



THE VILLAS OF ROCKY RIDGE RANCH

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Villa Views

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What's Happening Around The Villas



THE POTLUCK IS A GO !!!

We have 18 people interested in attending the potluck so, happily we will go ahead with it.

WHERE: The Ranch Centre.... 10709 Rocky Ridge Blvd, NW

WHEN: Tuesday, March 14, 2023

12:15pm (upon your arrival please take your dish to the kitchen)

WHAT TO BRING:

- Please bring a dish to share (with a utensil if needed)
- Your plate, mug and a knife and fork
- Tea/coffee will be available for 50cents per cup ...so you may choose to bring your own beverage

Jane Rizzoli
Villas

Name tag example ...



The Rocky Ridge Prime Timers would appreciate help putting tables and chairs away if you have a little bit of time when the potluck is over. **Please confirm with Jane one more time only if you plan on attending** (so we can give a firm head count to The Rocky Ridge Prime Timers).

Looking forward to seeing you there.

Jane Rizzoli

BREAKFAST CLUB AND WALKING CLUB

We will no longer be advertising these groups monthly as groups have already been long established and are working well for those interested. Should you want to head out to breakfast with your neighbor or want to go on a walk with someone, we now ask that you take these initiatives on yourselves (as most of you are already doing).

We will no longer be posting these events on the Bulletin Board by mailboxes.

Thank you.

UPDATE ABOUT GARBAGE PICKUP

As of March 2nd, our trash will no longer be collected by the City of Calgary. On March 2nd, the large black bins used for trash collection will be taken away by the City. Later that day, **Calgary Urban Recycling (CUR)** will deliver new, smaller bins. From this time forward, garbage collection, as well as recycling and compost will be collected every Thursday.

Please ensure that you leave your **empty**, large black bin at the curb side after garbage collection on March 1st. If you are going to be away on these dates, please inform whoever is looking after your home that the bins need to be left out on the curb overnight for pickup the next morning.

If you ever have more trash for pick up than the new smaller bin will accommodate, you are free to leave a black garbage bag next to the bin for pick up.

March 1 – last day The City of Calgary picks up our garbage and trucks will later return to pick up the empty black garbage bins.

March 2 – CUR drops off the new smaller bin AND picks up composting and recycling.

Every Thursday, CUR will pick up both garbage and recycling/compost.

The cost of the black cart service from the City of Calgary used to appear on your monthly Statement under the heading Waste and Recycling. We were always paying for the previous month on this statement. Be sure to check your monthly statement in April to ensure that the City does not charge you for service beyond March 1st. If there is a problem, please contact the City of Calgary by calling 311. Please remember to store all your bins in your garage.

Thank you for your cooperation and patience in this matter!

25th ANNIVERSARY BOOK

Thank you to the residents who submitted stories for the book. We look forward to receiving more stories in the next two months. Below, we are including details about the book.

This year the Villas of Rocky Ridge Ranch will be celebrating the 25th anniversary of the start of their construction. To mark this occasion, we would like to compile a book of pictures and stories about life in the villas as contributed by residents. Stories do not have to be long to serve their purpose. We would ask that stories and pictures be submitted by May 1 to allow time for the book to be printed. If you would prefer taping your story please let us know and we can help you with that.

Our plan would be to have a book launch by the mailboxes in late summer. We would self-publish a book with a minimum of 24 pages at an approximate cost of \$15.00 per book with an additional shipping

charge of \$15.00 or 20 books could be shipped for \$3.00 per book. If you contribute stories to the book there is no obligation to buy a book. In the meantime, in order for us to determine if there is interest in this project, if you are willing to contribute pictures, stories or assist with the compilation of the book please contact one of the following residents:

Carol or Judy

PLEASE NOTE THIS IS NOT A BOARD-FUNDED PROJECT.

Here are some suggestions to get you started. You can choose one, many or create your own idea:

- Describe the community when you moved in or as you see it today.
- Describe the community as it was being built.
- What characteristics does the Villas have that attracted you to this development?
- Interesting characters in the community
- Describe significant events.
- First impressions: What did you notice the first time you came to the community? A scent in the air? The noise? The quiet?
- Describe how you felt when you moved in and how do you feel now about the community.
- Describe the people.
- Humorous incidents
- Frightening incidents
- On one occasion...
- I'll never forget one incident...
- That reminds me of the time...
- Then there was the time....

SAMPLE STORY

Four Legged Creatures in the Villas

Having lived in Silver Springs for many years we rarely saw much wildlife, save for the odd snowshoe hare or skunk. That changed dramatically when we moved to the Villas in 2013. Early one February morning, in our first year here, we turned on the kitchen light and, in the dim morning light, were greeted by two huge moose staring at us as we poured our morning coffee. They even seemed to respond to our voices, as we looked on, spellbound. We felt as if we were nose to nose with them, only two thin panes of glass separating us. They continued exploring our backyard, looking for a way out. The snow on the steep backyard made the hill too slippery to try jumping the fence so they continued eastward in search of a better escape route. A while later we saw them trotting back down our front street, with the hope of, perhaps, stumbling on the footprints they'd made where they entered our property. They eventually made their way back to Rocky Ridge Drive but found it no easier to navigate than our Villas. There were even more fences to block their movement! Fish and Wildlife officers met them along the Drive, tranquilized them and hauled them away in the first part of a catch-and-release operation. The moose pair gained celebrity status by making it onto the 6 o'clock television news that fateful day. In our time living here we have seen not only moose but bobcats, coyotes, hares, domestic rabbits, a muskrat, and a skunk.

Submitted by Carol and Allan Rix