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4TH STREET NEWS

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Lilac Festival Another Huge Success

In spite of the fact we had less than perfect whether at this year's Lilac Festival the day exceeded expectations !

By late afternoon we saw at least 80,000 - 95,000 die-hard Lilac Festival supporters down on 4th Street. Thanks to everyone who proved that Lilac Festival is definitely "Calgary's Best Free Event", including the 4th Street Business owners, sponsors, volunteers, parade participants and entertainers.

A very special thanks to Leah Lee our practicum student. Leah was a real asset around the office for the months of April and May.

This Month's 4th Street Feature Calgary International Learning Centre (CILC) 1211 - 4th St. SW

Do you want to improve your English?

The Calgary International Learning Centre, located at First Baptist Church at 13th Ave. and 4th St. SW. Welcome's all adult internationals to come and be part of improving English skills and learning about Canadian Culture. CILC assists in improving English reading, writing, listening and speaking for daily life; to build relationships in community, and to assist with understanding and fitting into Canadian culture. CILC offers a variety of classes & choices during the day and evening, with qualified teachers. Childcare is available for students' children. Free drop-in classes are available on Wed. and Thurs. evenings. Do check out the website for more details: www.fbc-cilc.ca or call (403) 263-5911

The Federation Of Calgary Communities (FCC) Update

Resident Association Report

By Jeff Loomis, Community Planner

The FCC has recently completed a study of the Resident Association trend entitled "Privatizing Community: The growth of Private Resident Associations". The research paper examines the Resident Association (RA) trend in the United States in order to conduct a comparative analysis with the RA trend in Calgary.

Resident Associations or Homeowner's Associations are becoming increasingly common in North America. Common features shared by all RAs are the use of collective property ownership, mandatory membership fees and community rules and bylaws that guide the operation of the governing association.

The role of RAs in Calgary is expanding, so that now many are assuming similar responsibilities to Calgary Community Associations.

The report presents several key recommendations for existing Calgary RAs and their relationship with established Community Associations as well as presenting recommendations for future RAs that address their limitations. The primary goal of the recommendations is to generate dialogue on how best to address the issues associated with RAs in Calgary. Calgarians must ensure that we do not follow the example of the United States, where the private community trend occurred without a through evaluation and consideration of the social, economic and political impacts of RA developments.

The full report is available on the FCC website at www.calgarycommunities.com in the Community Planning section. If interested in discussing the RA issue please contact the FCC at 244-4111

Memorial Park Library
1221 2nd St. SW
221-2006

We Bring The Library To You !

Adult Programs

Time Out Program - Taoist Tai Chi

Ancient Taoists were renowned for their study of the arts of health and longevity. The gentle movements of Taoist Tai Chi convey the essence of this tradition to the modern world. Learn about the health benefits, observe a demonstration and try out some of the movements for yourself.

Sat. June 24

2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

Register by phoning 221-2006



Technology Programs

Saturdays 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.

To register call 221-2006

Introduction to Microsoft Word - Jun. 3

Introduction to Internet - Part 1 - Jun. 10

Internet: Beyond the Basics - Part 2 - Jun. 17

Children's Programs

Calgary Co-op Summer Reading Adventure "READ & IMAGINE": Scavenger Hunt

Join us for an exciting scavenger hunt, collect your first game page, and learn how you can win great prizes over the summer!

Sat. June 24

10:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

All ages

Reading Railroad

Children can improve their reading skills by participating in this free reading program offered in partnership with Frontier College. Adult volunteers will offer struggling readers a fun, supportive environment to help build confidence in their reading.

Wednesdays June 14 to August 16

6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Ages 5 to 10 years

Register by calling 462-6239

If you are unable to visit the Library due to a disability or failing health, we'll bring the Library to you!

Books on tape or CD, music CDs and much more can be delivered to you at home. You'll be paired with a volunteer who will deliver and exchange Library materials for you. For Homebound Reader service, call 260-2702.

All library branches are now closed on Sundays for the summer.

May to August 2006 Calgary Public Library Program Guide - available at any library branch or on-line at www.calgarypubliclibrary.com.

Register now for upcoming events.

*A valid Calgary Public Library card in your name is required to attend all programs.

CityTalk Radio Show

CityTalk is a radio show about the people and services that make Calgary the place everyone wants to live. It's about how things happen in our communities. How they are planned, developed and maintained. Ways in which The City Of Calgary is handling the growth and how services and facilities are maintained to adapt to the ever-changing needs of Calgarians.

CityTalk looks at everything from transportation and social programs, to environmental issues, community planning, what's new and things to do in Calgary.

**On the air every Sunday morning on AM 770
CHQR 8:20 to 9:00 AM**

The program is available to computers with a soundcard and speakers, utilizing streaming media technology and media player software.

Check it out on calgary.ca

**Back again for the summer of 2006 is GAPP Program.
Watch for our dedicated students out on 4th Street cleaning up graffiti !**