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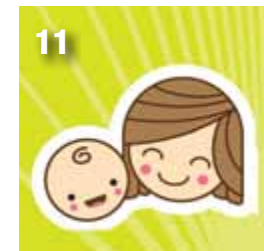
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# SILVERADO COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Hello Silverado,

We had a great turnout to our annual movie event in late June at Landmark Cinemas. SCA members were treated to *Cars 3* for free! All you had to do was show your membership and your whole family got access. Thanks again to those who helped support the event. We also had our 4th annual Stampede BBQ on July 15 and the event keeps getting bigger and better every year. Thanks to all our sponsors and to Leap n' Learn for providing the always popular cotton candy; this year we had to have two machines to keep up with demand.

Construction of 194th Ave across the Priddis Slough has begun construction and in a little over a year Silverado will be connected to MacLeod Trail along with easy access to Chaparral and Waldon. Keep an eye on our Facebook page or the City of Calgary dedicated website for updates.

SCA board members are busy with a variety of events and business planning. Unfortunately, our new president has had to step down due to a move out of the community. As such, we do have a board position available. If you are interested in getting involved in your community as either a board member or volunteer, please reach out to us at info@silveradoca.ca.

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Bruce Zhao	Community Clean Up/Events
Nancy Boychuk	Grants Application Coordinator
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Stef McDonald	Community Garden Coordinator
Liz Kane	Communications
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To contact the SCA, email [info@silveradoca.ca](mailto:info@silveradoca.ca)

### SILVERADO COMMUNITY POLICE LIAISON OFFICE INFORMATION

Please feel free to contact our community liaison office with questions or concerns. Eugene is working very hard to keep our community safe so let's help him out in any way possible.

**Cst. Walter Kachmar**  
Community Liaison Officer  
Calgary Police Service District 8  
Office: 403-428-6800  
Email: [pol3114@calgarypolice.ca](mailto:pol3114@calgarypolice.ca)

## SCA Membership Benefits

Please show your SCA membership card to redeem your discounts

Business	Discount
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# Legacy Names

Both Alberta and Lake Louise got their names from the fourth daughter of Queen Victoria, Princess Louise Caroline Alberta. However, the town of Caroline, Alberta does not get its name from the princess, and is instead named after Caroline Langley, whose family opened up the town's first post office.

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### Annual General Meeting

The AGM meeting was held on June 7 and your participation was highly appreciated. The 2017-2018 Board of Directors were nominated and they are: Weitao Bi, Mike Carrick, Steve Campbell, David Boyle, Howard Lee, Peter Zheng, Arthur Chen, Naomi Green, Dean Wiersma, and Arun Garg.

### Board Responsibilities and Accountabilities

The board is a volunteer group of individuals, who all reside in the community and are owners of their property. The board dedicates their personal time for community services. The board has already met two times since the AGM and is committed to transparent information sharing, full governance and generally maintaining our pathways and green space, which is more than 34 acres. The board needs your help in prioritizing what is important for maintenance and enhancement and what is a wish list within our budget based on our competitive SRA fee.

### Green Space Maintenance (GSM)

The board has discussed green space maintenance and enhancement. The discussions with a contractor are underway and some priority beds will be revitalized. GSM remains a high priority for the board, as it requires continuous maintenance and there are major issues with maintaining our grass, plant beds, feature planters, trees and irrigation system. There is a definite need

to prioritize all requirements to ensure funds are spent prudently over time.

### How you can help?

The board sends out a map showing the area SRA is responsible for and the area the City is responsible for. Please review this information carefully and voice your concerns to the appropriate responsible party for green space and snow removal.

Under the City of Calgary by-laws, homeowners must keep their own areas well maintained, i.e. cutting the grass—not only within your property but also outside the fence up to the sidewalks. This includes outside of fences along the walkways.

### Communication

Please send all suggestions, issues and possible improvements to our property manager at SIMCO Management via [silveradora@gmail.com](mailto:silveradora@gmail.com). Your constructive suggestions would help the Board in improving communication and services. You, the owners, have full responsibility to ensure your yearly dues for 2017 are paid and your contact information with Simco Management is correct for an effective and timely communication. Stay tuned as we promise a regular update to you through Silverado Edge and the website.

**Recently SRA was informed of the North Silverado development. SRA is in touch with developers' consultant and working towards North Silverado being part of the SRA.**

Please send all your inquiries to:  
SIMCO Management (Calgary) Inc.  
Contact Person: Martin Gates; T. 403-234-0166;  
[www.simcomanagement.ca](http://www.simcomanagement.ca)

*Board of Directors  
Silverado Residents Association*

## SOUTH CALGARY & OKOTOKS KARATE OPENINGS FOR BEGINNERS



**McKenize Lake School**  
Mondays 4:30 – 5:30pm Ages 6 - 12 years

**Deer Run Community Centre**  
Saturdays 9:30 – 10:45am Ages 6 - Adults

**West Island College (Blackfoot & Glenmore)**  
Tuesdays 5:15 – 6:30pm Ages 6 - Adults

**Dr. Morris Gibson School (Okotoks)**  
Tuesdays 5:30 – 6:30pm Ages 7 - Adults  
Thursdays 5:30 – 7pm Ages 12 - Adults

403-257-4638 or Online Registration [calgarywadokai.com](http://calgarywadokai.com) / [okotokswadokarate.com](http://okotokswadokarate.com)







## SILVERADO COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION Membership Application

Become a part in your Community! Join the Silverado Community Association

Family Name: ..... Date: .....

Applicant's First Name(s): ..... Home Phone: .....

Address: ..... Postal Code: .....

Email: .....

- Memberships cost \$25/year for each address and are renewable annually in March. Please mail application form to: Silverado Community Association, PO Box 32003 Silverado PO, Calgary, AB T2X 0X4 or send email to [info@silveradoca.ca](mailto:info@silveradoca.ca). Cheques are payable to Silverado Community Association. Please allow 3-4 weeks for your membership to be delivered to your home address.
- Members of the community association are welcome to attend SCA sanctioned events throughout the year. Not only will you be able to meet others within Silverado, but will help build a better sense of community in our neighbourhood.
- Stay connected with what is happening within your community. Members are kept up-to-date of the developments within and around the community.
- Silverado Community Association is actively looking for volunteers to help out with community events and for board positions. If you are interested in volunteering your time to make Silverado a better community, please send inquiries to [info@silveradoca.ca](mailto:info@silveradoca.ca).
- Silverado Community Association updates can be located on our website at <http://silveradoca.ca/>



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Jordan	15	780-215-7558	Yes
Gracie	16	403-807-6893	Yes
Daria	18	403-850-3380	Yes
Sophia	19	403-404-3240	Yes
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**Disclaimer:** We recommend for your own peace of mind that references be checked when choosing your babysitter. This babysitter list is provided as a service to the community and is governed by the terms & conditions outlined at [mybabysitter.ca](http://mybabysitter.ca).



### Letter to the editor

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## RESIDENT PERSPECTIVES



# Dogs, Yellow Spots, and Lawns

By Jennifer L. Scott, D.V.M.

When I sold some of my Labrador puppies I was amused by the number of people wanting a male dog, "because girl dogs destroy the lawn with those big yellow spots". Well our male dogs have taken out their share of grass, as well as some trees and expensive perennials of mine. As both an avid gardener and a veterinarian let me pass on what meager advice I can give.

Urine contains nitrogen, potassium, and phosphorus, all three ingredients of fertilizer. Thus, a urine spot with the dead grass is always surrounded by dark green rapidly growing grass, too much of a good thing. Urine would make a great fertilizer if you could catch it and dilute it before spreading it over your lawn. Not me!

The nitrogen content of urine scalds grass more severely than the urine acidity. Nitrogen breaks down to ammonia and "burns" the grass. This is the same as over-fertilizing your lawn. Salinity or salt content of urine rises in concentrated urine. Large amounts of nitrogen

and salt are impossible for the natural buffering of the soil to overcome and the grass dies.

The urine pH or how acid or alkaline the urine is can also kill the grass. This varies with the individual dog's metabolism and diet. Baking soda and commercial products available at pet stores and veterinary clinics will alkalize or acidify the normally slightly acid canine urine. Products include tablets and dog rocks or water pucks to put in the pet's water bowl. These products as a rule are safe in most dogs, but unfortunately some may be harmful in individual dogs inclined to form stones in their bladders. I have not found a product that I think works. Most soils are slightly alkaline and can readily withstand the normally slightly acid canine urine. Certainly, Calgary's clay soil tends to be alkaline as a rule.

Diluting the urine immediately with large amounts of water is effective but impractical if your dog is loose and alone in the backyard. You can build up the soil's natural buffers by leaving grass clippings on the lawn or by spreading compost, peat moss, or wood ashes on the grass.

Train your dog as a puppy to piddle in one place in the yard. It is more difficult to train an adult dog used to using the entire lawn but you can with persistence and patience.

Garden centers have products that may help you repair or prevent those yellow spots. I have found most of these products too labour intensive for my taste.

A friend sent me an e-mail saying Martha Stewart swears that by giving her chows two tablespoons of tomato juice in their food twice daily their urine never causes lawn spots. Never tried it, give me some feedback if you try it and it fails or works. Adjust the amount of juice to your dog's size.

My solution is to train my dogs outdoors like I do indoors. Since I like a nice green lawn, I trained my four large dogs on my last property to use one section of the lawn and I promoted the growth of crab grass in that area. Nothing kills crab grass for long and from a distance it looked same as the rest of the lawn. Now I have trained my dogs to use the gravel dog run and one pees on gravel more readily than grass.

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## Community Preparedness Building Safe Communities Program

As Calgarians we know that emergencies can affect our communities at any point. Many emergencies may not be preventable but we can minimize the risk by being prepared. Here is a list of ways you and your neighbours can be prepared.

### 1. Know your neighbours

If an emergency does arise, if you know your neighbours you can readily identify neighbours who may have special needs, mobility or those who need additional assistance in an event of emergency.

### 2. Know the potential risks and hazards in your community

The more residents are aware of areas in their community that are potential risks, the better prepared a community can be. Be proactive!

### 3. Know the evacuation routes

Knowing how to get of your neighbourhood can reduce traffic congestion and allow for emergency personal easy access.

### Emergency numbers, Calgary and area:

- Ambulance, Fire, Police, Hazardous Materials Spills: 9-1-1
- Gas Emergency – ATCO Gas: 403-245-7222
- Electrical Emergency - ENMAX Power: 403-514-6100
- All other City services: 3-1-1
- Poison & Drug Information Service: 1-800-332-1414
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### Day Camps

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- Featured camps for 6-12 years: Canada 150 Play, Discover Calgary, Harry Potter Camp, and Just for Girls. Cool Camps for preschoolers include Sportarama, Nature Wonders, Kinder Karate, and Mini Chefs.

### Adults/Older Adults

- Summer adult registered fitness: Focus on Powerlifting, Focus on Learning the Basics, Strong is the New Skinny: Weight Training for Women by Women, Straighten Up Posture Series, and Myofascial Stretch and Release.
- First Aid and CPR training: August dates, check Spring Summer Program Guide for details.
- Summer registered programs for older adults: Balance Builders Level 1 (Fall Prevention), Balance Builders Level 2 (Bones and Balance), Chair Yoga, Straighten Up Posture Series.

### Children & Youth

- Summer registered child and youth programs: Summer Outdoor Soccer (16-24 months, 2-3 years, 3-5 years, 6-8 years), Dance with Me (2-3 years with parent), Gotta Dance (3-5 years), Little Ballerina 3-5 years), Kinder Gym Kids (4-6 years), Sportarama (3-4 years),



Explorasport (4-6 years), DANCEPL3Y Kids (6-12 years). See Spring Summer Program Guide or [www.tricocentre.ca](http://www.tricocentre.ca) for details.

- Register now for summer swim lessons: parent & tot, preschool, Swimmer, and Swim Patrol.
- July 17-21 is registered skating and hockey week: skating lessons all levels, intro to hockey (4-5years, 6-8 years, adult & child) and powerskating/hockey (7-12 years.)
- NEW SUMMER FUN: Summer-only fun registered programs for kids aged 6 and up: Rhythmic Gymnastics, Circus Arts, Cross Country Running, Badminton Club, and Dodgeball. See [www.tricocentre.ca](http://www.tricocentre.ca) for details.

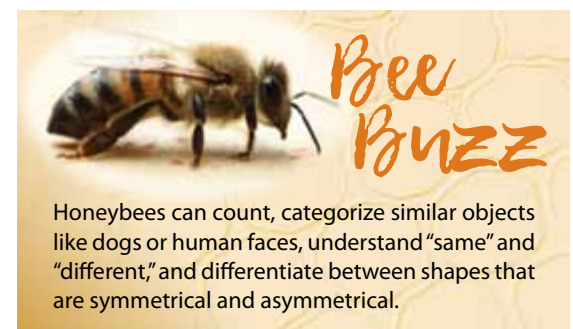
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- Saturday, September 2 from 10am to 2pm – come to Trico Centre and complete 20+ events from the Canada 150 Play List including dodgeball, boxing, rowing, skating, karate, Pilates, cycling, tag, kinball, stick pull, and more. Check [www.tricocentre.ca](http://www.tricocentre.ca) for details in the coming weeks.

### Registration for Fall Programs

- Registration for Fall programs is ongoing. Check the new program guide – online and in our stands.

Trico Centre is located at 11150 Bonaventure Drive SE. Phone: 403-278-7542 or see [www.tricocentre.ca](http://www.tricocentre.ca) to find out more.



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- ◆ Free announcements: lost/found, household items for sale, wanted, garage sale, student/senior services, etc.
- ◆ Forty word limit

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Greetings!

Are you enjoying the summer? I hope you are! Summer is part way through, but I am sure some of the best weather is still to come.

#### Ward 14 Communities BBQ

The Ward 14 Communities BBQ is about one month away. Things are starting to fall into place—although I am sure there are still many surprises in store. This year the BBQ will be on September 16 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the parking lot of Southcentre Mall. Visit [www.calgary.ca/ward14bbq](http://www.calgary.ca/ward14bbq) for more info, or [www.calgary.ca/ward14connect](http://www.calgary.ca/ward14connect) for email updates.

As for potential surprises, the list of exhibitors continues to grow along with the list of kind sponsors. To start, Spolumbo's is the newest food sponsor. Instead of the traditional burger, you can have one of their delicious sausages on a bun.

I also want to introduce Pacific Developments as the newest financial sponsor. They join United Communities, Mattamy Homes, No Bull Bookkeeping, Genstar, and Great News Publishing on the list at this early point. Another big thank you is also owed to Waste Connections of Canada (formerly Progressive Waste Solutions) for donating money, and for helping clean up afterwards.

Thank you to all of them, and Southcentre Mall for the venue!

#### Ward Boundary Changes

In case you weren't aware, there is a municipal election coming on October 16. Because Calgary is continually evolving and changing shape, ward boundaries must constantly change shape too. 58 communities will find themselves in a new ward next Council term. It is important that you check your ward so that you know what candidates are running in your ward and where to find your designated voting station. To check your ward, visit [www.electionscalgary.ca](http://www.electionscalgary.ca), or call the Elections & Census Office at 403-476-4100 (Option 2).

Unfortunately, Ward 14 will be losing three communities: Maple Ridge, Silverado, and Willow Park. I can't overstate what a pleasure it has been to serve these communities. I spent many nights meeting the people there, and many days advocating for them at City Hall. More importantly, within them I have made many friends.

Thank you to all the residents, and volunteers of those beautiful communities for joining me in the endeavor of making them the best they can be. I look forward to doing the same with Douglasdale and McKenzie Lake as we welcome them into Ward 14.

#### New rules for fire pits in Calgary

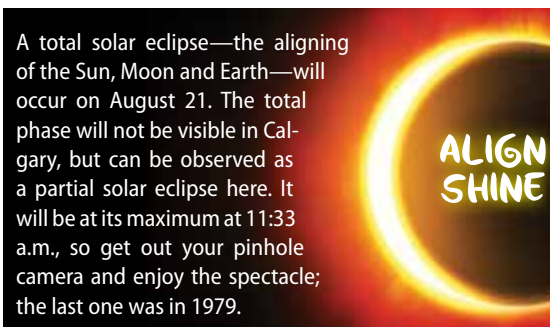
I can confidently say that building a good relationship with your neighbours is very important. Not only is it nice to have the friendly mood in the community, but it is maybe the best thing you can do to keep the area safe.

Everyone should try their best to be a good neighbour, but there is just no way that everyone is going to agree about everything. That is why we have set some rules—that we call Community Standards Bylaws—as guidance for being a good neighbour.

We have recently finished a review of those bylaws, and there have been some changes. Perhaps the most notable of those changes is to rules about fire pits. For example, you must now make sure your flame is extinguished by midnight on weekdays, and 1 p.m. on weekends.

If you are interested in learning more, I suggest you visit [calgary.ca/firepits](http://calgary.ca/firepits). If you have a concern or complaint about fire pits, call 311.

I will write again for September. Until then, feel free to contact me at any time.



A total solar eclipse—the aligning of the Sun, Moon and Earth—will occur on August 21. The total phase will not be visible in Calgary, but can be observed as a partial solar eclipse here. It will be at its maximum at 11:33 a.m., so get out your pinhole camera and enjoy the spectacle; the last one was in 1979.

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