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# **GENERAL MANAGERS'S UPDATE**



It seems like quite awhile since I was introduced to all in our June Park Patter edition. We have covered a lot of ground since, and there are definitely more papers on my desk. I am excited, along with likely many others, to see the Red Dutton's huge renovation nearing completion, and it will be great to see skaters back on its ice come Sept. Our Lounge is also getting a huge service boost, with the addition of a welcoming, new, Operator / Manager and upgraded food cooking equip / kitchen area (refer P. 6's for full intro). It will also be nice to have an Elevator, new Tech area added close to the concession for studying, wifi and USB connecting; a new inhouse skate sharpening service come mid Oct, etc. Our Fall Fair is right around the Corner Sept. 11.

The SPFAS's AGM is coming up on Mon Sept 27th @ 7 pm & held in our 2nd Flr Dryland area. We are always happy to have interested new members look to join our Board, and be mindful of succession, new energy, etc. If this is something of interest to you or someone you know, please feel free to contact myself at todd.muir@springbankpark.com or 403-242-2333, ext. 21 (for additional info, or to put your name forward).

We were also able to get our fundraising Casino Dates moved up, and it will be held Oct 6 & 7, at the Pure Casino Calgary. We are seeking 34 more volunteers to help fill the positions, as John Rop already cordially volunteered, which is much appreciated (refer P.3 for additional info).

Here's to a just excellent year.

Cheers

Todd Muir, General Manager



# **UPCOMING ACTIVITIES & NEW HAPPENINGS**

### SPFAS 49<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL FALL FAIR

### https://www.springbankpark.com/fall-fair

As we were unable to host the 2020 SPFAS Fall Fair, we are super excited for the return of the event on Saturday, *September 11th, 2021.* The 49th Annual Springbank Park For All Seasons Fall Fair will be scaled down for 2021, but will still feature some of the attractions the community has come to love & enjoy. It will be a great day for Springbank families to have the opportunity to gather together and celebrate our agricultural roots and community spirit.

Activities Include:

- Pancake Breakfast (9:30am-12:00pm)
- Vendor Market (10:00am-4:00pm)
- Face painting (11:00am-3:00pm)
- Farm animals
- Rope making
- Grain Displays
- Honey Bee Displays
- Butter making Displays
- Red Dutton Arena Enhancements

### SEPT 27 SPFAS AGM (7:00PM)

Spread the word, we are seeking interested new Board members, and glad to have interested Members / young families enjoying / involved around the facility – put names forward through our GM todd.muir@spring-bankpark.com 403-242-2333, Ext 21.

### CASINO OCT 6 & 7

(Pure Casino Calgary, 1420 Meridian Rd NE)

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

The SPFAS fundraising Casino dates were just released, and we are looking for members who can volunteer for 11:00 am to 7:30 pm; 6:45 pm – 3:30 am (all positions) & 11:15 pm – 3:45 am (count room) shifts. Please contact todd.muir@springbankpark.com or call 403-242-2333, Ext 21, to get signed up. Your support is greatly appreciated, as these funds raised really help the park with operating expenses.

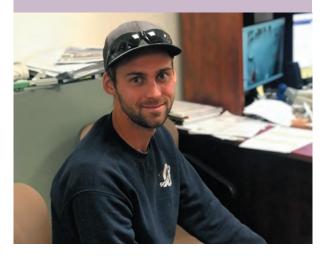
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# MEET THE STAFF

This edition continues introducing our highly valued SPFAS staff members. Shaun Smoole started here back in 2010, p/t as an Operator, while he was going to university working on his Bachelor of Commerce degree in Finance. He worked his way up to an Assistant Operations Supervisor. Then in 2021 moved into his current Operations Supervisor role. Shaun is very mechanically inclined, and is responsible for keeping our equipment and ice plant running, between Star Tec inspections / services. In his spare time, he fully restored the family's old mahogany inboard motor boat. He is a hockey referee, considered super smart, super nice, always positive and said to be mild-mannered. Hard to say if he will have much for spare time now though, as he and his partner have a 1 yr old baby boy.





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# September Ilth, 2021 9:30am - 4:00pm

Springbank Park For All Seasons

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# LOUNGE & NEW OPERATOR UPDATE

We are very happy, to welcome Ben Lochet, to be the new Operator / Manager of the Lounge. Ben, working in collaboration and closely with SPFAS staff, has a great vision for the service, product offerings and overall atmosphere that we are all looking to see created for 2021/22 and beyond. The Park is also moving ahead with renovating the kitchen area, and converting it into a commercial cooking equipment equipped more functioning space. This will assist once completed (which we are forecasting Nov), to see the Lounge be able to serve up some expected to be pretty darn impressive fair.

# HOWDY SPRINGBANK COMMUNITY!



We have some exciting news to share.

My family and I, who are long-time residents of Rocky View County, are thrilled to announce the opening of the Springbank Ice Breaker Lounge, at the Springbank Park For All Seasons.

Originally from France my passion for food and cooking started at a

very young age. I served in the hospitality industry, spent countless hours in restaurants kitchens and presided a wine club.

When the Springbank lounge became available, I decided to follow an old dream of mine and finally operate an establishment.

To better serve the Community, we are working on some improvements and transformations which you will see over the next 3 months. In the meantime, we look forward to welcoming you, during the third week of September, where we will have a preview of our drink and food offerings. Our goal is to make you feel at home when you come to the lounge. We're embracing the farm-to-table concept by favouring and showcasing local farmers, ranchers, and producers on our menu. While embracing a communal unity, we'll be hiring locally. We want to treat you and everyone else like family. Including our staff, patrons, suppliers and partners.

If you or someone you know would like to apply for a position (Cook, Bartender, Server...) please send your resume and a cover letter to <u>Contact@Springbankicebreakerlounge.com</u>

In the coming weeks, we will provide more information, on our website <u>Springbankicebreakerlounge.com</u>

We look forward to welcoming and serving you at the new Springbank Ice Breaker Lounge

Sincerely,

Ben









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# **KIM MCKYLOR**

Rocky View Country Councillor for Division 2



### The Other 4-Letter Word

It is amazing to me that the CMRB continues to be allowed to function in its current form. That the Government of Alberta, who talks about democracy, allows this board to continue. More astounding is that we have Councillors that appear to be working for Calgary and not

for the good people of RVC.

There is little doubt, and much proof, that the Interim Regional Evaluation Framework (IREF) isn't worth the paper it is written on. Why are taxpayers paying millions for a board, consultants, etc. when all we need to do is ask Calgary the plan? That would be cheaper and would have the exact same results for Rocky View County.

The IREF are the terms that all members agreed to until the final plan is adopted by the Province. All our plans that go to board must comply with that document.

Recently, three RVC plans were submitted to the board. The North & South Springbank ASPs and our Municipal Development Plan (MDP). There is a three-step process:

- 1. The plan is evaluated against the IREF for compliance. This evaluation is completed by the Administration of the CMRB.
- 2. The Administration of the CMRB commissions a 3rd Party evaluation of the plan. A 3rd party hired by the CMRB so decisions cannot be biased by any municipality.
- 3. The plan is then sent to the CMRB for the final vote.

Both ASPs and the MDP were recommended for approval by CMRB Administration and then, were recommended for approval by the third-party reviewer.

Yet all three plans were defeated at the board – so the only conclusion that any reasonable person could make is that the IREF is irrelevant. Both the South ASP and the MDP received a majority of in favour votes but it doesn't matter because if Calgary votes no, it dies. If this process doesn't worry you, it should. Whether you thought the plans were right or wrong – it should be clear to you that it doesn't matter what you think – it is about what Calgary thinks.

Many people tell me they moved out to Rocky View because it isn't Calgary. The truth is that with the CMRB in place – RVC is essentially being run by Calgary and they will decide your future – and I don't recall voting for Mayor Nenshi, do you?

I am running for re-election because I represent RVC, and I will fight this undemocratic process. I will continue to demand that any regional planning framework should, at the very least, contain an appeal process because as it stands there is zero incentive for Calgary to be fair and no stick to prevent them from not abusing that power. I am running to ensure that RVC and other rural municipalities aren't abused by what should be a partnership with supported regional cooperation. I am running for re-election to represent you! Please contact me at kmckylor@rockyview.ca or 403-462-9207. Please check out my re-election website at www.kimmckylor.com



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### MIRANDA ROSIN, MLA Banff-Kananaskis Banff.Kananaskis@assembly.ab.ca



It is hard to believe that summer has come to a close already, but indeed it has and our kids are heading back to school. Most of you will be relieved to know that their return to school will be a normal one this year – without mandatory masking, social distancing,

excessive hand sanitizing, and routine quarantine periods. We never thought that simple normalcy could be such a welcome blessing, but in 2021, it sure is.

As our kids head into a new school year, the curriculum they will be taught remains a big topic of discussion. During the 2019 election, our government campaigned on a promise to rewrite Alberta's curriculum. This promise was not only highly popular amongst young families across the province, but grew to become the deciding ballot question for many Albertan parents. Alberta's current curriculum has been in circulation since the 1980s. Not only are parents I've heard from increasingly becoming aware of how badly it needs updating, but even youth are as well. I've received countless emails from young and engaged school children and teenagers over the past two years expressing frustration with topics being taught in their classrooms.

That is why our Government followed through on our promise to rewrite Alberta's curriculum for the first time in nearly 40 years, and will be piloting the new curriculum this fall. Unfortunately, neither Rocky View School Division, Foothills School Division, nor Canadian Rockies Public School Division will be piloting the curriculum in our local schools, which I believe is to the detriment of our children.

I understand there has been a significant amount of noise surrounding the new draft K-6 curriculum, so this month I'd like to provide my perspective.

Contrary to what the Alberta teachers' union would have you believe, the new curriculum was developed over a highly consultative two-year period. In August 2019, just four months after the election, we appointed a 12-member expert panel to provide high level direction for the foundational knowledge and skills that the new curriculum should possess. This panel's participants ranged from lifelong educators to researchers to neuropsychologists. In January 2020, we broadened these consultations to hear directly from a multitude of teachers and parents. Over 8,000 Albertan parents provided feedback through our online survey during this period, and over 300 teachers and education partners provided direct feedback through in-person and online engagements. In addition to all this, we struck a working group of 102 elementary school teachers to provide targeted and specific feedback prior to the draft release, as well as a student advisory council, and a parent advisory council.

The result was an impressive 500-page document that will teach our kids, after years of declining performance comparative to other jurisdictions, to master reading, writing, and speaking; to think fluently about numbers and mathematical equations; to learn about Canadian and world history, geography, culture, and economics; to manage household budgets; to create business plans; to computer code; and even the importance of consent, all packaged with the single most comprehensive English language arts program in North America.

As someone who didn't learn any substantial Canadian history until I paid to do so in my third year of university, I wish I had grown up learning a curriculum as thorough as this one.

Yet unfortunately union lawn signs are popping up all over the province decrying the new curriculum and lobbying our school divisions not to pilot it, despite an overwhelming majority of Albertans voting to compile and implement a new curriculum just two short years ago.

Gauging by my email inbox, and the conversations I have with people, the two primary concerns I hear about the draft curriculum are (1) that there is too much content being taught to children at a young age, and (2) that it is somehow racist.

If the largest problem with the curriculum is that we will be over-educating our kids and teaching them too much compared to the rest of the world, I'd say we are doing pretty well. I would actually argue that having a generation of Albertans who learned more in school than those who grew up in any other part of the country is a very good problem to have, and will give our kids a competitive edge when they eventually enter university and the labour force. There are also countless psycholog-

ical and developmental studies that suggest our brains are most pliable when young, which is why kids learn new languages significantly easier than adults can. Our brains absorb knowledge when we are young, and I am very confident that Alberta kids will do just that when presented with the new curriculum. We should not be doubting our kids' capabilities.

The other claim that the new curriculum is somehow racist is, in my opinion, not at all true. Let me be clear: racism is a despicable sickness of the soul and has absolutely no place in our province. Those who experience racism, which I admittedly do not, suggest that the biggest hindrance to resolution is racism's subconscious, systemic nature in our society. If that is to be true, educating children to understand and respect their fellow classmates' histories, cultures, and religions from a young age could be the single most transformational change we make to eliminate the implicit judgements and assumptions we make about others as we grow up. Learning about other world religions or racist groups and organizations is not about glorifying racism or pushing religious beliefs in the classroom. It is about teaching children to have compassion for one another and their family histories - in an intimate and personal setting, without the sensationalism of mass media.

The draft K-6 curriculum is simply that – a draft. As schools across the province begin to pilot it this fall, our Government will continue to collect feedback so that the



final version of the curriculum implemented provincewide in fall 2022 is the best version possible. If you'd like to read the draft curriculum in full or provide feedback, visit <u>www.alberta.ca/curriculum</u>.

I truly believe that our province's new draft K-6 curriculum will very quickly result in positive educational outcomes for the Albertan kids fortunate enough to attend schools that choose to pilot it in the fall. Unfortunately, that won't be any of the kids in our communities this year.



Miranda Rosin, MLA Banff-Kananaskis

### Thank you, Springbank!

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As we prepare to begin another school year during the Covid-19 pandemic, once again we are faced with a lot of unknown about what the year will look like and what each week will bring to us at playschool. With this said, we are also thrilled to be able to offer a stable, safe, and fun environment where our three-and four-year old students can thrive. We have really loved to watch our students blossom while making new friends and exploring all playschool has to offer, even with some extra precautions in place!

We are fortunate to have a private location in the Springbank Park For All Seasons building in the heart of Springbank. Our classroom is used only for playschool, and sanitized daily between classes. Our small classes are ideal cohort sizes and well within the recommendations of public health and licensing.

This year we welcome Teaching Assistants to playschool, so each class will have a teacher and assistant. We value learning through play, and strive to support our students to build confidence and a love of learning that lasts well beyond these early learning years. We have an amazing group of community-minded parents who volunteer their time and skills to make sure our program runs smoothly. Our family oriented, parent co-operative program has been in the community for over 30 years!

We will be running our Family Photo Fundraiser once again this year in partnership with Precious Portrait Photography on September 17/18 and September 24/25. Please visit us at our Fall Fair booth to sign up for your session! You can email <u>springbankpsinfo@gmail.com</u> for more information.

For registration information, please email <u>springbank-psinfo@gmail.com</u> or call us at 403-830-7294. We have limited spots remaining in our 4-year-old morning program for a September start. For the 2022-2023 school year, registration information will be available in January 2022.

Submitted by Ellery Chyzyk





### Register Now for This Season 2021/2022

Hi Folks!

If we've learned anything over the past year, we shouldn't take the opportunity to connect with our friends and neighbours for granted. Curling will always be a great social sport, in addition to the competition and exercise that players experience, and the Springbank Curling Club is optimistic about re-starting league curling for the winter 2021-22 season so we can get back to our curling friends again as soon as possible!

We were as disappointed as anyone at having to suspend play early last winter, but our dedicated members showed their strong support for the club, and the majority have already indicated their intent to return when we can get back on the ice. Thank you for the continued support for the club through an unprecedented season.

This year we expect to be taking registrations for six weeknight leagues again: Monday Women's, Tuesday Men's, Wednesday Open, Thursday Oilers, Thursday Mixed and the ever-entertaining Friday Night Fun League.

Please visit our website at <u>www.springbankcurling.com</u> for further details or email us at <u>springbankcurlingclubcalgary@gmail.com</u>

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# RE-ELECT COUNCILLOR MCKYLER DIVISION 2

### Let's Maintain the Momentum

I am seeking re-election as your Division 2 Councillor. This division has not seen a two-term councillor since 2007 and that has not benefited the area. Jumping Pound is now part of Division 2 and I look forward to being a part of their community. As a three year member of the Agricultural Services Board, I have a solid understanding of Jumping Pound's issues, and I look forward to representing them.

### **Accomplishments and Goals**

**CMRB** - I am an advocate for regional planning, but never by sacrificing your land owner rights. I will continue to fight for a fair deal for Rocky View residents, as my job is to represent RVC, not the City of Calgary.

**Recreation** - I have been instrumental in the investment of over \$10 million in regional recreation at the Cochrane Ag Society lands. In addition, over \$2 million has been invested into much needed upgrades at the Springbank Park for All Seasons, and my successful motion saw the creation of a Dog Park for our community. An additional \$10 million is secured for more recreation for Springbank. I supported a potential land purchase, and there are other approved motions that would see millions more for recreation, a community centre and pathways. Please stay tuned.

**Governance** - I uphold the oath of the Municipal Government and Local Election Acts. I signed a Code of Conduct and I upheld that. If I expect that from myself, I will expect it from my peers – and you should demand that from your elected officials as well.

Leadership - Currently I am the Deputy Reeve, as well as the chair of many committees. As an individual Councillor I have one vote, so I strive to have the confidence of my peers so that the work that needs to be done in Division 2 will get done!

On July 31, I, along with two others, were sent a list of questions. Interestingly, at the time of this writing (Aug 16), no other candidates are listed for Div 1 or 2 on the RVC website. So how does this group know who is running?

KNOW who is behind your candidate. This negative activist group knew about these candidates for almost three weeks before any public declaration, and are sponsoring their answers (likely in this publication) through paid advertising.

My complete answers can be found on my website at **KimMcKylor.com**. To maintain my integrity I pay for my own words as I did during the first election.

Be assured, I am working for all of Division 2 and RVC residents.

MAINTAIN THE MOMENTUM For complete campaign updates and information visit: KimMcKylor.com VOTE ON OCT 18TH



For the first time in over a year, July brought the return to full-day figure skating camps at Springbank for all Seasons. Weekly figure skating camps provided the opportunity for skaters to receive the full on- and off-ice training that is required for the sport. Starting at 9 am until 4 pm, senior skaters rotated between the junior and intermediate skaters at the Joe Phillips arena developing the strength for the jumps, spins and programs at their level. Each week, theme days helped to brighten the spirits. If you happened to be walking by the rink on any given day, you might bump into skaters dressed in beach week, Disney theme, or decade's theme costumes each week.

The hard work paid off at the end of the month, with 8 skaters testing their skills at the high assessment day on July 29th. The examiner was duly impressed, with all of them passing their tests – a feat that rarely occurs on any given assessment day.

Congratulations to the following skaters:

Janat Salim	Ten Fox
Katya Gereluk	Westminster Waltz
Ashley Schroeder	Free Skate Part 1
Chole Hudson	Free Skate Part 1
Vincy Chan	Free Skate Part 1
Rachel Robillard	Free Skate Part 2 Program and Skills
Rileigh Powell	Free Skate Part 2 Program
Ashley Schroeder	Skills

As we return to regular figure skating hours in the fall, families are encouraged to enroll early before the programs fill up at: <u>springbankskating.com</u>. If you have a wee little one who can stand on skates on their own, or a young hockey or ringette skater who could use some fine tune skills for better edging and stopping, you are encouraged to enroll in the Canskate and Starskate programs.

Contributed by D. Gereluk





**RCMP DISPATCH** 

For our Liaison Officer from the Cochrane RCMP Detachment & contributor of the RCMP DISPATCH submissions, our assigned Officer is changing from Cst. Clayton GELINAS, who we wish all the best, to Cst. M.L. Garland, who will be out to the Park to meet us sometime soon. Cst. Garland will be ready with their next article / submission for the November issue. Welcome Cst. Garland & we look forward to our continuing relationship with the Cochrane RCMP.



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

We hope that your summer has been a good one, although it is going fast! The group met briefly in July. This club is delighted to participate as a craft sale in the Springbank Old Tyme Fall Fair Sept 11, 2021. Thank you to Jody and Mike from the Park for All Seasons for the invitation. Your handmade craft fix will be met at this event, please do come out and support the local artists artisans and crafters. Space for 60 plus vendors has been made available. This is a good opportunity to purchase great gift ideas for all the folks on your list. And tour the newly renovated facility, and a great time to catch up with the community, friends, and neighbours.

There was short show and tell after the discussion of the latest creations and a big thanks to Pat for the beautiful mugs. Each mug says Vaccinated against covid-19. It pays to attend the meetings!

It was regrettably been decided to postpone the annual Springbank Christmas Market again for this year. Due to the fact that there is no suitable space to accommodate the event. The decision came after much discussion, and once a space is located, we plan to continue in 2022. Please stay tuned for new developments.

Next meeting date and the location is TBD. On the agenda is Show and Tell.

There is plenty of room for new members! If you are an organizer or decorator or have some skills that can be utilized, 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.

Please contact Janice (janice3lambert@gmail.com) for any new business to be introduced at meetings.

Although the Annual Fall Sale in November, has been cancelled, we will still meet and share ideas, creations and friendship. We are a small, but enthusiastic group and welcome new members to come out and join us. This is a great opportunity to meet artists, artisans, and other crafters living in Springbank. Bring along your latest creations (show and tell) to share with the group. For more information about membership email <u>yjo999@gmail.com</u>. Happy Fall everyone! Follow us on <u>facebook.com/springbankchristmasmarket</u>

Submitted by Yvonne Bamlett, Springbank Creative Arts Club

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# **SPRINGBANK SOCCER CLUB**

Our mission is to develop and inspire individuals through soccer. To accomplish our mission, we program with a player first approach.

Established in the community as Springbank Minor Soccer Association over 25 years ago we have grown and developed into Springbank Soccer Club. Servicing primarily the Springbank area we get families from Bragg Creek, Cochrane, Canmore and Calgary registered into our club. We continue to be a small club with a grassroots program of approximately 250 players from U4-U12 and City League program of about 250 players from U8-U19 that play in CMSA Leagues. We have a base of referees that we are developing and continue to focus on coach education as an important aspect of the club.

During the continuing Covid-19 issues we have tried to remain transparent and put the families that registered with us first.



U15 Girls Final Four Champions

We do have a need for more volunteers to step up and help our organization continue to thrive in the Springbank and surrounding areas. If anyone would like to join our



board, volunteer in an implementation role, please contact <u>president@springbanksoccer.com</u> and speak with Jill Mayhew. We need some fresh new faces with energy and enthusiasm to complement our stellar group.

Registration is open currently for the indoor 21/22 season and you can see all the information on our website. We offer Grassroots for players born from 2009-2018 and City League options for players born from 2003-2014.

If you have any questions, concerns or comments please feel free to email our General Manager Vance Alexander at info@spirngbanksoccer.com

Families can visit our website for more information.

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U15 Boys Final Four Champions



Springbank Community Association Updates:

- Thank-you to everyone who has supported our Annual Davison Orchard Apple Fundraiser benefitting the SCA, Springbank Soccer Club and Cochrane Minor Soccer
- Excited about the return of the SPFAS Fall Fair! See you at our booth.
- Mark your calendar for the SCA 2021 AGM, November 18th.
- Keep informed We are on Facebook and Instagram and sign-up for our monthly e-newsletter on our website, <u>www.springbankcommunity.com</u>





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Ladies Time Out in Springbank is happy to announce that we are currently planning our Fall 2021 session. We are excited to invite new and returning members in the Calgary area to meet new people, to socialize, and to participate in a wide variety of registered classes. Classes are held on Monday mornings at the Eden Brook Reception Centre located on Lower Springbank Rd. and 17th Ave SW.

Registration for the Fall session is scheduled for Monday, September 27th at Eden Brook Reception Centre. Doors open at 9am and class registration is on a first come, first served basis. This first session back will have fewer classes than previous calendars but this is for the safety and personal comfort of our members.

Our website <u>www.springbanklto.</u> <u>com</u> will soon be updated with a complete list and calendar of our classes, events and activities. You can follow us on Facebook at <u>www.facebook/springbanklto</u> or on Instagram <u>@springbanklto</u> to view photos of our past activities and to learn more about upcoming events. Why not try something new this fall? Inquiries can be sent to <u>springbanklto@gmail.com</u>.

We look forward to seeing you!



# **2021 SPFAS COMMUNITY GARDEN**

For the third consecutive year in 2021, the Springbank Park For All Seasons Agricultural Society celebrated Springbank's agricultural roots by planting a Community Garden. On behalf of our community, SPFAS was very pleased to have "given back" last year by donating a large volume of fresh vegetables harvested from the Springbank Community Garden to support the Calgary Food Bank in its efforts to help families in need. This year's garden again, as the picture dictates, is bountiful, and should again produce a sizable harvest. Thanks to all the appreciated volunteers & staff, who helped with its care.





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## SPRINGBANK KIDS TAKE ON KIDNEY MARCH TO SUPPORT A FRIEND

Six kindergarteners from Springbank's Calgary Changemakers School have taken on Kidney March, a 100 kilometre walk in support of their classmate & to fight against kidney disease & for organ donation.

Kidney March traditionally takes marchers on foot from Kananaskis to Calgary and through Springbank on the final leg of their journey every Sept. This year's virtual format breaks down the distance into smaller pieces, creating the perfect opportunity for a group of inspiring kindergarteners from Springbank's Calgary Changemakers School to complete the march for their classmate, 6-yr-old Alysha.

Alysha's family discovered her kidney disease in 2020 when they went to the hospital on parents' instinct that something wasn't right. They learned her kidneys were functioning at only 4%. Since then, Alysha has been on dialysis 16 hours a day and is waiting to receive a kidney transplant.

When Alysha's mother Robin Somji reached out to fellow kindergarten mom Jacynthe Jagger about the Somji family's participation in Kidney March, Jagger was touched by their story and wanted to do more than donate. Jagger connected with the other kindergarten parents, and they all decided to help. The parents agreed to support their children in completing the hundred-kilometre walk and fundraising as "mini" marchers for Alysha.

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