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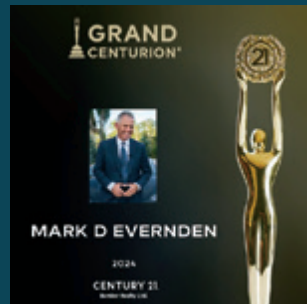
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MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

Dear Neighbours and Friends,

As December wraps us in its wintery embrace, we find ourselves reflecting on the year gone by. 2025 has been a journey filled with growth, challenges, and beautiful moments of connection and collaboration. Whether it was a cheerful wave at a community event, a shared laugh, or a quiet act of kindness, each of you has helped make our neighbourhood feel more like home.

At the heart of everything we've accomplished are the incredible volunteers who give so generously of their time and spirit. These community heroes work tirelessly behind the scenes organizing events, lending a hand, and making sure our community continues to thrive. To every one of you: thank you. You are the heartbeat of our success, and we are endlessly grateful.

A Few Highlights from 2025 From Your SCA CA

- **A Fresh New Website:** We've launched a warm and welcoming new online space for SCA CA, complete with virtual tours and easy booking for potential renters. We would love to hear your feedback on the new look!
- **Building Improvements:** In partnership with the City of Calgary, we've repaired and enhanced the aging structural columns around our facility, wrapping them in sleek white aluminium to improve both durability and visual unity. You may have also noticed a safer parking experience thanks to the SCA CA's efforts to repair and fill potholes in the main lot. Earlier in 2025, we identified significant water intrusion from the roof into the main hall. After a thorough evaluation, it was determined that the gutters required cleaning and the eaves needed repairs. Since completing this project, we've successfully prevented further water from entering the hall.
- **Secured Storage Spaces:** We've replaced and reinforced the lower-level tractor and storage doors, keeping our community's assets safe and sound.
- **Memorable Events:** Despite unpredictable weather, our Stampede celebration attracted nearly 900 attendees! And our first-ever Halloween Carnival was a hit, with around 280 community members joining in the fun.

Looking Ahead to 2026

We're excited to continue investing in your community space introducing new programs, enhancing digital

tools, and creating more opportunities to gather, learn, and play. Our goal remains simple: to offer you and your loved ones a safe, clean, and joyful place to belong. As always, we are interested in hearing from our members and the community in general. If you have any questions, suggestions or concerns, please contact us and let us know your thoughts. We are always interested in hearing from you.

No matter where you're reading this from, we wish you a warm and peaceful holiday season. Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays, and heartfelt wishes for a bright New Year. We are honoured to have served the community in 2025 and look forward to many more memories in 2026 and beyond.

With gratitude,

Your Board of Directors

Calendar		
DATE	TIME	EVENT
December 6	10:00 am	SCA CA Christmas Craft Fair
January 21	7:00 pm	SCA CA Board Meeting
February 18	7:00 pm	SCA CA Board Meeting
Please Note: Community Association members are welcome to attend SCA board meetings by appointment. Contact info@scacalgary.ca .		



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SCA 2025 Schedule

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT	SUN
A Child's Garden: Morning and Afternoon Pre-school Programs (3 to 4 years old) Seedlings Spanish Preschool: Morning and Afternoon Pre-school Programs (2 1/2 to 5 years old) KidZinc before and after school care Grades 1 to 6						
Jazzercise, 9:30 am	Zumbini, Main hall, 10:30 am	Jazzercise, 9:30 am	Adult Art, 10:00 am	Jazzercise, 9:30 am	PRIVATE RENTALS	Pathfinders, 6:30 pm
Older Adult Yoga, 12:00 pm, 1:15 pm	Adult Art, 1:00 pm	Tai Chi, 11:00 am	Beyond the Barre, 10:45 am	Sit Fit Yoga, 11:00 am		
Tai Chi, 1:30 pm, 2:45 pm	Level Up Learning, 5:30 pm	Chair Yoga, 11:00 am	Gentle but Strong Yoga, 12:00 pm	Bridge, 12:30 pm		
Level Up Learning, 5:30 pm	Chinook Country Line Dancers, 6:00 pm	SCA Line Dance, from 1:00 pm	Goga Play, 3:30 pm	Older Adult Dance, 1:00 pm		
CYPT, 5:30 pm	CYP Theatre, 6:30 pm	Yin to Gentle Yoga Flow, 4:30 pm	Therapeutic Yoga, 5:00 pm			
Sparks, 6:30 pm		Level Up Learning, 5:30 pm	Zumba Fitness, 5:15 to 6:15 pm			
Rangers/Pathfinders, 6:30 pm		Karate, from 6:30 pm	CYP Theatre, from 5:30 pm			
Karate, 6:30 pm		Pathfinders, 6:30 pm	Scouts, 6:15 pm			
Toastmasters, 7:30 pm		Numbers in Bloom 6:00 to 8:00 pm				
		Gentle Flow Yoga, 7:00 pm				



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EVENTS

SCA CA Christmas Craft Fair – December 6

10:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Get a head start on your holiday shopping and join us for this popular annual event!

Over 55+ vendors will participate with unique handmade gifts such as hand knit items, jewellery, Christmas ornaments, floral arrangements, paper art, food items, woodwork, soaps and lotions, and much, much more!

Admission is free! A current SCA CA membership would be appreciated to help support your community association and this event.

Also included:

- Concession with food and drinks.
- Bring a non-perishable food item to help support the Mayor's Food Drive.
- Vendors appreciate cash.
- Additional vendors not required.

Watercolour Class: Majestic Mountains Card – December 20

Learn how to make a watercolour art card inspired from the Canadian Rockies—just in time for a special Christmas or winter greeting! Jenna Anand will teach how to make a rugged mountain using the unique process of using the edge of a credit card. Participants will then apply this in class to make their own unique handmade card. Although this lesson will be catering for adults, older teens are also welcome to join.

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August	25	16	13	\$549,900	\$550,000
July	25	21	12	\$717,450	\$705,000
June	25	18	10	\$1,274,450	\$1,304,250
May	25	23	18	\$1,236,500	\$1,182,500
April	25	16	11	\$548,800	\$568,000
March	25	17	13	\$570,000	\$560,000
February	25	11	5	\$579,900	\$550,000
January	25	14	11	\$618,800	\$614,000
December	24	4	10	\$566,500	\$551,000
November	24	9	13	\$579,900	\$552,000

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Contact 403-240-2059 or visit www.calgarykidzinc.ca.

Seedlings Spanish Preschool

Ages 2 ½ to 6

Half or full day.

Contact Judith at 403-210-0604 or visit www.seedlingspreschool.ca.

Children's Programs

Calgary Young People's Theatre

Mondays at 5:30 pm, Tuesdays at 6:30 pm, Thursdays at 5:00, 6:30, and 7:00 pm

Visit www.cypt.ca.

Child Safe - Babysitter Program

Ages 10+

10:00 am to 5:00 pm

Parented: No

Cost: \$67.95 +GST. What to Bring: doll/teddy bear (build-a-bear size!), water bottle, peanut-free lunch, and pen/pencil.

To register or for more information: www.childsafecanada.com.

Girl Guides

Sunset Hills Guiding needs Spark, Embers, and Guide Leaders!

Classes for Sparks, Pathfinders, and Rangers. any-calgarysunsethills@girlguides.ca.

New! Girls That Math

This ain't your average tutoring program. Girls That Math is a small group math program. Yep, for girls! It is led by Erin, a certified math teacher with over a decade of teaching experience. This program builds skills and confidence in a hands-on supportive environment.

Wednesdays.

Grades 5 to 6 – 6:00 to 7:00 pm

Grades 7 to 8 – 7:00 to 8:00 pm

For more information, visit www.scacalgary.ca.
Email: erin@numbersinbloom.com.

New! Goga Play Kids

Program for ages 3 to 5. Thursdays, 3:30 pm.

One of a kind visual storytelling with puppets and many uniquely designed props where your child participates throughout! Also included, yoga inspired dance segment and arts and crafts tailored to the stories.

Go to www.gogatoys.com for more information and to register.

Karate Classes

Mondays at 6:30 pm (Parent and child, ages 7+)

Wednesdays at 6:30 pm (Ages 7 to 12)

Wednesdays at 7:30 pm (Adult beginner, ages 13+)

Contact Jeffrey Jukes at 403-228-5039.

New! Level Up Learning Tutoring

At Level Up Learning, we are dedicated to enabling students to reach their academic goals. Beginning in September of 2025, we will be offering drop-in tutoring for math and science courses for students in grades 9 to 12. It's a great place for students to get help with concepts and get their homework done in a supportive environment. Tutors will be available to give students immediate support as they work through their assignments or study for upcoming assessments. The tutoring centre will be located at SCA and will be open Monday and Wednesday from 5:30 to 8:30 pm. Tuesdays, 6:00 to 9:00 pm

More information at www.level-uplearning.com.

New! Zumbini

Program for ages 0 to 4. Tuesdays, 10:30 am.

The ultimate bonding experience for ages 0 to 4 and their caregivers. Music and Movement, upbeat sing-alongs, rhythmic instruments, scarf play interactive dance tunes, and more!

More information at www.gogatoys.com.

Scouts

Thursdays, 6:15 pm

Email strathcona215gc@gmail.com or visit www.scouts.ca.

Adult Programs

Adult Art

Discover your creative self! If you have ever wanted to learn how to paint in either watercolour or acrylics or hone the skills you might already have, consider joining our classes! Your experienced instructor will guide you as you discover how fun and rewarding it can be to express yourself on paper or canvas. All levels welcome.

Watercolours – January 13 to March 31.

12 weeks: \$216 plus GST.

Acrylics – January 15 to March 26.

11 weeks: \$198 plus GST.

Contact your instructor Karin Richter to register for this class at karinrichter@shaw.ca.

New! Beyond the Barre

Thursdays, 10:45 am.

Embodied Energy is a transformative, low-impact experience created for women of all ages and fitness levels. With the hoop as a stabilizer, you'll move through barre-inspired sequences that ground the body, free blocked energy, and expand your sense of balance and strength. Breath work is woven throughout—teaching you to extend, to lengthen, to exhale and let go. More than a workout, this class is set to upbeat music and is a shared journey of women moving together, supporting one another, and leaving class standing taller, lighter, and filled with unstoppable energy.

Trainer: Caryn Van, Founder of Beyond the Barre

For more information or to register email Caryn at hello@beyondthebarre.ca.

*Class is typically done bare feet with barre socks (stabilizing hoop provided, barre socks will be available for purchase at the start of each class). Please bring a yoga mat and water bottle.

Chair Yoga (Beginner and Intermediate)

Chair yoga offers a gentle yet effective way for people of all ages and abilities to experience the benefits of yoga in a safe and supportive environment. Benefits of yoga include improved flexibility, strength, posture, reduced stress levels, better concentration, and a greater sense of overall well-being. Offered both in-person and online through Zoom.

Chair Yoga (Seated Only) – Mondays, September 8 to December 15 from 12:00 to 1:00 pm.

Chair Yoga (Beginner/Intermediate) – Mondays, September 8 to December 15 from 1:15 to 2:15 pm.

Chair Yoga (Intermediate +) – Wednesdays, September 12 to December 12 from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm.

Registered for 14 weeks: \$112. Drop-in is available for \$10 per class. Contact Sherry at sherrynormanyoga@gmail.com or phone 403-542-0761.

Chinook Country Line Dance

Join our wonderful "Dance for Fun" Program as we take you on a beautiful journey learning how to dance. This activity slows down aging and sharpens our cognitive skills. Come and be a part of an incredible community and meet a happy dancing family of friends. We offer one of the best programs for Adult Dance Classes.

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Gentle but Strong Yoga

Thursdays, 12:00 to 1:15 pm

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Contact mjgerlitz@gmail.com.

New! Gentle Vinyasa Flow Yoga

Gentle Vinyasa Flow Yoga Class led by Dayna Steranka (Certified Yoga Instructor). Suitable for all levels—beginners welcome.

Wednesdays at 7:00 pm. \$10 drop-in.

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Jazzercise

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Passes are \$80 per month for three times per week, \$70 per month for two times per week, \$150 for a ten-class pass (three-month expiry).

Mention this ad for one free class.

For more information or pricing options, contact Maureen at jazzstrathcona@gmail.com or 403-461-7694.

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Jazzercise has been offered at the Strathcona Community Centre for the last four decades.

Karate Classes

Mondays, 6:30 pm (Parent and child 7+ years)

Wednesdays, 6:30 pm (7 to 12 years)

Wednesdays, 7:30 pm (Adult beginner, 13+)

The Karate Club offers classes for all age groups. The club is a member of Karate Canada, the official governing body of karate, with member clubs across Canada.

Contact Jeffrey Jukes at 403-228-5039.

SitFit + Yoga (Sherry) – Fall Classes

A full body workout that combines weights and resistance training within the mindfulness of yoga. Ideal for anyone who needs the comfort and/or safety of seated exercise (standing is optional). The class is held in the main hall of the Strathcona Community Centre as well as streamed online.

September 12 to December 12.

Fridays, 11:00 am to 12:00 pm.

Registered for 14 weeks: \$112. Drop-in: \$10 per class.

Contact Sherry: sherrynormanyoga@gmail.com.

New! Therapeutic Yoga

Thursdays at 5:00 pm.

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Yin to Gentle Flow Yoga

Wednesdays, 4:30 to 5:30 pm.

Join me in the Founders Room Wednesdays for this Yin to Gentle Flow Yoga class. The class will begin with some yin style longer held poses to awaken the body and invite flexibility. We will slowly build into a gentle flow (Hatha) style class to invigorate you for the day. To close the practice, we will rest in savasana allowing this new place of ease and balance to integrate into the body and mind. This class is suitable for all levels.

Registered for nine weeks: \$120. Drop-in: \$18 per class.

Contact Sue Fiedosiewich at vishnasue@shaw.ca.

Zumba Fitness

Are you ready to dance your way to fitness? Join me for a fun-filled Zumba class on Thursday evenings, where we'll groove to energetic music, burn calories, and have an amazing time! Everyone is welcome! Let's move, laugh, and stay healthy together! Thursdays at 5:15 pm. For more information contact Andrea at 403-816-6897.

SCA Winter Programs

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Line Dancing (Mary and Peggy)

Ten weeks - \$100 + \$5 GST = \$105 (BOGO \$50 + \$2.50 GST = \$52.50) Discount of \$50

Wednesdays, January 7 to March 18 (No class February 18).

#1: Beginner (Level 1) 3:00 to 4:00 pm

#2: Beginner Plus (Level 1+ / 2) 2:00 to 3:00 pm

#3: Improver (Level 2/3) 1:00 to 2:00 pm

#4: Intermediate (Level 4) 2:00 to 3:00 pm

#5: Advance (Level 5/6) 1:00 to 2:00 pm

*BOGO Half Off Sale must call the office at 403-249-1138

Line Dancing Drop-in (Peggy)

\$5 Drop-in Fee – Must have community membership

Fridays, January 9 to March 13 from 1:30 to 2:30 pm

Tai Chi (Adrian Buzcek)

Ten Classes - \$90 + \$4.50 = \$94.50

Continuing 1 and Basics – Mondays, January 5 to March 16 (No class on February 16) from 1:30 to 2:30 pm.

Basics – Mondays, January 5 to March 16 (No class on February 16) from 2:45 to 3:45 pm.

Continuing 2 – Wednesdays, January 7 to March 11 from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm.




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		Properties		Median Price	
		Listed	Sold	Listed	Sold
October	25	15	8	\$837,450	\$842,250
September	25	6	8	\$824,950	\$803,500
August	25	10	6	\$937,250	\$909,000
July	25	8	9	\$939,900	\$938,800
June	25	10	12	\$844,500	\$828,000
May	25	14	12	\$912,400	\$928,750
April	25	25	15	\$725,000	\$715,000
March	25	4	7	\$850,000	\$835,000
February	25	5	3	\$624,900	\$575,000
January	25	4	3	\$999,000	\$1,100,000
December	24	5	5	\$629,000	\$639,000
November	24	3	2	\$839,950	\$824,625

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		Properties		Median Price	
		Listed	Sold	Listed	Sold
October	25	4	0	\$0	\$0
September	25	4	5	\$799,900	\$773,000
August	25	1	4	\$1,014,950	\$982,750
July	25	7	1	\$439,900	\$435,000
June	25	4	3	\$925,000	\$925,000
May	25	3	6	\$475,000	\$466,500
April	25	6	2	\$974,900	\$1,012,500
March	25	4	4	\$1,000,000	\$990,000
February	25	3	1	\$449,900	\$462,000
January	25	0	1	\$778,000	\$770,000
December	24	1	0	\$0	\$0
November	24	0	2	\$669,500	\$640,000

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The Bow Valley Music Club's second half of 2025-26 presents another series of great concerts. You can contact us for more information at: info@bowvalleymusicclub.org

February 14, 2026 - Maggie's Wake with Amy Bishop Trio

Maggie's Wake is a dynamic band from Southwestern Ontario, blending traditional folk roots with contemporary styles like jazz, Americana, and classic country. Fronted by award-winning songwriter and multi-instrumentalist Tara Dunphy, the group creates an original sound that is rooted in heritage.

Amy Bishop is a talented Canadian singer-songwriter known for her captivating voice, engaging performances, and heartfelt storytelling. Bishop's music is characterized by smooth melodies and powerful vocals, allowing her to connect deeply with audiences.

March 7 - The Woodshed / Old Man Luedecke Twin Bill

The Woodshed is the musical partnership of John Wort Hannam and T. Buckley. Their award-winning collaboration began with "woodshedding" songs together, bringing authentic connection to the stage. With a stunning blend of vocal harmonies, gutsy and sophisticated songwriting, and intricate guitar work, The Woodshed delivers a powerful, yet intimate performance.

Old Man Luedecke - Chris Luedecke is a two-time JUNO award-winning and Polaris Prize-nominated singer-songwriter, known for high energy banjo driven stompers, touching guitar ballads and dry humorous stories. Luedecke has been making a soundtrack to an authentic life for nearly twenty years.

March 21 - JigJam with Von Bieker Duo

When virtuoso Irish playing jumps the pond running naked through the wide open fields of bluegrass/Americana, JigJam is born. Bluegrass and American Folk music originated from the group's home, and now JigJam is here to take it back! 'Foot stomping', 'high energy' is what you're in for!

Von Bieker Duo - What exactly sets Dave Von Bieker apart from the rest of the indie-folk singer-songwriter pack? His songs are jammed with fanciful details and delectable turns of phrase. His neither flashy nor TV-competition-show-worthy singing is workmanlike but adds to his charm. And to top it off the dude can rock a bow tie like no one else you've ever seen.

April 18 - Vicki Peterson & John Cowsill with Mike Stack Duo

Vicki Peterson of The Bangles (whose work includes #1 hit "Walk Like An Egyptian" and several other Top 10 songs) teams up with John Cowsill, drummer/vocalist for The Beach Boys for over 23 years and original member of the platinum-selling family band, The Cowsills, for an amazing show.

Mike Stack - From his time with The Burners and The Grift to his days now playing as a duo or solo, Mike Stack has followed his own path. His smoky vocals infuse his songs with an earthy quality that speaks of years watching this world and its human interactions.

May 9 - Twilight Time with Shaye Zadravec Trio

Twilight Time - Get ready for a wonderful musical trip down memory lane as this group brings to life the music of the late 50s and early 60s, when doo-wop groups ruled the airwaves and The Platters were the rage.

Shaye Zadravec - A sometimes songwriter, but a full-time exceptional singer, Shaye Zadravec is a throwback to the era when great singers lent their voices to the best material and built their careers on the backs of these great songs.



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