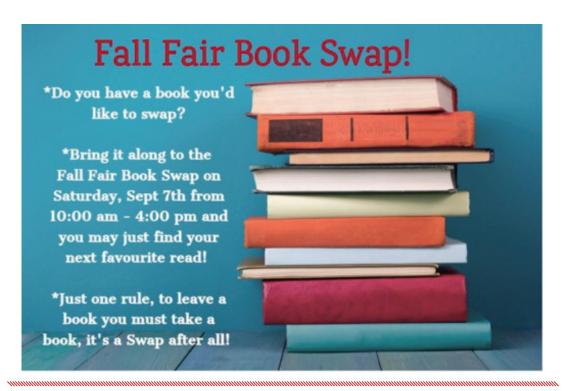
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AD RATES Ad rates are available upon request. All ads must be paid for at time of booking. Full colour is available for an additional charge. Ad bookings are subject to availability; ad rates are subject to change.

NEXT DEADLINE February 10th for editorial content (contact Todd Muir, SPFAS General Manager). February 10th for ads (contact George Vanderveen) 403-242-3113 for delivery late February.







This Year's Christmas Market will be held at the Sprinbank Community High School.

Saturday Nov 2/24 9-5

Sunday Nov 3/24 10-3

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Cochrane RCMP e n c o u r a g e s community to practice crime p r e v e n t i o n through environmental design

Cochrane, Alta. – Cochrane RCMP is sharing tips to reduce property crime, protecting your home and business. Crime P r e v e n t i o n Through Environ-

mental Design (CPTED) is a set of design principles aimed at reducing opportunities for crime to take place. Adjustments to your property can effectively deter criminals by making it more difficult or less desirable to commit crime.

To help keep your property secure, follow the three 'Ds' of CPTED:

Delay

Securing your home, business, and its contents will offer the best advantage for delaying criminals. The more time it takes a criminal to overcome a security function, the more likely they will be detected and caught.

Detect

Ways to increase your ability to detect unwanted guests

can include installing adequate night-time lighting and using a security system. Good lighting, a clear line of site from your main building, and few hiding spots around your property will make detection easier.

Deter

The design of your property has the most significant impact on security. Simple adjustments like installing lights and concealing valuables can have a major impact in deterring criminals. Examples include:

- Keep the windows and doors of your home and outbuildings locked.
- Install security lights or turn on exterior lights in the evening.
- Install a security camera system.
- Store ATVs and vehicles in a garage, remove the keys, and lock everything.
- Do not hide keys on your property, including under doormats, vehicle sun visors, or in fuel caps.
- Trim trees and shrubs to avoid landscaping that may conceal offenders.
- Develop a security routine in which you ensure that your valuables are stored and your property is secured, every night.

"Make sure you have clear sightlines on your property so you can see anyone who might be coming and going", advises Cst. Clayton GELINAS.

For more information on RCMP's CPTED, please visit https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Wh51Iwqln4I.



NATURE SHOTS By: Alison Smooth







- You may have noticed the 'artful' garbage cans in the SPFAS parking lot. We are so proud of the collaboration that we facilitated between the Park and Springbank Community High School art and media students. Thank you to Rocky View County, Todd Muir, teachers Erin Tysowski and Anna Gaudio, and, of course, the artists!
- Our next beautification project is with Springbank Middle School which started before the summer break. The concrete barriers surrounding the parking lot are being painted by students with the theme of "their Springbank community" in mind. Look for its completion this Fall!
- Sign-up for our monthly newsletter for ongoing information on the community at www.springbankcom-

munity.com. Also become a member of our "Neighbourhood Network". We are always looking for people representing the different neighbourhoods in Springbank to keep everyone informed on issues impacting our community.

Are you interested in volunteering for your community with the Springbank Community Association Board? Contact Karin at president@springbankcommunity.com for more information.

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