



# NEWSLETTER December 2021

*Keeping you informed of events in your community.*

## FROM THE EXECUTIVE:

Our last executive meeting was on Wednesday, November 10, 2021

With a grant received from Sturgeon County we purchased an AED machine for the hall. Thanks to Oren Neufeld for helping us get a great price and thank you Sturgeon County for the grant dollars.

Great to see the garage sale back this year and though it was a little smaller than previous years, there were deals to be had and it was nice to see people out and about.

We discussed options for community events with consideration of COVID protocols and people's comfort levels. There is a good possibility our Family Day activity will be back in 2022. Our Activities Coordinator Jaclyn has put together 'Caring for Cardiff This Christmas'. We are looking for Nominations of families in need and items to help this initiative's overall success. Please see page 3 of this newsletter, the association's website [www.cardiffhall.com/events](http://www.cardiffhall.com/events) and Cardiff Community Residents Facebook page.

We will be looking at items for the 2022 Sturgeon County grant. Some ideas tossed around were enhanced security at the hall, adding a basketball option for the younger tykes and some playground work on things that are starting to deteriorate. If anyone in the community has some suggestions on what else they might like to see in our community, please email us at [vranas@shaw.ca](mailto:vranas@shaw.ca). Beth will be working on the grant application in January.

As we chose to participate in the REP program, we had an in-depth discussion on what the community's responsibility is once the hall is rented to ensure the rules are followed as set out by AHS. Bill has worked on an info sheet for renters and feedback was given. It's a slippery slope when you want to see the hall rented again but we don't have the manpower to babysit to make sure rules are followed, yet is it our responsibility once we hand over key. Councillor Toms is assisting with getting info on this. Some members also provided some insight. We will continue to deliberate to come up with best solution as we need the hall revenue to continue to survive financially after a long almost 2 years with minimal rentals.

Scott Fuhr and his team are gearing up for another rink season. John did some work to level out some holes that make flooding tricky. The cost of water is starting to be a bit prohibitive as our revenue is so much lower these past few years but we will do our best to keep the rink going. You will see some options on how you can help in this newsletter (page 4). Councillor Toms is also checking into some options.

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Our biggest concern now that we have been trying to work through is the number of vehicles using the Cardiff Hall parking lot for their recreation. The lot has been chewed up terribly by those thinking it is fun to do donuts and tear it up. The RCMP and County Peace Officers have been working with us to catch the culprits as we do have cameras. License plate numbers are turned over to police and some have been given fines and other repercussions. Doesn't take away from the amount of work having to be done to maintain the lot though, so any help in ensuring this practice doesn't continue would be greatly appreciated.

We would like to recognize two of our hardworking members of this group. John continues to be the man who looks after our parks and parking lot area and most of the time single handily is repairing things from vandalism and keeping our areas looking good. This summer he had help from Makayla Attfied – our great summer grant student, but for the most part he is out there every day doing something to make our community better. Also, kudos to Bill Crowley who has been dealing with the constant changes to the rules with regards to hall rentals, dealing with cancellations, rebooking, trying to find bookings so we can generate revenue and more. Thanks to both of you for what you do.

Councillor Toms reported that the skating ribbon will be back in Cardiff Park this year and will be expanded upon as well. This was a great addition to our community last year. She also reported that FCSS is working hard to help those in the Community who need support. If you know of anyone who is struggling, please contact FCSS at Sturgeon County.

Several “housekeeping items” were discussed by the executive on jobs that we all do to keep up the hall and parks.

We will also be looking for suggestions for “Volunteer of the Year” for 2021. If you know of someone in our community who always goes the extra mile to help neighbors or is doing things in our community quietly without recognition, please share their name with us by emailing [vranas@shaw.ca](mailto:vranas@shaw.ca)

**Our AGM will be on April 6 at 7:30 pm.** More information and an agenda will come out closer to the date.

Janet Vranas – CCA President

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### CCA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**7:30 PM April 6th, 2022**

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

ANY TOPICS FOR CONSIDERATION SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO JANET VRANAS, PRESIDENT AT [vranas@shaw.ca](mailto:vranas@shaw.ca)

**MORE DETAILS COMING IN THE NEW YEAR.**



## *Caring For Cardiff This Christmas....*

Organized by  
Cardiff Community Association

Contact Jaclyn Miller at  
[andersonjd77@hotmail.com](mailto:andersonjd77@hotmail.com)

Cardiff Community Association would like to do something special this holiday season. We would like to pour love and compassion onto our neighbors and across our little hamlet. We know many people were adversely impacted and affected by Covid in many ways and as a community, we would like to help. We are looking for 2 families that may be struggling a bit this year, to brighten their Christmas this year.

We are asking, if you know of a family that could use some extra love this Christmas, please private message Jaclyn Miller on Cardiff's Facebook page or email at [andersonjd77@hotmail.com](mailto:andersonjd77@hotmail.com) with the subject line: Cardiff Family Nomination. Please tell us a bit about the family you wish to nominate. \*All information will remain private and will not be shared.\* 2 families will be chosen and a community care basket full of gifts and goodies will be dropped off at their doorstep right before Christmas.

We are also asking for community donations for these care packages. Let's spoil our neighbors and give someone an extra special Christmas this year! Once the families have been chosen, a list will be posted on the Cardiff Facebook page asking for donations for certain aged children, etc. In the meantime, if you have any donations you wish to donate to the baskets, please drop off at 440 St. John Street.

**We are looking for items such as: Gift cards (for grocery stores, restaurants, gas cards, coffee, the Dollartree etc), Movie passes, Fuzzy blanket, Chocolates/candies, Hot chocolate and mugs, Puzzles/Family Board Games, Lotions/Soaps and Candles.**



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### CARDIFF COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION OUTDOOR RINK DONATION REQUEST

The historical generosity of our residents has made great things happen before and we come to you again. With increasing costs and loss of revenue, we do remain hopeful. To better afford the flooding, utilities, maintenance and supplies for keeping the outdoor rink functioning, a donation in any amount would be greatly appreciated.

### *Community Supporting Community*

Please visit our website  
[www.cardiffhall.com](http://www.cardiffhall.com) and  
view the 'DONATION' page  
for the PayPal option or  
contact Janet Vranas at  
780-718-9308 /  
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### CARDIFF COMMUNITY HALL

# Planning An Event?

Check us out online

[www.cardiffhall.com](http://www.cardiffhall.com)

Virtual Tour Available!

Facebook - 'Cardiff Hall'

#### HALL RENTALS

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