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### New Board 2024-2025



NECASE AGM and general election 2024 has concluded successfully on January 30, 2024. The newly elected board members are Nami Shrestha, Rekha Poudel, Shreeya Kisi, Gyan B. Khadka, Bimal Panthi, Rabindra Shrestha, Amit Pradhan, Bishnu Pokhrel, Sabita Poudel, Jaya Jha Corson, and Anagha Devkota.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Heritage Festival: Aug 3-5 Juneli School Admission: Aug 11 onwards Yoga: Every Sunday 8:30 AM- 9:30 AM Radio Kathmandu: Every Sunday 12PM-1PM Meditation: Aug 24 & Sept 14 8:30AM- 9:30 AM Teej Potluck: Aug 24 4PM- 7PM Community Garden: Sept 14 11AM- 2PM Navartri Pooja: Oct 3- Oct 12 Dashain Potluck: Oct 5 4PM- 7PM Laxmi Jayanti Celebration: Oct 27 Cooking with Senior: December 7 10AM-1PM

### **Passport Camp**

Embassy of Nepal shared a press release confirming more than 300 people benefited through the passport camp held at NECASE building on May 18-19 2024.

Mr. Bharat Raj Paudyal, Ambassador of Nepal to Canada expressed his appreciation to the community organizations of the Nepali diaspora including NECASE for cooperating with the embassy for a successful consular camp.





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## Juneli School Updates

Juneli School has been dedicated to preserving and celebrating Nepalese cultural heritage with a diverse curriculum that includes Nepali language, dance, and music classes since 2004.

#### ADMISSION TO JUNELI SCHOOL: Open to students aged 6 and above. ACADEMIC CALENDAR:

Runs from September to June, and is divided into three terms:

- Term 1 (September to December)
- Term 2 (January to March)
- Term 3 (April to June)
- NEPALI LANGUAGE CLASSES and DANCE CLASSES : Every Sunday

# MoU Signing Event with Park Place Funeral

### homes

The MoU between NECASE and Park Place Funeral Home, Chapel & Crematorium Ltd. was signed on March 24th.

We have now completed the second phase of the Last Rites project. The final report was submitted on April 2024. NECASE board will establish a permanent Bereavement Support Committee to assist planning and execution of Last Rites and funeral services.





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### NECASE DAY (24th Anniversary) 2024

On May 11, 2024, we celebrated NECASE Day with a variety of engaging activities. This program was supported by CRRF. The day featured an anti-racism session, which fostered important discussions and awareness. Attendees enjoyed vibrant cultural performances, showcasing the rich diversity within our community. Councilors Karen Tang and Jennifer Rice attended this program. There were 200 community members present.



### **Community Garden 2024**

On April 21, 2024, our community came together for the Community Garden Program. Members actively participated in exchanging seeds, sharing a variety of plants and gardening tips. The event also featured an experience exchange, where participants shared their gardening successes and challenges.



### Wills preparation

With the request of community members, NECASE organized a wills and estate planning workshop on April 20 and May 4 2024. Approximately 40 community members prepared their wills and estate planning.



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## Meditation

Mindfulness meditation

(Ana-pana in Pali) was conducted with Bodhi Guruma on March 24th 2024 at NECASE hall. There were more than 25 people were present. Join us for our next one in August and September 2024.

### Fagu Purnema



### NECASE participation in Nepali Mela Calgary



## Womens Day 2024

In commemoration of International Women's Day on March 3rd, 2024, NECASE organized a comprehensive Financial Literacy Workshop at NECASE hall. The event was aimed at empowering individuals with essential knowledge and skills for financial well-being. Speaker, Kunjana Kafle, shared expertise on various aspects of financial literacy, including smart savings strategies, investment fundamentals, understanding credit scores, proper credit management, and the importance of financial independence and security.





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### **Edmonton Chautari**

The Edmonton Chautari has been providing a learning forum for Nepali community members and friends in Edmonton since 2020. Speakers from the community or outside deliver presentations on relevant topics of interest to interested members. There was a talk on "ARE YOU READY FOR ELECTRIC VEHICLE" on April 20, 2024 by Dr. Janak Acharya.

Edmonton Chautari is still looking for volunteers. Please visit the Edmonton Chautari page on the NECASE website

### **Radio Kathmandu**

Radio Kathmandu, a Sunday Brunch in Nepal, has been operational since 2005 from Edmonton on CJSR FM 88.4 MHZ. The studio is located at the Student's Union Building (SUB), University of Alberta. Since 2010, youth volunteers began to participate as radio hosts and now it is fully run by enthusiastic youth under the supervision of parent and other volunteers. This program has a significant role in spreading Nepalese music and culture throughout Edmonton. All the youth from the Nepalese community are requested to contact the radio team if they want to participate on the radio host team.

### Casino 2024

On July 7 & 8, 2024, NECASE completed our AGLC Casino fundraising event. The proceeds from this event helps NECASE conduct many administrative and programming needs.

Thank you to all the dedicated volunteers who volunteered for this event!

