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# JUNE COMMUNITY CALENDAR

All events are at the Cliff Bungalow – Mission Community Centre  
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Due to COVID-19, our community hall is closed to the end of August. We have had to cancel or reschedule most events that were originally scheduled during that time. The following is the latest information we have at time of writing (early May).

**Mission Possible – June 20** – We are exploring, along with other communities, what we might do for Neighbour Day 2020 (we call it Mission Possible). Obviously, our usual format will not take place this year.

**Jazz Nights – Wednesday, September 2** – Start of new jazz season from September 2020 to June 2021

**Saturday Jazz Nights** – Originally scheduled for Wednesdays, April 1, May 6, June 3 – now rescheduled to Saturdays, September 26, October 24, November 28

**Spring Fling** – Rescheduled to Saturday, September 12 (Fall Fling)

**Potlucks** – Scheduled to restart on Sunday, September 13

**Pathway and River Clean Up** – Rescheduled to Saturday, September 19

**Board Game Nights** – Scheduled to restart on Saturday, September 19

**Lilac Festival** – Rescheduled to Sunday, September 20

**Trivia Nights** – Scheduled to restart on Thursday, September 24

**Neighbourhood Watch** – Rescheduled to Tuesday, September 29

We will update as required. To receive updates via email, register your email address online near the bottom of the first page of our website, [www.cliffbungalowmission.com](http://www.cliffbungalowmission.com).

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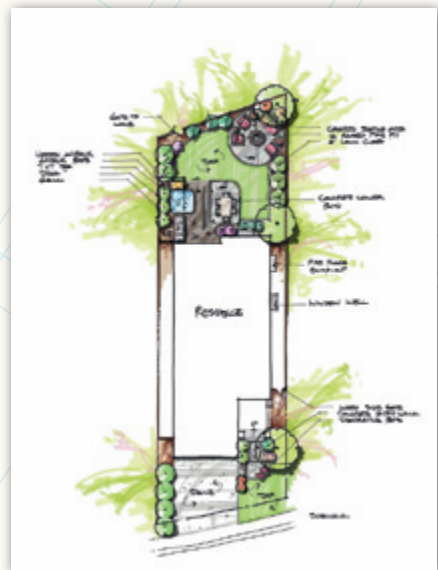


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# PRESIDENT'S REPORT

## A lot has been happening during COVID-19

When we prepared the April issue of the newsletter in early March, we were planning many extra community events in addition to our regular events. They all came to a screeching halt as our community hall was closed and will remain closed to the end of August. We have listed the latest schedule (subject to change) in our community calendar elsewhere in this newsletter. If all goes well, September will be a very busy month.

We have been busy since the shutdown working on responses to this pandemic.

We recommend that you register to receive email updates by registering your email near the bottom of the first page of our website, [www.cliffbungalowmission.com](http://www.cliffbungalowmission.com). We also will be updating our website and Facebook as new information becomes available.

## COVID-19 and the Steps We Have Taken

The board has held quite a few online meetings since the outbreak of COVID-19 in Calgary. One of the first steps we took is to form a special committee to explore what we might do in response. This committee is headed up by our Vice President, Ted Knudtson. He is very passionate that we can help make a difference. We have explored and implemented several actions. We thank Ted and the other volunteers who have worked on this.

One popular action is teaming up with Safeway and community volunteers to deliver groceries to seniors who are not able to go shopping.



*CBMCA volunteer helping delivery groceries from Safeway*

Another thing we have done is regularly update our website with important information and resources that are available. We also have regularly posted updates on our social media.

## We made some important donations

The Board approved donations to eleven local charities:

- Calgary Food Bank (\$5000)
- Calgary Mustard Street Society (\$5000)
- Calgary Women's Emergency Shelter (\$5000)
- Discovery House Family Violence Prevention Society (\$5000)
- Woods Home Foundation (\$5000)
- United Way Calgary (\$5000)
- Calgary Alpha House Society (\$5000)
- Women In Need Society (\$5000)
- Calgary Drop-In and Rehab Centre Society (\$5000)
- Calgary Catholic Immigration Society (\$2500)
- Centre for Suicide Prevention Society (\$2500)

The funds, totalling \$50,000, came from our gaming funds that we raise through casinos.



*One charity, the Calgary Food Bank, with their donation cheque from CBMCA.*

## What can you do?

One of the actions we took is to tabulate a list of food related businesses that are set up for take out and/or delivery. These are posted on our website. You can continue to support them during this difficult time by patronizing them. There are also other businesses open such as Safeway, drug stores, liquor stores, Shell, and Petro-Canada.

## Local Area Plan Process Delayed

Further to the note I included in my April column, the process for the West Elbow Local Area Plan, as it is now called, has been delayed due to COVID-19. The President of Elbow Park Residents Association hosted an

online meeting on March 30 of several communities in this area to discuss some issues individual communities had. Many issues were common. It was a good discussion and it will help us work together towards the best possible Local Area Plan for our communities. The City is exploring some online consultations for this and other stalled planning processes.

The second item I mentioned was the Guidebook for Great Communities that was to go to City Council on April 27. It has also been delayed to a later date to allow for the public to attend the Public Hearing

Now there is a third important planning document. It is the Heritage Conservation Tools and Incentives report that was to go to Planning and Urban Development Committee of the City of Calgary on April 1, and then onto City Council. It will also be delayed, again, to allow for the public to attend and make presentations.

Most people do not know about an important fourth planning document called the Municipal Development Plan that is a high-level, long-range planning document as required by the province. It is in the process of being revised and it could have significant impact on all communities of Calgary. A group of communities including our own asked for a delay in public consultation (deadline April 12 – yes, Easter Sunday) due to the COVID-19 situation. City administration was not supportive of our request.

So, there are a lot of City planning policies in the works that will impact our community.

### **300 Block 25 Avenue SW**

For the third time, an application has been submitted to the City for a land use change covering 306 to 312 – 25 Avenue SW. The proposed Land Use District is MU-1 with a FAR (Floor Area Ratio) of 4.5 and a height of 24 metres. This would allow up to seven stories. This is a mixed use land use district that would allow many commercial uses, some that are permitted (e.g. Restaurant: Neighbourhood) for which no development permit is required and some that are discretionary uses (e.g. Brewery, Winery and Distillery) for which a development permit is required. Details of this land use district can be found in the Land Use Bylaw on [www.calgary.ca](http://www.calgary.ca), pages 851 to 870. One thing I found concerning is this Land Use District is intended to be located along commercial streets, but 25th Avenue SW is not a commercial street.

Four houses (three built in 1910 and one built in 1911) would be torn down to accommodate a new building.

Current Land Use allows up to five stories. 3.5 FAR and a height of 15 metres.

At time of writing (early May) we have not met with the applicant, but a meeting has been set up. We will keep you posted.

### **Board Update**

Our Environment Director, Kristyn Laird, has stepped down from our board. She was recently promoted and did not have the time to continue in this role. We thank her for her contributions to the community.

If someone is interested in exploring taking on this role, please contact me at [cbmca.president@gmail.com](mailto:cbmca.president@gmail.com). We can set up an online meeting at a mutually agreeable date and time.

Shauna De'Andrea has also stepped down from the board for personal reasons. She participated in social activities. We thank her for her contributions to the community.

### **Newsletter Delivery**

Great News Media, who publishes our newsletter, is no longer able to pay for the mail drop to all addresses in our community. The board approved to pay for the delivery of this newsletter, as it's an important communication vehicle. It will, of course, still be on our website. We will also initiate sending out emails with the link. So, again, please register to receive email notices by going to near the bottom of the first page of our website and enter your email address.

### **Online Community Events**

Even though we have not been able to have in-person community events, we have had some online community events. One is Embrace Gardening, and another is Jazz Webinars. The notice times are too short for them to be put in the newsletter, but we do send out emails announcing when they occur. So, this is another reason for you to sign up your email at the bottom of our website in order to receive these announcements,

### **Ted Best**

Ted Best, who initiated what we call Goose Park (26th Avenue and 1st Street SW), passed away this Good Friday. He also was born on Good Friday. There was an article in the March newsletter on his and his wife Bette's work on this park.

The community association is working on recognition of their contributions and those who worked on the Promenade along 26th Avenue SW.



# The Mission Statement



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- Landmark Centre Second Cup: 506 – 17 Avenue SW, free upsize on beverages, every Sunday CBMCA member seniors get a free small coffee or tea with purchase of a baked item, 10% discount on catering order, free delivery with purchase over \$50.
- Lorenzo's Pizza: 515 – 17 Ave SW, 10% off on pick up orders and 5% off on delivery orders
- Momentum Health Mission: 909, 2303 – 4 St SW, 25% off initial assessment (includes massage), 15% off all products they sell, free gait assessment.
- Peking Dragon: #105, 601 – 17 Ave SW, 15% on Pick Up items on orders over \$30.00
- Rideau Pharmacy: 1801 – 4 St SW, 15% off Front Store items (excludes prescriptions)
- The Spa Wellness: 2206 - 2 St SW, 10% off members for all treatments
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# The 1918 Spanish Influenza and Its Connection to Cliff Bungalow – Mission

We are currently in a serious pandemic that has impacted us in many ways. About 100 years ago, there was another pandemic with a strong connection to our community. Spanish Influenza took place in 1918, and a resident of our community had a major role in the fight to control its spread in Calgary. The resident's name was Dr. Cecil Stanley Mahood, and he lived from 1914 to 1920 at 522 – 19 Avenue SW, which was built in 1910.

He was a medical health officer for the city, appointed in 1911. Public health was a relatively new thing at that time. His greatest challenge was the outbreak of the Spanish Influenza in 1918. In October, he received a wire from Regina indicating that a contingent of soldiers coming by rail had become sick. Mahood ordered them into isolation when they arrived in Calgary. Although he did not officially have the power, he ordered quarantine measures. People with this flu were no longer allowed in regular hospitals. He created special isolation hospitals in schools (classes were closed) and tents. He ordered mandatory wearing of flu masks in public. He had to go to great lengths to find enough people and money to care for the sick.

Unfortunately, public compliance was short lived. Victory celebrations undermined the fear of the flu, and precautions were ignored. Businesses and churches also began to challenge the restrictions. He grudgingly rescinded the quarantine measures but warned there

could be a resurgence. Another wave of infection happened in December while he was away at a conference in Chicago.

When the bills came in, he faced more criticism but in the end the city was grateful for his leadership during the crisis. Unfortunately, he lost his wife during another influenza outbreak in 1922.

As we work our way through COVID-19, remember to be careful to remain healthy.

*Source – “A Social History of Cliff Bungalow – Mission” which was prepared for the Cliff Bungalow – Mission Community Association by David Mittelstadt in 1997. David is the writer of our award winning history book – “Cliff Bungalow – Mission, A Heritage Community”.*



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Shaquille O'Neal is considered to be one of the best basketball players in history and touted some impressive stats on the court. His free throws, however, are not among these accolades. During his NBA career, the 7'1" centre missed 5,317 free throws, or roughly 48% of what are considered to be "free" points.

## Cliff Bungalow-Mission Community Association

# TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP!

Your membership not only supports the CBMCA but it gives you access to discounts at participating businesses through the Membership Affinity Program (details elsewhere in this newsletter). Our membership year is AGM to AGM so this year's renewal deadline is **November 20, 2020**. To purchase or renew your membership, just fill in this form and either:

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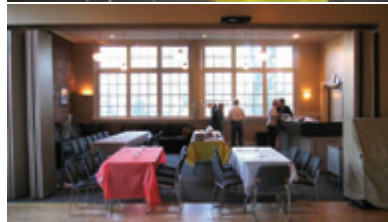
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## We're Ready

Flood preparation is a top priority. Despite the COVID-19 pandemic, we have the resources in place to prepare and quickly respond to a flood.

We're monitoring weather and river conditions 24/7 to provide the earliest possible warning of flooding and improve response.

We have a dedicated team that have stockpiled materials for riverbank protection and temporary barriers, and completed testing of outfalls, lift stations and pumps.

## We're Building a More Flood Resilient City

Calgary is better prepared today for floods like the one in 2013 with many projects completed or underway. This year, the installation of new, higher steel gates at the Glenmore Dam means we're able to manage a 2005-level flood along the Elbow River. With the construction of the Springbank Reservoir, we'll reach our goal of managing a 2013-level flood.

## What You Can Do to Be Ready

- Understand. Know your flood risk whether you live, work or spend any time around our rivers.
- Be prepared. Take steps to reduce flood-damage and be prepared if you need to evacuate quickly.
- Stay informed. Follow local media and The City on social media, and make sure you're receiving emergency alerts.

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## Speaking Up for Water

by Anne Naumann

Calgary River Valleys is a non-profit organization dedicated to building a strong and effective voice for river valley protection and water quality in Calgary. We consider ourselves to be “the voice of our rivers.” But did you know CRV also provides input to Calgary’s urban planning process with a focus on the impacts to Calgary’s rivers, creeks, streams and wetlands?

In recent months, CRV has provided input for the Calgary Event Centre (the new Flames arena complex that will be in the Elbow River flood fringe), the GreenLine LRT (a planned change from a tunnel to a bridge over the Bow River), a redevelopment proposal in Elbow Park, and the Providence Area Structure Plan (a land use plan that will guide development of 10 new neighbourhoods on a large land parcel west of Evergreen and Bridlewood and south of Tsuut’ina Nation).

Your Community Association may have a Planning and Development Committee that reviews development and land use proposals for your neighbourhood. Calgary River Valleys’ efforts are similar but are generally for large new land use proposals that affect surface water and groundwater.

First, a few definitions. Surface water is literally that, water that is on the surface of the land, and includes rivers, creeks, small streams, and wetlands. Surface water flows downhill and joins with other tributaries to a larger creek or river. Every development impacts surface water in some way.

When farmland is turned into a new neighbourhood, many of the wetlands and small streams on the land are drained. To manage the natural surface water and prevent the wetlands and streams from re-forming, storm

water pipes are buried underground to capture and send the natural surface water as well as rainwater to storm water outfalls at the nearest large creek or river. This results in a permanent removal of the natural surface water from the area.

Groundwater is water that flows underground through the layers of rock and soil. It flows toward a larger water body, and often collects in an underground aquifer, which is essentially an underground lake or reservoir. It eventually connects to surface seeps, springs, a creek, or a river.

You may have seen water coming out of a rock wall (a “seep”), or a spring flowing from a spot on the ground. This is groundwater, which is recharged or “topped up” by melting snow or by rainwater absorbed into the ground. With urban development, rainwater is routed into storm water pipes and isn’t absorbed to become groundwater.

For surface water, groundwater, and storm water management, CRV’s input to development proposals generally focusses on preserving as many of these natural water management features as possible and protecting wildlife habitat. Where these kinds of natural water features can’t be preserved, we often suggest that low impact development practices be adopted, such as creating fewer areas with hard surfaces that won’t absorb water.

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Dear friends,

This has been a hard year. As we work through the challenges posed by the crash in oil prices and COVID-19 pandemic, the turn in weather has offered a much-needed respite.

June marks seven years since the flood of 2013. This anniversary holds painful memories for many in our community. It also brings great pride as we reflect on how Calgarians banded together and rebuilt, 'Come Hell or High Water.' This camaraderie and cohesion are what will bring us through this difficult time together and come out stronger on the other side.

Homeowners, please be proactive with the June rains approaching. Check your gutters for debris and channel your downpipes away from the foundation of your home. Check in with your insurance agent to know where your insurance policy leaves you in the event of weather disasters or sudden forces of nature causing damage to your homes.

I share your concerns about the challenges that we face. I am pushing hard to help get you back to work and our city back in the black. As a Calgarian, I am forever an optimist and I am so grateful that so many of you have found the means to help our most vulnerable and our seniors during this time. You can count on me to continue to fight for common sense, community safety, and fiscal restraint at City Hall.

Please know that with summer approaching, donations to food banks tend to wane with warmer weather - remember that it is not just the cold winter months when food hampers need stocking.

Reach out to me anytime at ward11@calgary.ca or tune in to our weekly Facebook Live events at 7:05 pm on Thursday evenings (www.facebook.com/JeromyYYC).

Respectfully yours,  
*Jeromy Farkas*  
 Ward 11 Councillor and Palliser Resident

Dear neighbours,

This is a difficult time for all of us, and my thoughts are with those who have lost loved ones to the COVID-19 pandemic. We should never forget that we can bring the economy back to life, but we can't bring people back to life.

Despite all the challenges, I take comfort in the way our community has come together to face this crisis. From people who gather to sing outside seniors' homes, to children who place their artwork in their windows, to the people who step outside every day at 7:00 pm to cheer for our healthcare workers, we are showing that physical distancing does not mean emotional distancing.

Businesses have been hit hard by the COVID-19 pandemic, but many of them have taken extraordinary initiatives to adapt to the crisis. Annex Brewing Company now manufactures hand sanitizer. Calgary Co-op has given all hourly frontline employees a raise of \$2.50 per hour, supporting the grocery store workers we are all relying on right now.

Others are adapting their existing business models to the new normal. Shelf Life Books, Pages Kensington, and Owl's Nest Books are all offering free book deliveries in Calgary. You can have kitchen knives delivered by Knifewear and beer delivered by Cold Garden, Annex, High Line, Inner City, Village and many more. Rather than stage in-person performances, Verb Theatre debuted their Blue Light Festival across a range of social media platforms. Even during COVID-19, the show must go on!

While I am thrilled to see this entrepreneurial spirit, I know that many business models simply can't be adapted to the present crisis. The Governments of Canada and Alberta are offering a number of initiatives to assist these businesses. Please don't hesitate to contact my office if you require assistance with accessing provincial support: Calgary.Buffalo@assembly.ab.ca.

With best wishes,  
*Joe*

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Who would have thought that staying in could bring out the best in us? As we navigate through uncertain times, Calgarians are finding new ways to pull together and build community. From sharing signs of support, to getting together virtually, or just reaching out to say hello, people of all walks of life are standing united to show kindness and generosity. At United Way, we know we're stronger together—even in challenging times, we can all show up for each other in big and small ways.

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