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Focusing our lens on autumn



Pictures are on the mind of the Kerby Editorial Staff this month, whether it's our inaugural photography contest featured on page 25 or the story of the THIRD ACTion Film Festival continuing online this season on page 26. Photo courtesy of the THIRD ACTion Film Festival.

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To the Manor Village Residents and their Loved–Ones for sending the following goodwill wishes and blessing our skilled staff for their day to day assistance and care.

We continue to be disheartened that 79% of the deaths in Canada are elderly residents, living in Long Term Care Nursing Homes and Hospitals. Our hearts go out to their families.

Most of these vulnerable seniors were suffering from Chronic Health Conditions.

"Thanks to your team

for all that you are

doing! Rock stars!"

The Manor Village's Residents & Healthcare Staff Associates pray that Covid-19 will dissipate soon so seniors can enjoy the improved weather safely.

Our sincere thank you to the Manor Village Residents and their Loved-Ones for sending the following goodwill wishes and for blessing our skilled staff for their day to day assistance and care.

- Dr. M. Garth Mann: Director

very much. Thank you."

"You and all the staff

at StayWell very much in

my thoughts. Thanks for being there!"

"As a long-distance caregiver, I find great assurance in

hearing the measures you are taking to protect my Mom and all

demonstrate the high level of care you are taking to ensure the

safety and wellbeing of Staywell residents, which I appreciate

of her friends at the Manor. This is awesome!! THANK YOU!!"

"Thank you for your emails, they are very informative and

"Thank you so much for taking all these wonderful

precautions and caring for our loved ones. It is truly

appreciated by both the residents and family members!"

"I want to thank you all for the frequent updates on what you

are doing and the effort to keep our loved ones safe and active.

"To all of the Staff at Varsity Manor Village. Thank

family members cared for in these trying times. Your

"Thank-you so much for all you are doing

to protect our parents. We really appreciate all the polices you have put in place."

"Thank you for all the information

communication and admire the work

that everyone is doing at Staywell to stay healthy and raise spirits.'

"Strong work Manor team! Thank you!!!"

and updates. I appreciate the

"I just wanted to say thank you so much for this detailed

just wanted to say thank you for your care, concern and

compassion. Hoping everyone is able to stay healthy."

communication. I've been in frequent contact with my father and this direct communication from you is comforting. I

you for the great job you are doing in keeping our

dedication is very much appreciated.

"Thank you. Its a difficult

time and we appreciate all

the incredible work you and

the staff are doing everyday."





From Residents and Families

"Your teams' diligence in regard to everyone's health and wellbeing is most appreciated."

"Thank you so much for keeping us

updated. Our parents are very precious to

us and we are so glad to see that every precaution is being taken for their safety

as well as the other residents and staff."

gives to all the residents. Keep up the great work and I hope the staff stay safe

long way in keeping everyone well."

"Appreciate you doing

everything you can to

protect the residence. Not

an easy job...Thank you."

"Really appreciate the attention your staff

and healthy. Your teams hard work goes a

"Thank you for all your staff are doing to

care for and protect our loved ones during

this pandemic. The stress on everyone must be immense and we appreciate all of your

efforts. Thank you hardly seems sufficient."

"Your team is conscientious and managing

all new law implements. Keep safe and well!"

"Thank you so much for your reply and for

listening. I am relieved. Thanks to you and all

of your staff for everything that you are doing

"You are doing a great job in very difficult times.

Our prayers are with you, the 3rd floor staff and the

3rd floor residents. We hope the best for everyone."

I nank you for the great work you, your staff and residents

keeping the families up to date on the measures being taken."

are doing in keeping this virus from entering Staywell and

during these extraordinary times.'

by every single employee."

"Stay vigilant and safe! Amazing work

"Thank—you to ALL Manor Village at Fish Creek Park Staff for their loyalty, dedication and hard work during this crisis."

> "Please know that we appreciate the sacrifices that you and your staff are making to take care of our loved ones in this challenging situation."

"I want to let you know that Mom is very happy living in Signature Park. she enjoys her sunny ground floor suite, says the food is great, and has met some lovely folks. I send my appreciation for all you and the staff are doing to maintain a healthy environment at the Manor, your regular updates are comforting.'

"Thank you for the timely updates. It's

comforting to know my parents are in such capable and caring hands."

Thanks again for everything the team is doing at Staywell." "To all of the Staff at Varsity Manor Village. Thank you for the great job you are doing in keeping our family members cared for in these trying times. Your dedication is very much appreciated."

"Thanks A ton of work for you do, by keeping us updated and figuring out life for the residents. Thanks! Stay safe and staywell!"

"Thank you ALL for doing your best in keeping the residents safe. Please take care of yourselves as well, and if there is anything else we can do to support you and your families please reach out."

"I thank you and your Staywell team for all that you are doing and caring for our precious parents. As family members we feel we need these periodic and timely communications.'

"I wanted to extend gratitude to you and your team for doing a great job of "Fantastic caring. I can imagine that over the past month your job has become a little more iob all stressful. Know that we fully support you efforts. You are doing an exemplary job!" around."

> "Thank you. All the staff are doing a wonderful job in this stressful time."

> > "Thank You so much for all you do to keep residents well, engaged and comfortable. It is so comforting to know you are so aware of what needs to be done to keep everyone safe. I do not worry about Mom at all, knowing how well taken care of she is. I wish everyone calmness and continued good health during this stressful time for our world."

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Food for thought from the Kerby Centre



By Larry Mathieson Chief Executive Officer

In addition to the regular menu each week, Chef Mike creates a "Signature Menu."

Every day, Mike offers a daily special from this menu. When we closed the Centre to the public, it did not make much sense to keep the Dining Room open,

if we didn't send the kitchen staff home but instead we keep making those signature meals and we freeze them?" Then we have volunteers deliver the meals to seniors who, we would normally serve in our other programs.

We knew how food security was an issue for seniors in Alberta and we knew this problem was being exacerbated by the pandemic.

It made sense to start doing more outreach to seniors who were shut in and vulnerable.

Normally, the money people spend in the Dining Room would pay kitchen staff wages, as well as for was a problem to solve if we wanted to deliver these free frozen meals to seniors.

Moreover, closing the Centre meant that our revenue for our stores, social enterprises and fees for classes would drop by \$40k to \$45k per month. There was not a strong business case for making frozen meals and delivering them free. But on Aug. 7, Dianne Dyer — one of our volunteers delivered the 10.000th meal to an isolated senior.

As you might have

Of Dreams style — "If you build it they will come" we created a new temporary program to reach out to seniors in need, delivering frozen meals was part of this program. To keep a story brief: we started making and delivering 85 meals the first week - and the support to keep reaching out overwhelmed us.

All three levels of government gave us grants and supplies to reach out to older adults. Corporations wrote cheques and sent their staff to volunteer help, allowing us to deliver to many of our users and members.

Seniors food and supplies, so that membership list and readers of Kerby News sent us cheques and made online donations.

We had more online donations to support outreach in April than we had during the entirety of 2019.

We will be delivering meals and making calls for a little while longer. In the upcoming months, you will hear about some new ways we will be reaching out and supporting seniors in "Our new normal". We want to sincerely thank our

but Chad asked me: "What imagined in our best Field readers, members, corporate Calgary and our Government colleagues for helping us deliver 10,000 signature

> Onn the subject of all Kerby has to offer our users, Fitness with Dan started up in August. And no, not the Zoom version, but live and in-person in the Kerby gym.

> You might say it's like the back-to-school season at Kerby.

> First, we will continue to provide Zoom events and classes for those of you not ready to come back to Kerby.

> However, we are very excited to say that we are slowly starting to add Education and Recreation programs live in Kerby Centre.

> The class sizes and format may be slightly different than you have been familiar with, as we will be taking precautions and social distancing. We will be following the advice and direction of Dr. Deena Hinshaw and Alberta Health Services to ensure the safety of our volunteers, users and

> Nevertheless: we cannot wait to see you back.

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Kerby Centre recently celebrated the 10,000th meal delivered since the start of our response to COVID-19.

Auditory issues and mask wearing



Although masks are beneficial, they can create difficulties for those with hearing loss. Illustration by Becca Lowe.

By Andrew McCutcheon

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Masks are quickly becoming part of the new normal as more cities are encouraging and legislating their use to help prevent the spread of COVID-19.

However, there some hidden drawbacks in addition to the slight discomfort and extra heat of wearing one during a hot, Calgary summer.

While masks should continue to be worn in concert with a host of othdoctor-recommended behaviours to help reduce contagion, their use poses an issue to those who have hearing loss or similar auditory-related issues.

Facial coverings and Plexiglas barriers, although a boon to reduce the spread of the virus, make it more difficult to read lips, recognize facial expressions and for sound to travel efficiently between individuals.

Hearing loss is not an insignificant issue, either. Statistics Canada results indicate that 40 per cent of adults aged 20 to 79 have at least slight hearing loss in one or both ears and that hearing loss was more prevalent in older age groups.

Adults between 60 to 79 years of age are 78 per cent mouth are available, but more likely to have hearing loss compared with younger cohort groups.

There are recommended strategies, however, to help both those with and without hearing loss to better communicate and be more easily understood according to Carrie Scarff, a doctor with the Calgary hearing clinic Audiology Innovations.

In a video posted to the clinic's YouTube channel, Scarff outlined several methods to help alleviate and avoid potential confusion or frustration.

"It's harder to hear over technology since there are some changes to the sound that comes through as well as some timing delays and artifacts," Scarff explained. "Be sure to speak clearly

and try to speak one person at a time if you're on a group call."

When socially distancing, Scarff also recommends that you face your communication partner when you're speaking with them as conversing at length can make it more difficult for those with hearing loss.

"This can give them some visual cues to what you're saying," Scarff add-

When wearing a mask, she recommends speaking slowly, clearly and taking breaks between topics.

Masks that have a clear plastic shield over the less widespread, so those with hearing loss cannot rely on their existence to ensure they can understand and be understood in turn.

Other sources have a host of recommendations as well: augmenting conversation with body language and hand gestures can add much-needed context to your words.

Individuals with hearing loss — if comfortable - can advocate for themselves and make their issues known. Asking others to speak up and speak slowly may be a cause of anxiety for some, but according to the World Health Organization, roughly 1.33 billion people across the world experience some form of hearing loss.

Advocating for oneself and making others aware of one's hearing loss can help them adjust their actions accordingly, whether it's changing their speech patterns or moving to a quieter location.

Finally, the issue of hearing aids. As many devices wrap around the ears, the addition of mask straps can make the area a trouble spot, with the potential for hearing devices to get lost.

By using a connector, commonly called an "ear saver," those with hearing loss can avoid mask straps pulling at their ears where they may already have glasses and hearing devices cluttering behind one's head.



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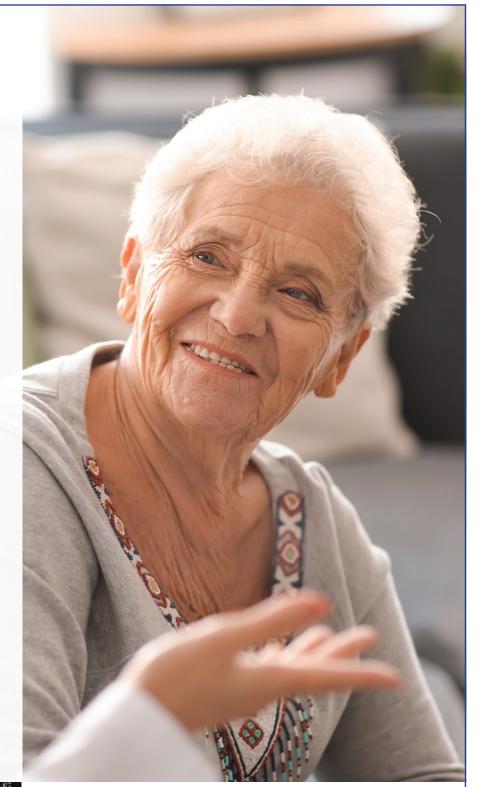
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Practicing self-care with Forest Bathing

By Angie Friesen

As I sit down to write, I am enjoying a beautiful, hot, sunny summer day on my patio, surrounded by several huge pine trees that are well over 50 years old and a wide variety of roses, petunias and daylilies that seem to continue to bloom even in the heat.

This is my most favourite place to be — it's peaceful, relaxing and good for do your best to limit any my soul.

Some refer to this as "Forest Bathing" or "Nature Therapy."

When I first heard of the term "Forest Bathing" several years ago, I have to admit the first image that came to mind was someone sitting in a bathtub in the middle of the forest. Forest Bathing is simply taking in the forest atmosphere using all of your senses. The concept of Forest Bathing — or, Shinrin Yoku — originates from Japan in the 1980s. Shinrin in Japanese means "forest", and Yoku means "bath."

Many cultures over the last hundreds of years have also embraced the benefits it seems that Japan is the grass or flowers in bloom,

first to put a name to the practice itself.

Forest Bathing doesn't necessarily have to be experienced in a forest, although it is recommended that you have the opportunity to encounter at least one tree on your journey. You can venture off to a neighbourhood park, garden or even your backyard.

It's recommended you distractions, perhaps turning your cellphone off or on mute for the time being.

It's also a good idea to not be attached to any particular goals, expectations or outcomes beforehand: just being okay with whatever you will experience today is a good mindset.

You want to be sure to take your time and engage in all of your senses during your walk and at times of rest. You can ask yourself: What do I see? Perhaps wildflowers, a small chickadee or the path ahead.

What do I hear? Maybe a babbling brook, birds chirping and gentle wind blowing through the trees.

What do I smell? of experiencing nature, but Consider the freshly cut



Photo courtesy of Jakob Owens, accessed on Unsplash.

feel? Rub your hands across the bark of a tree, cool soft moss found on a log or feel the warm sunshine on your face.

What can I taste? Bring along a refreshing drink of water, a healthy snack or even a breath of fresh air.

If you come to a place in your journey where you would like a rest, give yourself all the time that you need. Forest Bathing can also be done in any season, as there are always new experiences with each changing season. Some enjoy going out in a smaller group, while others enjoy ex-

What can I touch and their own. There also is no set length of time that is best, whatever is best for you.

> Surrounding yourself in nature instantly allows you to de-stress. Which in turn can boost our immune system.

It allows us to step away from the busyness of everyday life and allows us to "unplug" and recharge our batteries within.

Forest bathing also improve your mood. Researchers have suggested that spending time in nature releases hormones that bring feelings of calm, joy and connection. Being present periencing Forest Bathing on in nature can inspire creativ-

ity, help us to problem solve and allow us to experience a deeper appreciation of the world around us. Physically, you are also getting the benefit of getting outside to exercise. Trees help create oxygen and assist in filtering the air, so you get the added benefit of fresh clean air.

There are so many incredible city and provincial parks to discover in our beautiful province, each bringing a different experience. I hope this has inspired you to submerge yourself in the healing practice of forest bathing.

Happy exploring!

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Just another one of those silly days

by Barbara Ellis

My day started off well. I woke up happy and rested, had my coffee and decided to clean house and try to organize the stuff I wanted to take to the thrift store. First I wanted to sort my VHS tapes into three piles: donate, garbage and keep.

The donate pile was easy as these were the movies I had bought. The garbage pile was also easy as these tapes contained things I recorded, such as the opening and closing of the 1988 Olympics, and then never watched. The next five tapes were a problem. Many years ago I paid good money to have some 18mm films transposed to

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VHS and now they would have to be transposed again this time onto CDs. Before incurring additional costs, how wonderful it would be to play these tapes and see what is on them.

at my VHS and CD player and wondered if at long last I could make it work. I remember buying this machine, how long ago was more years ago, anyway, it never did work.

At the time of purchase, I asked the clerk how difficult it was to use and was told, "Oh, there's nothing to it, just plug it in." Yes, I fell for it. Bought it and took it home. Is it easy to use?

Well, after all these years, I still don't know how to make it work. The day I bought it, I spent hours trying to figure out what to plug to what, what to push to make it work, but eventually gave up in utter frustration.

After that, every once in a great while, I would try again, but I never succeeded. All I manage to do was get annoyed at my own ineptness and stupidity for falling for that, "Oh, you just plug it in" routine.

Now that I am older,

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perhaps a little computer savvy, perhaps this time I can make it work. The instructions were there in the cabinet and so I decided that I would try one more time. I flipped through the papers I looked up and stared and separated the English version from the French, those I would not need and I would throw them into the recycle dumpster. I put my garbage pile

that? Probably at least 15 or into a plastic bag, picked up the French instruction manuals and headed for the garage that houses the dumpsters. I threw the tapes into the garbage dumpster and flipped the manuals into the recycle one. Job one done. I headed for the door. That's when I realized that I only had the key to my apartment with me, so I was locked out. Not to worry. I would walk to the front door and ask one of my friends to let me in. Honestly, brain fogs are becoming a nuisance.

> After lunch, fortified with nutrition and rehydrated by two glasses of water, I was ready to tackle the manual. I picked up the papers and to my horror realized that I had thrown away the wrong pile of papers. In fact, I was now staring at was the French version! Now what? Guess I would have to do some dumpster diving and get the English version back, but how? The dumpster is huge and deep so I would need a ladder of some sort and something to spear the papers with. I remembered that a friend of mine had one of those grabby things, well its a stick with sort of fingers at one end and a trigger sort of thing at the top to manipulate the fingers.

Happy day, she was home and she could lend me her grabby instrument. I picked up my key fob and put in around my neck, I was not about to do a repeat performance of locking myself out.

Next to the garage where the dumpsters are kept, there is a second room where we store our Christmas decorations and the summer furniture and a step ladder. Now in possession of a ladder and the grabby thing, I was ready for the task at hand.

With great confidence,



Photo courtesy of Gabriel Petry.

I unlocked the garage door, positioned the ladder in front of the dumpster, stepped up the ladder and took a look inside. Unfortunately, some people have mistaken this dumpster for the garbage one and I could see several plastic bags of garbage along with cereal boxes and newspapers. The dumpster was relatively empty and somewhat smelly but I didn't have any trouble spotting the manual. It had landed almost in the back corner and was nestled between two white bags of garbage.

I could not reach it from where I was, so I moved the ladder to the side and towards the back of the dumpster, and tried again. I reached in as far as I could, but because I am somewhat short, the manual was at least four inches beyond my reach. This was not going

Not at all the way I had envisioned it in my mind. I would just have to lean in further and make sure I had a firm grip of the rim with one hand, while I tried to grab the manual with the other. Didn't work. Tried again and again, almost fell in once, but no dice. Now what?

I looked around and saw two snow shovels leaving against the wall. Well, it's worth a try. I chose the yellow one over the black one because I am partial to sunshine colours. Back to the dumpster and the job at hand. First, I had to move the two bags of garbage. They resisted most strongly

at being moved from their comfortable position. It was hot and my body began to release moisture. My brow was covered with sweat - I was releasing some of the water I had drunk before coming down here. After a few minutes, don't know how many, felt like an hour, I sat down to rest. This was really stupid. Boy, during my lifetime I have done some idiotic things, and this one has to rate as one of the dumbest ever!

Enough selfincrimination. Back to my recovery mission. With a great determination of mind and body wringing wet from perspiration, I would jostle the shovel under the manual, then patiently and gently edge it up along the wall of the dumpster. Like a stubborn mule, it would slide up a little and then slip down again. I moved the steps so that I could approach the task from a slightly different angle and Glory be, after several more tries, the manual rose close to my reach and I was able to grab it.

I sat down on the top step to catch my breath and give my aching back a rest. The manual was damp and had a "scent" to it, but it was in my hands. This was all well and good, but I still don't know how to use the VHS/CD player.

One thing at a time. Fighting with that machine was for another day. For now, I'm just happy to have the manual back in my possession.





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The steady approach of autumn



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by Deborah Maier

It seems like we've just begun to enjoy the garden when fall frost beckons, and we need to start putting the garden to bed. So, what does this mean? It means getting the garden ready to be tucked under a blanket of snow. Mostly, it's about tidying the garden.

If you have houseplants that you bring outside for the summer, it's time to start transitioning them to become comfortable with the indoor environment. Just as you hardened them off to outdoor conditions, it's recommended to gradually get them used to

being indoors.

Start by moving them into a shady spot during the day; then bringing them inside at night. Finally, to bring them into the house, wash the leaves with mild soap and water and rinse with clean water. Remove and replace the top inch of soil, or even clean the roots of soil completely and repot, so you don't bring any pests into the house. (Even with these measures, I would still recommend isolating these plants from your other houseplants for a couple of weeks.) Check the plants regularly to be certain that they are pest-free.

It's also time to bring in tender garden perennials and tender bulbs (dahlias, for example), that you would like to replant next year. I like to overwinter under lights in my basement: geraniums, ivy, heartleafed ice plants, fuchsias, tomatoes, and rosemary. This year, I'm adding a bay laurel plant to the basement "garden."

For tender plants that I really want to keep, I take cuttings by the first week of September to root-up, so I'm certain to have one if we get an unexpected early frost. Every year, I plan on making the transition indoors in an orderly manner, but usually, it's a "grab the pots, there's going to be a hard frost tonight!" flurry of activity.

This overwintering practice came in very handy this spring, as I was able to use my basement garden to fill my decorative doorstep containers with plants and avoid the spring crowds at the garden centres.

Come fall, these decorative containers should be emptied and stored where they won't get damaged by winter activities. Porous clay pots, especially, should be kept in a dry location to prevent breakage by ice formation in fine cracks or the clay's pores.

The leaves and stems of any plants that have had a disease —powdery mildew for example — should be removed and placed in the garbage. Leaf debris from herbaceous perennials can be gathered and put in the

compost bin.

However, to provide winter interest and food for birds, seed heads of healthy plants may be left standing until late winter or early spring. The pruning of shrubs and roses should be left until spring to reduce the impact of winter kill.

The leaves of deciduous trees, except poplars, make an excellent mulch for a garlic bed. If you can, save dried leaves to add to the compost bin throughout the winter. Dried leaves are the brown component of a good compost mix that is frequently missing. If you are surrounded by poplar trees, it's best if you can crush the leaves when they are dry to make them fine enough to use in your compost. A suggestion that I will try this year is to use a grass trimmer in a garbage bin to pulverize the dried leaves.

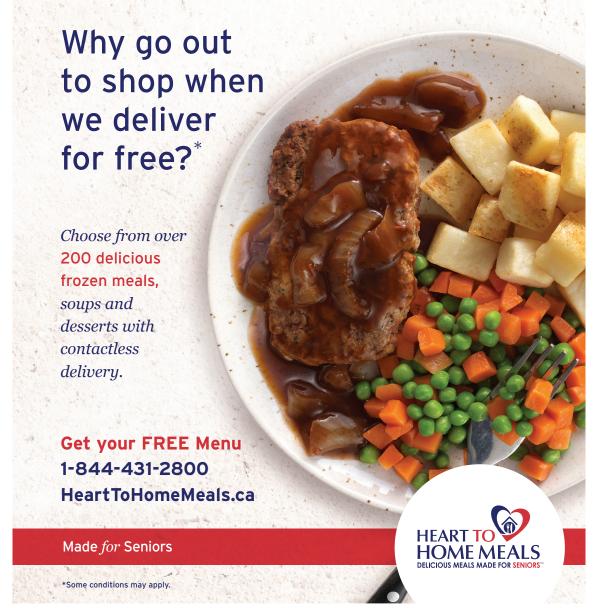
If leaf storage or in-yard composting aren't options for you, then be sure to place the leaves in your green bin. Once the green bin is filled, additional leaves may be placed in paper yard-waste bags and put out with your green bin for pick up.

While it's nice to have a tidy yard at the end of the season, it shouldn't be too tidy. Leave some shelter piles of leaves, sticks, and mulch for ladybugs to overwinter in. I find that our deciduous trees lose most of their leaves within a two-week period.

I usually have two leafraking sessions, then let whatever else falls be and let it provide shelter for the small creatures in my yard.

As part of the winterprep activities, it's also important to keep watering evergreen trees, shrubs, and plants until the ground starts to freeze. The lawn should be mowed and a winterized fertilizer applied. And let's not forget about bulb planting! Garlic and springblooming bulbs are planted in the fall.

With the outdoor chores completed, it's time to cozy-up with your garden journal, and start making plans for next year!





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The "Happy Hour" of San Agustin



BY LESLI CHRISTIANSON-KELLOW

These days, joining a Zumba exercise class online has become a daily joy for 61-year-old Susan San Agustin. She can participate in classes with some of her favourite instructors from anywhere in her house - the living room, her bedroom - even outside in her backyard.

pre-pandemic every week around the world. When the pandemic lockdown began, exercise classes and gyms were shut down, halting all exercise classes, but it didn't take long for instructors to adapt their method of teaching classes via the internet. Participants are sent a unique link when they register for a class. It's as easy as clicking on the link at the specified time to join the class. The class is taught live by the instructor and viewed on a computer, ipad or other device.

"I'm able to do Zumba almost every day because it's on zoom. I try to support the local Zumba instructors. There's about three or four and they all have different styles." Fifteen million people says San Agustin. "When

were taking Zumba class- I take a class, I call it my 'happy hour'."

> Having the option to participate in Zumba classes online over the last six months has helped San Agustin keep a positive outlook while also keeping fit. Taking classes online also provides a feeling of connectedness to other Zumba enthusiasts.

> If you haven't heard of Zumba, it is the largest branded fitness community in the world. Founded in 1998 by Alberto Perez, an aerobics instructor in Cali, Colombia. The story goes that one day Perez forgot to bring his cassette tape of aerobic music to class, all he had was Latin dance music — salsa and merengue — so he taught the aerobics class to Latin music. It was a big hit and that was the birth of Zumba.

San Agustin tried her first Zumba class over 10 years ago. Other exercise classes were boring, ("I tried yoga, but it was too slow for me,") but the energetic beat and variety of dance moves that Zumba offered kept San Augustin interested. She takes the modifications suggested by the instructors as needed and even does her own moves if needed. Her goal is to enjoy herself and the bonus is keeping fit and making friends.

"I love dancing, dancing is my thing. It's like you're not even exercising!" says San Agustin. "I think if I didn't do Zumba I'd feel more pain [age related]. It keeps me healthy and I feel strong. If I don't do Zumba I feel tired."

San Agustin says that the endorphins her body produces during a Zumba class stay with her long after the class ends. It basically spills over into other areas of her life making her better equipped mentally and physically to handle daily stress. "I met a group of la-

dies doing Zumba and we formed our own group. There's 12 of us that became very close because



San Agustin, 61, participates in Zumba exercise classes anywhere and everywhere. Photo courtesy of San Agustin.

of Zumba.

We all started to go to events together," San Agustin says, "If there was something happening in the Zumba community we would all go as a group. We did an ovarian cancer walk followed by a zumba class to raise money. The events usually have a theme — like do Zumba, of course!"

Zumba beckoned San Agustin to the South of France for a gathering of Zumba enthusiasts from around the world. It was an all-inclusive, 5-day Zumba retreat with lots of dancing, music and community. She even got to meet the founder of I don't go to parties," Zumba himself, Alberto

"They call him 'Beto' and he's an amazing dancer...going to France was life changing. The love

that you get from being with like minded people... because we share the same love for Zumba is incredible. The joy that you get is so hard to explain - it's powerful." says San Agustin.

She seeks out a Zumba group wherever travels.

"This is my Zumba the 60s or 70s — and we group in Hawaii, "San all dress up. And always Agustin says pointing to a photo of a group of about 20 dancers, "Each time I return, I do Zumba with them. In the Philippines I have a Zumba group, too, we call ourselves Zoom Buddies. We actually won first prize in a Zumba competition together."

> "Since the lockdown says San Agustin. "With Zumba, if you like to dance, it's like going to a party every single day."

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Grandparent guardians face variety of issues

By Andrew McCutcheon

It's not uncommon to see older adults involved in the upbringing of their grandchildren.

More than ever. though, older adults are the sole providers and guardians of their grandchildren, a situation that comes with a host of various challenges, issues and benefits.

The Calgary and Area Regional Collaborative Service Delivery (RCSD) ordered a literature review — where the most up-todate research on a subject is collected and compiled that "surrogate parenting — into the subject of custodial grandparents: those who assume the fulltime care of their grandchildren.

This review was called as there was a "strong imperative for ensuring that health, education, child welfare and disability services develop effective practice responses to better address the unique needs of custodial grand-

parents and their grandchildren," according to the summary released by the RCSD.

The summary begins with the various issues contributing to the rise of custodial grandparents, which include the current Opioid crisis, the 2008 financial crisis, the AIDs epidemic and an increased focus on "kinship placement" wherein child welfare agencies in Canada are more likely to place children under the guardianship of family members, or kin.

The document states of children by relatives" is something deeply rooted in the history of humanity. Grandparents provide the majority of this surrogate parenting, comprising 88 per cent of all kinship caregivers in the United States

The reasons behind the assumption of custody are many: issues such as parental substance abuse or death, child abuse or family violence, to poverty, unemployment or neglect.

The research suggests that grandparents are "often the only relatives who have the time and strong familial obligation commit to the permanent care of these children" and that they are more likely to be women, older in age, experiencing higher levels rience harassment from of parental stress alongside more limited access to resources.

The reasoning offered that kinship caregivers often have less access to resources is that they are less like to pursue a formal avenue of guardianship, such as adoption.

Adoption requires that the parent of the child most often an adult child of the grandparent —terminate their own parental rights. Custodial grandparents are hesitant to pursue this as it might either hurt their relationship with their own child or potentially close the door on the biological parent to regain custody of the child in the

This conflict between the biological parents is cited as one of the biggest challenges for custodial grandparents, many of whom feel "caught in the middle" between their own, adult children and child protective services.

Many fear or expethe biological parents as a result of working with child protection or welfare agencies, while at the same time struggling with anger and resentment towards their own adult children.

In additional, custodial grandparents can experience resentment over having their own life plans being interrupted: a loss of freedom or lifestyle, hopes they may have had for their mid-to-late life and the issue of financial insecurity.

The raising of grandchildren itself also poses a challenge for custodial grandparents. Childcare can be an exhausting and

stressful endeavour on its own, but a high percentage of children in "skipped generation" families have special needs, mental health issues or behavioural problems.

All of this coupled with the fact that grandparents have difficulty accessing support services due to the maze of navigating benefits, stress coming alongside interaction with the authorities within service systems and underplaying the difficulties of child-rearing — lest they seem incompetent and lose custody — and it's clear that custodial grandparenting comes with a wide and expanding range of difficulties.

That's not to say it's without its benefits: many report enormous satisfaction with raising their grandchildren, with an appreciation for the joy and relief that comes alongside keeping families together.

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The Town That Changed Alberta

Pennsylvania oilfields and had

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The discovery at Turner

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On May 14, 1914 they struck

When Dingman #1 blew,

gary Petroleum Products.

named Dingman #1.

By Wendy Portfors



Photos courtesy of The Glenbow Archives and Archives Canada.

gary, has a history steeped in in the Pennsylvania oilfields. the development of Canada's located to Alberta and bought triggered Alberta's first oil To supplement the ranch inboom in 1914.

This is a historical look at how it all happened:

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The small town of Turner ther of Alberta's Petroleum in Okotoks. In the spring of Valley. iust 63 kilome- Industry." Herron was an On- 1911, while he was waiting for the petroleum industry, with In 1905, he and his wife re- the banks of Sheep River. He scooped up the bubbling subfirst commercial oilfield that a ranch in the Okotoks area. stance into jars and sent the ing wagonloads of coal from natural gas" which is natural William Stewart Herron Black Diamond, which he sold gas with a high concentration

gary. Stories of the discovery has been referred to as the "Fa- to area ranchers and people of liquid naphtha. After condominated the following day's Glenbow Archives IP-6d-3-2 ly Herald. Herron and Dingman entertained hordes of people that rushed to the site in cars and horse-drawn wagons to see the well. Oueen Victoria, was Governor General of Canada. He and his wife, Princess Louise Margaret of Prussia insisted on seeing Turner Valley during their visit to Alberta in September of 1914. At 2:31 p.m., driller Marty Hovis opened the valve and the well erupted and the volatile gasoline fluid shot up into the air. The valve was closed at 2:34 p.m. and the princess, reportedly, rushed ed in Turner Valley oil specula-

More than \$1 million was withdrawn from Calgary banks to be invested in drilling companies after the discovery of oil at Turner Valley in 1914.

firming the quality of the gas.

he hastily purchased thousands of acres of property including of Turner Valley operations. It plant known as "the Batch." also forced Calgary Petroleum In July 1912, Herron re-Products to sell the facility to lished camps for workers the Royalite Oil Company, subsidiary of Imperial Oil. It was Royalite that ushered preneurial-minded and as early in the second boom period of as the 1890s he was invested in office and apartment buildings,

dustry working for the Alberta that offered accommodation to Southern Refining Company, for which he developed a type of still for producing gasoline, kerosene and two kinds of distillate. Coultis was entrusted with the design of a new gas processing plant to replace the the Turner Valley townsite. Calgary Petroleum Products plant that had burnt down. Besides, a new absorption plant petroleum at 2,718 ft, sending a was built to strip gasoline from the wet gas, as well as a compression plant that pressurized the gas for transmission. He established Madison Laboratory which supported all aspects of Royalite's activities.

> to be used to transport natural gas from Turner Valley to Calgary. Royalite built a connector pipeline from the Turner Valley plant to Okotoks and ultimately to CWNG Bow Island-to-Calgary pipeline. For the first time, base. The compression plant doubled in size in 1923.

the area created an immediate Coultis and his family lived. and urgent need for housing in

many of the buildings at the available in the early 1920s. Turner Valley plant and repre- Royalite built several bunksented the end of the first phase houses for single men, near the

Other companies estab-

Page design and layout by Winifred Ribeiro

which offered the bare minimum necessary for housing - single rooms, communal showers and a cookhouse serving meals round the clock. The Samuel G. Coultis was high demand for housing prethe first person hired by the sented economic opportunities newly formed Royalite Oil for entrepreneurs in both Turn-Company. He had a degree in er Valley and Black Diamond chemical engineering and had who opened boarding houses gained experience in the oil in- and multi-purpose buildings

> workers. The most notable of these was a two-storey structure built around 1926 and known locally as the Log Cabin. It became one of the social hubs at

> > Most of these housing

options were temporary and

many workers and their families wanted more substantial housing. Mobility was essential for workers and so small shacks were built on skids to allow them to be moved. A much more stable and comfortable form of housing took in getting an agreement with entists and other professionals. of 20 million cubic feet of nat-flaring. As the flare roared and Canadian Western Natural Gas A planned neighbourhood, on ural gas a day. The gas ignited burned bright day and night, er, was established in 1921 by rick. The glow from the blaze Hell's Half Acre. Royalite, and the unofficial could be seen as far away as name was Snob Hill, which Lethbridge. The fire raged for tion of gas exceeded existing to stop. hints at the class divisions weeks before a team of experts pipeline and trucking capacity, present at the time. The name from Oklahoma used to steam causing Royalite to begin buildhas stuck throughout the years and dynamite to extinguish ing several new pipelines to the and there are twenty of those the flames and prevent it from Imperial Oil refinery in Calgary. Turner Valley natural gas was original homes, most since re-igniting. able to reach a large consumer remodeled, on Royalite Way. The growth and activity in es, next door to where Samuel

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The writer of this article lives guished, Royalite had to deal per day. Royalite's success and in one of those original hous- with the gas. Royalite #4 was profitability enabled it to begin the first sour gas well in Alber- acquiring competing compata. Hydrogen sulfide, identifi- nies in the area.

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By 1928, production increased Once the fire was extin- to 60 million cubic feet of gas

Many smaller companies,

perial Oil in Alberta's developing oil and gas sector.

The crash of the U.S. stock market in October 1929, of the oilfield. rocked the world and led to The Great Depression. In Alberta, it hit at the same time wheat prices were tumbling. Samuel Coultis used his position as manager to order food The company succeeded root among the managers, sci- bit, the well blew in at a rate common practice known as at the company's expense for erated until 1985, nearly 70 distribution to local residents years after it was first built. throughout The Great Depres-(CWNG) to allow its pipelines a hill, across the Sheep Riv- on Oct. 19 destroying the der- the area became known as sion. While he was questioned Gas Plant was designated a Proon this practice by company vincial Historic Resource and

> In the 1930s, the flaring of gas created a serious problem for Royalite. Years of uncontrolled flaring of natural gas had throughout the Turner Valley ested in the additional history bring oil to the surface.

upon Royalite's pipelines and This new well was not a Roya-Imperial Oil's refinery, further lite or Imperial Oil well and it entrenching Royalite and Im- was primarily an oil rather than gas well. This led to the third boom in the area triggering a drilling boom at the south end

> At its peak during WWII the Turner Valley oilfield produced about 10 million barrels of oil per year.

Although it was aging, the Turner Valley Gas Plant op-

In 1989 the Turner Valley officials, he was never asked in 1995 it was proclaimed a National Historic Site of Canada.

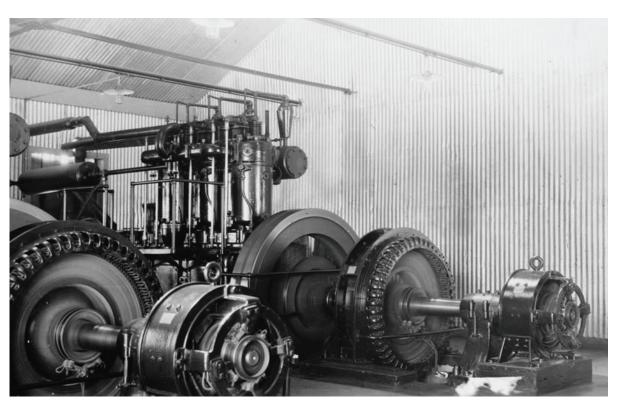
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The growth and activity of the new boom created an immediate and urgent need for housing in A fire in 1920 destroyed Turner Valley area.



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The right time and place to be silly



Bad jokes can drive some people absolutely bananas. Photo courtesy of Diane Alkier.

by David Darnielle

I've gone on many dates in my long life and there's at least one thing that unites the majority of them.

It's definitely not what I wear. I'm not the sort of guy who needs to wear a black tie to every single outing. Then again, I don't think heading out in sneakers and sweatpants has ever been my calling.

Instead, my clothing varies from casual formal as the situation calls. Though I don't think anyone can go wrong with a nice button-up, a pair of slacks and comfortable loafers. But regardless: I'm definitely

not here to give out fashion advice and — moreover no one should take it from

So my outfits varied across the years on my dates and outings, but so did the people who joined me.

Some were romantic, others platonic. Some started as one and became the other and vice versa. Sometimes, it's just nice to get out and go to dinner or coffee with someone you've not seen in years. It's amazing how quickly the conversation turns back to old times and even though decades may have passed, it might as well have been a week since you last enjoyed their company.

So it's not my clothes and it's not the folks that join me on my outings: and it's definitely not the location. I have the places I enjoy on a regular basis but far be it from me to consider myself

Variety is the spice of life, so they say.

"a regular."

But there is one thing that I consistently do when out for a date, or a meal, or an outing.

When we arrive this person and myself I steadily walk over to whomever is greeting visitors, whether it be a host or Maître D or what have

(Upon seeing my brisk approach, most longtime friends of mine are steeling themselves for what come next. In this singular way, I am a creature of habit.)

I get the attention of the individual working the door or the entrance, greet them politely, and then in a low and absolutely serious voice, I inform them:

"Hello. My name is David. We've called ahead."

"There should be an entire roast goose waiting for us?"

I've done this dozens, if not hundreds, of times and the reactions vary.

Between a confused smile to a concerned furrow of the brow, to a question asking me to clarify exactly what I meant.

It's at this point my partner in crime will groan and throw their head back magic, the selfsame silliness and I'll break out into a trademark grin as a feeling of either relief — or at worst, mild annoyance — splashes across the poor employee's face.

I am much too old to be silly, I'm sure many people think. To the wind with them.

This running joke of mine is beyond ridiculous, in both premise and execution. I don't know if in the history of the McDonalds' franchise has anyone ever called ahead for the chef to prepare an entire roast goose.

You should have seen the time I busted out this line at the Zoo.

I do it nonetheless. My friends and family have come to accept it, now, along with my other — how some might say — eccentricities. Others would call them "dad jokes." Others more would call them "quite stupid."

I cannot argue with either definition.

Puns and wordplay are just the tip of the iceberg

I remember convincing my niece and nephew of the small gremlins that live within automatic doors, with a system of pulleys and ropes to ensure the entrance opens promptly whenever we approach.

My brother and sisterin-law had several questions when their kids regaled them with the magical stories of the door gremlins.

Yes, my family have been on the receiving — and longtime suffering — end of most of these eccentricities, but to be fair, they were inherited from the same family.

I remember my father crawling up onto the roof one Christmas with sticks upon the bottoms of which he'd made the shape of reindeer hooves.

When we came outside the next morning to see the marks in the snow, my brother and I were filled with childhood wonder.

My mother wondered how he made it down from the roof alive after the noninsignificant number of nightcaps he'd had the night before.

But that memory inspired me to bring that same sense of childlike

with which I attempt to bring to every interaction I have.

It's never malicious or mean, however. There's nothing to be gained by a prank that doesn't end with everyone's laughter, and I mean everyone's especially the target of the

And boy we could sure use some laughter nowadays, couldn't we?

This year has been hard. The months we usually associate with carefree frivolity have instead been tainted with anxiety, fear and crisis after crisis.

Now we head into the darker fall months, and there seems to be no end.

What will we do when the days get shorter, the nights get longer and the invading darkness is no longer just a metaphor?

We all know what to do and we've been doing a good job. We've banded together by staying apart, we've helped our neighbours and we've stayed strong strong in a way only Albertans know.

But what will sustain our strength when the sun sets on summer and the chill of fall approaches?

We're running on fumes, so I'm sure everyone could use a gas.

Let's fill our days with harmless, healing joy.

I'd recommend knockknock jokes if we could visit our neighbours, so maybe

And I've been avoiding restaurants lately, so no place to order a roast goose ahead of time.

But letting laughter real, pure, unadulterated, silly laughter — rise from our chests and fill the silence of our homes will be the sort of exhalation and exaltation that we need.

After all, we're in the middle of a pandemic and they've always said that laughter is the best medicine.

So maybe paint a funny face on your mask when you go to the grocery store, or tell the cashier a dumb joke. Make silly faces at a red light at the folks in the car next to you.

And make sure to thank the gremlins in the automatic doors. They work hard, you know?

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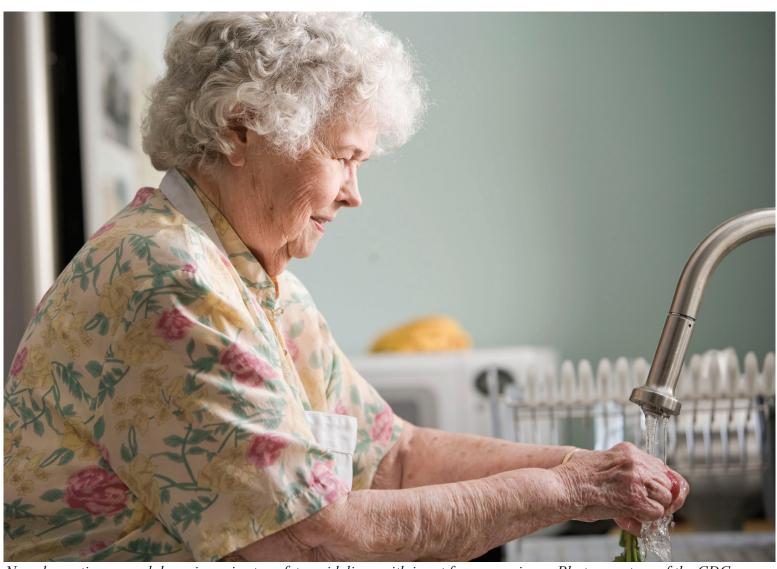
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New safety methods for dementia patients



New dementia research has given rise to safety guidelines with input from caregivers. Photo courtesy of the CDC.

by Bey Betkowski

Researchers developed guideline to help people with dementia stay safe Noelannah with the condition.

including people with dementia, up the idea that people

be active agents in a walk as long as they have their own care and they have a strategy in place. can keep themselves It gives them some of autonomy, which is safe," said lead author autonomy." Neubauer, if they get lost, based an occupational therapy were partly on the experiences student in the University help fill in a big public of those who are living of Alberta's Faculty of information gap, she said. Rehabilitation Medicine.

it tells them they can with dementia can go for

developed

"As researchers, we "The guideline opens were getting a lot of questions from Alzheimer's societies on how to keep people with dementia safe while they were living at home; they had no resources to refer them to."

> existed, Neubauer did a study of available literature that revealed with a confusing tangle of become lost at some more than 180 high- and low-tech solutions on how to keep people with dementia safe, ranging from home alarm systems to ID tags.

The researchers' new guideline provides several measures, based on the risk levels of the people with dementia, for them to stay safe if they wander own—and many of them do live alone for various reasons, she noted.

"Many divorced, lose friends, estranged from families or don't want to be a burden for their poses the risk of being children, so don't involve them."

Some also fear being put into lockdown care prematurely.

"They feel they can maintain their sense hugely important for The recommendations them," said Neubauer.

The strategies suggested in the guideline were based partly on interviews with people who have dementia and reflect what they're already doing to cope, she noted.

"It comes from their own experiences; they've had to come up To find out what with some of these ideas themselves."

> Three in five people dementia will point, and research revealed interviews the issue is a growing concern. One Ontario department police reported six to eight calls about lost older adults per day. The risk of an incident ending in tragedy is high, Neubauer added.

"There's a 50 per cent while living on their chance of being found deceased or injured if not found within 24 hours and if the weather is cold. become it turns into a matter of minutes, not hours," she said.

Being lost in a city preyed on, while rural environments have hazards such as water and bush.

Neubauer and her co-authors also created

a model as part of the weighs that study, factors that need to be considered when choosing an effective strategy to promote safe wandering.

"It gives people a customized approach. instance, how comfortable is the person with using technology, what's the surrounding geography of where they live, and what is their perceived risk of getting lost? This is the start of how we deal with someone that is at risk of getting lost."

guideline The also reflects input from and concerns individuals looking after people with dementia.

"Many care partners don't have peace of mind that they can find their loved one if they wander and get lost. But at the same time, they want them to be at home, not in a long-term care facility.

"The guideline gives them options for strategies they can try, and the importance of being proactive. For instance, as soon as there is a diagnosis of dementia, a couple can work together to identify what strategies the person with dementia is OK using. We've found that person wants to be part of those discussions.'

Long-term facilities, including assisted living places that don't have locked units, also benefit from a specific guideline aimed at educating everyone on staff, from nurses to janitorial and kitchen workers.

"Now they can use the guideline to understand the risks and what to look for in residents who may wander and get lost,' Neubauer noted.

Alzheimer's societies. clinicians and some police forces have begun using the guideline, with interest expressed from U.S. home care and autism groups, Neubauer added.

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Why do I need to keep my dog on a leash in Fish Creek?

Calgary is a dog-loving city. You may have one or more dogs, have had a dog in the past, or are considering adopting a new furry family member.

thousands years, dogs and humans together existed and enjoyed a mutually beneficial relationship. In an urban setting like Calgary, dogs are used less for work and more for companionship, and home security – even the smallest of dogs can sound the alarm at the first indication of an unwelcome guest. Dogs are truly cherished family members, and like people, each dog has a unique personality.

Fish Creek Provincial Park is a vast urban green space that experiences over 4 million visits each year, a number that is sure to increase as the city continues to grow. Dog walking is one of the most popular activities in the park, and the extensive pathway system is perfect for going on long walks with your four-legged best

friend.

Dogs love Fish Creek for the bustling activity, open spaces and waterways, the smells, the friendly people and the other dogs.

We know that dogs love running freely, and pet owners want their dogs to be happy! However, offleash dogs can be at risk in wild spaces like Fish Creek Provincial Park for several different reasons:

They can surprise or disturb wildlife, inviting potential conflict or injury to your pet. They could be kicked by a protective deer, sprayed by a skunk or be quilled by a porcupine, all of which could lead to costly vet bills, or worse. A small or medium-sized off-leash dog can look like a tasty meal for a coyote, whereas an on-leash dog may encourage the coyote to look elsewhere. And since Fish Creek is a natural wildlife corridor that funnels wildlife from Alberta's eastern slopes, run-ins with a bear or cougar are also possible,

bringing risk to everyone.

Off-leash dogs can give chase or attack wildlife or harass and injure park wildlife.

There are also different natural hazards that might put your off-leash friend at risk, such as gopher holes and thorny bushes, not to mention hazards associated with busy park trails, pathways and roadways, which can pose a significant threat to a wandering off-leash dog.

Many park visitors may not know that it is illegal to have dogs off leash in Alberta's provincial parks - such as Fish Creek - while others may be aware of the regulation and simply choose not to follow it.

Off-leash dogs represent one of the most common provincial park infractions, and the Friends of Fish Creek increasingly hear stories from park visitors about dogs running wild or visitors being approached by unwelcome dogs.

There have even been reports of dog owners

responding rudely when asked about keeping their dog on leash. Fines for not having your dog on a leash or not picking up after your dog range from \$115 to \$2,000.

Keeping your dog on a leash is also an act of respect for other park users, who may not appreciate being approached or jumped on by a dog. Some people are fearful or uncomfortable around dogs, or may be allergic to them, and while most people feel their pets are well-trained and gentle, that is not always the case.

Invasive plant species can also be further spread throughout our park by being transported on the fur of an off-leash dog, further compounding the issue we already have with invasive plants.

This will not happen if you keep your dog onleash and stay to the park's pathways. And while we are on the subject of dogs, please be sure to pick up after your pet, and properly dispose of their waste in garbage bins.

We have learned that one of peoples' biggest "pet" peeves is when people leave dog waste bags along the park pathways. And while most people would agree that this is unsightly, there is also an associated safety risk, as dog waste can act as an attractant to large carnivores, such as bears.

officially-Many designated off-leash dog parks exist in our city, and these are the best and safest places for dogs to run wild, play fetch and socialize with others in their special dog way! A list of off leash areas can be found at https://www.calgary.ca/ csps/parks/locations/offleash-area-locations.html

Thank you for keeping your dog on a leash less than six feet in length in Creek Provincial Fish Park, as this is the best way to protect them and others! Consider sharing your awareness of responsible pet ownership with others when you visit.

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Mask bylaw: Frequently Asked Questions

gary City Councillor Ward Sutherland" additional answers to questions raised regarding the recent mask bylaw.

Should the decision of mandatory face coverings be the Province's responsibility?

- The Province of Alberta would be in the best position to mandate the wearing of face coverings or masks by the general public. However, the Chief Medical Officer of Health for Alberta has indicated that mandatory face coverings could be a policy implemented by local governments based on local circumstances.
- Since the province has not yet enacted a mandate, Council has the authority through the Municipal Government Act to enact bylaws with respect to safety, health and welfare of people and the protection of people and property along with enacting bylaws related to businesses.

Why this approach of mandating face coverings, why not continued education?

• The City continues to education Calgarians on the three critical measures to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. Even with continued education and strong recommendation from all orders of government, only 35 per cent of Calgarians report 'always' wearing face coverings in public or confined spaces. This is lower than the desired critical mass of 80 percent of citizen that

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coverings that is required to contain community spread.

Are Calgarians supportive of this

measure?

• 74 per cent of Calgarians either strongly or somewhat support making face masks/coverings mandatory. The approach is intended to keep businesses open an to help mitigate a potentia resurgence.

Why now?

- Right now is the idea time to take action, as the Government of Alberta i reporting increasing num bers of COVID-19 case across the province daily.
- The wearing of fac coverings is an additiona measure that can be take to help mitigate a potentia resurgence as being experi enced in other parts of th
- The World Healt Organization, Centers for Disease Control and Pre vention, the Public Healt Agency of Canada and Al berta Health all indicate tha the highest risk activities ar those that take place indoor and in spaces where peo ple spend extended period of time in close proximit with poor air circulation. I a few short months, we wi see additional challenges a

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serves as a visual reminder that the pandemic continues to remain a health risk.

• As mentioned by Dr Bhardwaj on July 20, when we began considering this bylaw it was expected that Calgary would experience lower incidence of COVID transmission, with people on vacation and outdoors.

However, with the latest numbers coming in over the course of the past week and

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What is considered a public premise?

- People will be expected to wear a face covering in any part of an enclosed space to which the public can readily access. The bylaw excludes premises for which there is an enrolment or membership requirement such as schools and educational institutions.
- The rule of thumb is, if the public does not have access to it, it will be exempt under the bylaw.

Will businesses be responsible for making sure people are complying with the bylaw?

- The bylaw will require businesses to display a prescribed sign at a location that is visible to a person immediately upon entering the public premises or public vehicle.
- The business is not expected to evict a customer or refuse service to people who are not complying with the bylaw.

What is the compliance responsibility for citizens?

• Calgarians must wear a face covering in a public indoor space or a public vehicle, unless the person is separated from others by an installed screen, shield or other barrier (e.g, plexi glass).

Will individuals need to wear a face covering if physical distancing can be achieved?

- Yes. Physical distancing in indoor public spaces is inconsistent and unpredictable and part of why this temporary bylaw is necessary. Who will be responsible for enforcement?
- The focus of this bylaw is on education first, with enforcement as a last resort option to be deployed only as needed. The approach is largely around communication and education for the public to better understand that wearing face coverings is the right thing to do.
- Shared enforcement responsibilities are between Community Peace Officers, the Calgary Police Service, Livery Inspectors and Calgary Transit Peace Officers.

Who all are exempt from the bylaw?

• The bylaw will not apply to very young children under 2 years of age; people

with an underlying medical condition or disability which inhibits their ability to wear a face covering; people who are unable to place, use or remove a face covering safety without assistance; people who are eating or drinking at a be required to provide proof public premises that offers food or beverage services; people engaging in athletic or fitness activity and people who are caregivers for or accompanying a person with a disability, where wearing a face covering would hinder the accommodation.

 Proof of exceptions will not be required.

How is enforcement in businesses possible for people who have exceptions?

• Employers, operators

or proprietors are not expected to enforce this by-

The bylaw was drafted to minimize the chance of conflict and provide a safe environment for all.

• Those exempt will not of exemption.

Would it be correct to assume public meetings, such as condo board meetings, would be exempt from the bylaw?

• A meeting such as a condo board meeting would not be included in the definition of a public premises, as members of the public would not have access, therefore participants would not be required under the bylaw to wear face coverings.

companies like Uber and cab companies included in the transportation that must follow the bylaw?

• Passengers of Transportation Network Companies (TNCs) and taxis require a face covering as both are defined under the bylaw as a public vehicle. In the bylaw, a 'public vehicle' includes a bus, LRT vehicle, taxi and any vehicle that is used to transport members of the public for a fee. Drivers that are separated from their passengers by an installed screen, shield or other barrier or not required to wear face coverings.

Are there any instances where masks would need to be worn in an outdoor

Are vehicle for-hire setting in Calgary? If so, where?

> • The bylaw only applies to enclosed spaces, but face coverings are strongly recommended in outdoor settings where it is difficult or impossible to maintain physical distance.

> Does this bylaw apply to gym/sports centre/fitness studios in Calgary?

> · People actively engaging in athletic or fitness activities in gyms, sports centres and fitness studios would be exempt from the bylaw. However, if the facility is accessible to the public, people who are not engaging in such activities would have to wear a face covering.



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Travel-inspired vegetable-forward pescatarian-friendly recipes

Recipes compiled by Winifred Ribeiro

n any given day, you'll find food and travel writer Diala Canelo travelling around the world, walking the streets of her favourite cities—including Barcelona, Paris, Melbourne, Mexico City, Florence, and Santo Domingo, where she grew up near the sea—places that inspire her flavourful and nourishing cooking.

Diala's Kitchen is a collection of 100 recipes influenced by local flavours, fresh ingredients, and a passion for healthy meals made from scratch. They are inspired, both by home and travel, and are simply prepared, healthy, bold and flavourful vegetable-forward, and pescatarian-friendly. Food-lovers can cook and enjoy these with family and friends. and will find they take you to all the corners of the world, while animating your kitchen with lively flavours.



Dominican Pumpkin Soup

If I had to choose my favourite Dominican dish, it would be, without a doubt, Dominican pumpkin soup. What makes this soup different from any other pumpkin or butternut squash soup is that it is spiced with cilantro and green onions—ingredients that instantly transport me back home.

Serves 4

6 cups (1.5 L) vegetable stock

6 cups (1.5 L) peeled and cubed pumpkin or butternut squash

2 tablespoons (30 mL) extra-virgin olive oil

1 1/2 Spanish onions, chopped

5 green onions (white and light green parts only), chopped

4 cloves garlic, finely minced

1 1/2 cups (375 mL) tightly packed fresh cilantro leaves, divided, more for serving 1 teaspoon (5 mL) sea salt

1 teaspoon (5 mL) freshly ground pepper 1/2 cup (125 mL) finely grated Parmesan cheese, more for serving

1/2 cup (125 mL) raw pepitas, toasted

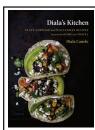
1. In a large pot, bring the vegetable stock to a boil over medium-high heat. Add the pumpkin and boil until fork-tender, about 18 minutes.

2. Meanwhile, in a large frying pan, heat the olive oil over medium heat. Add the Spanish onions, green onions, garlic, 1/2 cup (125 mL) of the cilantro, salt, and pepper. Cook, stirring frequently, until the onions are translucent and slightly browned, about 7 minutes. Remove from the heat.

3. Carefully ladle the cooked pumpkin with the vegetable stock into a high-speed blender. Add the onion mixture. (You will likely have to do this in a couple of batches.) Blend on high speed until smooth. Pour the soup back into the pot.

4. Stir the remaining 1 cup (250 mL) cilantro into the soup and simmer over medium heat until fragrant, about 10 minutes. Add the Parmesan and stir until melted.

5. Ladle the soup into bowls and top with more Parmesan, cilantro, and the pepitas. Store in a covered container in the fridge for up to 4 days or in the freezer for up to 1 month.



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Roasted Acorn Squash with Farro and Pistachios

This roasted acorn squash stuffed with farro and pistachios is inspired by the vegetarian meals I had from Chez Panisse and the Zuni Café while visiting San Francisco. Both restaurants have made iconic dishes admired for the simplicity of bringing the freshest produce to the table, making it the star ingredient. This was originally based on the farm-to-table movement principle that everything tastes better when grown locally.

Serves 4

1 cup (250 mL) farro

3 cups (750 mL) water

2 teaspoons (10 mL) sea salt, divided 2 medium acorn squash, cut in half

crosswise and seeds removed 3 tablespoons (45 mL) extra-virgin olive oil,

1 tablespoon (15 mL) pure maple syrup

1/2 cup (125 mL) finely diced red onion 3 cloves garlic, finely minced

Leaves of 2 thyme sprigs

1 sweet red pepper, finely diced 2 green onions (white and light green parts

only), thinly sliced 2 cups (500 mL) thinly sliced cremini

mushrooms 1/4 teaspoon (1 mL) freshly cracked pepper Zest and juice of 1 lemon

1 cup (250 mL) raw pistachios, toasted

1. Preheat the oven to 375°F (190°C). Line a baking sheet with parchment paper.

2. Rinse and drain the farro. In a large pot, bring the farro, water, and 1 1/2 teaspoons (7 mL) of the salt to a boil. Reduce the heat to medium-low and simmer until the farro is just tender, about 35 minutes. Drain off any excess water and transfer the farro to a large bowl.

3. Using a sharp knife, trim the ends of the squash halves so they can stand upright. Place cut side up on the prepared baking sheet. Brush the top and insides of the squash with 2 tablespoons (30 mL) of the olive oil and the maple syrup. Sprinkle with 1/4 teaspoon (1 mL) of the salt. Roast until the squash is tender and golden brown, 18 to 20 minutes. Let cool for 5 minutes.

4. Meanwhile, in a medium frying pan, heat the remaining 1 tablespoon (15 mL) olive oil over medium heat. Add the red onion and cook, stirring often, until soft and translucent, about 5 minutes.

5. Stir in the garlic and cook for 30 seconds. Stir in the thyme, red pepper, green onions, mushrooms, the remaining 1/4 teaspoon (1 mL) salt, and pepper. Cook for 2 minutes, until the vegetables are tender but not entirely soft.

6. Add the vegetables, lemon zest and juice, and pistachios to the farro and stir to combine. Divide the farro and vegetable mixture equally among the squash halves and serve.

Manly Beach Lemongrass Shrimp

Manly Beach, is a ferry ride away from Sydney, Australia. One night at the pier, I stopped at one of the restaurants facing the water and had the loveliest meal: a salad of edible flowers, pear, and arugula followed by plump shrimp seasoned with lemongrass and a few Thai chilies. The shrimp were grilled to perfection and the aromatic lemongrass was a feast to my senses, I put my own spin on those lemongrass shrimp, adding nutty sesame oil, green onions, and mango to the mix.



1 pound (450 g) large shell-on shrimp, deveined

3 cloves garlic, finely chopped Juice of 1 lemon

2 tablespoons (30 mL) toasted sesame oil 1 tablespoon (15 mL) lemongrass paste or grated fresh lemongrass (white part only) 1/4 teaspoon (1 mL) sea salt

1 cup (250 mL) diced fresh mango 1/2 cup (125 mL) tightly packed fresh cilantro leaves, more for garnish

2 green onions (white and light green parts only), chopped

2 Thai chili peppers, thinly sliced + 2 whole Thai chili peppers for garnish and more heat (optional)

1 tablespoon (15 mL) extra-virgin olive oil

1. Place the shrimp in a medium bowl. Add the garlic, lemon juice, sesame oil, lemongrass paste, and salt. Mix to coat the shrimp. Let marinate for 20 minutes. 2. Meanwhile, in a small bowl, combine the mango, cilantro, green onions, and

3. In a large frying pan, heat the olive oil over medium-high heat. Add the shrimp (discard the marinade), without overcrowding the pan, and cook until the shrimp turn pink, about 2 minutes per side. (You might have to cook the shrimp in 2 batches.) 4. Transfer the cooked shrimp to a platter. Top with the mango salsa. Scatter whole chilies on top, if using.

Tip: You can find lemongrass paste next to the fresh herbs in the grocery store. The paste is super-flavourful and eliminates having to peel and grate the lemongrass stalk — a great shortcut on busy days.

KerbyNews.ca presents: fall photography contest!



This is a photo taken several years ago in autumn by very own our editor, Andrew McCutcheon. He's quite proud of the picture, but he knows the talented readers of Kerby Centre will blow him away with their talented and skilled entries!.

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Those interested can a free membership to the either send their photos or any questions regarding the contest to andrewm@ kerbycentre.com or contact our editor at 403-705-3229 for information regarding alternate submission format.

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Lights! Camera! THIRD ACTion Film Fest!

By Andrew McCutcheon

A good movie is a lot like a well-lived life.

There's a strong beginning with the hope of a happy ending, with maybe some conflicts thrown in along the way but every conflict ends up helping our leading men and women learn about what's truly important in life.

For the Calgary THIRD ACTion Film Festival, their third act was beset by conflicts before it had even begun: namely, how to host an entire film festival dedicated to celebrating ageing and older adults

in the midst of a massive international pandemic.

But just like the stars we see on the silver screen, the festival has managed to turn the head on a last minute conflict to earn a much happier twist ending, long before the credits start to roll.

"I am so excited," said Mitzi Murray, executive director and secretary of the board that operates THIRD ACTion. "As painful as COVID has been, there have been a lot of silver linings."

It was always the intention of the festival to bring the experience — a multitude of films celebrating and telling the stories of older adults, alongside panels and Q+A events with the filmmakers themselves — to a wider audience subtitled or closed capacross Canada.

With the advent of the COVID pandemic, these plans were accelerated as the possibilities for a wider audience became realized.

going to be using online with this 'new normal' allows us to have a smaller live audience inside a theatre, do our live introductions, stream the movie and then offer a live Q and A," Murray explained.

want to be similar to Netflix, to just stream video for an extended period.

"We're a film festival... we're replicating the experience as best we can online."

The decision to go online was made after a period of surveying audience- and festival-goers in July, where the festival asked potential participants — many of themselves older adults, and therefore a priority population when it comes to COVID safety — what precautions would be required for them to feel comfortable with attendance.

"Our audience is predominantly 56 and up, so their requests were very detailed with high levels of precaution," Murray said. "So we made the decision to go online."

Going online comes turning on the TV." with its own challenges and pitfalls, but Murray said she's confident and embracing the possibilities wholeheartedly.

"The stereotype of older adults not being tech-savvy is just that, a stereotype," she said. "They are becoming incredibly tech-savvy and we need to start marketing towards them."

In addition to having a broadcast of the various film introductions and after-show Q and As, Murray said the organization is taking care to all reflections as best you be extremely adaptable can. and accessible.

"All our films will be tioned as we're trying to work towards being as accessible as possible., engaging with the disability community at this time."

"We've been chang-"The software we're ing since the very first festival and only heading into festival number three, so we're far from a steady state," Mitzi said. "We're still implementing and learning with each festival how to make it better."

And so, with a bit of "We definitely don't hard work, remaining adaptable in the face of adversity and some ingenuity, the festival is going into its own third act with the story headed towards a happy ending by the time the credits roll.

> festival The runs from Oct. 23 to 25. Tickets, passes and the lineup of films will be made available mid-to-late September, with more information available on thirdactionfilmfest.ca

Making the best of your movie experience

"Just because you're stuck at home or choose to view at home, doesn't mean it can't be an event," said Mitzi Murray of the THIRD AC-Tion Film Festival. "It's an event and we wanted to bring the audience together, not just the act of

Here are some tips straight from the festival itself to turn your home film watching into a theatre level experience, engaging all of the senses.

Sight

The screen is the most important part. If you don't have one, you can't watch the films. The big thing is the lighting around your viewing area. If the room has windows, consider darkout curtains or hanging a heavy blanket. Remove

Sound

There is nothing worse than not knowing what is going on. If you are on a computer or tablet make sure you have some good headphones or earbuds ready to go. If you are watching on a TV make sure your volume is in working order through whichever streaming service or device you are using (ie. apple TV box or HDMI cable from your computer to your TV). How close is your laundry room? Maybe hold off on the laundry during showtime. Boisterous dog or hungry cat? Make sure they have been fed and the dog been out for a pee before showtime.

Touch

What does your seating arrangement look like? Shuffle that La-zboy recliner into a better location in the room. Grab your self some pillows. Make sure you remember your favorite blanket to snuggle into since it will be the end of October.

Smell

It's all about the popcorn! Even if you don't want to eat it, just having the smell in your viewing space will get you into the right mood. Always under-cook your popcorn. Burnt popcorn smell just doesn't work, and is very hard to get rid of it at the last minute.

Taste

Make sure you have favorite movie treats ready to go. If purchased a few days earlier, hide them until showtime. You don't want anyone partaking early, and leaving your snack bucket empty.

How about ordering in? Since you are at home you can bring in whatever you want to your personal theater.

Volunteer Spotlight



Claire Botkin

Claire is a very dedicated and hard working volunteer who started volunteering at Kerby Centre in April 2020. She is helping Kerby Centre by making hand made masks to Kerby Clients and staff.

She was one of a few hundred volunteers making masks with the Mask Makers YYC group, so this was a good opportunity for her to pass on what she learned from that group.

Claire have occasionally dropped into the Wednesday afternoon dances at the Kerby Centre where her husband Dave plays with the band.

She mentioned – "I believe Kerby Centre enhances many people's lives and is a good organization to support. It's good to see people socializing in a comfortable environment."

Claire likes making masks and always enjoys doing art projects (drawing, sketching, watercolor painting), sewing and finding ways to reuse and recycle.

So far, Claire has contributed over **200.00** hours.

Thank you Claire, for all that you do for Kerby Centre.

Cancer comfort foods

Recipes compiled by Winifred Ribeiro

From two experts in cancer care cooking comes an informative, inspiring, and empowering guide that will educate cancer patients and their caregivers about the healing power of food. Within the pages of this indispensable guide, certified nutritonists Sarah Grossman and Tamara Green provide easy-to-understand, research-based nutritional information on the science behind how food relates to your health and the effects of cancer, and offers strategies to prepare your body, life, and kitchen for treatment. With nearly 100 stress-free, healthy, freezer-friendly, and flavorful recipes specially designed to relieve the specific symptoms and side effects of cancer and its therapies (including loss of appetite, sore mouth, altered taste buds, nausea, and more) and to strengthen your body once in recovery,

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Stewed Coconut, Tomato and Chickpeas

A stew is the perfect dish to cook when you need something filling, quick, and comforting. This is a great recipe to freeze and reheat after a day at the hospital, when you need a warming meal to pick you up. Tomatoes and coconut are a classic duo and when married with South Asian spices, a really tasty stew comes to life. Chickpeas, carrots, and sweet potatoes thicken the dish and add to the already gorgeous orange-reddish color. Garnish with cilantro and spinach for an extra oomph of freshness.

Makes 4 servings | Freezes 2— 3 months | Prep time 10 minutes | Cook Time: 35 minutes

2 tsp virgin coconut oil 1/2 cup diced yellow onion 3 cloves garlic, minced 1 tsp minced peeled ginger root 2 tsp turmeric 1 tsp coriander 1/2 tsp cinnamon 1/2 tsp sea salt Pinch of pepper

1 sweet potato, peeled and diced into 1-inch cubes 2 carrots, peeled and cut into 1/2-inch-thick circles 15 oz can chickpeas, drained and rinsed, or 1 1/2 cups cooked chickpeas 14.5 oz can diced tomatoes 1/2 cup full-fat coconut milk 2 cups baby spinach 1/4 cup chopped fresh cilantro

1. Place a medium-sized pot on the stove over medium heat.

Add the coconut oil and sauté the onions for 3 minutes. Then add the garlic, ginger, turmeric, coriander, cinnamon, salt, and pepper and sauté for another minute.

- 2. Add the sweet potatoes, carrots, and chickpeas and toss around so they get coated in the spices.
- 3. Pour in the diced tomatoes and coconut milk.
- 4. Bring to a boil, cover, and allow to simmer for 30 minutes. You don't need to stir it; just let it do its thing.
- 5. At the 30-minute mark, drop the spinach into the pot and turn off the heat.
- 6. Serve hot, garnished with fresh cilantro. If you like, serve over quinoa, rice, or millet.
- 7. Place in an airtight container in the fridge for up to 5 days or in the freezer for 2–3 months.

Optional: 1 cup cooked quinoa, millet, or rice. We like to pair this with a grain, although it's not necessary. Quinoa, brown rice, or millet work remarkably well. Cook these grains separately at the same time as the stew so they can be ready together.

Sweet Potato and Mustard Turkey Burgers

Hands down, these burgers are one of our most popular recipes. They're moist and juicy and have a savory flavor that comes from a secret ingredient: a hefty amount of mustard. Half a cup may seem like a lot of mustard, but believe us, it's what makes these burgers outstanding. We use sweet potato instead of the more traditional flour or breadcrumbs, adding extra fiber.





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Saag Coconut Chicken

Saag is a traditional Indian curry dish of mustard greens, spinach, and other leafy greens. Although our recipe is a departure from the classic dish you'd find in Indian restaurants, it's still creamy, sweet, and swoon-worthy. Plus, it's gentle on the stomach and all the spices we use have healing properties. The aroma of simmering coconut milk with fragrant spices is enough to make you want to eat the whole pot. If you're not usually a fan of Indian flavors, this dish will change your mind.

Makes 2 – 4 servings | Freezes 2 — 3 months | Prep time 10 minutes | Cook Time: 1 hour

1 Tbsp + 1 tsp virgin coconut oil or ghee, divided 1/2 cup diced yellow onion 3 cloves garlic, minced 2 tsp minced peeled ginger root 1 tsp turmeric 1 tsp cumin 1 tsp coriander

1 tsp garam masala 1/2 tsp sea salt Pinch of pepper 2 cups spinach, coarsely chopped 1 cup kale, de-stemmed and coarsely chopped 1/3 cup fresh cilantro, chopped 14 oz can full-fat coconut milk 4-6 chicken thighs

1. Heat 1 tablespoon of coconut oil in a wide pan over medium heat. Add the onions and sauté for 5 minutes.

Add the garlic, ginger, spices, salt, and pepper and sauté for another minute. Add the spinach, kale, and cilantro, and stir, making sure that all the greens are coated in the spices. Pour in the coconut milk.

- 2. Simmer for 5 minutes. Take off the heat, then carefully purée in a food processor, until the mixture is perfectly smooth. If you don't have a food processor, use a regular blender, or even a hand blender.
- 3. Without washing out the pan, add 1 teaspoon of coconut oil to the pan and sear the chicken for 5 minutes per side. Add the blended green mixture back to the pan, cover, and simmer for 30 minutes, or until the chicken is cooked through and has an internal temperature of 165°F or higher.
- 4. We like to serve this with cooked brown rice, and topped with some sprouts, but it's also filling enough to enjoy on its own, without grains.
- 5. Store in an airtight container in the fridge, separately from the rice, for 4 days or in the freezer for 2–3 months.

NUTRITION NOTE: Leafy greens support the liver in detoxifying carcinogens. They provide fiber as well as minerals, vitamins, and phytonutrients to protect cells. If you're turned off by the color green, you can leave the saag unblended for a golden-colored curry with the same amount of nutritious green goodness.

Makes 4 – 6 burgers | Freezes 3 – 4 months | Prep time 15 minutes | Cook Time: 25 minutes

1/2 cup grated yellow onion 1 cup grated peeled sweet potatoes 1 lb ground turkey 1/2 cup finely chopped fresh parsley

1/3 cup spinach, finely chopped 1/2 cup whole-grain mustard 1/2 tsp sea salt Pinch of pepper

- 1. Preheat the oven to 375°F and line a baking sheet with parchment paper.
- 2. Use the grating attachment on your food processor and grate the onions and sweet potato. You can also do this by hand, with a box grater.
- 3. Mix all the ingredients together in a large bowl until everything is well combined.
- 4. Measure 1/4 1/2 cup of the burger meat and shape into a patty. Place on the baking sheet and repeat.
- 5. Bake in the oven for 25–30 minutes, or until the top begins to get slightly golden. You can flip the burgers halfway through the cooking time if you want even caramelization on both sides, although we always skip this step.
- 6. These burgers can be stored in an airtight container in the refrigerator for 4 days. You can also make a big batch and keep them in the freezer for 3–4 months for a quick meal option.

NUTRITION NOTE: We prefer to bake our burgers rather than barbecue or pan-fry them because baking is the safest cooking method, creating the least amount of carcinogens.



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We don't stop playing because we grow old; we grow old because we stop playing

George Bernard Shaw

Navigating the issues of grandparent guardianship

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There are also marked benefits for the grandchild as well: evidence shows that children feel happier. more valued and cared for. with better physical, mental and behavioural health outcomes.

Kids are less likely to for children. run away, change schools or re-enter care.

The existence of these benefits, though, do not erase the many difficulties that come alongside custodial grandparenting.

The summary of the literature review conducted by RCSD includes recommendations for best practices to help alleviate these difficulties and further help custodial grandparents through the process.

These recommendations include addressing the emotional well-being

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dition to the grandchild, better train social service practitioners to help grandparents navigate the rocky relationships with their adult children and increase access to support groups, medical and legal services, welfare programs and recreational programs

The document also recommends social service practitioners combat the various stigma and stereotypes associated with kinship guardians, including harmful ideas that "the apple doesn't fall far from the tree."

Overall, one of the biggest recommendations is that practitioners move from a "one-size-fits-all response to develop support systems that are relevant and account for the wide variation in the health, mental health and

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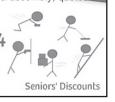
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