OGDEN CENTRE April 2024



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BOARD EXECUTIVE 2024

CHAIR VICE 2nd. VICE SECRETARY TREASURER Dave Swanson Darleen Bowser Donna Martin Mike Gale Marjorie Irwin

VISION STATEMENT

A community where every person who is 50+ has what they need to thrive.

CENTRE HOURS

Monday to Friday

8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

DIRECTORS

Irene de Froidmont Don Miller Frances Nelson Juergen Pung Jim Zucchiatti

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DISTRESS CENTRE		403-266-4357	

Message from the Executive Director

April

Hello everyone in April!

I would like to express my appreciation and thank Duane Bumstead and Bill Chepil for their many years of service on the Board of Directors and for making such significant contributions to the centre. At the same time, I would like to warmly welcome the two new members of the Board of Directors, Juergen Pung and Jim Zucchiatti.

I believe our co-operation will be long lasting and will bring many benefits to the Ogden 50+ Activity Centre and the community.

Let's hope the weather will be kinder to us in April, because we are all tired of this snow and the low temperatures.

Two important announcements:

First, on April 12, we will host a volunteer appreciation lunch for all who help at the Ogden 50+ Activity Centre. All volunteers work collaboratively with the staff and Board of Directors. As a large team, we do everything we can to make Ogden 50+ the best facility in Calgary. Thank you so much for everything!

The second announcement concerns income tax for low-income seniors. The last day is April 23. If you need assistance and meet all criteria, please contact Sonia at 403-279-2003 ext. 204 or sonia@ogden50plus.org.

All the best to everyone born in April -- lots of health, happiness and God's Providence. Happy Birthday!

R. Hichalski

Renata Michalski Executive Director





I wanted to start this with HAPPY SPRING & HAPPY EASTER Not with BAH HUMBUG – More Snow.

Mother Nature did not get the memo that winter is over and we should be having April Showers to bring May flowers.

Here it is April, our AGM is over and we are going forward into spring. I am Dave Swanson your new Board Chairman. Your Board for the coming year is: Darleen Bowser – 1st Vice Chair Donna Martin – 2nd Vice Chair Marjorie Irwin – Treasurer Mike Gale – Secretary Board Members: Irene de Froidmont, Frances Nelson Don Miller, Juergen Pung, & Jim Zucchatti.

I would like to Thank Duane Bumstead and Bill Chepil for their service to the Board and welcome Juergen Pung and Jim Zucchatti. Also, to thank Mike Gale for his year as Board Chair. He would like to slow things down.

Our goal this year is to KEEP Ogden 50+ Activity Centre as the BEST Seniors Centre in Calgary.

We have lots of activities coming up, so watch for them on social media, in the Newsletter, on the Website, on the big screen in the lobby and the bulletin boards around the Centre.

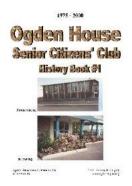
Let's work with the Staff and keep improving the Centre. Until next month. Take Care, stay warm and we will get through this.

Cheers Dave









THE BEGINNING - GROWING

Members concentrated their energies in many directions during the club's first 25 years,

Community involvement, member trips, courses, fund raising, crafts, games, meetings, dinners, dances and guest speakers helped strengthen friendships and fulfill a need in the community.

Courses

Courses were the seeds from which the club started to grow. Before the club was officially recognized – oil painting and leatherwork courses were popular and from these the club expanded. Every year new courses have been introduced at minimal cost to members.

Fund Raising

From the beginning Ogden House Seniors have needed fundraising ventures to support their club activities. Financial help also came from a variety of sources such as including all levels of government, the Royal Canadian Legion #154, the Lions Club, and local merchants.

Games

Games have been a major part of the club's attraction. Many different games have been played over the years. Card games, carpet bowling, and billiards have survived the test of time.

General Activities

In addition to crafting and playing, Ogden House members were kept up-to-date on topics such as health, frauds, community projects and social activities. Lunches and dinners were also a welcome addition to the program.

1975 - 2000

Ogden House Senior Citizens' Club History Book #1





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EVERYONE WELCOME STARTING MARCH 1, 2024

FINAL SUBMISSION DATE APRIL 23, 2024- 3:00PM

INCOME QUALIFICATIONS APPLY

Contact Sonia (403)279-2003 ext 4 or sonia@ogden50plus.org



Fraud & Cyber Fraud

What it is, how it happens, and how to protect yourself

Join us for an in person advice session about the different types of fraud. Learn about the most common tactics, and how to spot fraud before it happens and how you can protect yourself.

DETAILS:

Lunch: April 15 - 11:30 am Sandwich, Coleslaw, Treats, Coffee & Tea - \$7.00 Sign up deadline: April 12

Presentation: April 15 - 12:00 pm



Where : Ogden House 50+ Seniors Centre

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What's Kim Cooking?

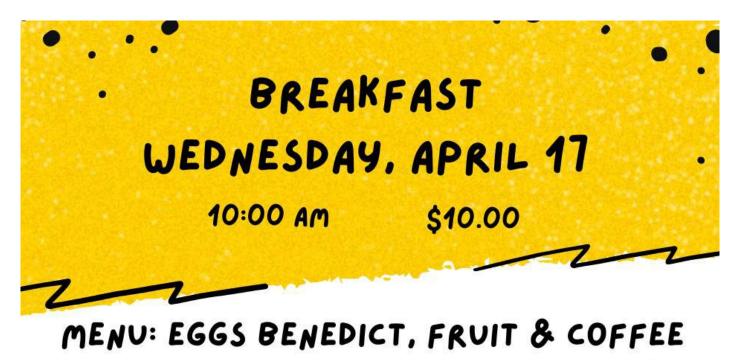


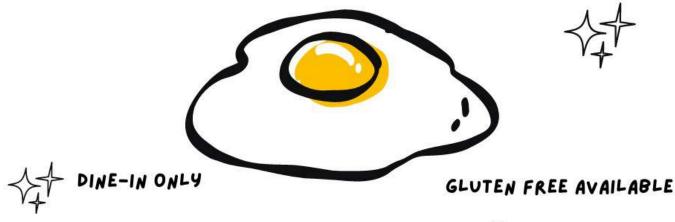
PIZZA LUNCH BY KIM 12:00 PM

WEDNESDAY

APRIL 3 PRE-ORDER AT FRONT DESK BY MAR 28

What's Kim Cooking?





SIGN UP DEADLINE - APRIL 12

MENU: TURKEY, GRAVY, STUFFING, POTATOES, SALAD & BUNS DESSERT: PEACH COBBLER WITH ICE CREAM

Easter

FRIDAY, APRIL 26

5:30 PM

Members \$20

Non-Members \$25

Happy Hour 3 - 5

GIF

Gluten Free Available

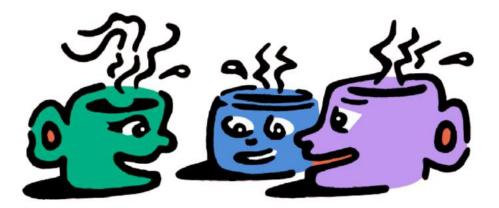
APRIL

Dance to Follow by DJ Tony

Sign up Deadline - April 23

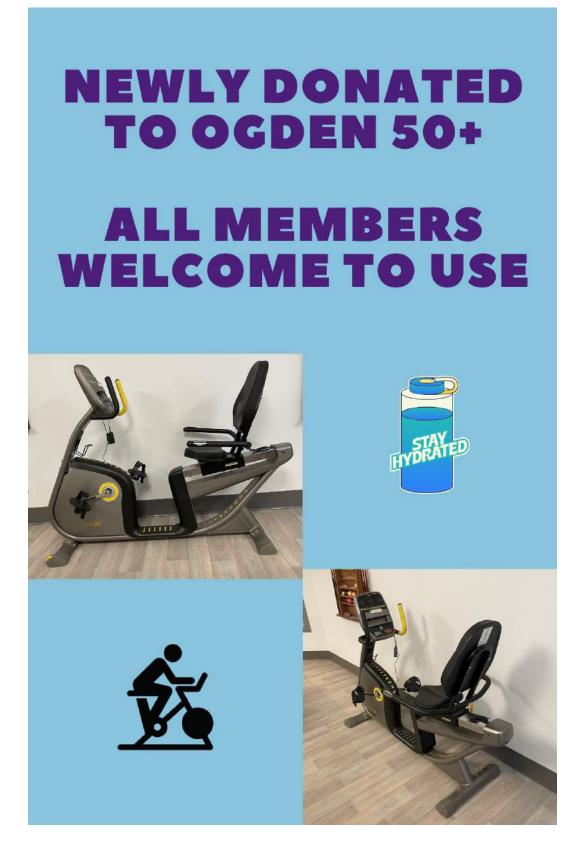
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

Conversation Café Dementia



1:00 - 3:00 PM Gallery

Has dementia touched your life? Stop in for an open-minded conversation with others who understand. Everyone welcome, no registration required. New Activity



New Activity



MONDAYS @ 7 PM - 8:30 PM WEDNESDAYS @ 7 PM

LINE DANCING - MONDAYS 7:00 PM

KANASTA, BRIDGE, EUCHRE, CRIB & MAH JONG, POOL



BOARD GAMES

DOMINOES

MEMBERS FREE ADMISSION

& MORE! 2102 69 Ave SE

FOR MORE INFORMATION: 403-279-2003

Mahjong

When you hear a burst of CHOW, PONG, KONG. - ahhhh, you know there is a Mahjong game going on.

The game was originally called \bar{m} (pinyin: máquè; Jyutping: maa4 zoek3-2)—meaning sparrow which is still used in several Chinese languages, mostly in the south, such as Cantonese and Hokkien. It is said that the clacking of tiles during shuffling resembles the chattering of sparrows

When the fad began, it was a game associated with the American elite, people like President and First Lady Harding and Hollywood celebrities. But it soon became played by and talked about everywhere across the country. The game becomes a way for people, but especially white Americans, to help themselves transition into this new self-consciously modern era, because of its association with connection with Asia. There's also this performative culture around mah-jongg; white women dress up in costumes to play the game in their homes, with their friends. For these white women, it meant that even respectable middle class or wealthy matrons, not just flappers, could inhabit these new boundaries of increasingly sexualized culture and femininity, which speaks to the ways in which gender and race are intertwined and the long history of how ideas of Asian people and Asian culture have taken form.

This extends far outside of American culture, but part of why I think the game has fostered various and rich game cultures around the world is the rhythm of the game itself. In between each round, you have a pause, where you are shuffling the tiles, or "washing" the tiles. And it's just the right amount of time to have a little bit of conversation. I think that tempo is perfect for building new relationships. When you're in a new community or connecting across a generational divide, maybe you don't want to have deep heart-to-heart or can't have one, but you can have a little bit of conversation and over time, those rhythms, especially if you're playing with the same group of people, can build incredibly deep, long-lasting relationships.

So, come out and join us for a game or two. Mah-jjong!! (says like maa-yyong)



Activity Change



Thank you to our awesome snow crew at Ogden 50+ that got us through the winter



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HAPPENINGS WHAT'S UP AND WHAT TO EXPECT



FEATURED CARVINGS AND MEET THE MEMBERS



CLUB EVENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS PAST AND UPCOMING



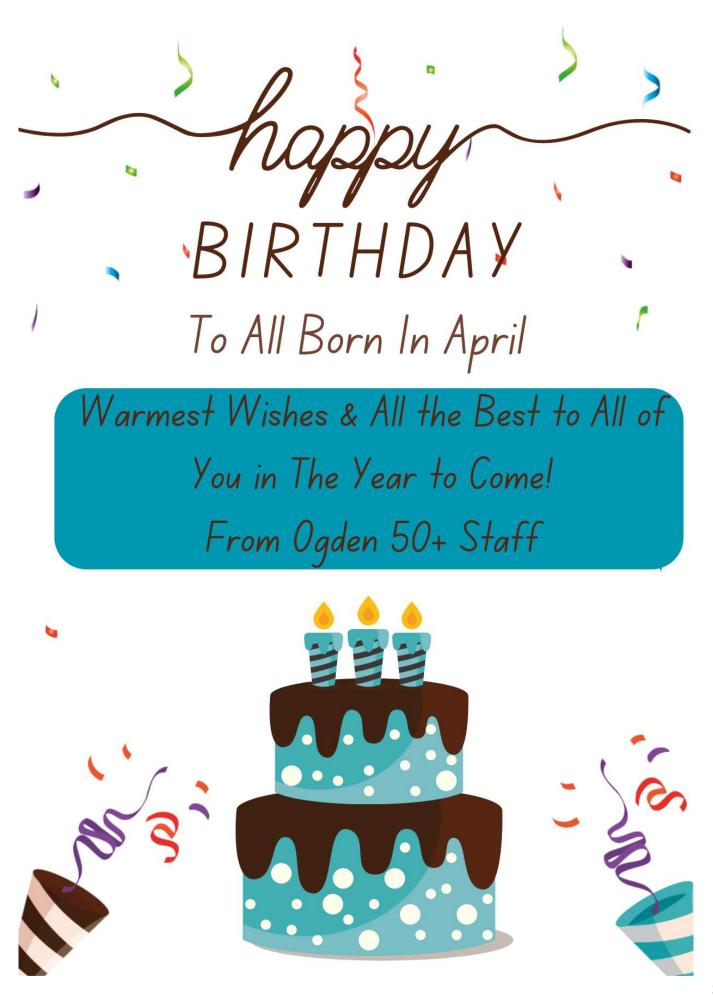
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FEBRUARY / MARCH 2024

TED WOODCROFT

one of our well seasoned carvers with loads of experience carving birds gave us a wonderful hands on lesson on making birds feet.









APRIL FOOLS DAY

Where did April Fools' Day come from? The true origins of April Fools' Day remain unknown and are probably lost to history, which means trying to solve the mystery is likely itself a fool's errand. Nevertheless, theories abound, of course.

One story goes that April Fools' Day began with France's 1564 <u>Edict</u> of Roussillon, which decreed that New Year's Day, historically observed on Easter by Christians, was moved to January 1 as France switched to the <u>Gregorian calendar</u> from the <u>Julian calendar</u>. Easter is a movable, lunar-based date but often falls in April, so it's said that early adopters dubbed

people celebrating the old New Year "April fools." Another theory suggests that April 1st became the fool's holiday in the late Middle Ages due to Geoffrey Chaucer's 14th century collection, The Canterbury Tales, wherein Chaucer includes a playful reference to "32 March," or April 1st, in "The Nun's Priest's Tale." However, most scholars consider it to have been a mere copying error.

The holiday also shares some striking similarities to some ancient <u>antecedents</u>, though. The ancient Roman festival Hilaria was also a joyful, springtime festival held on or around March 25.

Another analog is <u>Holi</u>, a Hindu spring festival celebrated in late March during which people can <u>forgive and forget</u> past faults by throwing colored powder and water on one another.





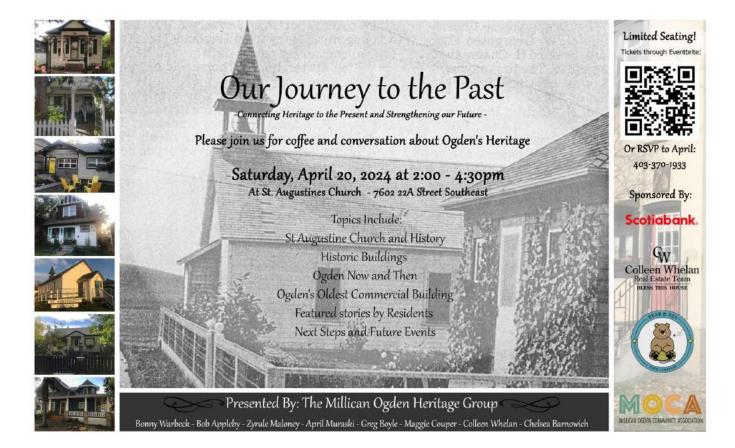


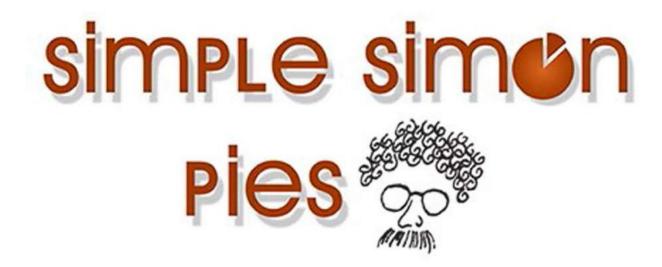
FUN FACTS ABOUT APRIL

- THOSE WHO WERE BORN IN APRIL HAVE A <u>DIAMOND</u> AS THEIR BIRTHSTONE, WHICH REPRESENTS INNOCENCE. THEIR BIRTH FLOWER IS EITHER A DAISY OR A SWEET PEA.
- THERE ARE TWO ZODIAC SIGNS IN APRIL. ARIES, WHICH IS UNTIL <u>APRIL 19TH</u>, AND TAURUS, WHICH IS APRIL 20TH AND ONWARDS.
- APRIL IS A GREAT MONTH FOR METEOR SHOWERS.
- ON <u>APRIL 14</u>, 1912, THE FAMOUS <u>TITANIC</u> SHIP HIT AN ICEBERG AND SANK ON HER FIRST AND ONLY VOYAGE.
- ONE OF THE MOST WELL-KNOWN DATES OF THE MONTH IS APRIL FOOLS' DAY ON THE <u>1ST OF THE MONTH</u>. NO ONE IS SURE WHERE THIS ORIGINATED FROM, BUT SOME BELIEVE IT TO BE INSPIRED BY GEOFFREY CHAUCER'S STORY IN "CANTERBURY TALES" CALLED "NUN'S PRIEST'S TALE."
- THE SMALLER ANIMALS THAT HIBERNATE FOR THE WINTER IN THE NORTHERN HEMISPHERE USUALLY START COMING OUT OF THEIR BURROWS IN APRIL.
- APRIL IS ALSO THE MONTH THAT THE BIRDS MIGRATE NORTH AND SETTLE DOWN FOR THE SUMMER TO MATE.
- FOR ALL THE CAR ENTHUSIASTS OUT THERE, <u>FORD</u> UNVEILED THEIR FIRST MUSTANG ON <u>APRIL 17</u>, 1964, COSTING \$2,368.



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Size: 49" x 63"

Tickets:

\$2 each or

3 for \$5

Phone 403-279-2003 for more info

Draw date: May 31



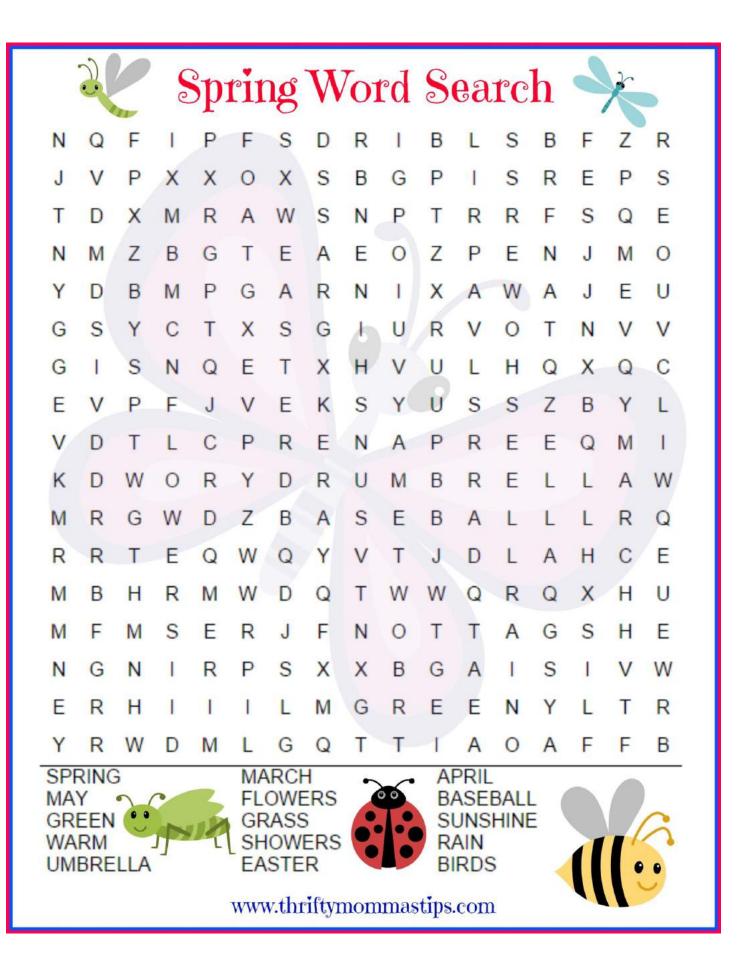
Foot Care will be at Ogden 50+

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17

9 AM - 2:30 PM

Contact Foot Care Nurses directly at

403-408-9668 to book an appointment. Prices are \$50 per person for foot care and \$10 for hand care.

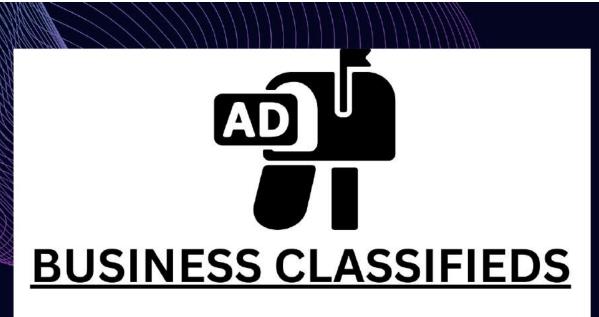


JUST FOR FUN	HIDDEN ITEM		
Somewhere in the newsletter we have hidden 3 Easter Eggs. Now it's up to you to find them!	Win a \$10 Gift Card to Tim's!		
	NAME:		
	PHONE:		
When you do, fill out the form and drop it off at Ogden House 50+ Activity Centre or email it to sonia@ogden50plus.org for a chance to win a \$10.00 Gift Card.	PAGE & ARTICLE:		
Important Numbers to Ha	ve on Hand		
811 – Health Link Nursing Advice			

- 403-266-4357 Senior Connect & Distress Centre
- 403-705-3250 Elder Abuse Resource Line
- 211 24 Hour information on community and social services in Calgary
- 311 City of Calgary 411 Telephone Directory 403-266-1234 Calgary Police Service
- 911 Emergency 511 Traveller Information Services 611 Telus

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Contact Sonia at 403-279-2003 ext. 4 or sonia@ogden50plus.org







APRIL AT A GLANCE

Apr 1 - Office Closed Apr 3 - Pizza Lunch Apr 9 - Program Meeting Apr 10 - Conversation Café Apr 12 - Volunteer Appreciation Apr 15 - RBC Presentation Apr 15 - RBC Presentation Apr 16 - Birthday Celebration Apr 17 - Foot Nurse Apr 17 - Foot Nurse Apr 17 - Breakfast Apr 19 - Cobs Bread Apr 26 - TGIF

April Cribbage	1	Tuesday 2 9:00 Table Tennis	3	Thursday 4	Friday 5	6
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12:00PM	CLOSED	10:00 Ladies Coffee	11:00 Tai Chi/Qi Gong	10:00 Ladies Coffee	11:00 Table Tennis	Pickleball
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