

# Glamis Terrace Newsletter

Summer 2022

## **Around the Complex**

#### LANDSCAPING

We continue to use Landscapers by Nature (LBN) for our complex. At present time our weekly mowing and maintenance day is Monday.

On mowing day, please ensure your gate is unlocked, lawns are free of dog feces and toys, lawn furniture etc. or your lawn will not get mowed. If the lawn has stopped growing, to protect the grass, the crew will not mow. This usually happens in late summer.

#### FRONT YARD WATERING

Watering the grassy areas in front of most units in the Glamis Terrace complex is the responsibility of the owners and /or tenants. Let's all chip in and make Glamis Terrace look the best it can!

#### **WOODPECKERS**

Woodpeckers are a protected species and although we have a few that cause trouble around the complex our hands are tied in regard to dealing with them. We are able to hang feeding blocks to distract them and fix the damage afterwards, but they cannot be removed from the premises.

#### FIRE PITS AT GTC

Please note as per our Bylaws and due to the close layout of our complex <u>fire pits and open flame devices are not permitted</u>. Please keep our complex and each other safe from fire! If you are uncertain of your device meeting bylaws, please ask.

Congratulations to the winners of our 2022 Best Yard Contest!!

Most Creative Yard Category

1st Place - Unit 177

2<sup>nd</sup> Place — Unit 121 3<sup>rd</sup> Place — Unit 162

Best Kept Yard Category

1st Place - Unit 173

2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Unit 117

3<sup>rd</sup> Place — Unit 128

Honorable Mention for Landscaping — Unit 126



## Crime Prevention in Your Neighborhood

Adapted from the CPS website

The reality is that police officers cannot be everywhere all the time. It is very important for residents to let police know of about suspicious or



criminal
activities going
on in their
neighborhoods.
This information
allows for the
allocation of
appropriate
resources to
investigations
and crime
prevention
strategies. The
Calgary Police

Service works with Calgarians to learn about community priorities, the needs of crime victims, and how to best serve our city.

Residents are encouraged to maintain positive relationships with their neighbors, local school officials and community organizations in order to have a better understanding of the dynamics in the community. This will allow for everyone to note when something is amiss, and to work together to keep communities safe.

#### **How To Report Crime**

Reporting crimes committed against you or someone else is an important part in helping to keep yourself, your loved ones and your community safe. If you have information about a crime that has been or may be committed or about someone involved in committing a crime, your information may help the police solve crimes and prevent future crimes from happening.

You can report a crime in person, over the telephone and online. Depending on the urgency, choose the method that best suits your situation and makes you feel most comfortable.

- Please call 9-1-1 for crimes in progress!
- Calgary Police non-emergency line: (403)-266-1234

It is important to call CPS to report a crime FIRST, not post on social media! Call (403) 266-1234 to report suspicious individuals/vehicles, and crimes in your neighborhood.

#### Calgary Police on-line reporting:

www.calgarypolice.ca/onlinereporting.html

The Calgary Police Service encourages Calgarians to report all crimes, in order to identify trends and better direct their patrols.

#### Citizen Online Police Report System:

www.calgarypolice.ca can be used to report lost property or theft under \$5,000 (except firearms, license plates or government-issued funds or ID), report damage/mischief to property or vehicle under \$5,000, and report theft from vehicle under \$5,000

Calgary Police in person reporting: you can report nonemergency crime by visiting your district office. Ours is located in the multi-services building, opposite Vivo, beside the Northpointe park and ride on Country Village Link NE.

#### Drug Tip Line: (403) 428-8100

The Calgary Police Service takes calls from people who want to report drug related crime and wish to remain totally anonymous. The Drug Tip Line is one-way citizens can assist police by providing information and without having to identify themselves or testify in court.

**Crime Stoppers – Talk, Type or Text: Call 1-800-222-8477**, submit tips online at crimestoppers.ab.ca or text tttTIPS to 274637

Crime Stoppers is a non-profit organization that takes calls from people who want to report a crime and wish to remain totally anonymous

#### City of Calgary: 3-1-1

Report graffiti to the City of Calgary. There are also links to report persistent traffic concerns, view the latest crime maps, sign up to The Hub and more on the City's website at: <a href="www.calgary.ca/cps/Pages/home.aspx">www.calgary.ca/cps/Pages/home.aspx</a>

#### Signs of illegal activity

There are some signs you can look for to determine if a property is being used for illegal activity. Alone, any of these activities or signs may not necessarily mean that suspicious activity is taking place, but a frequency of these activities or a combination of them may indicate a problem.

Some of the signs include:

- frequent visitors at all times of the day and night
- frequent late-night activity
- windows blackened or curtains always drawn
- visitors with expensive vehicles
- unfriendly people who appear to be secretive about their activities
- people watching cars suspiciously as they pass by
- extensive investment in home security
- strange odors coming from the house or garbage
- garbage that contains numerous bottles and containers, particularly chemical containers

People taking part in criminal activities want to go unnoticed. If they get noticed and reported, they will leave and eventually not come at all. Please at no time should you try to stop a crime in progress or compromise your safety by becoming directly involved in a situation.



## Calgary Summer Festivals 2022

Well summer has finally arrived and it's time to get outdoors and enjoy some of Calgary and surrounding area festivals. Experience different cultures, music, and food...... there is something out there for everyone. Here is a highlight of just a few of the happenings this summer to choose from. Google your favorites for details on the event.

#### June

29th-July 3rd JAZZ YYC Summer Festival

1st – Canada Day festivals (Fort Calgary, St. Patrick's Island & Olympic Plaza)

8th-17th Calgary Stampede

9th High River International Food Festival

11th Badlands Music Festival

16th Nooks and Crannies Festival of Art - Okotoks

21st -24th Calgary Folk Music Festival

22nd-24th Latino Festival

23rd-24th Afro- Caribbean Food Festival

23rd -24th Pet-a-Palooza – Eau Claire

25th-31st Calgary International Blues Festival

28th Big Valley Jamboree - Camrose AB.

29th - Aug.6th Calgary Fringe Festival

30th Inglewood Sunfest

30th Chasing Summer Music Festival – Max Bell Arena



#### <u>August</u>

4th – 7th A Taste of Calgary 5th-7th Calgary Dragonboat Festival 12th-13th Carifest Calgary – Shaw Millennium Park 13th Calgary Japanese Festival – Max Bell Arena 13th Movie In the Park – Bowness Park 13th-14th Marda Gras - Marda Loop 13th-14th Alberta Farm Days – all throughout Alberta 18th-28th Global Fest Fireworks - Elliston Park



19th-21st Expo Latino – Princess Island Park 19th-21st Country Thunder Music Festival 20th Chinatown Street Festival 26th-28th Calgary Medieval Faire and Artisan Market 26th-Sept. 5th Calgary Pride Parade and Festival September 9th-11th Calgary Rotary RibFest - McMahon Stadium



#### **SPEED LIMIT**

The posted speed limit on the sign at the front



entrance for the complex is 15km/hr. Adhering to the speed limit is especially important in the spring and summer as more children are at play, and more people are walking outdoors.



#### **DOGS & CLEANUP**

Please make sure your dogs are on a hand leash at any time you are walking around the complex. Please clean up any dog waste immediately and place into the garbage receptacle. Our composting bins are not designed to handle dog waste.

#### **PARKING**

All vehicles, including visitors, must be parked in your driveway or either on Glamis Drive or 50th Street. The City of Calgary Parking authority patrols our complex and vehicles illegally parked will be ticketed and or towed. No double parking (tandem) in driveways are permitted.

#### **AIR CONITIONERS AND DECKS**

Just a quick reminder that **installation of air conditioners and backyard decks requires the prior approval of the Board.** Please send your request for approvals to FirstService Residential at the email address below.

#### **DESIGNATED WALKWAYS**

The common areas on the east end of the complex between Units 180 & 178, and 170 & 168 are not designated walkways. Stick to the roadway and designated walking paths when walking through the complex.

#### **Better Watch Your Butt!**

For the smokers out there...

Using a plant pot, flower bed, or garden as an ashtray, could pose a serious risk of fire. Many potting soil mixes on the market today contain shredded wood, bark, and peat moss with minimal amount of actual dirt.

As a result, butting a cigarette which is not fully extinguished, will smolder for several hours until enough oxygen is available. The soil ignites, a flame is produced, and a full-fledged fire breaks out.

Calgary can be a windy city! Do not use open ashtrays, use a glass or metal container with a lid to contain embers, ash and to avoid ignition.

Please be careful and ensure that any smoking material is disposed of in a safe manner.

## Sausage, Peppers, and Onions on a Bun

#### **Courtesy of Anita's Kitchen**

serves 4-6 people

#### Ingredients

3 Tbsp Olive oil

1 lb mild or hot Italian Sausage

2 red peppers sliced

1 large, sweet onion sliced

1 tsp kosher salt

1 tsp black pepper

½ tsp dried oregano

½ cup chopped fresh basil leaves

4 aarlic cloves chopped

2 TBSP tomato paste

1 cup marsala wine

1 15 oz. can diced tomatoes

1/4 tsp red pepper flakes(optional)

4-6 Italian buns



#### **Directions**

- 1. Heat Oil in a large skillet over medium heat. Add the sausages and cook until brown. Remove from pan and drain most of the fat leaving a little behind to sauté veggies
- 2. Add the onions, peppers, salt, and pepper and cook till golden, about 5 mins. Add oregano, basil and garlic and cook 2 more minutes.
- 3. Add tomato paste and stir for a moment to cook tomato paste, then add the wine, tomatoes, and chili flakes. Bring to a simmer
- 4. Cut the sausages into ½" pieces and add back to the veggies in pan. Cook for an additional 20mins on low.
- 5. Cut the buns in half and toast, serving the sausage, pepper, onion mixture on open buns. You can also hollow one side of the bun before toasting to make room for the filling.

## FirstService Residential & Portal



In the fall of 2018, we made the switch to FirstService as our management company. If you are a new owner or have not done so we strongly encourage you to sign up for the Residential Portal. This is the most efficient way of accessing all resident documents and staying up to date with complex events.

#### **Connect Residential Portal**

FirstService Residential has launched an online portal available to all resident of Glamis Terrace called FirstService Connect. This tremendous system can be accessed 24/7 and is available on desktop computers, tablets, and smartphones. Other benefits include:

- The ability to instantly communicate with the FirstService management team
- Access to all downloadable forms, documents and newsletters
- The opportunity to stay up-to-date on happenings within your community through a new community calendar
- A single login across all devices for all your online needs
- Access to an FAQ section with answers to your most common resident questions
- Up-to-date security and strict privacy settings to give you the highest level of protection

#### Registering Is Easy

Click on the link below which will take you to the FirstService Connect site. Scroll down the page until you see the "Register". Click on it and follow the instructions.

#### https://glamisterrace.connectresident.com

To be taken to the mobile app stores follow the links below:

Android App Click Here!
Apple App Click Here!

**Don't wait!** Register today to start taking advantage of all that FirstService Residential Connect has to offer.

Please forward any concerns or issues to **Charlyn Salaza**, our consultant at FirstService Residential. Her mail address is **Charlyn.Salaza@fsresidential.com** 

For any other questions that are non-financial or NOT related to the condominium corporation, please send an email to <a href="mailto:qlamistcboard@qmail.com">qlamistcboard@qmail.com</a>

Join the <u>Glamis Terrace Facebook Group here</u> It's a great place to find out what's going on in the community, share tidbits of information, and get to know your neighbors. Once on the page, click on "Join Group", and you will receive a notification when you are accepted into this closed community.

## **Mexican Chopped Salad with Honey Lime Dressing**

#### Courtesy of Anita's Kitchen

#### Serves 4-6

#### Ingredients

- 2 ½ cups chopped romaine lettuce
- 1 can black beans drained and rinsed well
- ¾ cup chopped seeded tomato
- ¾ cup chopped jicama
- ¾ cup frozen thawed or canned corn
- ¾ cup radishes thinly sliced
- Half a ripe avocado diced
- 1 red pepper chopped
- 1/4 cup crumbled feta cheese

#### **Honey Lime Dressing**

- 1/4 cup fresh lime juice
- ½ cup olive oil
- 2 tbsp honey
- 2 tbsp finely chopped cilantro
- 1 garlic clove minced
- 1 tsp finely chopped jalapeno pepper

#### **Directions**

- 1. Toss all salad ingredients in a large bowl.
- 2. Mix salad dressing and pour over veggies.
- 3. Season with salt and pepper if desired.

Great served with tacos!

## **Yard Smart Plants**

Adapted from the City of Calgary Gardening Guide City of Calgary YardSmart Plants



YardSmart plants are beautiful, able to grow well in Calgary and good for the environment. Once established, YardSmart plants need little water - staying healthy for longer during hot and dry weather. A yard with YardSmart plants also soaks up more water than a yard with just grass. Less runoff from yards means less pollution washing into our rivers through the storm drains.

YardSmart plants will need additional water for the first two years. After they are established, you can slowly reduce the amount of water they receive; eventually rainfall will be sufficient throughout most seasons. Ask your local garden center about plants that thrive in

our unique climate, or download our YardSmart Perennial Brochure

#### Focus on perennial and native plants

Perennials are plants that die back to their crown every fall and survive through the fall/winter to grow back the following year. They add lasting beauty and once established, can reduce the amount of work your yard requires.

Plants native to our region are always a wise choice. Most garden centers carry a selection of native plants and some specialize in native plants. A native wildflower guide can be found here <u>Native</u> Wildflowers

Perennials can be an investment, and you may wish to purchase them for your garden over a few years. Annuals, which are intended to last just one season, are a great way to fill in areas of your yard while you are building out your perennial garden.



#### Install a YardSmart Garden Bed

## **Design for Partial Sun**

A step-by-step guide on planting a beautiful and low maintenance garden bed for an area of your yard that receives partial sun.

This bed has been developed in partnership with The Calgary Horticultural Society using plants that thrive in Calgary. Once established, this garden bed will take little time, effort and water to maintain.

Partially sunny gardens can be a real challenge for a lot of plants, especially when enclosed by fences and walls. They require even tougher plants to handle the intense mid-day sun. The plants in this little garden fit the bill. Once established and kept mulched, these plants are easy to care for and will display interesting colours every season.

Flip over for installation instructions and information on planting, watering and maintenance. >>

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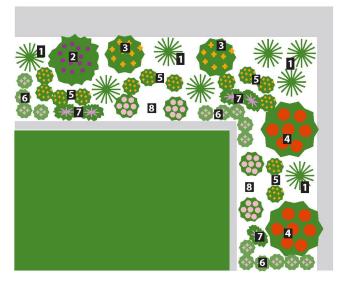


lavender blossoms. Mid-summer through to late fall, the garden explodes in a riot of blue globethistle, gold and red

daisies, and brilliant red sedum abuzz with bees and butterflies.

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#### Design for Partial Sun Based on a garden 5.3 m (17'5") by 4.2 m (13'4")



#### Flower name Quantity

1 Feather Reed Grass



2 Globe Thistle



**False Sunflower** 'Burning Hearts'



4 Peony 'Buckeye Belle'



5 Blanket Flower



Pulsatilla - Prairie Crocus



7 Dwarf Catmint



**Autumn Tall Sedum** 



#### Enjoy a garden bed that will contribute to the beauty and resiliency of your yard and community

In the face of the pressures brought on by a changing climate and a growing city, a YardSmart yard needs less water and will stay beautiful in times of both hotter and wetter weather. Water efficiency helps citizens, businesses and our city overall build resiliency to drought. Planting a YardSmart yard also helps to keep water on your property so less dirt and contaminants wash into the rivers through the storm drains.

#### Tips for successful planting

#### Before you begin:

- Use the YardSmart Planning and Design Guide at calgary.ca/YardSmart to ensure this design suits your yard conditions.
- Use a good depth of quality soil.

#### 3 Ways to Remove Lawn

- 1. In fall, smother the lawn by covering with several layers of damp newspaper, or cardboard. Top with compost or soil to keep wet. Plant in the springtime.
- 2. Dig up the sod, flip it over so the grass is facing downwards, and cover with soil so no grass shows. Let sit for a month. Top with compost or new soil before planting.
- 3. Put a 10 cm layer of compost and new soil on top of the grass to smother it. Ideally, wait a few weeks for grass to die, or plant right away ensuring there is no grass exposed after planting.

#### How to install a garden bed

- 1. Ensure the plants and the area to be planted are watered well.
- 2. Lay the plants out on the prepared bed following the planting map provided. Space them according to the tags' description of plant width at
- 3. Dig the holes approximately twice the width of the pot and the same depth.
- 4. Remove the plant from its pot and carefully loosen and remove some of the soil so the roots can be spread outwards.

- 5. Place plant in hole and fill with soil. Ensure the base of the plant stem is level with the ground. Water well.
- 6. Add a layer of mulch, keeping it away from the stem of the plant.

#### Water requirements

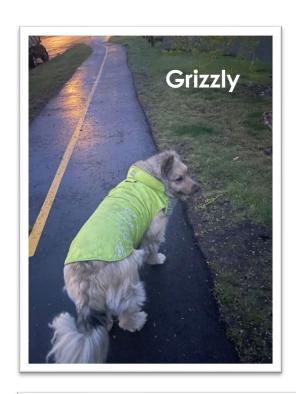
- Keep perennials well-watered for the first year or two (approx. 2.5 cm water/week or until soil is moist to the base of the root system, 1-2 inches down).
- Shrubs need regular watering for the first 2-3 years. Use a drip hose spiralled around the root area to irrigate. Every week, 15-20 minutes is sufficient.
- In following years, all plants will be drought tolerant and only need water after 2-3 weeks of hot dry weather with little to no rainfall.

#### Reminders

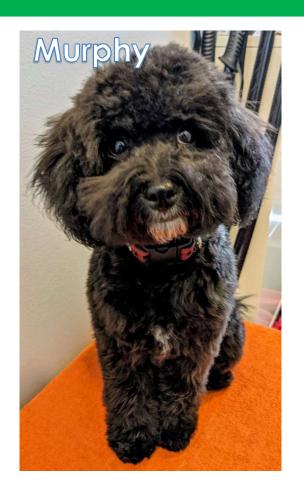
- Keep soil covered with mulch and remove weeds.
- Fast growing plants usually require division every 3-5 years.
- How to winterize:
- Leave perennial foliage until spring to catch snow and provide food and shelter for birds and beneficial insects.
- · Fallen leaves make great mulch so can be left in garden beds.
- · For shrubs, water well in the fall until the ground freezes.

#### Learn more tips at calgary.ca/YardSmart

## **Pets of Glamis Terrace**









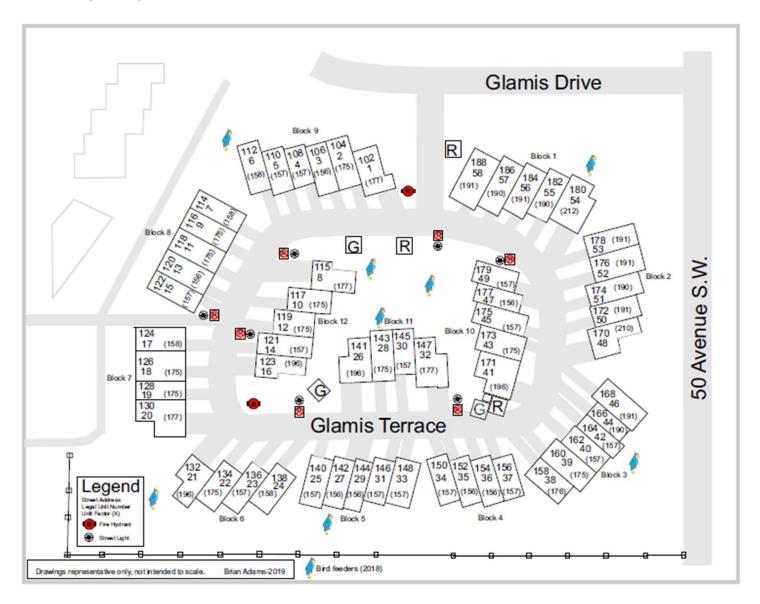
WE WOULD LOVE TO FEATURE YOUR CUTE PET!

SEND US YOUR PICTURES TO

GLAMISTCBOARD@GMAIL.COM

## GLAMIS TERRACE SITE MAP

For your reference we have included a site map of the Glamis Terrace complex which includes Unit numbers, legal property descriptions, Unit factors, as well as locations of bird feeders, fire hydrants, garbage bins, and recycle bins



#### DO YOU HAVE A BUSINESS THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADVERTISE HERE?

If you have a home based or privately-owned business, you can advertise it here. This newsletter is published twice a year and contains a wealth of information from our management company contacts, reminders on bylaws and condominium best practices.

As owners, we regularly need or desire to have work done to protect and/or enhance our asset or even better our lifestyle to fully enjoy our day to day lives.

If you have anything you would like to advertise, please send an email to glamistcboard@gmail.com and let us know!