



# Mount Royal

COMMUNITY NEWS

JANUARY • FEBRUARY 2004

## President's Message

As this is my first opportunity to present written comments as incoming President of your Community Association, it is important that I present my particular point of view on issues facing the Mount Royal Community. A platform, or perhaps – a perspective.

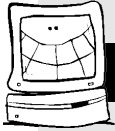
I have tremendous respect for those who have served as volunteers for the betterment of our community over the years. Most recently, David Weyant brought to the Presidency a great sense of history (and humor) having grown up in the historic Mount Royal house he now shares with his wonderful wife and three children. David did many thoughtful things for our community including having people read, re-read, laugh, wince and opine on the commentary he provided in this space. Like it or not (most did), David had us all reading the newsletter. As he so modestly pointed out in his farewell missive from the throne (bad visual here), David was called upon to stick-handle the issues related to the implementation of the long-planned and carefully-thought-out traffic calming measures, the renovation of the playground and tennis courts at Mount Royal Station, and was responsible for increases in both membership and revenues to the MRCA. Also, David managed to finally oversee the sealing of the Millennium Time Capsule in April of 2003 when so many before him had failed. My hat is off to Mr Weyant, and I echo here the gratitude of the neighborhood.

In fact as we look at the profile of those who serve and have served the Community Association, a common theme presents itself. That is, those who have volunteered to serve the Mount Royal Community Association have given their time and effort to preserve, develop and improve our neighborhood both offensively and defensively.

Offensively (no I'm not referring to David's offending at least some neighbors with every newsletter) we undertake projects and initiatives that will improve the quality of life afforded in Mount Royal through improved facilities such as the Mount Royal Station clubhouse, the rebuilding of the playground and the resurfacing of the tennis courts. Neighborhood improvements will continue, specifically as we define timelines and design landscaping to replace the ugly concrete traffic calming measures with permanent, aesthetically pleasing replacements.

Our neighborhood is in fact a vibrant place to live where a common theme is the pride we take in knowing that we are providing the very best living environment for our families, while respecting that our neighbors are also so inclined. I, like many of our neighbors, did not grow up in Mount Royal (or in Calgary, for that matter) but have sought out our neighborhood as offering the very best environment available in Calgary for our family. The positive influences that surround us are to be admired, exploited and defended.

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this newsletter.

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Few of us bought homes in Mount Royal to see it become a thoroughfare for our surrounding communities and an ever expanding Calgary to the south and southwest. It is true that some homes in Mount Royal face, and always have faced streets that are designated collector roadways for egress to other parts of the City. That is not to say that we as a community should sit back and accept increased traffic counts and speeding (both by transients and residents) as an uncontrollable inevitability – especially considering that the City planners are offering to protect us from the onslaught.

Although I have not heard the radio advertisement myself, I have been told that the developers of Garrison Woods to our southwest advertise that their community is a short commute from downtown "through the scenic neighborhood of Mount Royal". If only they would slow to below 90km to take in the scenery! Thankfully Jeff Holloway and his traffic committee have spent considerable time and energy in conceptualizing, working with the City, and in implementing a cohesive traffic plan for our community. I look forward to continuing to work closely with Jeff, with pockets of neighbors and individuals (the NIMBY folks) within Mount Royal regarding traffic.

The development of the beltline area and the Mount Royal side of 17th Avenue is sure to be a lightning rod for input and constructive criticism from members of our Community Association, as is the seemingly endless construction of new homes of varying architectural style, design and lot usage. Again, we should all be thankful that Michael Evans has agreed lend his insight and experience on our behalf in overseeing and coordinating Community Development.

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One of the mainstays of the MRCA is the slate of social events that take place throughout the year. Lori Russell will continue to work with her friends and fellow volunteers to put on a series of events designed to bring neighbors together on the skating rink, in the clubhouse over a martini, at the progressive dinner and with Santa on a horse drawn carriage. It is tireless work, and certainly appreciated.

Sheila Telford will again chair the Membership campaign and has presented a schedule of unchanged fees and timelines for donations elsewhere in the newsletter. Membership levels and the money raised in support of the MRCA are a direct reflection of the spirit and cohesiveness of our community, which the Executive hopes to bolster and continue building upon the hard work done in the past. (Note – this is January – time to renew your membership!)

Members of the MRCA should be aware of the availability of the Mount Royal Station facility for parties, meetings and civic gatherings. Susan Walch has been very conscientious in scheduling and overseeing maintenance of the facility, single-handedly keeping the pipes from freezing which would have created a lovely indoor swimming pool on the ground level of Mount Royal Station. Thankfully Susan will continue to oversee this important function, or at very least act as lifeguard if called upon.

One can only assume that the real estate clients of Marla Klassen are as fortunate as the MRCA Executive in receiving accurate, timely and insightful information. Marla serves dutifully as Secretary.

Anyone knowing the whereabouts of our Treasurer Jane Perry, or anyone with a working knowledge of the First Associated Bank of Barbados should contact me right away.

Having finished my one-year term as Vice President, I know that Dale Dickson will perform his duties as fully and with the same diligence as I. Those duties (exhaustively) are to worry about what one will scribe in the newsletter in one year's time; what traffic calming measures Jeff will devise and implement during his term to

the loud dismay of some, and to finding a replacement for him as Vice President next year. Over to you, Dale.

I am saddened to report that Andrea Fennessey will be stepping down as Communications coordinator with the publication this newsletter. Andrea has finally been exhausted by those who could not get edited copy to her in a timely fashion; those who drove over the sandwich boards at 8th and Hillcrest advertising Maui Wowie Night (you know who you are); and the responsibility of filling the new bulletin boards affixed to the clubhouse with interesting news items.

And finally, on the subject of this newsletter, we should all voice our sincere and deep gratitude to Sandy Aitchison; a (past) Lower Mount Royal resident who, for several years, has spent hours upon hours putting together our newsletter (and has continued to volunteer her services even after moving from the community two years ago). She does not get the recognition afforded a titled position of the MRCA (nor the fabulous salary that goes with), and she is definitely the unsung hero of what you are reading.

Stay tuned through the year as we skate on both the offensive and defensive sides of the ice in working for the benefit of our neighbors. We would very much like to hear feedback on community issues and improve distribution of news and events affecting our community. The best means is e-mail, [president@mountroyalstation.ca](mailto:president@mountroyalstation.ca)

*Bruce Calvin*

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[www.mountroyalstation.ca](http://www.mountroyalstation.ca)

...give it a try if you want to get email reminders and mail outs from the community.

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0930-1130am

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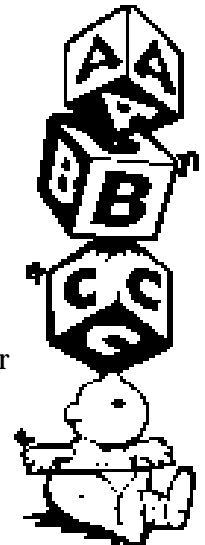
Kristy

- babysitters certificate
- 245-2631

Like to “join the list”?

CONTACT

Una Shields, Communications Director



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Upcoming  
Community Events

# Martini Night

Friday January 23  
7:30-10:30pm

Mount Royal Station  
2317 10 Street SW

Martinis & Food  
Come MEET your neighbours  
Have some FUN



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## March Irish Night

Friday March 12  
7:30-10:30pm

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### *Past Event*

Lori Russell would like to thank all who helped out at the Christmas Party as it was once again a great success.

## Annual Skating Party Sunday February 1 12:30-3:30pm

hot dogs...  
hot chocolate...  
fun



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# Traffic Safety Report

By the time you are reading this, you hopefully have become used to the trial traffic measures that have been installed so far in our neighborhood. The feedback that I have been receiving is quite positive with regards to the measures that have been installed. There is of course one common complaint – they are truly ugly as temporary measures. If you can envision a nicely landscaped park-like area similar to the other park areas in the community with several evergreens and other attractive landscaping, the measures become much more palatable. The diverter islands are required where there are pedestrians and to eliminate confusion, however, they may well end up simply being a raised area of a cobblestone type surface which can be driven on if absolutely necessary by residents to access driveways more easily.

The City, due to the repercussions of drivers slamming into the new temporary concrete measures, has gone hog wild on the signage. Once the measures are permanent, there will be a bare minimum of signage

The survey that was sent out to all residents stated that the temporary measures would be installed for ‘up to’ one year. If, as a community, we come to consensus regarding the traffic circles on Frontenac, the Talon Park extension and the Colburne measures, they can be designed and installed as permanent measures this spring. It is up to us – as a community – to make these decisions to proceed. The Premier Way circle unfortunately has to wait for the sewer project to happen.

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The partial closures on 7th Street, Royal Ave, Hillcrest and Carleton could also happen this summer – once again – it is up to us as a community.

The new measure on 10th Street seems to be accomplishing what it is intended to do. I have noticed that Hummers and BMW 740's can go thru it Northbound at about 60-80 km/hr, but that is a different problem.

During the Mount Royal Children's Xmas Party a horse with blinders pulling a cart full of hay managed to figure out who has the right of way in a traffic circle, but just for additional clarification, the vehicles that are already in the circle have the right-of-way NO MATTER WHAT. It is the drivers that are entering the circle that need to yield to those already in the circle. If there are two people sitting at the yields waiting to come into the circle, it is – first come, first in. So if you are heading Northbound on 10th, you do not have the right-of-way!

There will be a meeting at Earl Grey School on Thursday January 29th from 7-9pm for people to come and discuss where we are at and where we go from here. Martin Haliday from the City will be presenting at the meeting and we will be trying to expedite discussion on all the traffic issues in the community and how we should move forward.

It is important to remember that Traffic is a very selfish issue for all of us – if you find yourself arguing against a measure that is potentially making you change your commuting or shopping route – please consider acquiescing to the residents that live in that area of the neighborhood – just as you may expect them to acquiesce to the needs of your area of the neighborhood. Our community is surrounded by major roadways and we have defined community collectors that should be used by all of us whenever possible.

*Jeff Holloway, Traffic Safety Director*  
650-8315  
[jeff.holloway@shaw.ca](mailto:jeff.holloway@shaw.ca)

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# Greetings from Alderman King

Hoping you all enjoyed a great festive season!

In October the City conducted a survey of citizens' perceptions. I was delighted to read that 96% agree that transit and bus services need to be extended. That's higher than the number supporting more interchanges (90%). At present the City's capital spending is more heavily weighted towards road construction, and there certainly still is a backlog of needed improvements. Focussing on the benefit of our inner city neighbourhoods, we need the interchanges built to persuade the commuters to stay away from our residential streets. And then we need to have a major focus on improving public transit, so more people will choose to make less use of their cars.

During Budget I was able to secure funding for a study of the underpass linking the Stampede with East Village. This is the first step to get this valuable local project approved.

Heritage buildings are also important to our older neighbourhoods. Many of you will remember the failed effort to save old St Mary's School in Mission. Recently it was my privilege to bring Council's greetings for the sod turning ceremony for the Catholic Board's replica building on that site that will become Our Lady of Lourdes School. We look forward to this phoenix rising from the ashes and becoming a new landmark.

During December the Glencoe stormsewer project will hopefully have taken a further step towards reality at the City's Utilities and Environment Committee. This multi-million dollar project is the first of three phases, all of which will bring benefits to stormwater management in Elbow Park, Mount Royal, Bankview and South Calgary.

The newly renovated Killarney Pool and Fitness Centre will have opened in December. With a representative of the community association, I had the pleasure of participating in the jury to select the art on the sides of the building, and hope it will be enjoyed for many years to come. This is the City's first such major pool renovation – so we're lucky to have it in our ward.

Wishing you health and happiness for the New Year!

**TRAFFIC CALMING IN MOUNT ROYAL**  
Now that we are all getting used to the new traffic measures, it is time to have an OPEN HOUSE, so your feedback can guide us as we move forward.

Most of the measures now in place seem to be popular with residents, judging by the calls and emails to my office, and the conversations around the neighbourhood. Now we need to confirm that they are contributing to improving the neighbourhood before they are made permanent. I'm hopeful they'll be planted and beautiful this spring!

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I also want to take this opportunity to congratulate the community traffic committee (or should I say committees as so many of you have contributed through your zone groups). Many of the traffic measures are setting the highest standard in the city. By research, community participation and networking closely with the City's Roads department, the committee led by Jeff Holloway, has achieved a great deal for the neighbourhood.

The City Administration will also need to report on the need for the Stage 2 trial. At the OPEN HOUSE, the City will have a chance to explain clearly what is proposed, and you will have the opportunity to give us your feedback. I look forward to seeing many of you there!

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## OPEN HOUSE

January 29, 7pm  
Earl Grey School

## DINNER & COAT

The Progressive Dinner was great – I thoroughly enjoyed meeting so many new neighbours – but I took home the wrong coat and this is a plea for my old coat! Both coats are black Max Mara. If you've got mine instead of yours, please call my office! (268-1627). Thanks.

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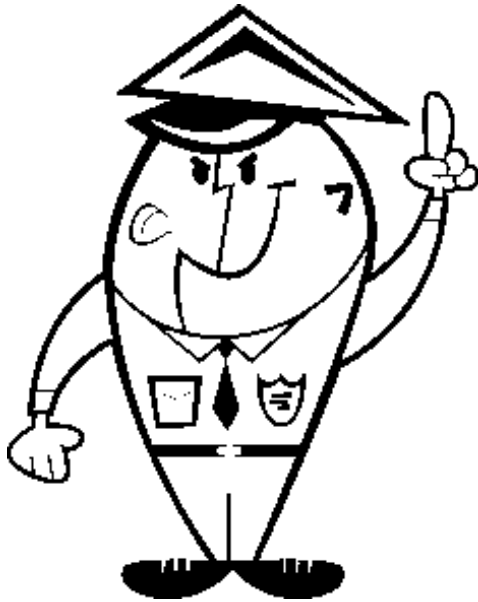


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# Community Safety

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268-8601

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REOCCURRING problems



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BE ON THE ALERT! There appears to be a theft ring in operating in Mount Royal. A group of tradespeople are going door-to-door in the neighbourhood seeking work. They may or may not use the name of Grant Allan as a reference. Mr Allan is not connected with them, is not a reference for them and has nothing to do with them. When they are alone in the house, they help themselves to its contents and then split. The police are aware and have good descriptions of the culprits.

Report Vandalism  
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1708 - 8th Street SW, 229 0900



MOUNT ROYAL  
815A - 17th Avenue SW, 229 9463

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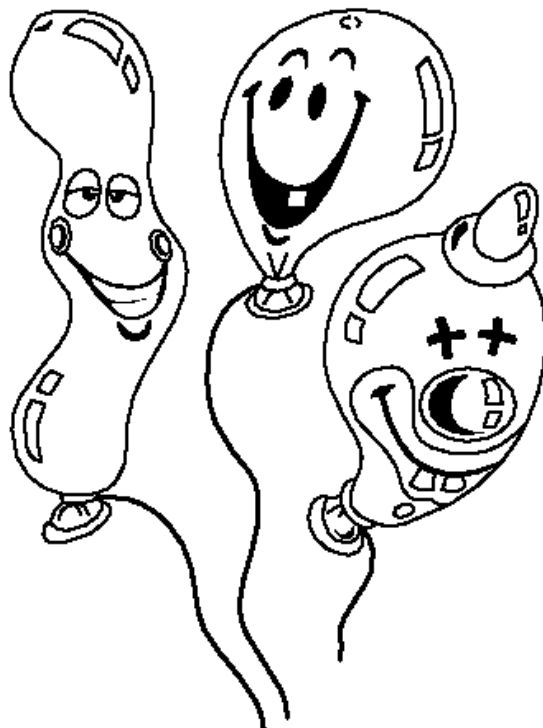
## In the Community

### WILLIAM REID ELEMENTARY CELEBRATES 50TH!

In 1954, William Reid Elementary opened its doors. During the 2003/2004 school year, Ecole William Reid will celebrate this milestone 50th Anniversary.

The school will be hosting a variety of events including a week-long Winter Carnival in February which will include a parade, entertainment, and a live auction. A special assembly will take place in May and a delicious pancake breakfast will be served up in June. Commemorative souvenirs including stationery, homemade soaps, T-shirts, and hoodies will be available for sale throughout the school year.

The festivities are open to the community so join us in observing the Golden Anniversary of Ecole William Reid! Specific details on upcoming events will be posted around the community, so stay tuned!



### WILLIAM REID WINTER CARNAVAL February 2nd through February 7th

A little mystery, a little magic, add some snow and ice and a whole lot of fun – William Reid’s 50th Anniversary celebrations continue by capturing the magic of a French Canadian Winter Carnival and you won’t want to miss it!

Running from February 2nd through February 7th, Winter Carnival will consist of many events for students, parents, and members of the community to enjoy. The festivities will include a parade on Monday the 2nd and a Cabane a Sucre (Sugar Shack) and Family Skate at the Elbow Park Community Ice Rink on Thursday the 5th. This event will also feature traditional French Canadian entertainment. The week’s celebrations wind up with Vive La Mascarade on the evening of February 7th: a masked ball featuring live entertainment, a funny money casino, scrumptious treats, and the piece de resistance, a live auction.

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# Report to the Community

David Tuer, Chair  
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## CALGARY HEALTH REGION ADDS BEDS TO COPE WITH INCREASING DEMAND

Calgary's health system continues to struggle with capacity and access issues. With the city's population increasing by more than 100,000 over the past five years, the Calgary Health Region's frontline staff has been hard pressed to keep up with the rising demand for services. Recently, the Region added 20 medical and pediatric hospital beds at a cost of \$500,000. The beds will serve as a contingency plan for coping with influenza season, which runs through April. Over and above flu season, the Region has been dealing with higher patient volumes. Between April 1 and Nov. 16, 2003, visits to the emergency departments at all four Calgary hospitals were up more than 10 per cent compared with the same period the previous year. In addition, the number of MRI scans being performed by the Region has increased 60 per cent in the past two years. But wait times for elective MRI scans have increased to nearly 200 days despite efforts by the Region to add new MRI machines. The Region will continue to take steps to decrease wait times for elective MRI scans. MRIs have become a valuable tool for physicians, who are now using the technology to help diagnose heart disease and bone and joint problems.

As a result of increased patient demand and lower than forecasted revenues, the Region has updated its anticipated operational budget deficit for the 2003/04 financial year to \$58 million. The Region previously projected that its deficit for the financial year ending on March 31, 2004 would be \$25 million after expenses of \$1.8 billion. The Region's expenditures are on target, but additional revenues expected from a new wave of initiatives discussed as part of the Mazankowski reforms will not be realized. We have been working closely with our provincial government partners and will continue to do so as we address increased service pressures and our

expected funding shortfall. We are doing everything we can to control costs in areas that do not affect patient care. The Region launched a review of administrative expenses in June. The committee conducting the review recently announced it has set a target for a 20 per cent reduction in administration expenses over the next three years. As a board, we are committed to good financial stewardship while recognizing the need to provide the public with first-rate health services.

With 3,000 surgeons in New York looking over his shoulder via a live broadcast from Calgary, Dr Randy Moore recently demonstrated a new technique for repairing an aortic dissection – the condition that claimed the life of actor John Ritter. Working with a multidisciplinary team of doctors and nurses at the Peter Lougheed Centre, Dr Moore completed the procedure to repair a tear in the wall of the patient's aorta in about one hour. The operation was broadcast to 3,000 endovascular surgeons attending the Veith Endovascular Symposium – the largest meeting of its kind held each year at Columbia University in New York. Since 1999, Dr Moore has been using what's called an endovascular stent graft to repair an aortic dissection. Very few surgeons use this technology, so the Calgary Health Region is considered a leader in this field. Patients can expect a two-to-three-week recovery with the

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procedure, compared to the six-month recovery time with open-heart surgery, the previous treatment for an aortic dissection. Additionally, the surgery using this technology has a one per cent death rate and one per cent paralysis rate compared to a 20 per cent death rate and 40 per cent paralysis rate with open-heart surgery.

The Calgary Health Region is thankful to Country 105 FM and its listeners for supporting the Alberta Children's Hospital. The Country 105 Cares for Kids Radiothon in November raised \$605,000 for the Alberta Children's Hospital Foundation. The foundation provides funding for innovative family-centered programs, state of the art equipment, advanced medical training and internationally recognized pediatric research. During the Radiothon, dozens of children, families and caregivers captivated listeners with stories of hope, help and healing at the hospital. On November 7, country music star Paul Brandt

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co-hosted the morning and afternoon drive shows and debuted his song Hope, which he dedicated to the hospital. Those wishing to support the hospital may purchase the song online from [www.paulbrandt.com](http://www.paulbrandt.com).

I encourage you to visit our website to stay abreast of the latest developments in the Calgary Health Region.

[www.calgaryhealthregion.ca](http://www.calgaryhealthregion.ca)

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## Public Service Announcement

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Thursdays, 9:45-11:15am  
Starting JANUARY 16

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Starting JANUARY 19

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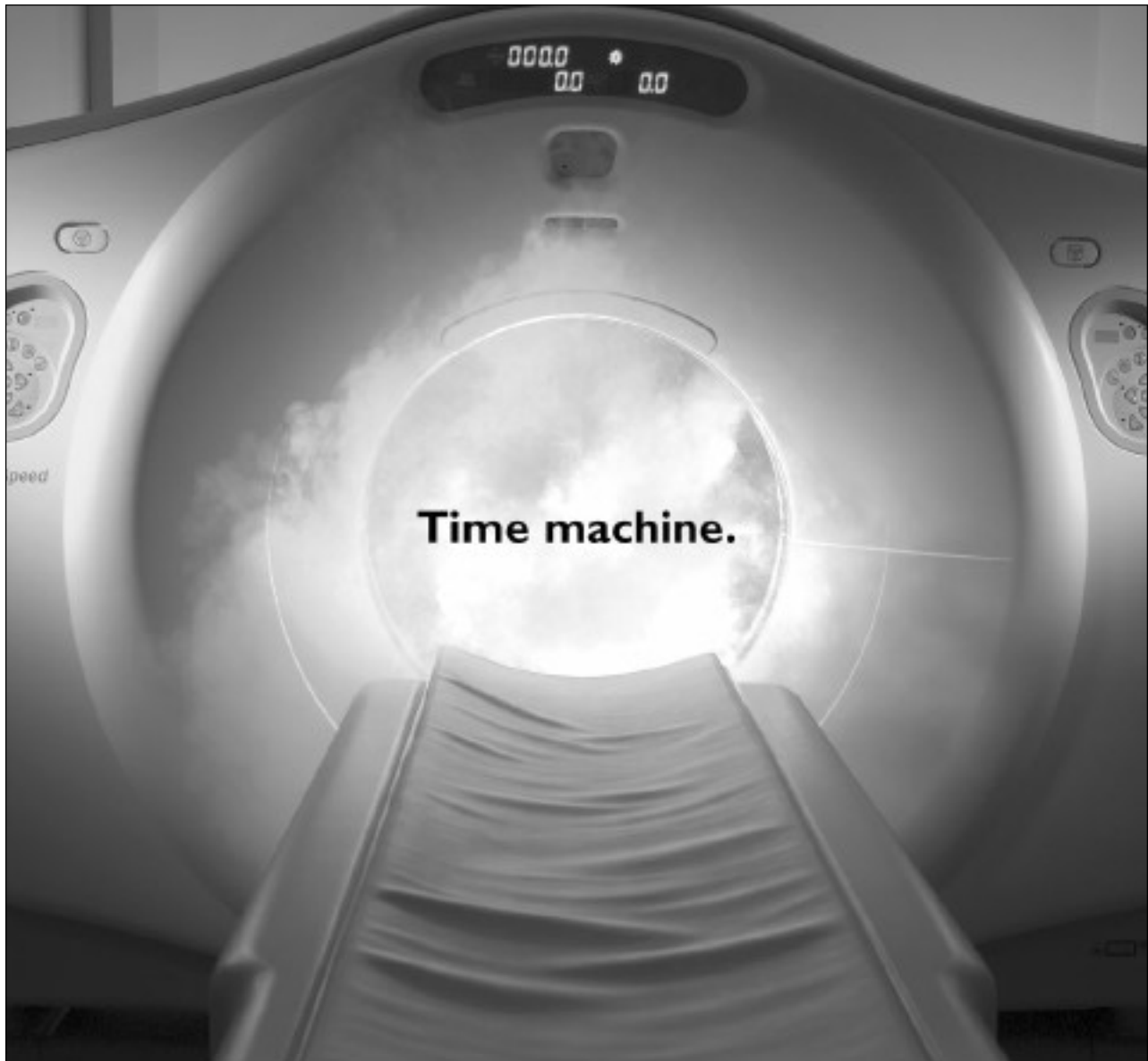
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### ADULT PROGRAMS

#### **Introduction to the Internet – Part 1**

WED Jan 14, Feb 4, Mar 3, or April 7, 10-11:30am  
Prerequisite: Basic keyboard and mouse skills

#### **The Internet: Beyond the Basics – Part 2**

WED Jan 21, Feb 11, Mar 10, or April 14, 10-11:30am  
Prerequisite: Basic keyboard and mouse skills, and Introduction to the Internet

#### **Introduction to E-mail**

WED Jan 28, Feb 18, Mar 17, or April 21, 10-11:30am  
Prerequisite: Basic keyboard and mouse skills

#### **Introduction to Microsoft Word**

WED Feb 25, Mar 24, or April 28, 10-11:30am  
Prerequisite: Basic keyboard and mouse skills

#### **Adult Book Discussion Group**

TUES Jan 13, Feb 3, Mar 2, and April 6, 7-8:30pm  
Pick up a copy of the monthly book selection at Calhoun and join us for a lively book discussion.

**Author, Author: Barbara Kam & Nora Bryan**  
WED Jan 28, 7-8:30pm

The Prairie Winterscape: Creative Gardening for the Forgotten Season describes all you need to know for creating and enjoying a beautiful winter garden. It includes suggestions for winter containers, wreaths, and ice projects. Talk, illustrated with slides.

#### **Explore New Zealand with Mike Potter**

WED Feb 11, 7-8:30pm  
Join Mike Potter, well-known local author and photographer, for this slide show and talk about the natural history, hiking and aspects of Maori culture in Aotearoa, "the land of the long white cloud".

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## CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

#### **Author, Author: Vera Pezer**

TUES Feb 24, 7-8:30pm

The Stone Age: A Social History of Curling on the Prairies chronicles the sport's development from the time of the fur trade to its role as the centre of prairie social life and a sophisticated Olympic sport.

#### **Baby and You**

THURS Jan 29, Feb 5, 12, 19, and 26, 10am-12pm  
For moms and babies up to one year of age. Perinatal education professionals facilitate these fun and informative classes to help you understand your baby and family. Topics include infant crying, getting baby back to sleep, toys and games, health and nutrition, and community resources. Co-sponsored by the Calgary Public Library and the Calgary Health Region.

#### **Baby Storytime**

THURS Jan 8, 15 and 22, 10:15-10:45am  
Songs, rhymes, and stories. Ages 6 to 23 months with their parents/caregivers.

#### **Preschool Storytime**

THURS Jan 22 and 29, Feb 5, 12, 19 and 26, 2:15-2:45pm  
Ages 3 to 5 years.

#### **Toddler Storytime**

TUES Jan 20 and 27, Feb. 3, 10, 17 and 24, 11-11:20am  
Join us for stories, songs, and finger plays especially for toddlers. Children must be at least two years old when this program begins. Ages 2 to 3 with their parents/caregivers.

#### **Family Storytime**

TUES Jan 20 and 27,  
Feb 3, 10, 17 and 24,  
10:15-10:45am  
Ages 2 to 5 with their parents/caregivers.



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## In the Community

### OPEN HOUSE

EARL GREY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
& THUMBELINA PRESCHOOL

Wednesday JANUARY 28

4-8pm

845 Hillcrest Ave SW

777-8570

Come see what a small  
Community School has to offer  
Enriched Science Program  
Early Literacy Intervention  
Meet teachers, students and parents

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## Membership News

With the arrival of the New Year, among the many resolutions that we will all no doubt be making, let's make place for one more . . .

PAY MOUNT ROYAL COMMUNITY  
ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP PROMPTLY

The membership year runs from January to December, and although the actual membership drive will not take place until the Spring, why not save everyone time, effort and postage by filling out the membership form at the back of the newsletter NOW and returning it to the Community Association, 2317 10th Street SW.

*Sheila Telford*

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## Five Lines Free

WANTED Used (ie not expensive) drum set for teen usage. Has your child gone off to college and left you with this large object in your basement? Or perhaps moved on to a different, quieter instrument. If so, please call Mary Lou, 244-5152.

Reliable lady will clean your home on a Monday to Friday. Weekly, bi-weekly or occasionally. I will give a 100% discount on the first cleaning job. For a free estimate please telephone 720-8689. Please leave a message if I am not available. Thank you, Maria Batti.



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Bill Penner 244-4892

**MARTHA'S MASTER CLEANERS**

#2 1403 - 8 St. S.W., Calgary T2R 1B8

Hours: Mon to Fri. 8:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.  
Sat. 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Ken Tailleir Not just any old cleaners  
244-4349 we're Masters  
Seamstress or Localist

# Dates to Remember

Friday January 23, 7:30pm  
Martini Night

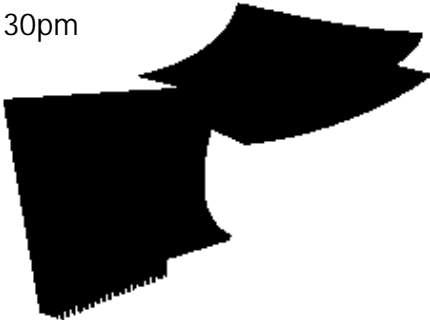
Thursday January 29, 7pm  
Traffic Meeting

Sunday February 1, 12:30pm  
Annual Skating Party

Sunday February 15  
Mount Royal Community News  
March • April Issue  
Deadline for Submission

Friday March 12, 7:30pm  
Irish Night

*Mark Your  
Calendars!*



# Be a MEMBER... Sign Up Today



## 2004 MOUNT ROYAL COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP

FAMILY NAME \_\_\_\_\_

FIRST NAME(S) \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

POSTAL CODE \_\_\_\_\_ CHILDREN'S AGES \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_  
(used to inform you of upcoming community events)

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

MRCA Family Membership	\$35	\$ _____
Seniors Membership – over 65 years	\$15	\$ _____
Tennis Membership – for those who want to use the courts (must be a MRCA member to purchase)	\$25	\$ _____
Donation to the Community – tax receipt given		\$ _____
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>

Mail or drop-off completed membership form with cheque payable to  
Mount Royal Community Association 2317 10 Street SW, Calgary, AB T2T 3G7