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If you have any questions or concerns, or would like to find out more about how you can participate in your community, call us at the hall at 403-246-6668. If we are busy flooding the rink or setting up for a community function, please leave us a message and we'll get right back to you.



# Killarney-Glengarry Community Association Board of Directors

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## PROGRAM COORDINATORS

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## COMMUNITY PROJECTS

Maureen Lively	Glengarry park revitalization	
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# KILLARNEY GLENGARRY COMMUNITY VISION STATEMENT

Together, let's build and live and thrive and love Killarney, and make it the best place in the world



# Glengarry Park Revitalisation Project NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

If you are interested in helping, please email [mlive@shaw.ca](mailto:mlive@shaw.ca).

VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Main Streets: We Want Your Feedback!

Do you know your neighbours? We are very fortunate to live in the vibrant community of Killarney Glengarry with our diversity of architecture, business and service offerings and residents. Are you ready for Main Streets? Killarney has been given an amazing opportunity in partnership with the City of Calgary's new Main Streets program to update, modernize and beatify our boundary streets. The Main Street initiative is a huge kick start to bring new and exciting businesses and services to our community, an infusion of infrastructure spending and some snazzy new mixed-use residential dwellings.

Your KGCA board has heard from residents, businesses, and the City during the early stages of planning, but we haven't heard enough from our most important stake holders - you! This is a great opportunity to talk to your neighbours, your councillor, and your CA board to educate yourself on how this wonderful (and impactful) project will affect your life in Killarney. Please visit the Killarney Glengarry CA website for links and information on how you can get more acquainted with Main Streets. Send your questions or comments to Facilities@KillarneyGlengarry.com.

Mathew Beaudoin  
Vice President & Director of Facilities  
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Why become a KGCA Member?

When you buy a membership, for only \$25 per family, you can take advantage of:

- Our new **KGCA Membership Perks** program giving you discounts and offers from local businesses
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- Advance notice of planning and development meetings
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- Hourly on weekdays (Mon-Thurs):
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- Hourly on weekends (Fri/Sat/Sun - 8am-5pm only):
- \$60/hr (\$50/hr for KGCA Members) \*Minimum 4-hour rental required
- Fri, Sat or Sun - Full Day (8am-2am):
- \$650 (\$550 for KGCA Members)
- Fri/Sat/Sun - Evening only (4pm - 2am):
- \$500 (\$400 for KGCA Members)

**A mandatory Janitorial Fee is added to most bookings. See "Extra Fees" below.**

**\*GST is not included in the above pricing.**

Hall Availability

You can check our hall's availability any time by using the on-line calendar at [www.killarneyglengarry.com](http://www.killarneyglengarry.com).

Timing

The extra time you need for load-in, set-up, decorating, tear-down, load-out, etc. **MUST** be included within your booking time - it's not just the timing of the event itself.

Rental Fees

Fees can vary depending on the size & timing of your function & what other services may be required. Once we discuss your event in detail, we can quote a specific & accurate Rental Fee for your booking.

Extra Fees

Mandatory Janitorial & Optional Set-up and/or Tear-down Service Fees are \$75 per Service for less than 100 attendees, or \$100 per Service for 100+ attendees.

Deposit & Cancellation

A 50% Deposit is required with the signed contract to secure your booking. This Deposit is fully-refundable (less a \$25 Admin Fee) provided we receive 60 days' or more Cancellation Notice.

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A Damage Deposit (equal to the Rental Fee) may be required, depending on the booking.

Alcohol & Insurance

If alcohol will be on the premises, the Renter is responsible for obtaining an AGLC Liquor Permit & any related Event Insurance.

**For more information or to book our hall, email [killarneyhallrentals@gmail.com](mailto:killarneyhallrentals@gmail.com) or call Lola at 403-474-3845 & leave a message. Be sure to include a bit of info about your event and any dates!**

FACILITIES UPDATE

Killarney Glengarry is very fortunate to be one of the few community associations in Calgary to have a great facility at our disposal. Our hall has character, memories, and history, but with that comes wear and tear - we all get old. The Community Association board has been working hard in the background to try to bring your community space up to snuff with new spaces and amenities for our residents. One major project we are just completing is making the outdoor rink space part of our official lease space. This means that we will be able to install a better rink surface, eventually with boards, better seating (and maybe even a fire pit space). For residents, this means you will be able to book the space for events and that the Community Association will be doing more events like our very well-attended Skate Party of 2017.

One other hot topic right now is carbon credits and energy efficiency. With that in mind we are in the process of upgrading our 100+ year old building to all LED and energy efficient lighting. We have had asked the City of Calgary to perform an audit to see how else we can improve our space while reducing our impact on the environment.

Our preference is always to use local residents to create and improve our local space. If you are a contractor or trades person and would like to talk to us about how you get involved please email [facilities@killarneyglengarry.com](mailto:facilities@killarneyglengarry.com)

Mathew Beaudoin  
Vice President & Director of Facilities





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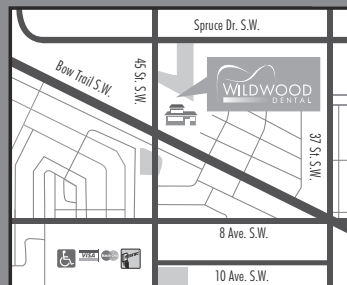
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We are looking for someone to oversee the production of the monthly community newsletter. This is a great opportunity for someone with an interest or experience in journalism or communications. The role involves organizing, editing, and writing portions of the content each month.  
Email [comms@killarneyglengarry.com](mailto:comms@killarneyglengarry.com) for more info.

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FROM THE MEMBERSHIP DESK

I want to extend a huge THANK YOU to all of our members! You help to make Killarney the strong vibrant community that is the envy of many neighbourhoods!

We had a very busy summer with Cheers! Killarney, the Garage Sale, Community Clean-up Day, Paint in the Park, Stay & Play, Timbits soccer, Tri-West soccer, our AGM, and the orientation of your new Board of Directors, as well as the many activities that happen in the neighbourhood that keep us all engaged and entertained.

If you haven't had a chance to stroll by the hall I suggest you do and check out the beautiful gardens with our community gardening program—thank you to our volunteer garden coordinators and gardeners!

As we move into the fall and winter seasons, we have some great programming coming up and I would like to take this opportunity to ask those of you who are not already to consider becoming a member of **your** Killarney-Glengarry Community Association! The process is very easy through our online store at killarney-glengarry.com using a credit card or by mailing in a cheque using the form in this newsletter.

Your membership fees help us to deliver more programming and give us an idea of who is active in the community. It also keeps you "in the know," grants you access to the *Membership Perks!* program and entitles you to a discounted rate when renting the hall for your functions.

If you have any questions or comments, please reach out to me any time at membershipdirector@killarneyglengarry.com.

I look forward to seeing you in the neighbourhood!

Shawn Kearns, Membership Director



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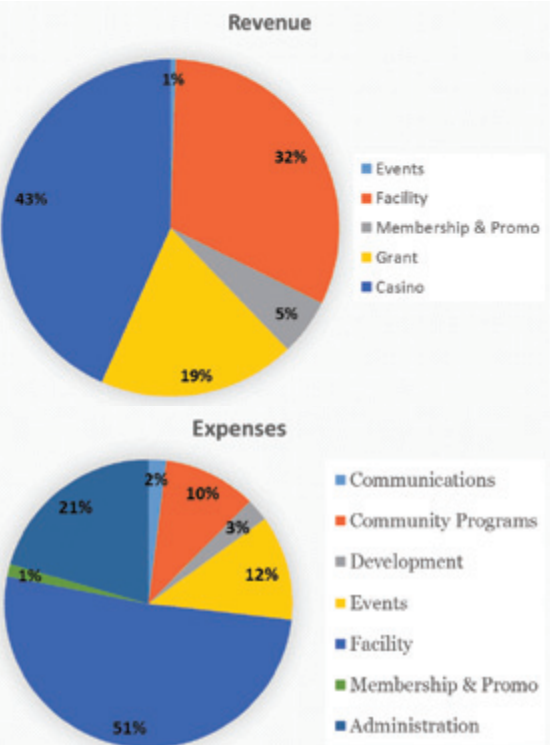
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The KGCA Casino Night was a Great Success

The KGCA Board would like to extend a great, big THANK YOU to all the community volunteers who came out to work the Casino Night for us in September. Without your help and commitment, we wouldn't be able to succeed in improving the community!

Did you know that this event often raises funds in excess of \$60,000 and lasts us around 18-24 months? Most of our revenue currently covers the running of our Community Hall, and the new Board of Directors has an additional vision to also use it to boost community programming and make more available to you, the residents.

If you have any questions about how your membership costs contribute to the bottom line or are curious about the details of where the money goes, have a look at the high-level breakdown below and feel free to contact us at treasurer@killarneyglengarry.com or admin@killarneyglengarry.com.



MEET  
**CHRIS DAVIS**

With over 25 years of direct municipal involvement, Chris Davis brings a wealth of experience to City Hall. Like most Calgarians, Chris believes taxpayers' money matters. He believes city council should not only deliver quality services, but prioritize responsible spending and keeping life affordable for hard-working Calgarians.

One of the biggest concerns Chris hears about in Killarney-Glengarry is traffic and parking – motorists cutting through neighbourhoods, and housing densification that brings more people into the community but doesn't adequately address where they park.

Chris pledges to bring these and other concerns forward as councillor for Ward 8.

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Thanks for supporting your local community association!

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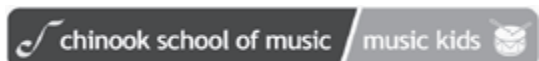
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## Killarney School's Little Free Library

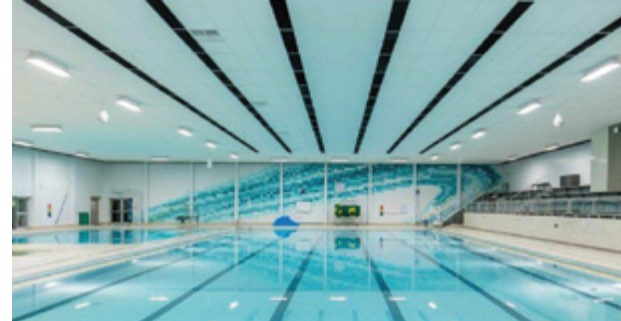
A group effort, this little library at Killarney school was completed as a dedication to the former principal, Ms. Rhonda Choate. The original idea was conceived by the parent council and is meant to emulate an old-style school house, which inspired the colour scheme. Then the little library evolved into include an inspirational quote from Dr. Seuss and feature a beautiful painting by local artist Melisa Centofanti. Check out its offerings the next time you are in the vicinity - it is open to both students and the neighbourhood community.

Do you have a little free library at your home? Send us a picture, and tell us the story of how it came to be! Send us your story at [comms@killarneyglengarry.com](mailto:comms@killarneyglengarry.com) and it could be featured in our March issue to celebrate World Book Day.

## New Community Hall Program this Fall!

### Music for Little Ones:

Musical Discoveries is for children aged 6 months – 5 years. In parented and un-parented classes our program teaches your little one about music. In an age-appropriate setting we'll explore through singing, instruments, movement and rhythmic activities, crafts and stories. Call Skye today at 403-619-7063. [www.musicaldiscoveries.ca](http://www.musicaldiscoveries.ca)



## Killarney Aquatic & Fitness Centre

Killarney Aquatic & Recreation Centre recently received some much-needed T.L.C. to increase the efficiency of operations and improve overall customer experience. Built in the 1960s, the facility has been an important part of the community where every year Calgarians of all ages learn new skills, make new friends and enjoy the benefits of active living.

Some of the improvements include:

- Change room upgrades
- Repairs and mechanical upgrades
- Painting
- Resurfacing (flooring and tiling)
- Re-grouting and corrosion repairs
- Steam room door replacement

Winter registration opened on September 11. Fall dry land registration classes are currently open for registration with Winter registration opening on November 20. Schedules and more information on the facility, drop in fitness classes and pool availability are available online at [www.calgary.ca/recreation](http://www.calgary.ca/recreation).



In a number of cultures around the world, the response to a sneeze is typically to wish God would bless the sneezer, or to wish the sneezer health and long life. And the usual responses are to say thank-you or to excuse oneself for the sneeze.



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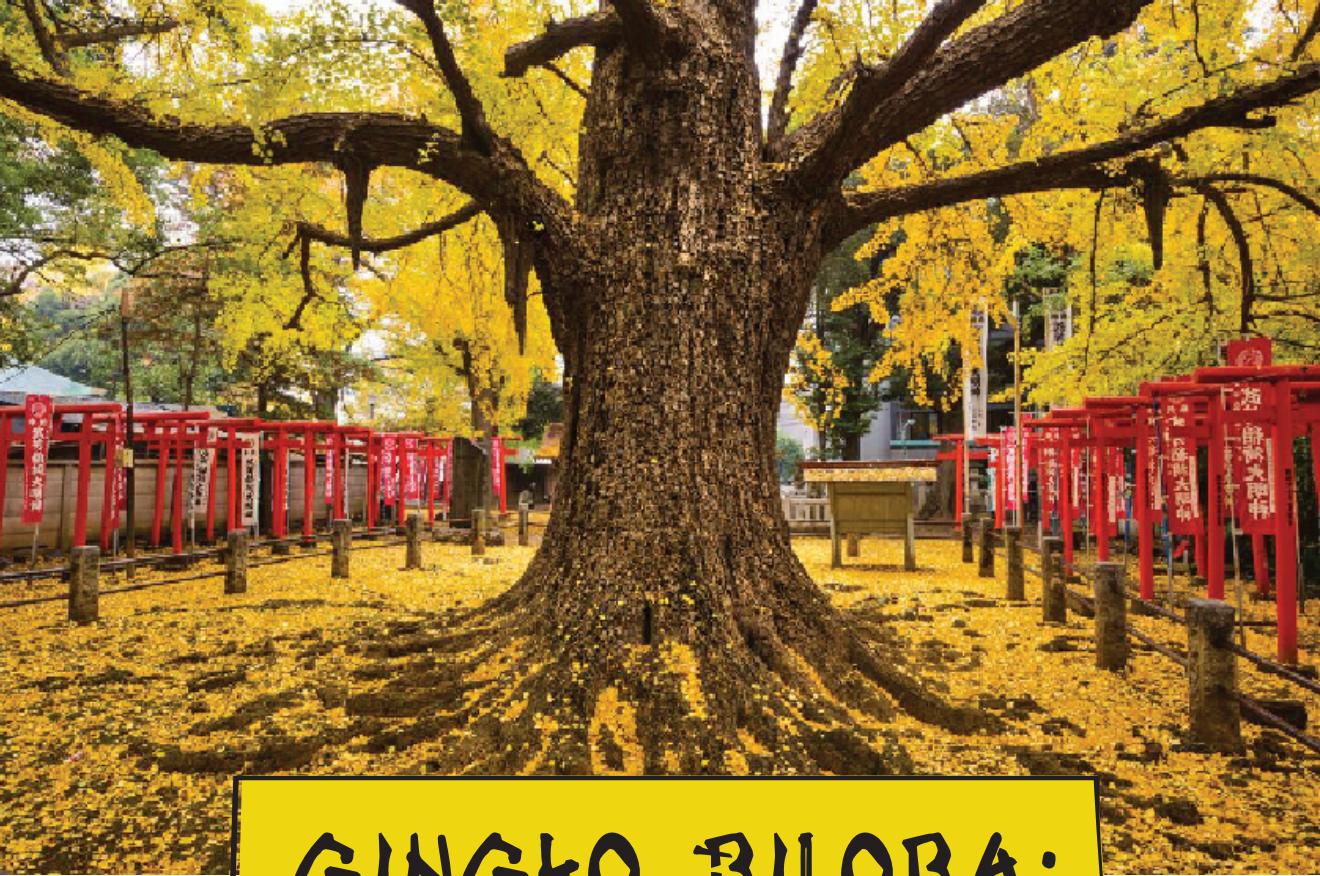
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# GINGKO BILOBA: THE LIVING FOSSIL

*By Joey Stewart*

Imagine Calgary's landscape 1,000 years ago. The indigenous were hunter gatherers on this land. The prairie was bare of trees. People sheltered among the trees and shrubs in the valleys along the Bow and Elbow Rivers where there the trees and plants provided shade, water and berries that protected families from wicked, winter winds. They were strong people for it was a harsh land.

Now think about Calgary. The City of Calgary alone has an inventory of 500,000 trees over 825 square kms in

their care. Gardeners have probably planted as many more. Calgary is now heavily treed and the most expensive real estate usually correlates to the amount of tree canopy. Contrast this with the 2,000,000 trees Singapore has planted in 719 square kms.

Think about it - in Calgary every tree, except those in the river valleys has been planted in the past 140 years by human hands. In March 2017, National Geographic ran a beautiful article on "The Wisdom of Trees." Cathy

Newman says, "Every tree tells a story, but some are beyond eloquent, holding memories, embodying belief, marking sorrow. We hold trees in our imagination, where they grow in strange wonderful ways..."

The Ginkgo is a favourite tree of mine, it isn't known to grow here and is native to Asia, where it is a sacred temple tree. So, pushing the zonal boundaries, I decided to try to grow a Ginkgo biloba 15 years ago in my inner city garden.

The Ginkgo is the only living species in the division Ginkgophyta, all others being extinct. It is found in fossils dating back 270 million years! Native to China, the tree is widely cultivated and was introduced early on in human history. It has various uses in traditional medicine and as a source of food. The genus name Ginkgo is regarded as a misspelling of the Japanese ginkyo, or "silver apricot."

The name Ginkgo biloba is also called the Maidenhair Tree. It is named biloba from the Latin, bis - "two" and loba - "lobed" referring to the shape of the leaves. The tree is popular as a dietary supplement which claims it can enhance cognitive function, although studies have failed to find such effects on the memory or attention in healthy people.

In 2002, I bought a tiny seedling in Vancouver, where they grow in abundance. They rarely suffer disease problems and are attacked by few insects. They are extremely slow growing and are known to live for 2500 years. What a legacy I could leave for Killarney!



*This Ginkgo is called  
the Child Giving  
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Tokyo & the Japanese  
tea ceremony.*



We have a 100-year-old lilac tree on the south side of the house which is on life support. I was looking for a grand tree that would be the successor to the lilac. So, it was the perfect place for the Ginkgo. It was about 15" high when I planted "him," thinking "he" might survive the wicked winter winds. The spot is sheltered by the fence between two houses. For the first few winters I built a burlap shelter about 18" from the tree on all sides. I did that for about 5 winters and for the past 10 years, the tree has been on "his" own and doing very well - thank you very much!

After all these years, the trunk is still only about 2.5 cms or about an inch in diameter and 5.5' or 165 cms tall. Long after I'm gone I expect this glorious tree, that puts on a spectacular Fall gold display, will be regaling the neighbourhood with stories of days long past.

To my understanding, there have only been two Ginkgoes that have survived in Calgary. One at the zoo, which did not survive the winter of 2016/17, and the one on 26 St. in Killarney. If anyone has any information to contradict that, I would love to hear from them. I would encourage all gardeners to give one a try if you have a lovely sheltered spot to help "him" get started.

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In August, residents from along 29th Street gathered at the Community Hall to discuss safety concerns specific to their street. The discussion included 25 residents, along with Thomas Thivener from Liveable Streets, Councillor Evan Woolley, and Constable Chris McIntosh. A big thank you to Robert Crawley for dropping off flyers to promote the event!

At the discussion, it was determined that there are several issues currently facing 29th street. First and foremost, speeding is an ongoing issue, which in turn leads to several other issues, including the safety of family and playground zones. The group identified that 26th Ave & 29th St, as well as 17th Ave and 29th St, as high-risk areas for collisions. Due to road width, traffic volume, and speeding, parked cars are being hit on either side of the road. Speed bumps are also proving to be ineffective at enforcing the speed limit.

Calgary Police will be enforcing safety by setting up radars along 29th street over the next couple months. The Safe and Vibrant Streets Team will be meeting with the City and Councillor Woolley to further discuss short and long-term solutions in making 29th Street more safe.

If you have safety concerns about your own street, or would like to join the ongoing discussion on improving 29th Street, please email Naz Virani at traffic@killarneyglengarry.com.



# Paint in the Park

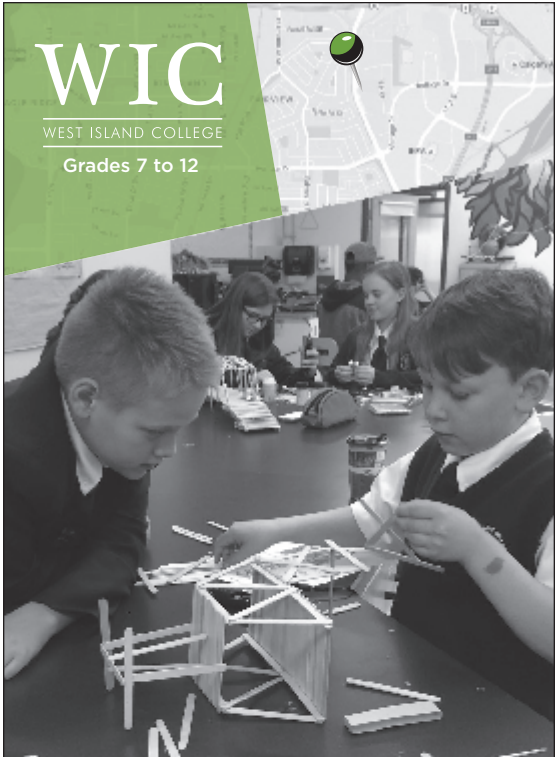
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## Glengarry Park Revitalisation Update

Residents may notice some changes this fall, at Glengarry Park (26<sup>th</sup> St & 19<sup>th</sup> Ave). The City of Calgary will be hard at work implementing Phase 1 of the revitalization project. Phase 2 will include more beautification to the area, and Maureen Lively, Chair of the Killarney-Glengarry Park Revitalization Committee, is currently seeking new volunteers to join her project team.

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