



WHAT MAKES A GREAT COMMUNITY

Author: David Gates, President of the Scarboro Community Association

A community is generally thought to be a group of people who have common characteristics or interests. They can be defined by many things, including geographic location, race, ethnicity, occupation, or shared interest or affinity. Scarboro's status as a community is both historic and geographic. But its standing as a community runs deeper than mere geography or even history. Our community is about our shared affinity for what this community has to offer, whether big trees, wide streets, character homes, historic parks, or simply the look and feel of a small residential enclave nestled with the downtown core of Calgary. Scarboro is also about a shared sense of belonging.

But Scarboro is not just an ordinary, run-of-the-mill community; it's a great one. Its greatness lies in part in its historic origins as one of the early communities of a then young Calgary. Its physical charm and beauty owe much to its architectural significance as a community designed by the Olmsted design firm, the famous landscape architectural firm perhaps best known for Central Park in New York City. There is at least one other attribute of Scarboro that makes it a great community and that is its traditions for volunteerism and community involvement. Scarboro evokes a strong sense of pride and community spirit. Its greatness has firmly taken root in the activities and initiatives that we have built together over the years.

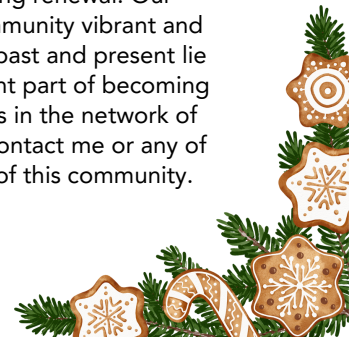
Many of you have long, multi-generational, connections to Scarboro. Mine is more recent but, nonetheless, deep. My first introduction to Scarboro came in the fall of 2006. I lived in Edmonton at the time but was being toured around Calgary by my now spouse, a life-long Calgary resident. As we drove up the hill into the community, he remarked that this was the place that he dreamed of living. Less than a year later, we were the proud owners of a home in Scarboro. I have spent more time buying a pair of shoes than I did that day in May 2007 when we bought the house. I must have sensed the community pride that permeates everything that happens in Scarboro. Within a few weeks of moving in, I discovered that a childhood friend from Ottawa lived six doors away, and that my neighbors included three law school classmates from Halifax. I very quickly came to see that living in Scarboro was a bit like living in an episode of *The Waltons*, a 1970's television drama that exuded family values and the duties and responsibilities flowing from membership in a family or other community.

In this my first message to you as the President of our Community Association, I want to pay tribute to the scores of volunteers who help make this such a strong and vibrant community: a great community. Stay tuned to future editions of the Newsletter when I plan to introduce you to all these volunteers! First, let me express our collective thanks to Sharon Nettleton, for her tireless efforts over the past two years as our President. I also want to acknowledge and thank the other members of the Board of Directors: Karen Abernathy, our Treasurer, Kristen Clarke, our Secretary, and to other Directors, Karin Gashus; Brent Fraser, Peter Strickland and Faisal Alimohd. Please join me in welcoming to the Board, Pete Dennis, Chair of our Planning Committee; Susan Anderson Olney, Board Liaison to the volunteers who are involved in communication activities, including the newsletter and our website; Ron Evans, Board Liaison to the volunteers who support the Scarboro Community Hall; and Kristin Slana, Board Liaison to the various events and activities sponsored by the Association. In addition to the members of the Board, I also want to acknowledge and pay tribute to the scores of other volunteers who donate their time and energy to making this a great community.

Like every community, Scarboro is constantly changing as we say goodbye to old friends and welcome new ones. A particular word of welcome to our many new neighbors and friends at Scarboro 17.

All communities, even great ones, are a "work in progress". They require on-going renewal. Our community is no different. It requires constant care and attention. To keep our community vibrant and strong, our need to expand our group of volunteers is continuous. Our volunteers, past and present lie at the heart of the legacy of community involvement that has been such an important part of becoming a great community. As I write this piece in late November, there are still a few gaps in the network of volunteers that we need to sustain the work of our community association. Please contact me or any of the other members of the Board if you want to play a part in the future greatness of this community.

Sign up now to be a part of the magic that is Scarboro!



SCARBORO LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE

Author: Karin Gashus

This year we are excited to welcome Erika Gombos and Atilla Murkl onto the Landscape Committee from Scarborough 17 and as well Lesley Morden who moved into the community this year. We look forward to working on ongoing joint projects to green and clean up the area. We have identified 9 fun projects over the next three years that require attention, and here they are:

1. Work with the City's Urban Canopy team on tree pruning and general management of streets and parks.
2. Build a community garden beside Ward Park in conjunction with Scarborough 17.
3. Engage with residents on tree support on sidewalks outside their homes, maintaining healthy canopies including pruning, disease control etc.
4. Clean up Ward Park and create an inviting area in conjunction with Calgary Parks and Roads.
5. Obtain a grant and complete last 2 Scarborough park signs.
6. Support the orchard on Summit, including community apple and pear baking days!
7. Work with Reader Rock Garden on historic plantings around the area.
8. Clean up hall beds and plant heritage beds.
9. Review and discuss Adopt a Park program with the City.



Anyone interested in heritage gardening, building a community garden in conjunction with Scarborough 17 or a bit of pruning and landscaping, please feel free to join us! Stay tuned for one-day events to get out with fellow neighbours and get your hands dirty!

We also have grants to apply for and various ongoing discussion with City departments around adopting parks, obtaining free items such as mulch and plants, so not all the work requires gloves! If you have an interest in landscape and gardening grants, we could certainly use some assistance in that area as well.

Thank you to Pritha Kalar for also making herself available and a special thanks to Glynn Wright who retired this year, but not before decades of volunteering for our community.

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ADVENT, CHRISTMAS, & EPIPHANY AT SCARBORO UNITED

Author: Laura Maloney, Church Manager

You may have noticed that we mark out the year using the rhythms and rituals of our church calendar, but did you know that everyone is welcome at Scarboro United? We host secular musicians, choirs, music teachers, yoga classes, social gatherings, and recovery groups 7 days a week. Come and share travel stories, chat over craft projects and a cuppa, or trade notes about getting older. If you would like to pop in and check us out, why not walk the labyrinth: Tues & Thurs, 11:30-2:30.

As a church community, we do have some great events to share this time of year!

Dec 3: Come celebrate the start of Advent with roast turkey & all the fixings starting after the service at 11:45 a.m. Tickets are available at the door: \$10 per person / \$5 for children aged 10 and under.

Dec 10: Build gingerbread at coffee time, after church

Dec 17: Lessons & Carols - a fun service full of song & storytelling

Dec 21: The Longest Night - a 7 p.m. service of candlelight & prayer for those seeking solace during the holiday rush

Dec 24 (AM): Family Service at 10:30 a.m. with pageantry and fun

Dec 24 (PM): Traditional Candlelight Christmas Eve service at 7 p.m.

Dec 31: Cozy time, come as you are - or tune in online!

The church office will be closed between Christmas & New Year's Day, we look forward to welcoming new and returning friends in 2024!



BOOK CLUB: DECEMBER

Chapter One "The Broken Hallelujah", Wendy H Adair
 Chapter Two "Lessons in Chemistry", Bonnie Garmus
 Chapter Three "Midnight Library", Matt Haig
 Chapter Four "Her First Palestinian", Saeed Teebi
 Chapter Five "The Sun & Her Flowers", Rupi Kaur
 Chapter Six "From the Ashes", Jessie Thistle
 Chapter Seven "Demon Copperhead", Barbara Kingsolver

BOOK CLUB: JANUARY

Chapter One "Akin", Emma Donoghue
 Chapter Two "Our Missing Hearts", Celeste Ng
 Chapter Three "The Bandit Queens", Parini Shroff
 Chapter Four "Black Cake", Charmaine Wilkerson
 Chapter Five "Looking For Jane", Heather Marshall
 Chapter Six "Rules of Civility", Amor Towles
 Chapter Seven "Dream Sequence", Adam Foulds



SIXTY-FIVE YEARS IN SCARBORO: A Scarborough Heritage Story

From an interview with Anne Mulloy & family



The Mulloy name has been associated with one of Scarborough's very central and quaint homes for 65 years. The white and blue 'Cape Cod' style home has retained its heritage character over the years. It can be found at the 5-way intersection across from Triangle Park.

When the house became the home of the Mulloy family, Dr. Bill Mulloy was a young practicing family doctor with an office close by on 17th Ave. He met and married Anne Mulloy (nee Cowan) in 1957. Anne was originally from Sarnia, Ontario. She loved all the charm and beauty of Scarborough - it likely reminded her of the 'small town' character where she grew up and especially the closeness to nature. After graduating from nursing at the University of Toronto in 1953, Anne and a friend embarked on a 'big adventure' and drove from Toronto to Calgary. They stayed first in a Calgary hostel and soon after, rented an upstairs suite in Mrs. Cole's home at 336 Sharon Ave. The location couldn't have been better. Tennis courts were only a block away and Anne remembers skating rinks and most of all, she could walk to work. One of her first placements as a Calgary Public Health Nurse was at the Scarborough Health Clinic (or as it was often referred to 'the Baby Clinic') on Scotland St.

(the former Fire Station). Working there at the same time as a nurse was the sister of Dr. Bill Mulloy, Mary Mulloy. After skating one night Mary and Anne went back to Mary's family home for hot chocolate. It was there Anne met Mary's brother, Bill. It may have been a 'set-up', and if so, obviously successful. Bill invited Anne to the Calgary Medical Ball. Other dates followed and then an engagement and wedding (August 17, 1957).

Anne and Bill bought their Sunderland Avenue home in 1959. Prior to owning, they rented an apartment (now called the 'Artemis') near the Scout Hall in Bankview. A year later they rented a home in Scarborough at 326 Superior. Their first two sons were born while they lived in this house. When the house at 312 Sunderland Avenue came up for sale, Anne remembers moving quickly to see if they could purchase it. The purchase went through, and 312 Sunderland Avenue was where they would establish their Scarborough roots. Anne remembers moving small items between the houses in the baby buggy. Four boys were raised here - with many memories of their own and connections and friends made through schools (Sunalta and Western High). Many of these friendships remain today.

Anne loved to cook and share meals in the house. There were always friends, relatives, neighbours coming and going. Birthdays, graduations and especially Christmas dinners were celebrated around the dining room table. Then came along marriages and the births and visits of grandchildren. A few things remained constant over the years: Dogs (and sometimes even strays) were always present and welcome at the Mulloys. They were usually invited into all rooms of the house. The chaos and cleaning was extraordinary. Anne is still remembered in the neighbourhood for her endless walks with her dog Jenny and stopping to visit with everyone along the way.



In 2013, Anne and Bill moved to a senior's residence. Shortly thereafter, the Mulloy family home was purchased by one of the sons, keeping the name 'Mulloy' part of this home in the community of Scarborough today. One of Anne's pride and joys was bringing two silver maple samplings from her old home in Sarnia and planting them at 312 Sunderland. They still tower over the house today.



Thanks Scarborough for helping raise funds in the 'hood for the Alberta Children's Hospital. We loved serving you hot chocolate at our annual pop-up street side stand!



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RECIPE: GINGERSNAP COOKIES

Author: Great-Grandma Szybunka

"A perfect holiday cookie for dunking into a glass of cold milk"

INGREDIENTS:

3/4 cup shortening

1 cup white sugar

1 egg

4 tbsp molasses

2 cups flour

1 tsp salt

2 tsp baking powder

2 tsp baking soda

1 tsp ground cloves

1 tsp ground cinnamon

1 tsp ground ginger

DIRECTIONS:

Preheat oven to 350F

Cream first two ingredients, add egg and blend well.

Stir in molasses. Add remaining ingredients. Mix well.

Roll into 1 inch balls and roll in granulated sugar.

Press with a fork or a glass.

Place on parchment paper lined cookie sheet.

Bake for 10 minutes. Cool & Enjoy!



Renovating or Developing Your Property?

See the "Planning & Developing" section of the Community Website and contact the SCA Planning Committee. They are happy to assist in the process.

Contact us at: planning@scarborocommunity.com



NOVEMBER REFLECTIONS FROM SUNALTA SCHOOL

Author: Christine McCrory, Principal at Sunalta School

Sunalta students and families enjoyed resting and relaxing as part of a new November Fall break. Last month our Grade 2 students and staff presented an incredibly touching Remembrance Day assembly focusing on the theme of peace. Our students urged everyone to choose kindness over fighting and war through an interesting dramatic performance of 'How the Dove Became the Bird of Peace'. We received significant feedback from family and friends that the assembly was a beautiful tribute in remembrance of our soldiers that gave the ultimate sacrifice, and to those who keep us safe. One of our Sunalta alumni, soldier William Mather, has his name on a cross at the Field of Crosses after losing his life in active service.



Traffic and pedestrian safety has been an ongoing conversation and concern within our school community. On November 8, several constables spent time observing, supporting and sharing information about residential traffic safety, particularly to motorists. It is important for all pedestrians, cyclists, and motorists to follow safe behaviours, particularly during drop off and pick up times outside of the school.



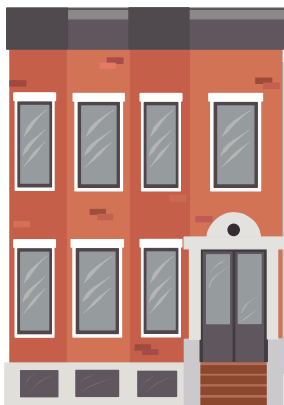
We are excited to announce our 'Sunalta Reads' volunteer opportunity. The intention is to train reading volunteers and then have them spend time nurturing the love of literacy with our youngest Sunalta students. If you may have some time during the day to volunteer, please contact Sunalta School at sunalta@cbe.ab.ca or (403) 777-8590 for more information.

Hello from Sunalta School Council & Society!

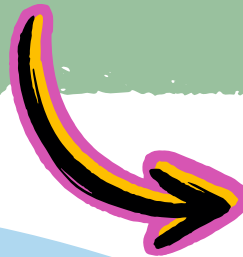
First off, a heartfelt thank you to those who volunteered their time to support our casino event. Secondly, we realize that December is another busy month, with what seems like limitless opportunities to volunteer, and many organizations requesting financial assistance. If you are planning on a year-end charitable donation, please keep Sunalta School in mind. The school relies on Direct Donations to fund many educational activities including field trips, sports activities and special school enrichment events for all grades. Our 2023 financial goals, directions on how to donate, as well as details outlining what these donated funds support, can be found here: <https://sunaltaschool.ca/fundraising>. All funds raised go directly to Sunalta School.

Tax receipts are issued automatically, and as a registered charity, any donation amount can of course be applied towards your annual taxes. Please use the QR Code provided to donate directly.

Our school and students thank you for any support you are able to offer and wish you a happy December!



Scarboro 17 would like to thank the community for being so welcoming and inclusive with community events.



SCARBORO COMMUNITY PRESCHOOL

Author: Jodi Durant, Scarborough Community Preschool Director

Over the past few weeks, our little explorers at Scarborough Preschool have been diving into the fascinating world of hibernation and outer space. We kicked off our hibernation theme by learning about different animals that hibernate during the winter months. The children were captivated as they discovered how bears, squirrels, and even some insects prepare for their long winter slumber. We read books, created a cozy den where we became the hibernating animals.

In our exploration of outer space, our preschoolers have been reaching for the stars! They have been blasting off to space. We transformed our classroom into a mini-planetarium, complete with glow-in-the-dark stars and a space station. The children have been busy creating their own constellations, designing spaceships, and even dressing up as astronauts for a pretend space mission.

If you would like your preschool age child to be a part of this incredible program please reach out to our Program Director. We currently have limited space available in the 4year old program. The 3 year old program had a few spaces.

Pop into open house and registration night on Thursday, January 25th anytime between 3:45pm-5:45pm

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HERITAGE MATTERS: Demystifying Heritage

Author: Shannon McLaughlin, Marketing & Communications Specialist for Heritage Calgary

The Inventory of Evaluated Historic Resources is a list of sites that have been identified as possessing significant heritage value, and whose preservation is considered to be to the greater benefit of Calgarians.

Inclusion on the Inventory is a formal acknowledgement of heritage value, and in most cases does not extend legal protection to the property, nor does it regulate the property. It is, however, the first step toward obtaining legal designation if a property owner wishes to pursue that.

Municipal legal designation falls under the purview of the City of Calgary and is managed through municipal bylaw. Legal designation includes the character defining elements of a particular site that are considered to be of heritage value. It prevents the demolition of a building and guides the property owner as to how to make sympathetic alteration. In exchange for agreeing to protect character defining elements, property owners may be eligible to receive incentives, and/or grant funding to assist in the restoration, rehabilitation, or preservation of the property.

Watch our video recording on YouTube of our October 2023 "Demystifying Heritage" event to learn more about the differences between the Inventory and designation.



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HOUSE WANTED TO BUY

My child attends Sunalta Elementary and we would love to be a part of this community. Looking for a 3 bedroom house, preferably with the bedrooms all on one floor. Please contact Jane at (403) 923-9263, or at jane7park@gmail.com

NEW TO SCARBORO?

Want to know how Scarborough works? Want a membership? Directory? Thinking about joining dinner club? Drop us a line: hello@scarborocommunity.com And if you want to join a bookclub, contact Denyse Fair at denysefaire@gmail.com.

ODD JOBS THIS FALL/WINTER

Two young Ukrainian junior/high school students willing & able to help with odd jobs this Fall / Winter. Highly recommended by Rob Mulloy/Sharon Nettleton. Contact their father, Michael, at (403) 708-6508

GARDENING RESOURCES, FREE TO SCARBORO RESIDENTS

3 Compost bins, black plastic: simply add vegetation and water, stir occasionally. Various gardening reference books; good for new and seasoned gardeners. Please contact Glynn Wright (403) 680-8289

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HOUSE WANTED TO BUY

Looking to buy a house within Scarborough. Our son currently attends Sunalta School and we would like to live in this great community. Please contact Asin on (403) 464-0463 or asin_nurani@hotmail.com

FULL TIME NANNY: Available now

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BABYSITTERS, TUTORING, DOG WALKING & YARD WORK

Riley, in French Immersion Grade 12 at Western and a Ranger, is available for babysitting, beginner French tutoring, yard work and other neighbourhood jobs. Full CPR and First Aid. Text: (403) 816-7824.

Carley, a Pathfinder in Grade 9, has her babysitting certification and is available for babysitting, yard work and other neighbourhood jobs. Also LOVES dogs and other pets. Text (403) 975-6001 to schedule a dog walking session.

Gabby, is a responsible student in Grade 9 at Mt Royal Junior High. She has her Red Cross Babysitters course certification, and is available for babysitting, on weekday evenings, and weekends. Text: (587) 664-3163

Calliah is a Grade 10 student, is experienced with dogs, has her Red Cross Babysitting certificate, and is available to walk your pup or babysit. She is available weekdays mid-afternoon to evenings, and all day on weekends. Text: (587) 889-4485

Rowan Davis, is a grade seven boy who attends Mt Royal School. He has completed the Home Alone, Babysitter and First Aid certificates. Is an AMA patroller. Plays basketball, builds lego and makes fun forts! 12 years old and ready to babysit children who are 4 years and older. Call or text: (587) 580-8243.



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