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KATIE OHE RECOGNIZED BY THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

Katie Ohe, a Springbank resident since 1973, was recently awarded the 2019 Alberta Order of Excellence, the highest honour to be bestowed upon an Albertan citizen. Katie also recently received the 2019 Lieutenant Governor of Alberta's Most Distinguished Artist Award. Both honors recognize Katie as one of the most prolific and innovative artists Alberta has ever produced. A renowned Canadian sculptor, Katie is the first artist to make abstract sculpture in Alberta. Her work has been commissioned and exhibited across Canada, as well as internationally. Her art is included in important collections, including those of the Canada Council Art Bank, the Alberta Foundation for the Arts, the Shell Collection, The University of Calgary, and the Glenbow Museum. Beginning in 1970, she has taught sculpture at the Alberta College of Art + Design (now the Alberta University of the Arts). Many of the students she

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mentored over the years have become successful artists who have attained international recognition. Katie is also the object of several momentous arts exhibitions that took place in 2019. Her art will be featured in the Esker Foundation exhibition that will be held in January of 2020. This exhibition includes the most comprehensive survey and presentation of her work to date.

The awards noted above also recognize Katie's generous and tireless human spirit. She and her artist husband, Harry Kiyooka, set up the Kiyooka Ohe Arts Centre (KOAC) in 2010. They donated their land (20 acres off of Horizon View Road in Springbank), their home, studios, arts library and their art collection, plus a generous endowment fund, to the KOAC. The Arts Centre currently holds over 100 indoor and outdoor pieces in its collection, however KOAC does not currently retain the capacity to show all of them. KOAC's sculpture park has the potential to be the largest of its kind in Western Canada, as well as a cultural destination and economic generator for Springbank and the Greater Calgary Region. One of KOAC's goals is to preserve Calgary's cultural heritage by honoring the large-size works of famous sculptors. The KOAC site is being carefully developed by local landscape architect (and KOAC Board Member) Len Novak, so it maximizes the presence of artworks in a natural setting while encouraging viewers to wander through the grounds. As the installation of new artworks progresses, the KOAC site will continue to evolve into an arts destination that is accessible by everyone, regardless of their level of education and social background. "We often think of

art viewing as an indoor experience, moving through museums and galleries to experience painting and sculpture. But some of the best art can be seen blended with nature," said Novak.

As part of its legacy, a priority for KOAC is to protect 10 acres of Aspen, Birch and first growth forests located on the site. This area is being preserved and retained as a green corridor and woods sanctuary. During summer months, KOAC visitors can stroll along designed walkways that meander through the botanic garden and the sculpture park.

Working on a project by project basis, KOAC partners with the Springbank community to come together through art, a central tenet of KOAC mandate. Katie says KOAC wants to encourage everyone to see that there is no "wrong" way to look at art. "We want the general public to enjoy art," she says. "It doesn't require special education, only the fun and the pleasure that lies in applying our imagination." Last summer, KOAC hosted a group of teenagers from different Alberta locations during a four-day workshop. In 2020, KOAC will be working with local schools under the guidance of local art teachers and KOAC artists in residence to hold workshops that will bring the creative process to classrooms in conjunction with providing students with opportunities to visit the artists' studios.

Go to www.koartscentre.org to learn more about the Kiyooka Ohe Arts Centre, to subscribe to our news feed, to donate, or to book a visit.

Contributed by Ricardo Castillo Arguello, KOAC Executive Director



SPRINGBANK COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL PHOENIX ALUMNI STUDENTS CELEBRATE UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY DINOS' NATIONAL CIAU UNIVERSITY FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Three Former SCHS Football Players on Winning Dinos Team

The U of C Dinos won the Vanier Cup in convincing fashion, with a 27 to 13 victory over the Montreal Carabins in Quebec City on Saturday, November 23rd. This great victory for the Dinos, the highest achievement in Canadian university football, is also a victory for the Springbank community. Numerous players from the Springbank area have played for the Dinos over the years. Most of these players have been trained by dedicated coaches from the Junior Phoenix Program and Springbank Community High School.

The 2019 Dinos' journey to the Vanier Cup was challenging and rewarding, as the team completed the regular season with a 6 win and 2 loss record. Injuries loomed large during the regular season, as many senior starting players were out of the lineup for various games. These setbacks made the team stronger and more unified

going into the playoffs. The Dinos met the University of Manitoba Bisons in their 1st playoff game, which ended in a very close 47 to 46 victory for the Dinos. The Dinos then advanced to the Hardy Cup (Western Division Championship) for the 12th consecutive year, where they defeated the University of Saskatchewan Huskies by a score of 29 to 4. The Dinos were now Western Division Champions and the team was firing on all cylinders! To emphasize team spirit and to unify the players, they all dyed their hair blonde. Now the Dinos were a highly spirited and unified team of players with bizarre hair colours, ranging from platinum blonde to brassy yellow. They were now "all in" and together for the long haul! One player was quoted saying, "If we lose now, we will all look silly with these crazy hair colours."

The Dinos punched their ticket to the Vanier Cup



National Championship game with a decisive 30 to 17 victory over McMaster University in the National Semi-Final Mitchell Bowl. Now the Dinos were in the Vanier Cup National Championship game! This was the 5th time in the past 10 years the Dinos qualified to play in the Vanier Cup, a real testimony to the consistency and high caliber of the team during this decade. The Dinos' 2019 Vanier Cup victory was the team's first CIAU Canadian University Football Championship in 24 years (i.e. since 1995).

This year's national champion Dinos team included three players from Springbank, brothers Daniel and Nate Teitz, along with Scott MacDonell. Micah Teitz, a former Dino and Springbank Phoenix player who formerly played for the Dinos and now plays in the Canadian Football League (CFL) with the Saskatchewan Roughriders, was able to celebrate the victory with his brothers. Springbank resident and a former Dinos and Calgary Stampeders quarterback Andrew Buckley served as the Dinos quarterback coach for this season's team, so he was able to celebrate the championship with his fellow coaches as well as with the players.

The U of C Dinos' national championship should be shared with the coaching staff of the Springbank Community High School's and Junior Phoenix's football teams. Phoenix football coaches have consistently developed players who are highly skilled, able to play football at the university level, and win national championships. The players always have fun playing on the two Springbank football teams as they represent the Springbank community. Maybe all of the rarified pure air that blows over the mountains into Springbank gives the Phoenix's players and coaches the "extra edge" that serves them so very well on the football field!

Contributed by Martin and Hope Teitz



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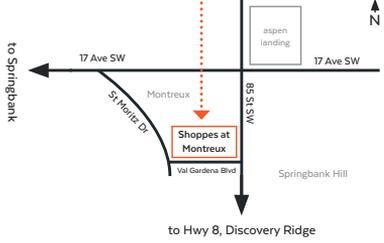
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A Fair Deal for Alberta

Alberta needs a fair deal from our federation, and it is my honour to be granted the opportunity to fight for it.

Lately the lack of national unity spreading across our country and how a deserving Alberta can properly fit back in to greater Canada has been weighing heavily on my heart.

Prior to the federal election, our United Conservative provincial government proactively undertook the task of legislating a self-reliant Alberta to the best of our ability, so as to fireproof ourselves regardless of what election results were to be realized. We repealed the carbon tax, took measures to incentive Alberta-based job creation, and filed a constitutional challenge against the no-more-pipelines Bill C-69. Still, our recent polling numbers indicate that roughly 30% of Albertans across the province of all ages, genders, geographic locations, and backgrounds support separation. Further, upwards of 75% of Albertans identify as sympathizers of separatist sentiment. While myself and my government remain committed to Canada, this strong alienation and frustration that many are feeling across our province cannot be ignored. This alienation and frustration that we are feeling is completely and entirely warranted. As Albertans – we do deserve better within this Federation. And we deserve it now.

That is why I am incredibly honoured to have been recently appointed to Alberta's Fair Deal Panel by our Premier, Jason Kenney. I will be one of only three government MLAs chosen to sit on the Panel and have the honour of working alongside greats like including Preston Manning and Donna Kennedy-Glans as we discuss and strategize this government's next steps towards building a formidable Alberta.

For the next three months our Panel will travel across Alberta and host what will likely be widely attended townhalls to discuss the merits and public interest of the many ideas contained in the 2001 firewall letter, including but not limited to: collecting our own taxes, creating a provincial pension plan, establishing a provincial police force, appointing a Chief Firearms Officer, enshrining our own Albertan Constitution, and equalization reform. At the completion of the tour, our Panel will then author an extensive report detailing our findings and recommendations of how Alberta shall proceed on our path to independence and prosperity within Canada.

Our government and the many Albertans we represent have had enough with Ottawa's absolute indiffer-

ence towards our adversity, and enough with Ottawa's ambivalence towards our world-leading energy and agricultural industries. With the formation of this Panel, our United Conservative Government is promising you that we are committed to bold action backed by extensive public consultation. The times where our province is forced to sit idly by and let the rest of Canada decide our fate are over. It is time we take matters into our own hands and build an Alberta - and a Canada - that works for everyone, not just those living on the other coast. We are all frustrated with the state of our federation, but that does not mean we should outrightly give up on our federation. It means we must fight for it, and it is my honour to be one of the few to be spearheading the charge.

Townhalls will be scheduled for Calgary, Edmonton, Lloydminster, Lethbridge, Medicine Hat, Grande Prairie, and Red Deer. Additional meetings in rural communities will be also announced in the coming weeks.

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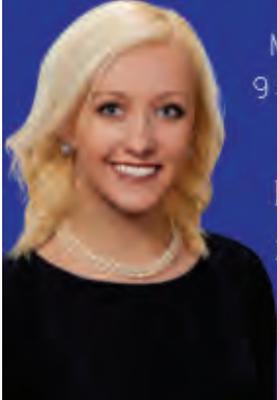
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KIM MCKYLOR

Rocky View Country Councillor for Division 2



As I write this column, it is snowing outside and in the past 24 hours it has gone from no snow to a winter wonderland. Change. I can complain about it, I can curse as I'm shoveling our sidewalk, feeling cold or wiping up the wet dog feet marks as they run in – or I can embrace it. I can marvel in the crisp whiteness

and how large and close the mountains feel. I can enjoy the warmth of a hot drink, an extra sweater or the new flannel sheets I just bought.

The reality is change happens. It happens all around us every day. We welcome new children into the world, we say goodbye to others. We change jobs, we retire, we start kindergarten and we graduate from high school or university. We have kids move out, we have kids move in – we work through elderly parents concerns or we become the elderly parent. Natural movement of the planet. Change.

I haven't always easily adapted to change. In fact, I've gone down fighting for causes I've believed in – but the reality is when those changes inevitably happened, and with the value of hindsight, these things have never been too bad, and in fact, more often than not added value that I hadn't even considered.

When I think of change, I'm often reminded of a test question I got wrong when I wrote my learners permit (too many years ago to mention) – but I think of that question now as a metaphor for change. The question was something like, when you're driving down a straight road do you..... a) keep the wheel straight b) make sharp corrections to the left or right or c) make small adjustments from time to time.

Well, I picked A – seemed reasonable, straight road, straight wheel, but of course the correct answer was C. The road, even when straight, shifts, has bumps, other cars move in and out, has ruts or other obstacles and if you aren't course correcting and paying attention – you'll find yourself someplace unintended.

How we feel about change is up to us, we can curse or we can wrap ourselves up in warmth – and find ways to look for the value in change. Rocky View County is changing. We have so much to offer for residents but also we have

so much to contribute to the region, especially when our neighboring municipalities may be feeling the effects in different ways during this 5-year long recession. We are in a pretty good place, but that doesn't mean we hold the wheel straight, we need to adjust as the road we are on isn't the same as the road 6 years ago when we looked at our Municipal Development Plan. Our Springbank ASP and the School Board Reserves agreement are both over 20 years old, and we need to adjust. We need ensure we are still meeting the needs of our RVC residents. Young families are moving into our community, as older ones leave – and what we had, needed or wanted 20 years ago, may not be what we need or want for the next 20 years. Change. Building for future has been the goal for this Council in 2019 and I think we are on the road – not always straight, but always adjusting as we go!

Over this Christmas Season, I wish for you and your family to enjoy the very best. I wish you the time to enjoy what makes you happy. I wish you nothing but warmth and some new flannel sheets! Merry Christmas to you!

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Men's Evening Hockey Leagues

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Springbank Curling Club's Monday - Friday Night Time Curling Leagues

Women's Day Time Hockey - Contact SPFAS to be linked up with Juliette Ganske.

Outdoor Rink - Contact SPFAS to ask about day time free ice use and ice rentals.

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Come to SPFAS to have fun, play, learn and socialize. You are welcome to call SPFAS (403 242 2223) or go to the SPFAS website (www.springbankpark.com) to obtain additional information with regards to any of the above noted activities.



Contributed by John Rop, SPFAS General Manager

KEVIN HANSON

Rocky View Country Councillor for Division 3



Municipal Planning Commission

Council is most of the way to establishing a Municipal Planning Commission (MPC). Administration delivered background information at the September 24th Council Meeting (their report is included in the Meeting

Agenda). At the November 26th Council Meeting, we passed third reading of Bylaw C-7967, as amended. This did not require a public hearing. What remains is to modify the Land Use Bylaw (LUB) to permit use of the new Commission. This will require a public hearing, which should take place early next year.

A municipality may establish a MPC and prescribe in the bylaw the Commission's functions and duties including, but not limited to, subdivision and development authority powers and duties. The MPC can be strictly advisory, or it can be given development authority.

A MPC that is strictly advisory could be valuable where there are benefits to being completely arms-length, and also where there are substantial complex, novel, or divisive planning policy questions to be explored with much public input. That said, Rocky View County (RVC) is choosing the full authority option, and has carefully considered the terms of reference. The Commission will consist solely of the nine Councillors. Council is firmly integrating the Commission into our governance framework (e.g. LUB).

A MPC usually proves valuable in relieving Administration from making politically sensitive decisions. It ensures discretion in development authority decision making is exercised by a panel rather than individual administrative personnel. However, it has the potential to add to the time required to make decisions. There may also be a feeling that a panel is less subject to bias.

Bias and Planning Decisions

Bias in planning decisions can result in decisions being overturned in the courts at great expense to the municipality. People elected to Council often come with strong

views on issues that matter to the community. However, strong views can become problematic when they prevent a Councillor from considering the views of others.

The Municipal Government Act's (MGA) Code of Conduct Regulation requires the Council's code to at a minimum include such matters as representing the municipality, respecting the decision-making process, and adherence to policies, procedures and bylaws. Further protecting taxpayers, the MGA allows complaints to be made to the Alberta Ombudsman to determine whether a municipality has acted fairly and reasonably, and also whether decisions were consistent with relevant policies, procedures and legislation.

Planning documents and policies that have been approved by Council are valid until amended. MPC members must adhere to adopted policies and plans when carrying out their planning duties, even if these policies run counter to their own views or contradict their election platforms. It is also important that Councillors demonstrate a willingness to consider a broad range of views on planning issues.

To help achieve this, Councillors must distinguish their role on Council from their role on a Municipal Planning Commission:

Councillors are elected to represent the views of their constituents and strong opinions are to be expected. But, Councillors must be careful when meeting with their constituents and when speaking at Council to ensure they do not show an unwillingness to consider the opinions of others, or demonstrate a "closed mind", or "an expression of a final opinion on a matter that cannot be dislodged".

When a Councillor is acting as a member of a Municipal Planning Commission, the test for bias is much stricter. Here, bias is determined on the basis of whether a reasonable observer identifies impartiality.

Hopefully this background will allow you to assess your County's performance as we move towards fully implementing our new Municipal Planning Commission.

Please contact me with any concerns or feedback that you would like me to represent to the County staff or my fellow Council Members - OFFICE 403.520.1290, CELL 403.463.1166, Kevin.Hanson@RockyView.ca.



SPRINGBANK COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR GIRLS VOLLEYBALL TEAM MAKES HISTORY

Bring Home 1st Ever Provincial Championship Banner

What a record-breaking season! The Senior Girls Volleyball team started their season in September at the U of A tournament with a 10th place finish. Two weeks later, the team had an impressive 2nd place finish at the U of C tournament. The girls then really came together as a team and finished the season with three straight 1st place finishes at the UBCO Kelowna, St. Francis and Strathmore tournaments. The team also went undefeated and finished 1st in league play, winning the Rocky View Schools Divisional Banner.

At the South Central Zone Championship, the team played well and made it to the finals. After finishing 2nd, the team received a wildcard spot which qualified the girls to play in the Provincials in St. Paul, Alberta the following weekend.

Springbank was ranked 9th overall going into the Provincials. This gave the girls an advantage, as no opponents considered the team to be a championship contender. To start the Provincials, the girls didn't play their best in the 1st game, losing to Edmonton Christian. The girls then built momentum as they won their next 4 matches to finish 2nd in their round robin pool, which secured the team a playoff spot in the quarter finals. On the final day of the Provincials, the girls won their quarter finals match against Crescent Heights from

Medicine Hat. The team then advanced to the semi finals to play the tournament favorite, Peace Wapiti Academy from Grande Prairie. Springbank won again, which earned the team a place in the Provincial final for a rematch against Edmonton Christian. Springbank lost the 1st set and then dug really deep to battle back and win the 2nd set, forcing a 3rd and deciding set. Springbank took the lead, 13-11 before Kyla Raessler's served a ball that caught the top of the net and rolled in for the 14th point. Her next serve was mishandled by the opponents, and Springbank earned the 15th and match winning point. The girls all started celebrating their championship victory together. What a way for the team to cap off an outstanding season!

The Springbank Senior girls had a very special team this season. The team carried 15 girls on the roster and every player played and made a difference! If one player was struggling, another stepped in to play very well. The bond shared between all of the girls was so very strong! The girls were led by team captain, Grace Coulter, who continually made huge power plays. Sarah Zonneveld also made many big setting plays, while Kyla Raessler contributed numerous crucial serves and blocks. This team was also special because the coaches were able to bring any player into a game knowing she would make a difference.



The team's players are listed as follows:

In power: Michaela Cacic, Emily Petrone, Tanis Erasmus, Peyton Reimer, Grace Coulter

In middle: Skyler Bouwmeester, Jennah Amin, Ryann Trelying, Kyla Raessler

Setting: Stephanie Wiltse, Sam Schiesser, Sammy Averill, Maggie Galonski, Sarah Zonneveld

Libero: Alexa Broen (who came back from an early injury to make an amazing difference by instilling a sense of confidence in her teammates).

The girls extend a big "thank you" to coaches Allan Coulter and Judy Zonneveld, who brought a wealth of volleyball knowledge and skill that elevated the team to the provincial championship level. The girls also extend a special "thank you" to team Manager and Assistant Coach Ioan Matthews, whose motivation, energy, enthusiasm, along with countless hours of his voluntary time, contributed to the team's success. Very well done, Phoenix. You are all true Champions!

Contributed by Allan Coulter, Judy Zonneveld and Ioan Matthews

Springbank LADIES TIME OUT

Ladies Time Out (LTO) in Springbank had a great Fall Session, during which our members had opportunities to acquire many kitchen tips from our wonderful instructors in classes that included learning about Lebanese and Vietnamese cooking, as well as making street tacos and Oktoberfest themed meals. We also enjoyed knitting, cookie baking, cupcake decorating and art classes, as well as many other activities. We wrapped up the Fall Session by hosting our annual LTO Christmas Market, when we all shared a wonderful morning of visiting and shopping while supporting local vendors.

We welcome new and returning members to join us for our Winter Session Registration, which will be held Monday, January 13th starting at 9 a.m. Please arrive on time, as class sign up happens on a first come, first served basis. Some of the activities planned for the Winter Session include needle felting, art, stoneware glazing and glass fusion. We will also offer weekly cooking and fitness classes, massages, facials, reflexology, as well as a drop-in coffee and chat group.

LTO in Springbank provides a meeting place for women residing in Springbank, Calgary and elsewhere. We come together for coffee and conversation as well as to participate in a wide variety of registered classes. We meet Monday mornings at the Eden Brook Reception Centre that is located on Lower Springbank Road and 17th Avenue SW.

To obtain additional information and view an event calendar, visit our LTO website at www.springbanklto.com. You can also follow us on Facebook and Instagram (@springbanklto) to view photos of past activities and to learn about upcoming events. Have questions? Send your email to springbanklto@gmail.com. We look forward to seeing you in the New Year!

Contributed by Nicole Genereux for Ladies Time Out

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SPRINGBANK WILDLIFE

Thanks to the Springbank residents who have shared with us their locally taken photos that are included in this Park Patter Newsletter. If you'd like to share photos of birds or other wildlife you've recently taken in Springbank, email them to jrop@springbankpark.com. Thank you for keeping the photos coming! SPFAS receives lots of positive comments from Park Patter readers with regards to how much they enjoy reviewing Newsletter's regularly featured Wildlife section.

This Newsletter includes a Peter Flach's spectacular photo of a pheasant, a very rare sight indeed to see within our Springbank Community. Brian Robb has contributed three terrific photos he took this past October, one of a mule buck in rut, another of a cow moose and the third of a muskrat swimming in the Bow River. Rosanna Desautels had her camera out this fall when she took some great photos of a pair of Downey Woodpeckers and a flock of Bohemian waxwings.

Thanks very much to the Springbank residents who have shared their bird and wildlife photos with our Park Patter Newsletter readers.



Contributed by John Rop – SPFAS General Manager



SPRINGBANK COMMUNITY COMES TOGETHER TO DONATE TEDDY BEARS

The Springbank Community Association and the Springbank Park For All Seasons came together along with volunteers from the Elbow Valley Elementary (EVE) School to host the first ever Teddy Bear Family Skate on November 11th. The turnout was overwhelming and it was wonderful to see so many people from our Springbank community skating together! We collected over 250 Bears, which were donated to the Calgary Hitmen for their Teddy Bear Toss event. Together with the bears collected at the EVE School, we tried to help the Hitmen reclaim the record for the most stuffed toys donated and collected at a hockey game. A very special

guest, the Hitmen's own "Farley the Fox", came all the way from the Calgary Saddledome to skate with us and then deliver the bears to the team. Everyone enjoyed a fantastic time at the rink!

We would like to thank the Tim Hortons located on Old Banff Coach Road & 85th Street for providing coffee, hot chocolate and timbits for our skaters. We also wish to thank the Springbank Park For All Seasons for providing lots of support for this event.

Contributed by Manhar Cheema and Caley Remington



COME SKATE OR CURL AT SPFAS DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON

Have Fun at SPFAS – Times Available for Free Public Facility Use & Private Facility Rentals

This is the 4th consecutive year SPFAS will have the Outdoor Rink (ODR) with a refrigerated ice system available to the general public during the Christmas – New Year's season.

Go to the SPFAS webpage at <http://springbankpark.com/index.php/facilities/outdoor-rink.html> to obtain information regarding times and dates when the ODR will be open for free public shinny (with sticks and pucks permitted) and free public skating (skates only) during the holiday season from December 20th to January 3rd. The adjacent Fieldhouse will also be open when the ODR is available for public shinny or skating sessions. Be sure to share the ODR with others (play together, no bullying, share the ice). Be respectful of the ODR and Fieldhouse (keep them clean, no alcohol/smoking/vaping/cannabis). Be safe (use your judgement re wearing protective equipment, shooting pucks, skating with speed). And abide by the Outdoor Rink's Code of Conduct (posted in the Fieldhouse and at the ODR).

SPFAS is also planning to have ice times available during the holiday season for free indoor public shinny and skating, as well as for free public curling. And SPFAS can make times available during the holiday season when families and individuals can rent one of the two indoor arenas, or the curling rink, for private uses. To obtain more information regarding indoor skating/hockey/ringette and curling ice rental opportunities, contact SPFAS using one of the following alternatives:

Call SPFAS at 403 242 2223 Extension 22 or send an email to rentals@springbank-park.com

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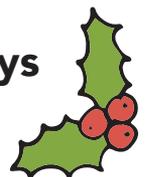
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SPRINGBANK COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL PHOENIX FOOTBALL TEAM CELEBRATES PAST SEASON

On December 5th, the Springbank Community High School's Senior Phoenix Football Team held their annual year-end banquet at the Springbank Links Golf Course.

This event was a wonderful evening of celebrating the young men who played on this year's team, as well as their accomplishments during the past season. Notable team and individual player achievements from this past season include:

- Winning the Rocky View Schools League "B Division" Championship Banner
- Commitments to U of Cy Dinos Football Program – Luke Barnard & Colin Clarke
- League Offensive Lineman of the Year – Jakob Toews
- League Rookie of the Year – Yianni Georgacacos
- League Heart Award – Malcolm Laurie
- League MVP's – Luke Barnard (Defensive Line), Evan Buckley (Defensive Back), Colin Clarke (Linebacker), Jack O'Brien (Running Back) & Danny Skelton (Quarterback).

The Phoenix Football team thanks the following parties, as without them, none of the success attained by the team and its players this past season would have been possible:

Springbank Links Golf Course Staff and Kevin Heise for providing a venue, as well as for hosting an incredible season celebration dinner event.



Corey Mace (Defensive Line Coach of the Calgary Stampeders) for attending and speaking with the boys.

The entire Springbank community for their support in fundraising, donations and encouragement to the players.

The Springbank Park For All Seasons for their facilities and support throughout the season.

The players' parents for their dedication and commitment to supporting our players through donations for team dinners, chains, yardage, timers and scorekeepers and so much more.

The players' parents also thank the team's coaches for their dedication in coaching our boys to be fine young men, both on and off of the football field:

- Head Coach - Shane Martell
- Defensive Coordinator - Chris Flory
- Defensive Line Coach - Chris Belly
- Running Backs Coach - Mike Mario
- Offensive Coordinator - Jordan Perrault
- Defensive Secondary Coach - Aki Georgacacos
- Offensive Line Coach - Tony Laratta
- Quarterback Coaches - Levi Jackson/Craig Bischke
- Special Teams - Jordan Perrault/Aki Georgacacos.

Contributed by Shane Martel, SCHS Phoenix Football Team's Head Coach

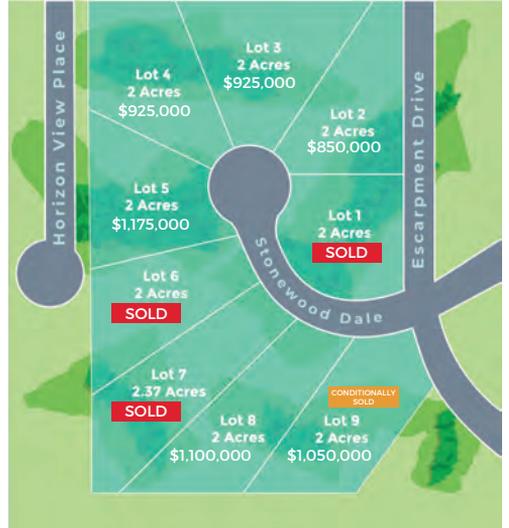


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SPRINGBANK Figure Skating Club



The Springbank Figure Skating Club is into the full swing of things, with skaters preparing for competitions in both the competitive and StarSkate streams. For competitive skaters, their most important competition is Sectionals, which bring together the most competitive and outstanding skaters from Alberta, Northwest Territories and Nunavut to vie for the podium. This year, the Club's youngest competing skater was Stella Mitchell, who at the age of 10, was a force to watch on the ice as she performed her double combination jumps.

Our oldest and most seasoned competitors continue to reach the podium. They will be heading off to the National Challenge event, where they will compete towards the Nationals. Relying on their skills, strengths and consistency, Grace Johnson and Dawson Nodwell continue to be amongst Alberta's finest skaters who will be representing our province.

The strength of our Club, however, is also clearly noticeable in the Starskate competitions. This season is no exception. The first competition held in Edmonton from November 22nd to 24th saw Kennedy Bond step on the podium in Starskate 10, which is also a qualifying competition for the Alberta Winter Games in February of 2020. From December 7th – 9th, 31 skaters competed in Cochrane in both artistic and Starskate events, while also attempting to qualify for the Alberta Winter Games.

The quality of our Club is largely attributed to the incredible training and mentorship provided by a team of full-time Skate Canada coaches who specialize in the development of a wide range of technical and artistic skating skills. Despite our Club's relatively small size in relation to larger Figure Skating Clubs (which average 400 skaters), the Springbank Figure Skating Club is known for developing highly skilled skaters across all of the Club's skating levels.

*Contributed by
Dianne Gereluk
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don't know they have it until it is too late, because 80% of kidney function can be lost without any symptoms. Anyone can develop kidney disease. Some are at higher risk than others, such as those with

high blood pressure, diabetes, and genetic predispositions. One in ten Canadians has kidney disease. Each day 15 people learn their kidneys have failed. Kidney disease is a life long 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.

The Kidney Foundation is thrilled to see the Kidney March, which celebrated its 10th anniversary in 2019, continue to grow every year. This year's financial goal was to raise \$1 million for kidney disease prevention, lifesaving research, patient programs and organ donation initiatives. To date, Kidney March 2019 has exceeded that goal by raising just over \$1.4 million.

It's not every day that ordinary people get to be heroes, but they do during the Kidney March. Join us in 2020 for an unforgettable journey where... Failure is Not an Option.

To learn more about the Kidney March or register for the next one, go to www.KidneyMarch.ca or call 1.866.956.2724 .

Contributed by Michelle Hofer, Coordinator of Community Development, Kidney Foundation of Canada, Southern Alberta and Saskatchewan Branch



"Patients and their families see how much the health professionals really care when they walk together in this March," says Joyce Van Deurzen, Executive Director of The Kidney Foundation of Canada, Southern Alberta. "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 they certainly have. 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 lives, there's no question about that."

Early detection is vital for treating kidney disease. Most



SPRINGBANK HERITAGE CLUB

The Springbank Heritage Club's Annual Bake Sale was held on November 2nd. This event was very well attended and all of the baked goods available were sold. We also had delicious lunches available for sale, which included 4 types of homemade soup as well as 3 varieties of sandwiches. Thank you to all who worked so hard on Friday and Saturday to make this event a huge success. The tables were filled with a wonderful variety of bread, buns, pies, tarts, cookies, loaf cakes, Christmas cakes, jams, candy, etc. Our Club has so many great "bakers"! Thanks to all who contributed baked goods or cash donations.

There's something new happening at the Heritage Club which will be of interest to the '50+ers' in our community who would like to join us, but are working weekdays. Over the past year or so, a Sunday afternoon games session has evolved, with this activity typically running from 1 – 4 p.m. The same types of games are available on Tuesday afternoons. These sessions include opportunities to play cards, pool, shuffleboard and carpet bowling. And you are welcome to bring along your craft hobby to work on as you socialize at the Heritage Club's facility. Newcomers are always very welcome!



In the past few months, our upbeat Special Events Program has included YYC and Fall Colours tours, a turkey supper, an outstanding presentation about hawks by the Calgary Wildlife Rehabilitation Society, and the highly successful Annual Bake Sale. (see above). As always, the Heritage Club extends a

grateful "thank you" to the Springbank Lions Club for providing a bus and driver so Club members can travel to our off site special events.

- The Club's regularly scheduled activities are listed as follows:
- Choral Group: 10 a.m. -12 noon Tuesdays (Contact Joan at 403 851 3818 to obtain more information)
- Games: 1 – 3:30 p.m. Tuesdays (Bridge, crib, canasta, pool, shuffleboard, carpet bowling plus crafts)
- Jam Sessions: 1:00 p.m. Fridays (Contact Roy at 403 242 9091 – For instrumentalists and vocalists)
- Games: 1 – 4:00 p.m. Sundays (Same as on Tuesdays – See above) Fourth Wednesdays of each month – Potluck lunches or dinners.

Contributed by Shirley Tajcnar and Joan Zwingli

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Hello Springbank!

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We are pleased to invite you to our 2nd Annual Wine & Cheese on January 20th at 7PM. All Springbank-area residents are welcome to attend this great event at the Heritage Club.

Bow River Dam Process (Glenbow East):

Thank you to everyone that attended our information night October 23, 2019. In less than one month, we collected just under 700 letters of concern which were delivered to Alberta Environment and Parks (AEP).

We recently met with AEP to discuss, in more detail, our comments regarding the Glenbow East Dam option on the Bow River. These included: destruction of six stewardship parks, damage and loss of trails and pathways, loss of existing infrastructure, devaluation of real estate in Bears paw and Springbank, loss of views and property to transmission lines, environmental degradation to shoreline and loss of wildlife corridors and wetlands, loss of historical and cultural sites, loss of economic opportunities due to lost recreation and river access, no upstream flood mitigation, and potential impacts to water co-ops. This map highlights the impacted lands which run from Cochrane to Calgary.

For more specifics around these concerns please visit our website at springbankcommunity.com.

AEP is wrapping up the Conceptual Assessment phase of the process by March, 2020, and will be moving forward to conduct Feasibility Studies on all three of their options, including the expanded Ghost Lake and Morley Reservoirs. The Feasibility Study process will take some time - 2 to 3 years. In the mean time, we have asked AEP to host an information session with affected landowners so that they know their rights and obligations during this process.

We will continue to monitor this project for the community & report back. Although the public comment period is closed, AEP staff were open to receiving public input at aep.bowbasin@gov.ab.ca.

One reason many Springbank folks did not receive information pamphlets from AEP in the fall was due to old addresses still showing on your land title. If you have lived in your home for a long time, it is likely that your mailing address is out of date at land titles. If you did not receive information from AEP,

we encourage you to go check your address at a registry office so that you receive communications in the future. Some 300 mail-outs were returned to AEP.

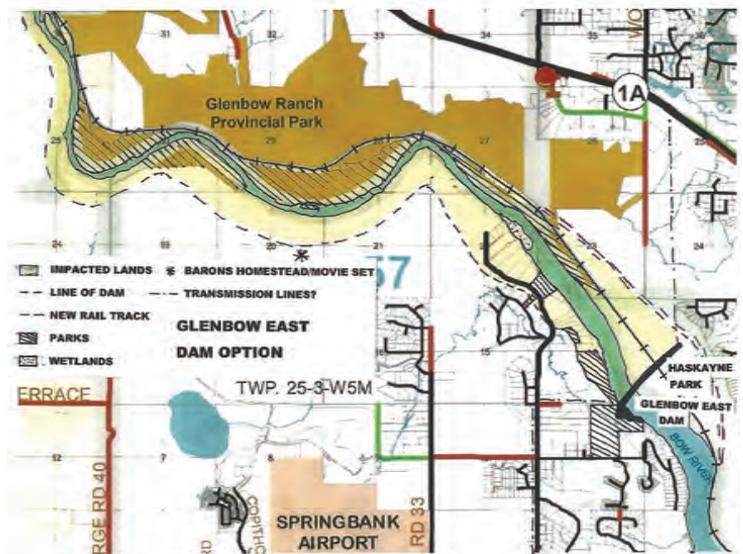
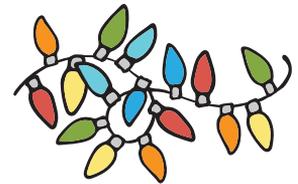
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Happy Holidays!

Submitted by Karin Hunter, Jan Erisman and Terry Dowsett





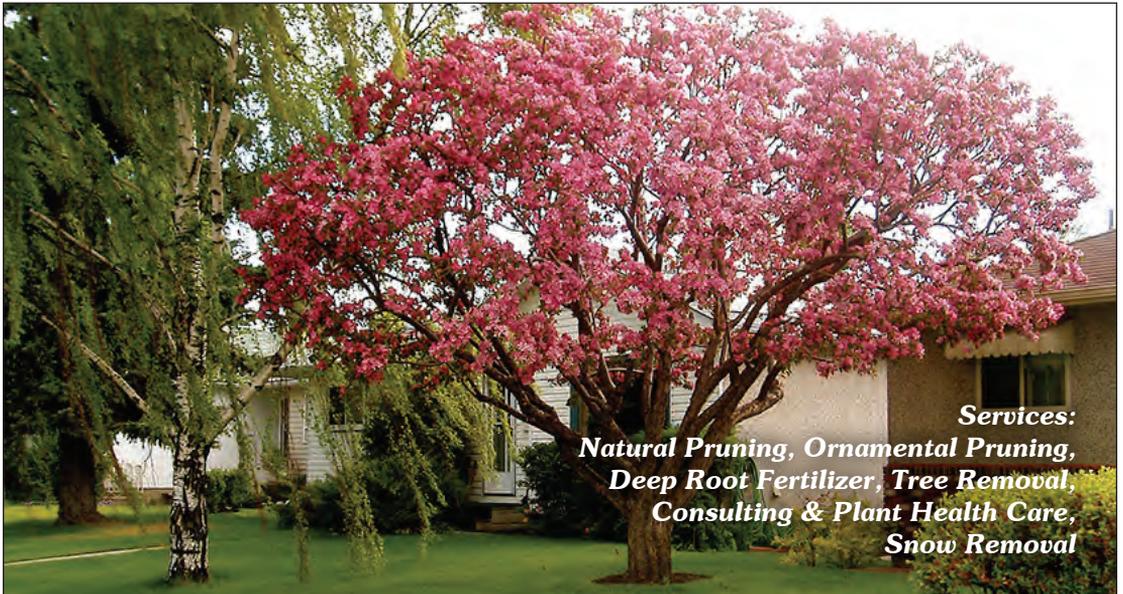
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SPRINGBANK JUNIOR PHOENIX FOOTBALL TEAM'S SEASON REVIEW

On October 26th, the 2019 Junior Phoenix Football Team played their final game of the season on a cold snowy day in Rocky Mountain House. This game brought an end to a season that began when training camp opened for the boys on August 26th. From that point onward, the team practiced 4 days a week in conjunction with, beginning in September, playing Central Football League games every Saturday. This year's team was very young and it featured a number of Grade 7's and 8's who played very important roles. Due to the high number of younger players on the team, the Junior Phoenix had a very up and down season, finishing with a record of 1 win and 5 losses in the very competitive Central Football League. With this record, the team placed 11th amongst 14 teams. Springbank's first round playoff opponent was Rocky Mountain House and, although the boys fought hard, the Junior Phoenix lost the game by a score of 30 - 16.

The Junior Phoenix included 25 boys who were hard working, very dedicated and most willing to take on whatever roles the team required them to take on to be successful on the field. The boys took turns playing a variety of positions. All of the players contributed immensely to the on field success of the team. The improvements attained by all of the players from the start to the end of the season were amazing and very gratifying for the team's coaching staff.

Along with contributing to the team's overall accomplishments, two players were named to the Central Football League's All Star Team. Congratulations for being named League All Stars goes out Junior Phoenix

team quarterback Tucker Cacic, as well as to Conrad Binmore, who was also recognized as the team's MVP (most valuable player).

Assistant Coaches Leon Lyszkiewicz, Milan Cacic, Gannon Wills and JT Clark very capably assisted Head Coach Dan Toews throughout the season. Their help and support during the season were instrumental for ensuring all of the team's players enjoyed playing football while learning about the game. Warmest thanks and appreciation also go out to Kristin Clark, who did an outstanding job in her role as the team's Manager. In addition, all of the team's players and coaching staff thank other volunteers, especially the parents of the players, who contributed to the team having a successful season.

The Junior Phoenix also thanks the Springbank Park For All Seasons for providing the beautiful new grass turf football field that was christened this season. The team really appreciates having the opportunity to play and practice on this football field, as well as being able to use the new open space practice field beside it. And, as has been done in prior years, the team also appreciates having been able to use the fieldhouse facility this past season. The Springbank football program now has facilities that are second to none in the entire Central Football League. The future looks very bright for the Junior team!

Congratulation to the 2019 Junior Phoenix team's football players for a job well done!

Contributed by Dan Toews, Head Coach of the Springbank Junior Phoenix Football Team



SPRINGBANK RAWHIDES 4-H CLUB

The Springbank Rawhides are off to a great start in their 4-H year. Our Club is participating in a variety of projects that include equine, canine and life skills activities, as well as a new guinea pig project.

The Rawhides are currently looking forward to their annual Christmas party. This year, the Club decided to host a bowling and pizza party at the Cochrane Lanes. Every year before Christmas, our Club participates in a community service project. This year, our Club chose to help out with the Stuff-A-Bus charity

in Cochrane on December 14th. Members brought food, clothing and other gifts which were loaded on a bus that was parked outside of the Canadian Tire store.

4-H offers a variety of activities between meetings and events that provide Club members with additional opportunities to get together. Members are excited to



participate in upcoming Curling and Winter Bonanza activities. The Springbank Rawhides are glad to be hosting a 4-H Curling activity in Crossfield this coming January. It is open to all 4-H Clubs located within the Calgary

Region. Members of all ages have enjoyed this activity in the past, even if they had never curled before. The Winter Bonanza is a weekend-long camp for junior and intermediate Club members who participate in various activities, including skating, snowshoeing and playing games.

The Springbank Rawhides extend “Happy Holidays” greetings to everyone! If you have any questions about the opportunities 4-H has to offer, please contact the Springbank Rawhides Club’s leader, Norma Ansløos, via email at norma.ansloos@parker.com.

Contributed by Jennifer Sadownyk

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Looking After Neighbours Who Are Away

We all enjoy time away on vacation. Residences where nobody is home are potentially greater targets for thieves. They do not want to be seen, identified or caught. When we help our neighbours, we help our community. Examples of how you can watch out for a neighbour who is away include communicating in advance of a departure date so you know when a house is unoccupied, picking up parcels left at doors, removing snow from a driveway, parking a vehicle in a driveway, checking the inside and outside of a residence (including switching lights on and off) and having your neighbour's emergency contact information available. Help your neighbour by making an unoccupied residence look like someone is actually at home. Good neighbours take turns looking out for each other.

Distracted Driving Epidemic

Distracted driving is generally defined as any diversion of an individual's attention while that person is driving a vehicle, usually due to a driver focusing on an object,



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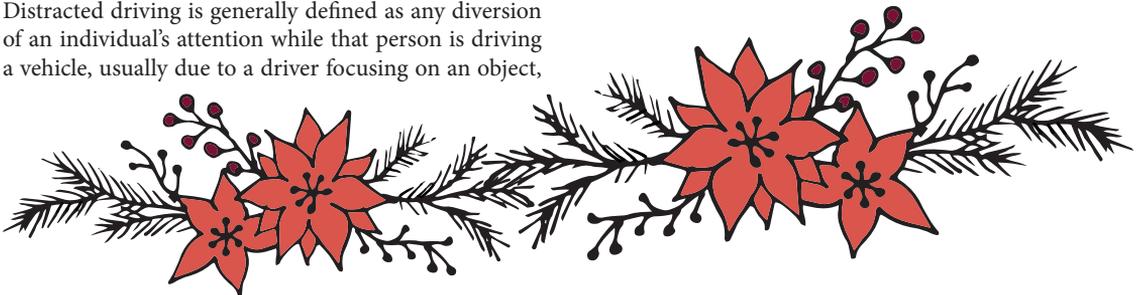
Leaving our cell phones off and inaccessible and promoting safe 'smart' phone use when we are driving.

To Obtain More Information From Rural Crime Watch (RCW)

Check out the news and links included on the following RCW websites: <https://cfparcw.ca/> and

<https://www.ruralcrimewatch.ab.ca/>. Invite your neighbours to become part of the RCW community movement. Continually look for ways to send the following message to would be intruders and thieves: "Beware. These rural people are informed, prepared and connected to deter crime."

Contributed by Jim Willson for Rural Crime Watch – Cochrane Foothills Protective Association



2ND SEASON OF BEACH VOLLEYBALL AT SPFAS COMING IN MAY, 2020

Lots of Opportunities to Have Fun Playing Beach Volleyball

SPFAS is very pleased to announce that the second season of beach volleyball in the Outdoor Rink will begin in mid-May of 2020. SPFAS is also very pleased to confirm that the partnership established with the Junior Varsity Center (JVC) in the inaugural 2019 season will continue in 2020, as SPFAS and JVC work together to build on the successes attained during the first beach volleyball season.



The Junior Varsity Centre (JVC) is proud to be a key partner in the second season of beach volleyball at the SPFAS Beach Volleyball Venue. The JVC is a high performance volleyball centre that offers development programs for athletes from ages 10 - 18. The first JVC beach volleyball program offered at SPFAS in 2019, which was led by Level 3 NCCP Certified Beach Volleyball Coach Jarron Mueller, was a great success. JVC is looking forward to continuing to grow the sport in the upcoming 2020 season! JVC is developing a number of programs for 2020, including Introductory Beach Volleyball Camps & Clinics (ages 12 & under) and High Performance Beach Volleyball Camps & Clinics (ages 13 - 17). JVC is also planning to host Youth and Adult Beach Volleyball Tournaments. Keep an eye on JVC's website (www.juniorvarsity.ca) to obtain more information, as well as to find registration links which will be available in January of 2020 where you can sign up for the programs and activities JVC will be offering during the 2020 beach volleyball season. You can also obtain information about JVC's Camps, Clinics and other JVC beach volleyball activities by contacting Ms. Sammy Fraser, JVC's Facility Manager and Program Director via email (jvcprograms@gmail.com) or phone (403 726 4251).

Along with partnering once again with JVC in 2020, SPFAS will work with other organizations to create opportunities to have fun playing beach volleyball. Whether you are new to beach volleyball and want to learn how to play, or if you are a high performance athlete looking for a place to train, or if you want to enjoy the social aspect of playing with co-workers, friends or

family members, SPFAS is the place to be to participate in beach volleyball activities. Individuals, community organizations, schools and churches can contact SPFAS to book the Beach Volleyball Venue for different activities, including birthday parties, team functions, family get togethers, work parties, as well as other group based social events. To obtain more

information about these opportunities, contact Ms. Jody Wesgate at SPFAS via email (springbankpark@springbankpark.com) or phone (403 242 2223 Ext 22). SPFAS will make lots of opportunities available all 7 days of the week to rent the entire 4 court Beach Volleyball Venue, or 1, 2 or 3 courts within it for both day time and evening activities. The Venue will be open from mid-May to mid-August during the 2020 beach volleyball season.

For those of you learning about the SPFAS Beach Volleyball Venue for the first time, it is housed in the SPFAS Outdoor Rink, a covered and open sided outdoor facility. The Venue features 4 beach volleyball courts containing some 700 tonnes of top notch pure clean white sand layered to an approximate depth of 12 inches. You have the best of everything with this Venue – you're outside, you're protected from wind, rain and sun, you're able to play without worrying about your activity being cancelled due to inclement weather, you can play on 4 excellent regulation sized beach volleyball courts containing top quality sand, and you have access to washroom facilities (where you can change in and out of your volleyball gear). SPFAS has lots of free vehicle parking available for you as well.

Come to SPFAS and join the fun playing beach volleyball in 2020! Plan to get in early by registering for JVC's programs, by contacting SPFAS to obtain more information about other beach volleyball activities, and by contacting SPFAS to book the Beach Volleyball Venue for your personal function, or your organization's activity.



Contributed by Sammy Fraser and John Rop

A STORY OF CHARACTER: HEROS AND EDGE SCHOOL FEMALE PREP HOCKEY

For Carla MacLeod, character development and community engagement are part of the DNA of her teams. After winning a gold medal as a member of the 2006 Canadian Women's Olympic Hockey Team (she won another gold medal in 2010), Carla had many opportunities to become involved in community initiatives. She embraced volunteering and was inspired by the positive impact she could have by giving back.

When she became Head Coach of Edge School's Female Prep Hockey Team in 2014, it was important for Carla to share volunteer and community service opportunities with her players. She had been involved with the Hockey Education Reaching Out Society (HEROS) in the past and a partnership with HEROS and her Edge team seemed like a great fit.

A volunteer driven charity, HEROS uses the game of ice hockey to teach life skills and empower marginalized youth. Working with HEROS Executive Director,

Kevin Hodgson, Carla and her teams have developed a partnership that Kevin describes as "absolute gold." He explains, "Carla and the girls have made a real investment, an investment of their time and an investment in role-modelling healthy friendships."

This investment has certainly helped dozens of youth in the HEROS program over the past five years. The impact on Edge students and alumni is also profound.

Several Edge alumni have built on their HEROS connection after graduation.

For Carla MacLeod, this feeling and the impact on HEROS children and their Edge School mentors is about relationships. "The human connection is the biggest take away," she explains. "The girls take pride in being HEROS buddies. Each year at

graduation ceremonies they often comment about how participating with HEROS was a highlight of their Edge experience."

Contributed by Administration Staff at Edge School



SPRINGBANK CREATIVE ARTS CLUB (SCAC)

Thanks Springbank For Supporting The Christmas Market

The Springbank Creative Arts Club (SCAC) extends huge "thank you's" to:

Everyone who came out to support the Springbank Christmas Market on November 2nd & 3rd at the Springbank Community High School. The weather was fantastic, which always helps to make this event a success. The Springbank community's continued support of this local event is certainly valued and appreciated by the SCAC. This support helped the SCAC and the Market's vendors attain some of the best

sales on record for this event.

The vendors and members who designed their booths and tables to be so attractive and inviting. The quality and uniqueness of the items available for sale exceeded all expectations. (If you could not attend this event and you'd like to connect with a certain vendor at the Christmas Market, send an email to yjo999@gmail.com .

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Weekly, and the High Country News for profiling the Christmas Market.

Bingham Crossing, the Springbank United Church, and Gary Munro for allowing the SCAC to place signs on their properties at no charge. We truly appreciate this sense of community spirit.

Springbank Park For All Seasons (SPFAS) personnel for being so helpful with providing signs, tables, chairs and website notices for the Christmas Market.

Warren Maxwell and all of the Springbank Community High School's students and staff for covering floors, for setting up tables and chairs, as well as for cleaning up after the event.

Everyone who helped put this Christmas Market together. Thank you! A donation will be given to the Springbank Community High School which will assist with offsetting the expenses incurred by the High School to host the Christmas Market.

If you live in Springbank and are interested in becoming a member of the SCAC (whether you are an artist, a crafter, or if you just want to come out and meet like minded members of the Springbank Community), please send your email to yjo999@gmail.com to obtain more information.

Follow the Club on Facebook at facebook.com/springbankchristmasmarket where you can obtain additional information and find notices of upcoming Club activities.

The SCAC's 2020 meeting dates will be made available at a later date.

On a final note, the Springbank Creative Arts Club would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and all the best in 2020.

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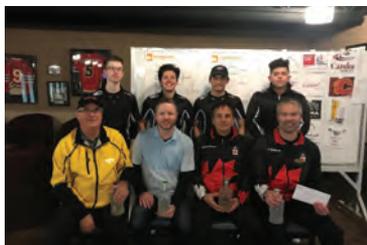


MEN'S SPORTSMAN BONSPIEL

During the weekend of November 16th & 17th, the Springbank Curling Club hosted the annual Men's Sportsman Bonspiel. This bonspiel was amazing success again this year. Teams from four different Curling Clubs participated in this event. The bonspiel also featured strong showings by two Junior based curling teams. The Saturday evening bonspiel dinner hosted in the

Springbank Sports Lounge was a terrific success, with all of curlers enjoying delicious roast beef. Bonspiel A, B & C winners are outlined in the photos and related captions included below. Congratulations to the members of all of the participating teams.

Contributed by Neil Somerset, Springbank Curling Club's President



A Final – Dembo winning over Kobylnyk



B Final – Hill winning over Jenkins



C Final – Sawatzky winning over Speers



SPRINGBANK FRIDAY MORNING SENIORS MIXED CURLING LEAGUE

Join Us for the Second Half of the Season

Eight teams enjoyed a very successful first half of the current curling season. The teams wrapped up the first half of the season by coming together for a Christmas Lunch that was held on December 13th.

The second half of the curling season runs from January 10th to March 13th on Friday mornings from 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. at the Springbank Park For All Seasons. Newcomers are invited to join us. A training session will be provided on the first day (January 10th) to assist anyone who is interested in wanting to learn more about how to curl either with conventional rock delivery, or with delivering rocks using a curling stick. Everyone is welcome to join us, regardless of their age or curling ability. To register and join in the fun and social camaraderie we will have during the second half of the

curling season, please phone or email the one of the contacts below ASAP, so the winter session teams and game schedule can be drawn up before January 10th.

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Contributed by Shirley Tajcnar





SPRINGBANK SOCCER CLUB



Established within the Springbank community as the Springbank Minor Soccer Association over 25 years ago, we have grown and developed into the Springbank Soccer Club. Primarily serving families who live in Springbank, we also have families living in Bragg Creek, Cochrane, Canmore and Calgary who register their children to play soccer within our Club. We continue to be a relatively small Club, with a Grassroots Program of about 250 players participating within U4 - U12 age groups, as well as approximately 250 additional players participating within U8 - U19 age classifications in Calgary Minor Soccer Association (CMSA) Leagues. We also have a base group of referees we are developing. In addition, we continue to focus on coach education as an important aspect of our player development.

Our Club's mission is to develop and inspire individuals through soccer by programming our activities so they are continually focused on a "player first" approach.

Over the last 4 - 5 years, we have put efforts into supporting a qualified Technical Director to develop participants' soccer skills, as well as into improving the facilities utilized by players involved in the Club's Grassroots Program. These two initiatives have been well received by the families and players who belong to

our Club. We plan are continue to look at ways to further enhance our players' skill development opportunities, as well as the facilities utilized by the Club's soccer players. Other key Club objectives include retaining our current players and attracting more new participants in order to build the size of the overall Club and the number of teams playing in each of the Club's age groups.

The Springbank Soccer Club's 2019 - 2020 indoor season is well under way. We are looking forward to the Club's participants and teams attaining many successes during this indoor season. We are also looking forward to seeing how our players will attain even more successes as they enjoy playing soccer and sharing in wonderful experiences during the upcoming 2020 outdoor season, as well as in other indoor and outdoor soccer seasons thereafter.



We currently anticipate that registration for the 2020 outdoor soccer season will start on January 15th. Families can visit our website (www.springbanksoccer.com) to obtain more information about our Club, as well as to register their children for the upcoming outdoor season.

Contributed by Vance Alexander, Springbank Soccer Club's General Manager





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