



WELCOME TO OUR

Monthly Newsletter

we're so glad you're here!



HEY, HOW ARE YOU?

We are pleased to provide you with the latest updates and developments within our association and community.

Warm Welcome to New Members

We extend a warm welcome to all the new members who have recently become part of our culturally affluent Igbo community in Edmonton. Your presence greatly enhances our community, and we eagerly anticipate the opportunity to engage with you, exchange experiences, and commemorate our heritage collectively.

Quote for the Month

"N'ime nnabata nke Eprel, ka anyị kụọ mkpụrụ nke ọmịiko, na-azụlite nkekọ nke ịdị n'otu, ma na-akọ ubi ubi ebe omume ọ bụla bụ omume amara ụma, n'ihì na n'ilekọta ibe anyị anya, anyị na-ahụ ifuru kacha mma nke mmadụ."

Translation:

"In April's embrace, let us sow seeds of empathy, nurture bonds of solidarity, and cultivate a garden where every action is a deliberate act of kindness, for in looking out for each other, we find the truest blossoms of humanity."

Unity in Diversity: Our Path to Collective Growth

A STATEMENT FROM THE PRESIDENCY

As we step into the vibrant month of April, I am filled with pride and gratitude for each one of you who contributes to the tapestry of our community here in Edmonton. Our journey as economic immigrants from the Igbo tribe have been one of resilience, determination, and unity.

Amidst our pursuits of success and prosperity, let us not lose sight of the core values that define us as a community – compassion, empathy, and solidarity. Whether it involves extending a helping hand to a fellow member in need, sharing resources and expertise, or simply being a compassionate listener, let us embody the essence of Ubuntu – "I am because we are."

Together, we can surmount any challenge and accomplish extraordinary feats. Each stride we take towards aiding one another brings us nearer to our shared vision of communal growth and prosperity. Let us celebrate our diversity and utilize it as a wellspring of fortitude and resilience.

As we navigate through April, let us reaffirm our dedication to one another and to the principles of ICAE. Collectively, we can forge a brighter tomorrow for ourselves, our loved ones, and our community. Remember, our path to success is not a swift race but rather a drawn-out endeavor – let us advance together, one step at a time, hand in hand.

Wishing you all a month filled with blessings, opportunities, and shared victories.

Uche Okerefor, PhD - President

MEMBERSHIP

Join Us for a Year of Excitement and Growth!

We're on a mission to strengthen our community, and we need your support! Our organization is embarking on a vital membership drive aimed at reaching a target of 300 families. This drive is essential for enhancing our collective impact and ensuring our organization's sustainability.

Your participation in this drive is crucial as we strive to expand our reach and deepen our connections within the community. Let's work together to achieve our goal and bring more families into our fold.

Remember, every new member brings fresh perspectives, energy, and resources to our organization, enriching our shared journey. Let's rally together and make this membership drive a resounding success!

Dear returning members, please be advised that if you missed the extended registration deadline, a late registration fee of \$10 will be applicable. Your participation is highly valued, and we look forward to your prompt registration.

A gentle reminder to those who have submitted their membership fee but have yet to complete the registration form - we kindly urge you to do so without delay. Your membership will only be considered complete upon the submission of the filled form, ensuring enhanced service provision throughout the year.

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

Spotlight on Pioneer Members

BACK TO OUR ROOTS



We extend our deepest appreciation and heartfelt gratitude to the pioneering members whose unwavering dedication and invaluable contributions continue to shape and elevate the Igbo community in Edmonton. Your enduring commitment to fostering unity, preserving culture, and driving positive change inspires us all. Thank you for your remarkable leadership and tireless efforts in paving the way for a stronger, more vibrant community for generations to come.

MENTORSHIP

Our Webinar for April



Look out for more details on our webinar on Wills and Estates: Navigating the Future with Clarity. We plan to explore the essential elements of estate planning, offering insights and guidance to ensure your wishes are honoured and your legacy is preserved. The webinar promises to empower you with the knowledge and tools needed to secure your family's future.

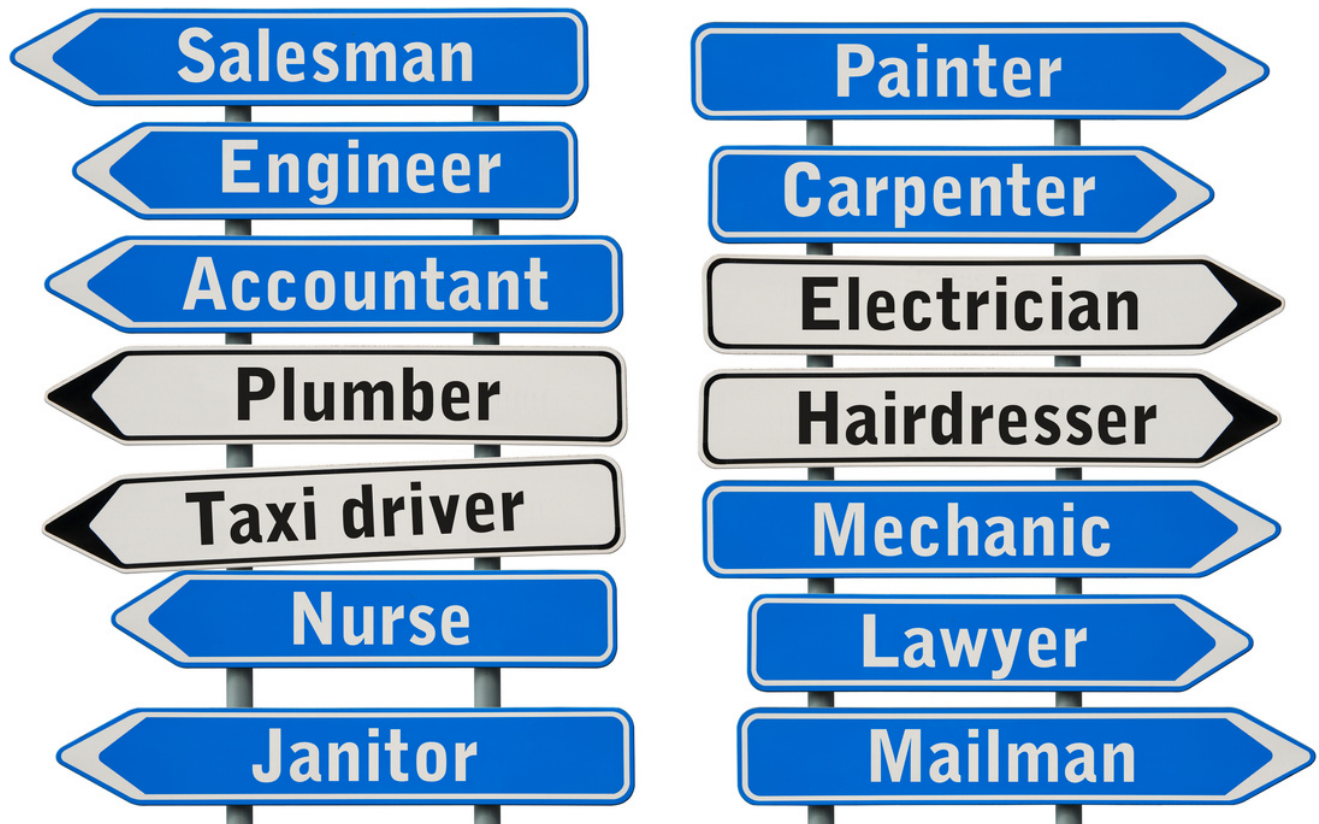
Birthday Greetings

Wishing a spectacular birthday celebration to all April-born members! May your special day be filled with joy, laughter, and unforgettable moments. May this new year of life bring you prosperity, good health, and the fulfillment of your dreams. Cheers to another year of wonderful memories and achievements! Happy Birthday!

Condolences For Your Loss

Our deepest sympathies are extended to those who have recently experienced the loss of a beloved family member. May cherished memories serve as a source of comfort during this difficult time. Please know that our thoughts and support are with you as you navigate through this period of grief and mourning.

Explore Employment Support Through Mentorship Program



Call for Mentees

Employment seekers are invited to discover our mentorship initiative aimed at providing guidance and empowerment throughout their professional growth. Engage in our program to receive invaluable support and assistance on your career path.

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Call for Mentors

We are currently soliciting assistance from volunteer mentors who are experts in the following disciplines:

- Project Management,
- Product Management,
- Business Analysis, Data Analysis, Cybersecurity,
- Brand Development,
- Marketing, and Information Technology (IT).

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ICAE BIZ DIRECTORY

Get ready to discover the heartbeat of our community like never before! In just a few days, we're thrilled to unveil our brand-new Community Business Directory!

Your one-stop destination for everything local - from cherished mom-and-pop shops to thriving startups, this directory will showcase the diverse tapestry of businesses that make our community vibrant.

Stay tuned for the big reveal and get ready to support local businesses like never before! Together, let's strengthen our community ties and celebrate the spirit of entrepreneurship.

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PROUDLY IGBO

Support our local
businesses to help
promote growth from
within.

Community Events

Bingo Volunteers

We wish to express our sincere gratitude to the members of our youth wing for their exceptional dedication during our bingo event in March. Their unwavering commitment has been exemplary, ensuring the success of our fundraising endeavors while upholding our bingo license with the AGLC. We truly commend their enthusiasm and reliability, which exemplify the values of community spirit and responsibility.

As we make preparations for the forthcoming bingo events in April, we are profoundly thankful for their ongoing support. Their contributions are of immense value, and we deeply appreciate their readiness to take on this crucial task. Together, we are effecting a significant impact. We extend our heartfelt thanks for their integral role in our community.

[SIGN-UP FOR BINGO](#)



Youth Volunteers

Community Events

Bingo Volunteers

April 6 Bingo Volunteers

1. Innocent Chiasaokwu
2. Chidi Iwuchukwu
3. Kingsley Iwekpeazu
4. Chinenye Emesiobi
5. Patrick Eze
6. Dr. Everestus Akanno
7. Obinna Onyegbula
8. Blessing Onyegbula
9. Ikenna Okoroafor
10. Michael Eleghasim
11. Udemezue Ugochukwu
12. Emmanuel Iwueke
13. Penny Eleweke

April 21 Bingo Volunteers

1. Isaac Ugochukwu
2. Dr. Cyriacus Agbarakwe
3. Sandra Agbarakwe
4. Patrick Eze
5. Oge Morah
6. Sherilyn Trompetter
7. Kosar Chidinma Ewelike
8. Confidence Ekechukwu
9. Obinna Onyegbula
10. Ebuka Nnagha
11. Chukwuemeka Nduka
12. Ebubechi Okpaegbe
13. Innocent Chiasaokwu
14. Penny Eleweke



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Calling all volunteers! Join the Igbo Cultural Association of Edmonton in their exciting bingo event and be part of an enriching cultural experience. Register now to lend a helping hand and make this event a resounding success.

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Empowerment Project



We extend our heartfelt appreciation to all members who dedicated their time, effort, and expertise to the just concluded empowerment project. Your unwavering commitment and hard work have been instrumental in driving positive change within our community. We value your contributions immensely.

We kindly request that all participants provide a brief summary of their experiences and insights gained from the project. Your feedback will be invaluable in shaping future initiatives and ensuring continued success. Please submit your summaries at your earliest convenience, as we eagerly await to compile a comprehensive overview of the project's impact.

Once again, thank you for your dedication and passion towards empowerment. Together, we are making a difference.

Appreciation

As always, we thank each one of you for your continued support and dedication to the Igbo Cultural Association of Edmonton. Together, we will continue to celebrate our heritage, foster inclusivity, and create lasting impact within our community.

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