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Board Meetings

Marlborough Park Community Association Board Meetings are held in the community board room the second Wednesday of the month at 7pm. Everyone is welcome. The next Marlborough Park Community Association Board Meeting is on November 9.

> Editorial Content Deadline



MPCA COMMUNITY NEWS

President's Message

Snow Angels – they are just regular folks helping out older adults or persons with mobility and health needs who live nearby. Keeping walkways clear of ice and snow helps everyone move safely around our neighbourhood during the winter. It only takes a few extra minutes after a snowfall to help a neighbour.

If someone has cleared your sidewalk, show appreciation by submitting their name as a Snow Angel at **311 online**.

Thursday **Night Drop In Darts** are in full swing. Drop in fee \$4.00. Come out and meet your neighbours.

Tickets are still available in the office for **LIVE FROM LAS VEGAS.....Dueling Pianos**, Friday November 18th 2016. Tickets are \$25.00 each. This will be a night extraordinaire.

New Year's Eve Tickets are also on sale. \$80.00 per couple for members and \$100.00 per couple for non-members.

Watch for the **LEGO Contest** coming in February 2017. Here is a great idea for Christmas – buy Lego for kids, dads, moms, aunts, uncles, grandma and grandpa. The contest is open to ages 2 to 100 years young.

Volunteers are not servants. Volunteers are partners working together for improving Marlborough Park Community Association future.

Marlene Frederick, President Marlborough Park Community Association



Seniors' Sentiments

The City of Calgary promotes the Snow Angel program, which encourages "Neighbors helping Neighbors." If you have a neighbour that is unable to shovel their sidewalk, be a good neighbour and do it for them. It also keeps the bylaw officers away.

There are several seniors and those with disabilities who need help, which is why there is a program in place. For this program to thrive, we need HELP! We as a Community encourage you to get involved, what better way, than to help a neighbour clear the sidewalk.

Block Watch

Our meeting date is November 8, 6:45pm. All meetings are in the lounge at the hall. If you notice suspicious activity in your area please call the police non-emergency line 403-266-1234. If you see a crime in progress please call 911 immediately.

If you have any questions contact Mary Ryan at 403-974-3204. Thank you for your support of our community!

Marlborough Park Block Watch Next meeting Nov 8, 18:45



MPCA COMMUNITY NEWS Part-Time Employment

Marlborough Park Community Association

Marlborough Park Community Association is seeking individuals to work part-time during evenings and weekends (approximately 15 hrs/week) in our very busy Community Centre. Duties include janitorial, attending to needs of user groups, room set-up/take down and answering telephones.

Requirements for the position include:

- · Ability to move/set-up tables and chairs
- Perform janitorial duties
- Ability to multi-task

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• Excellent customer service and communication skills • Minimum 18 years of age

Please forward resume in confidence to: Marlborough Park Community Association 6021 Madigan Drive NE Calgary, Alberta T2A 5G9 Email: marlpark@shaw.ca Fax: 403-273-9194

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GIRL GUIDE CORNER

Ever wonder what to do with the Girl Guide cookies you recently purchased? Wait no longer; here is a delicious recipe for Minty Hot Chocolate!



Source: https://www.girlguides.ca/web/GGC/Cookies/ Recipies/GGC/Cookies/Recipes.aspx

Ingredients for 1 cup • 1 cup (250 mL) milk • 2 tsp (10 mL) powdered cocoa • 1 tsp (5 mL) brown sugar • 2 chocolatey mint Girl Guide cookies, finely grated • Whipped cream, for serving (optional) Instructions Heat milk in a small saucepan over low heat until hot, about 6 to 8 minutes. Whisk in powdered cocoa, brown sugar, and grated cookies. Serve immediately with a dollop of whipped cream! • ENJOY!

If you wish to purchase cookies or would like more information about Girl Guides, please contact Joanna Quinn at 403-291-1955 or Crystalpalacedistrict.com. Also, we are currently searching for fun and outgoing ladies looking to join us and become leaders, too!

-Girl Greatness Starts Here!



MPCA COMMUNITY EVENTS

Bingo News

Bingos are a major fundraiser for Marlborough Park Community Association, if you can volunteer with any of these upcoming bingos, please call Denyse at 403-248-5931 or call the Community hall at 403-248-1775.

 Monday
 Nov. 14/16
 Afternoon
 10:30am to 3:30pm

 Friday
 Nov. 25/16
 Evening
 4:30pm to 9:30pm

Canadian Blood Services

Would like to see 120 people at each event. The next clinic will be held Dec 23 from 16:00 to 20:00.

It takes less than an hour from start to finish.

LOMA Whist Club

Loma Whist club meets every Wed at 1:00 pm year round. \$3.00 each, no partner required, no membership dues for the Whist Club. Community membership appreciated.

Two or three meals per year on the club. All welcome. For more information please call the hall at 403-248-1775 or llene at 403-450-9827.

If you are interested please call Marlborough Park Community Centre at 403-248-1775 for more information or drop in at 6021 Madigan Drive NE.

Holiday Craft Fair

Come join us at the Marlborough Park Community Association for our annual **Holiday Craft Fair** on Sunday, November 20, 2016 from 10am - 3pm! Our wonderful vendors offer a variety of products from hand made crafts to add warmth to your holiday decor to retail business products that make for some great gift ideas!

This event serves as a fundraiser, with all the proceeds from vendor table rentals and the bake sale going to the Marlborough Park Preschool. We hope to see you there! If you are interested in buying a table, please call Pamela Stenguist at 403 248 1775!



Drop in Crib

Join us at the hall for adult drop in crib every Monday night from 19:00 – 21:30. Everyone welcome.

Drop in Darts

Ladies and Gentleman You are invited Drop-in Dart \$4.00 Every Thursday at the Lounge 19:00 to 22:00

Drop In Tai Chi

Is held every Tuesday from 9:15 to 10:15 am.

Drop-in Volleyball

Wednesday evening, \$4 each



Jelly Bean Dance February 10, 2017, 18:30- 21:30

50+ Skating at Ernie Star Arena

4808 14 Ave S.E Tuesday-Thursday 09:00 to 11:30

Seniors Crib Club

The Friday Seniors Crib Club meets every Friday at 1pm in the Activity Room at the Marlborough Park Community Centre.

There is a good payout each week, and special prizes through the year. During the Christmas season and June each year the Club members go out to one of the local fine dining restaurant for a meal. We celebrate birthdays with a luncheon twice a year.

The Club runs from September through June, no registration fees, Community memberships appreciated. Please contact Virginia Savage at 403-366-3042.

Good Food Box

Date money Due Nov 14 2016 Box arrival Friday Nov 25 2016

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IN & AROUND Schools

Marlborough Park Preschool News

November is going to be a wonderful month

This month we will have a few different topics which we will focus on. To start with it will be learning about colour & shapes then talking about Remembrance Day. Following those topics we will do a full 2 week theme of Animals Around the World (example Kangaroo's in Australia, Panda Bears in China).

For those who do not know on Sunday November 20th from 10:00 am- 3:00pm Marlborough Park will be having a Holiday Craft Fair. If you are interested in having a table at the fair we have 6 Foot Tables at \$20 or 8 Foot Tables for \$25. This is a first come first serve basis. Last day to sign up (if any tables are left) is November 13th.

Important dates to Remember:

- November 11th is Remembrance Day, there is no school
 November 20th is the Holiday Craft Fair
- November 24th is the start of Parent Teacher Interviews which will take place in the evening
- November 25th is a PD Day HOWEVER it is also a full day of Parent Teacher Interviews

We still have spots available for registration in

- Class B Mon/Wed/Fri 12pm- 2:30pm
- Class D Tues/Thurs 12pm- 2:30pm
- Class F All 5 days 12pm- 2:30pm

Have a Great November

Autumnal Offerings

Red and purple leaves are actually caused by the presence of sugars from sap that is trapped inside of the leaves.



YYC INTERNATIONAL TERMINAL 101

New Processes at YYC

A new and exciting experience awaits those travelling to and from U.S. and International destinations through the new International Terminal at YYC. The opening of our new terminal October 31 will bring new processes for check in, security and connections. Here are some quick travel tips:

> The terminal is equipped with self-service check-in and bag drop services for a seamless check in experience.

Experience the newest technology in **pre-board screening** with the first of its kind in Canada, the CATSA Plus screening system.

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Enjoy a ride on our Canadian designed **YYC LINK passenger shuttle** from concourse A to D/E.

Connect easily to your next destination thanks to the streamlined processes in our new **Connections Centre**.

Approach one of our new **Customer Care Ambassadors** with any questions you may have, or ask one of our friendly **White Hat Volunteers** to help you on your way.

To learn more about our new International Terminal visit yyc.com



IN & AROUND CALGARY

Calgarians Seeking Jobs In A Down Market Risk Losing Thousands Of Dollars As They Fall Victim To Scams, Police Warn.

Calgarians seeking jobs in a down market are at risk of losing thousands of dollars as they fall victim to scams, police warn.

Since November, Calgary police have received 90 calls about various employment scams that have cost victims \$150,000.

In secret shopper scams, victims who have replied to online job ads receive messages stating a cheque with instructions have been sent by courier.

The victims are told to cash the cheques and wire some of the funds to a person or place, but the cheques are counterfeit, leaving the victims on the hook for the cash.

Police say they have received reports from at least five people who have been victim of another employment scam, costing them \$12,000.

Victims who apply for a clerk position posted online are told the company will hire them for a position with more responsibilities than what was initially advertised.

The fraudulent employer will either send a cheque or e-transfer with instructions to withdraw the money, keep a small percentage and use the money to buy bitcoins from an ATM.

Victims send the bitcoins to the fraudulent employer while the e-transfer or cheque is deemed fraudulent, leaving the victims on the hook for money they used buying bitcoins.

Police say Calgarians should follow these tips to protect themselves from online employment scams: • Exercise extreme due diligence with any company offering employment that does not have a physical address where they reside.

- Legitimate companies will not provide up-front payment to employees without services rendered.
- Ensure you meet potential employers in person before providing any personal information.
- Do not do transactions via e-transfer with anyone that you do not know personally, or that you haven't confirmed is a legitimate business.
- Never provide your personal information or identification, including Social Insurance Number, and personal banking information to anyone online.
- Look for online posts about the legitimacy of these companies. Often they are reported via the "report as a scam" buttons on an ad.

Did You Know? Cloverdale Paint Now Offers Discounts to Community Association Members!

Cloverdale Paint is now offering club member pricing to community association members and organizational members of the Federation of Calgary Communities!

What does this mean for you? Well, whenever you need to buy paint you simply go to Cloverdale and say you are a "Federation of Calgary Communities Club Member" and you will receive more than 25% off paint and more than 15% off paint accessories!

Cloverdale Paint approached us to set up this discount program as they understand that community associations, their volunteers, and their members are at the heart of our city, and they wanted to give back in some way.

Thanks to Cloverdale Paint for their support and commitment to the community association network and for helping improve neighbourhood life in Calgary!





Membership Application Attention! Privileges

MPCA has some well known secrets to tell everyone. Can't wait? Here they are: • we have lifetime memberships for seniors 60 years plus for ONLY \$10 and you only pay ONCE. • show your card and you receive a discount at the following store

Dairy Queen -- Madigan Plaza 5% off

Optics Plus -- Madigan Plaza 20% off

Village Square Leisure Centre Monday night Community Association night 30% off

UPS store -- Trans Canada Mall 5% off in store services

Subway- Abbeydale 10% Off

Remedy RX Pharmacy, memorial Square,4A,5268 Memorial Dr N.E

10% for over the counter products and a free gift for prescription fill

Royal Memories Photo Booth offer 20% off at MPCA function and 10% at any other location. Clover Paint is now offering wholesale pricing..... see attachment

GET INVOLVED!

Marlborough Park Community Association Membership Application

www.marlpark.ca 6021 Madigan Drive NE Calgary, AB, T2A 5G9

Good Reasons To Join Your Local Community Association

Programs And Services For All Ages – Preschoolers To Seniors

Your community association offer programs directly or provide support to other organizations offering programs such as Girl Guides and Scouts. Community associations also partner with the City of Calgary to offer such programs as Park n Play and Youth programs. Community associations may also provide support services to residents in need as now shoveling for seniors.

Sports

Your Community Association offers organized sport opportunity for children, also for adults of all ages.

Community Safety

Block Watch, and bicycle safety programs are examples of how community associations ensure safety in the neighborhood.

Special Events

Many events are provided throughout the year which provides families an opportunity to meet others in the community and have some fun. Events include stampede breakfasts, craft fairs, community cleanup, book fairs, Easter egg hunt, Halloween party, jelly bean dances for the kids, and many others.

Awareness And Responsive To Planning And Development Issues

The community association makes every effort to keep track of development and planning proposals in the areas such as transportation, roads, park and playground development and traffic issues. The City of Calgary consults with the community association on these issues.

Community Newsletter

The community association communicates to the residents the activities, programs and services that are happening in the community through a regular newsletter.

Facility Operations And Rentals

Many community associations operate a facility that is available for programs, meetings, social and private functions. Outdoor ice rinks and tennis facilities are also maintained for the benefit of the community residents. **Membership Has Its Privileges**

Membership does have its benefits such as; Toole Peet Insurance will provide special group rates for all community association members, percentage discounts at Dairy Queen, Optics Plus, Village square Leisure Centre, and Mark's Work Warehouse.

New Year Dinner 2016

\$80 per couple for members \$100 per couple for non-members – cocktails at 6:00 PM

DECEMBER 10 SLUMBER PARTY AT THE GLENBOW MUSEUM

Celebrating their 50th anniversary, The Glenbow is inviting kids aged 7 – 12 for a rare sleepover and behind the scenes tour of the museum's artefacts. More info www.glenbow.org/ programs



NOVEMBER 25 - DECEMBER 24 THE POLAR EXPRESS TRAIN RIDE

Aspen Crossing: Journey to the North Pole on the Polar Express, complete with hot chocolate and cookies served onboard the train. More info www.aspencrossing.showare.com/ eventperformances



DECEMBER 23 CHRISTMAS SKATE, NOON – 5 PM. OLYMPIC OVAL

A fun-filled afternoon at the Olympic oval is sure to cheer any Grinch. Complete with holiday music, you and yours can enjoy a skate together for \$2 and a food donation to The Calgary Food Bank.



YOUR COMMUNITY/CITY EVENTS

Nov. 28 – Dec. 21 It's A Wonderful Life: A Radio Play – Lunchbox Theatre: It's A Wonderful Life is the classic tale of George Bailey, conceived as a live 1940's radio broadcast, a cast of 5 actors will bring this classic holiday story of love and redemption to life on stage! Everyday but Sundays, noon – 1 pm at Lunchbox Theatre. More info www.lunchboxtheatre.com

Dec. 2 – 4 The International Christmas Market at Spruce Meadows: Enjoy the warm atmosphere of this muchcelebrated market which boasts 250 vendors with worldimported items, hand-crafted gifts and much more. Fire pits and lively entertainment are sure to keep you in the spirit just in time for the holidays. For info www.sprucemeadows. com/christmas_market

Nov. 19 – Dec. 18 Once Upon A Christmas – Heritage Park: Take a step back into true holiday enchantment this Christmas with wagon rides, singing carols and even jolly old St. Nick himself. Experience the magic of Christmas past and activities like: gingerbread decorating, Santa's petting zoo, children's crafts and a vintage photo parlour. More info www.heritagepark.ca

Dec. 15, 8 pm A Rockin' Little Christmas – Jack Singer Concert Hall: This upbeat concert will include a range of cheery, seasonal hits includingSanta Baby, Jingle Bell Rock, White Christmas and many other favourites. Joining the Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra for this concert is the Jeans 'N' Classics band and four vocalists. More info www. calgaryphil.com

Nov. 26 – Jan. 8 Lion's Festival of Lights: The Festival of Lights is the largest free drive-by Christmas Lights show-case in Calgary. It's comprised of over 300,000 lights along 14th St NW. Designed by James Alafriz, Creative Intelligence Agency. More info www.lionsfestivaloflights.ca

Dec. 2 - 4, 9 - 11, 16 – 18 Market Collective Cheer: Enjoy a market that's perhaps a bit more eclectic this year at Market Collective's Cheer event. With fare like, clothing, chocolate and jewellery on offer, and more unusual vendors with woodworking, paper products and leather work for sale, there is surely something for everyone at this event. Located at The Chinese Cultural Centre. More info www. marketcollective.ca



The veterans of the Canadian Armed Forces are in the front of our minds this November as we mark Remembrance Day. While we solemnly observe this day of homage; when we wear our crimson poppies over our hearts and attend ceremonies all over Canada and around the globe, "the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month"—marking the end of the First World War is a time for reflection on all that veterans, and the men and in women in action have sacrificed.

There are numerous ceremonies and charities that observe this day and its honourees, and one such organization, Wounded Warriors Canada, has challenged Canadians in a new way to raise funds and attention to the rate of suicide among our Canadian Armed Forces members, veterans and first responders. In Canada, we lost 160 veterans to suicide between 2004 and 2014 – greater than the total number of Canadian Armed Forces members killed during the war in Afghanistan. The 22 Push Up Challenge is asking that people see these numbers as a call to action, a call to support those who have come home and need our support.

If you frequent Facebook you may be familiar with the campaign, and that is what's a little different about this charitable challenge, it is intended to encourage participation through social media.

The idea is that the participant will do 22 push ups for 22 days and videotape their campaign, which they can then post to social media each of the 22 days. Participants are encouraged to nominate others to "join the fight" and tell people what this challenge means to them. Each participant is also encouraged to donate \$22 to Wounded Warriors Canada. According to their website, they've had a great response:

"I have a brother in the military and my father also served. I think we all know someone who's been impacted either directly or indirectly from this. The 22 Push Ups Challenge is such a small way that we can let them know, we're here for them. We want to help. We've had people who can't physically do the push ups do squats or crunches instead. It's really about the intention behind the action and making the \$22 donation."

Charities benefiting veterans are plentiful, so if the 22 Push Up Challenge doesn't appeal to you, be sure to look into the other ways to give back to this community. For more information on Wounded Warriors Canada visit www.woundedwarriors.ca

- Vanessa Gillard



Learn more about your Calgary Catholic School District Board of Trustees!

Calgary Catholic School District (CCSD) has seven trustees that work together for the whole district, with each representing wards in Calgary and the surrounding area. Cheryl Low is currently serving as board chair and Margaret Belcourt is our vice-chair. The Board of Trustees sets the direction of the school district through governance. It is the role of trustees to lead with inclusion; to understand the needs of our community; to be informed in our decision-making; and to serve our stakeholders by providing an opportunity for success for each and every student.

School councils are an important communication link to the Board of Trustees, as they represent school communities throughout the district. Councils are established in all schools and serve as a vehicle for parents/legal guardians, principals and teachers to meet and work together towards common goals – resulting in a more vibrant and effective school community. All parents/legal guardians with students attending school are members of their local school council and are encouraged to participate in council activities.

Parent and Trustee Forums are held annually in November, January and March. More information can be found on the CCSD website (www.cssd.ab.ca) under Parents/School Council. These forums provide an opportunity for the Board of Trustees to meet with parents, to share information and to gain valuable insights that support board decision-making and advocacy for our students. Topics range from budget and district priorities to current issues such as international travel, the Modernized Municipal Government Act (MMGA) and City Charters.

The Board of Trustees recognizes the importance of parental voice in education and provides a district membership to Alberta School Councils Association (ASCA). ASCA is the provincial association representing parents on school council and brings the parental perspective to government and education organizations in Alberta.

Trustees rely on school councils to bring them critical perspectives about education, an individual school's needs and community concerns. Each school council brings a distinct voice and broad representation to the dialogue on education. Through this engagement, the Board of Trustees can share information and gain valuable insights that support board decision-making and advocacy for our students. To learn more or get involved in school council, contact your child's school principal.



Marlborough Park Real Estate Update Last 12 Months Marlborough Park MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
October 2016	\$375,700.00	\$364,450.00
September 2016	\$379,450.00	\$371,500.00
August 2016	\$384,800.00	\$370,000.00
July 2016	\$396,400.00	\$385,000.00
June 2016	\$327,950.00	\$339,000.00
May 2016	\$358,975.00	\$345,500.00
April 2016	\$339,900.00	\$333,200.00
March 2016	\$330,000.00	\$320,000.00
February 2016	\$388,000.00	\$373,500.00
January 2016	\$339,800.00	\$333,500.00
December 2015	\$379,900.00	\$365,000.00
November 2015	\$429,900.00	\$390,000.00

Last 12 Months Marlborough Park MLS Real Estate Number of Listings Update

	No. New Properties	No. Properties Sold
October 2016	6	6
September 2016	4	2
August 2016	7	7
July 2016	10	2
June 2016	6	6
May 2016	5	1
April 2016	1	6
March 2016	4	3
February 2016	5	3
January 2016	2	1
December 2015	4	3
November 2015	5	1

To view the specific SOLD Listings that comprise the above MLS averages please visit **marlpark.great-news.ca**



The Red Crossbill is a stocky finch with a heavy head and a short, notched tail. Males are reddish-scarlet or reddish-yellow except for their dark wings and tail while females are olive-grey to greenish yellow with plain dark wings. This songbird is common in the mountain and foothills regions of Alberta year round and it is considered a global species. The Red Crossbill's range is hard to define and its population is hard to monitor because their movements are irregular and based on food availability.

Fun Facts:

- The tips of its large bill are crossed; an adaptation for removing seeds from tight closed cones.
- The Red Crossbill's biting muscles are stronger than the muscles to open the bill so it places the tips of its slightly open bill under a cone scale and then bites down.
- You can spot this songbird by their undulating (wavelike) flight, which is even noticeable when they are flying at great heights
- Red Crossbills are considered irregular breeders because they can breed whenever and wherever they can find a large crop of cones, even during the winter
- Because of this irregular breeding, the timeframes for the Red Crossbill's lifecycle varies more than most North American songbirds. For example, juveniles hatched during the summer molt only once (between late summer and late autumn) whereas juveniles hatched from late winter to early spring molt twice (about three and a half months after hatching and again during the main summer molt period).
- Because of their dependence on food supply, Red Crossbills may occupy an area in huge numbers and then disappear for long periods of time (this behaviour can sometimes be called 'irruptive')
- These birds can often be heard but rarely do they make themselves visible



By J.G. Turner Photo by Andy Reago & Chrissy McClarren

 Red Crossbills will come to feeders to eat niger and small seeds but the best way to tempt this elusive bird is to allow them to take sunflower seeds directly from the sunflower heads.

If you find an injured or orphaned wild bird or animal in distress, please contact the Calgary Wildlife Rehabilitation Society hotline at 403-239-2488 for tips, instructions and advice, or visit our website at www. calgarywildlife.org for more information.

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NEPTUNE PLUMBING & HEATING LTD: Qualified journeymen plumbers/gasfitters, very experienced in Marlborough Park. Upfront pricing. Reliable, conscientious, fully guaranteed. Mon - Fri 8:00 am - 5:00 pm. 24 hour emergency service call 403-255-7938. "Showering you with great service."

HOME BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY: Clinicair is the leading provider of Indoor Air Quality and Medical Grade Duct Cleaning services in Canada. We are looking for a dealer in Calgary to represent our growing company. We offer a royalty free business. Clinicair supplies you with the latest technology, and training. Call Craig: 1-416-277-6067.

NEIGHBOURHOOD CONFLICT? Community Mediation Calgary Society (CMCS) is a no cost mediation and conflict coaching service that can help you resolve problems and restore peace! We help neighbours be neighbours again! www.communitymediation.ca, 403-269-2707.



I always wanted a pet reptile as a child, but like the myriad of other exotic pets I campaigned for, I was never successful in acquiring a snake or lizard. Now as a veterinarian and Mom of two boys I get to vicariously have all kinds of wonderful pets. "The boys wanted it"; this is the story my husband gets and I'm sticking to it. Fortunately with a little research and the help of a fellow lizard lover we became the proud owners of a Leopard Gecko called "Gecky".

Gecky, the Leopard Gecko, is a perfect pet in my eyes. He eats mealworms and crickets that are dipped in a calcium powder. He has a little container of a vitaminmineral mixture he snacks on and a small water bowl. Room light is sufficient with a small heated pad stuck to the tank bottom providing additional heat he can move away or towards as he needs. Leopard Geckos can't even get out of the tank if the lid is left off by small children. Gecky did have a heat lamp (unnecessary) but that was eliminated when my six-year old tried to burn the house down. This sweet little creature will happily sit on your shirt through an evening of television. A dampened tissue is placed in the corner of the tank Gecky chose to use as his bathroom so cage cleaning is a breeze. This is a fabulous low-maintenance pet for young children with minimal supervision during handling periods. It is really gross when the tail falls off and twitches around for a while but they grow back.

Why did I say fortunately we picked a Gecko earlier? A neighbor asked us to babysit their Bearded Dragon, Steve. I have treated these wonderful attractive lizards but never kept one. Theory is easier than practice!

How To Get Mom To Agree To A Pet Lizard!

Steve arrived in his massive aquarium equipped with under tank heater, heat lamp, and two lights on a twelve hour cycle providing full spectrum lighting. There are multiple electronic thermometers to ensure the proper temperature gradients between 85 to 100 degrees F. Not the most attractive setup. Bearded Dragons are omnivores. So in the morning I cut Steve's veggies and fruit into pieces "smaller than the distance between his eyes". Then there was his daily quota of mealworms and crickets. Did I mention the cricket tank with over a hundred large live SINGING crickets?

Steve poops. He poops once a day and it needs to be removed immediately. I have treated thousands of animals of many, many species and I have worked in a pathology laboratory with animals in various stages of decomposition. I have to say the stench of Bearded Dragon poops elevate their owners to martyrs. Even after disposal it lingers in your nostrils and sinuses for hours. So Steve, I did like you, especially when you charged around your cage with your tail arched over your back gobbling up crickets. I liked to cuddle you Steve, but I was glad to see you go home.

If you are considering getting an exotic pet don't limit your research to learning about the care and needs of these creatures from books. Talk to people who actually own the exotic pet you're considering. Try to get a look at the set-up and even babysit as we did. Join TARAS, the Alberta Reptile and Amphibian Society. We won't be getting a Bearded Dragon but I hope the boys consider a cockatiel one day, I have always wanted one...

Jennifer L. Scott, D.V.M.

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