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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope you're reading this on your shady porch, enjoying the unparalleled summer experience Banff Trail is known for.

Information of Note in the Community:

- Our infamous Stampede Party is Thursday July 6th, **5:30 to 8pm**. There's food, live music, games, a cash bar. This is one of our most well attended and longstanding events, so don't miss it!
- The province is planning on redrawing the electoral district lines. The draft plan (see http://abebc.ca) moves us from Varsity to Mountain View. If you have an opinion on this, I urge you to get in touch with our district office, or directly with me.
- Our AGM was June 9. It was well attended, including MLA Stephanie McLean and Councillor Druh Farrell. A new board has been elected, consisting of the same people as the old board. I'd say that means we're doing a good job and having fun at it. It's not too late to get involved. If you'd like a voice in future decisions; we're happy to have you at our meetings or on the board. Just email me.
- The Rink Replacement has finally kicked off! This is a substantial project, accounting for years of effort by many volunteers, and costing just over \$600,000, \$500,000 of which is coming from a combination of Federal (Canada150), Provincial (CFEP), and Municipal (CCG) grants. If it's on schedule, you'll see demolition and possibly concrete action this month!
- August 3rd will be Lawn Chair Theatre in the garden. Look out for more details.
- The city has let us know that they plan on addressing our traffic-calming concerns as part of a "Complete **Streets Project**", to begin in the fall of this year. The noted streets are 20 Ave, 24 Ave, 19 St, King George School site, however the plan could encompass the entire Capitol Hill / Banff Trail / Mount Pleasant area.
- Banff Trail has been selected by the Ward 7 office this year for the "This is My Neighbourhood" program. We get more engagement and attention from the full set of City of Calgary departments, with the goal of mak-

ing our community a better place. The engagement will begin in earnest in the early summer, but now is the time to send in your ideas. Check out engage.calgary.ca/TIMN, and please send us any ideas you may have!

Every one of these fantastic items happens thanks to the help of interested members of the community. If you have anything you're interested in, don't hesitate to get involved. We don't meet over the summer, but starting in the fall we're at the hall the first Wednesday of the month starting September, 7:00 – 9:00 pm. If you'd like to talk with us or just observe, send me an email at president@banfftrailcommunity.ca. You'll be welcomed into a pretty awesome group of neighbours who are here to make Banff Trail a great place to be.

Barry Clement, BTCA President



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are on the first Wednesday of every month from 7:00pm-9:00 pm Board Meetings are suspended over the summer months.

MEMBERSHIPS

Community memberships are available at \$10 for single, \$15 for family and household, and \$25 for businesses Membership year is March 1 to February28 Pay by PayPal online at www.banfftrailcommunity.ca

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Do you have an interesting story you think should be in The Howler? Know of someone living in Banff Trail how deserves to be featured in our newsletter? How about photographs of our community? If you do please contact howlereditor@banfftrailcommunity.ca.

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Office hours are Tuesday and Thursday 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

YOUR COMMUNITY/CITY EVENTS AT A GLANCE...

Captain's Cruises – Heritage Park, Aug. 3
Set sail for a scenic summer cruise on Calgary's only paddlewheel boat and enjoy the breathtaking views of the Glenmore Reservoir & the majestic Rocky Mountains. Aboard the S.S. Moyie Captain's Cruise you'll sample gourmet hors d'oeuvres and taste a selection of beer & wines while listening to the delights of a live jazz band. More info: heritagepark.ca.

Strathmore Stampede - 33 Wheatland Trail, Strathmore, AB, T1P 1V2 - Aug. 4 - 7

The Strathmore Stampede is an outdoor event including rodeo, chuckwagons, and their signature Running with the Bulls event. One of the most action-packed stops of the summer, our fair grounds include live concerts, food trucks, beer gardens, trade show, cabaret, farmers' market, kids zone, and much more! More info: strathmorestampede.com.

Taste of Calgary – Eau Claire Market Plaza, Aug. 10 – 13

Discover Calgary's global cuisines from a mix of unique restaurants and beverage companies, plus, get a taste of Calgary's great musicians, and shop at some of the most interesting marketplace vendors in the city. More info: tasteofcalgary.com.

Puppies and Prosecco-Dining with Your Dog – Vin room West and Mission, Aug. 13

Join us on our patio for a private group training class for you and your dog. All ages and sizes of dogs welcome. We will cover basic obedience skills and how to set your dog up for success. More info: eventbrite.ca/e/puppies-and-prosecco-vin-roomtickets-33841948178.

West Side Story – StoryBook Theatre, Aug. 19 – Sept. 9

Inspired by Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet, West Side Story is one of the greatest musicals of the 20th century – a love story set on opposite sides of a turf war between rival street gangs. Includes such popular songs as Maria, I Feel Pretty, Tonight, America and Somewhere. This production will feature the students of the hugely popular Student Summer Intensive Program. More info: storybooktheatre.org.

CALGARY INTERNATIONAL BLUES FESTIVAL – SHAW MILLENNIUM PARK, JULY 31 – AUG. 6

A full week of Blues workshops, concerts and special events culminate in 4 days and nights (August 3-6) of non-stop music on MainStage. More info: calgarybluesfest.com.



TOUR DE BOWNESS – 6501 BOWNESS RD. N.W., AUG. 5 - 7

This year marks the 16th running of the Tour de Bowness and Bow Cycle's 60th anniversary. More info: tourdehowness.com.



GLOBALFEST – ELLISTON PARK, AUG. 15 – 26

GlobalFest - Alberta's Most Explosive Festival. Come see the Trico Homes International Fireworks Festival, the biggest annual pyromusical fireworks festival west of Quebec and east of the Canadian Rockies! More info: globalfest.ca.



IN BANFF TRAII

Remember, www.BanffTrailCommunity.ca is the place to look for short-notice events and more Community info. Check out our event calendar and interactive community map! We are also on Facebook now too: www. facebook.com/BanffTrailCommunity.

Karate and Kobudo – Tuesday 8-9pm and Thursday 7-8 pm and Saturday 11-12 noon

Classes available for all ages. More information can be found at: www.shinshikan.com

Yoga Classes & Workshops

A great way to enjoy the benefits of yoga and have fun

Improve strength, coordination, posture and balance; increase your energy level and flexibility; enjoy greater vitality.

The All Levels class takes place on Thursdays from 7 -8 p.m., and the Gentle Yoga class is held on Tuesdays from 10 - 11 a.m. For more information or to register, please contact Margau at 403-585-0043 or email yogamarg@telus.net. Ask about our monthly yoga workshops too!

Wednesday Afternoon Crib Club

Every Wednesday from 12:30 – 3 p.m.

New Players Welcome! Join a lively group of seniors enjoying 9 - 12 tables of crib each week. Two crib tournaments each year and several Pot Luck Luncheons each vear.

Feel free to drop by and join in the fun.

Check out the website or the Facebook page for more up-to-date information.

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Qigong will be finished at the end of May, but will return in the fall. Sylvie Jutras is instructing, phone: 403-453-0977

Banff Trail Conversation Club

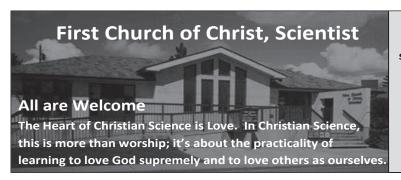
Mondays 1:15 - 4 pm - Boardroom

Join a lively, interesting group of people who enjoy stimulating and exciting conversation. Participants choose their own topic including global, nation, local, politics, religion, history, geography, science and any other topics you want.

Flow Martial Arts Academy

Starts September 10, classes from 11:00am - 12:00pm. Jeffrey Estrada is instructing, email: fma.academy. calgary@gmail.com

Given the increasing number of young families in the area, a couple of parents are exploring the option of establishing a co-op daycare in the neighbourhood. If anyone is interested in learning more or getting involved, please contact Kathryn at banfftraildaycare@gmail.com



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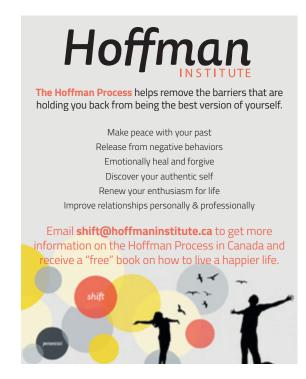
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Banff Trail Community Garden

You may have noticed the beautiful space behind the Banff Trail Community Centre. The Banff Trail Community Garden is a volunteer run garden for Banff Trail Community residents. It offers individual plots and communal planting areas. We take great pride in maintaining this beautiful oasis in the heart of the community. If you are interested in becoming a member or learning more about the garden, please contact btcommunitygarden@gmail.com







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New to Banff Trail

If you have been walking around Banff Trail lately, you will have noticed that in addition to all of the new housing, we also have new businesses taking root! Convenience stores, a nail salon, and a take-out pizza joint are just a few of the places opening their doors and sharing space with the businesses we already know. Because of the age of our community, we still see small commercial strips among the blocks of houses, particularly near the schools and community hall. Visit our new and pre-existing business neighbours and keep it local!

BTCA Membership Form

Name:		Spouse:	
Address:			
Postal Code:	Phone:		Fax:
Email:			
Children under age 18:			
I am interested in volunteering with t	he community as	ssociation:	
Newsletter Social Functions	Sports • Fund-	raising • Maintenance	
Other (please specify):			
The rates for Banff Trail Community A	ssociation memb	ership are:	

Please mail your application form to BTCA 2115 20 Avenue NW T2M 1J1

• Family & Household \$15 • Business \$25

Make cheques payable to the Banff Trail Community Association
Phone 403 454-7369 for more information



Banff Trail Real Estate Update

Last 12 Months Banff Trail MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
May 2017	\$674,900	\$665,000
April 2017	\$674,900	\$658,000
March 2017	\$699,000	\$694,500
February 2017	\$644,900	\$631,000
January 2017	\$649,000	\$638,800
December 2016	\$699,950	\$725,000
November 2016	\$627,400	\$615,000
October 2016	\$627,000	\$607,290
September 2016	\$658,950	\$652,500
August 2016	\$799,900	\$774,250
July 2016	\$635,000	\$639,988
June 2016	\$653,950	\$643,367

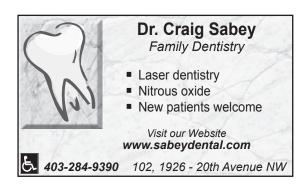
Last 12 Months Banff Trail
MLS Real Estate Number of Listings Update

	No. New Properties	No. Properties Sold
May 2017	10	7
April 2017	9	13
March 2017	15	7
February 2017	8	8
January 2017	6	3
December 2016	2	5
November 2016	6	8
October 2016	5	4
September 2016	10	8
August 2016	4	6
July 2016	6	11
June 2016	11	6

To view more detailed information that comprise the above MLS averages please visit **banff_trail.great-news.ca**









Single \$10



This summer I am going to go out to play in the sun, and I always prefer my dogs riding co-pilot. If I stop and think, my dogs may be safer and more comfortable at home as the mercury moves up the thermometer. Even with windows ajar and the temperature in the mid-teens, a car parked directly in the sun becomes dangerously hot in minutes. Everyone has had that "one-minute pop in to do an errand" turn into ten minutes and the most conscientious owner might misjudge their timing leading to a potentially fatal consequence. Calgary bylaw officers can and will fine people leaving pets in hot cars.

Dogs cannot sweat to maintain their body temperature like you and me. Dogs do sweat very minimally through the pads of their feet. Mostly they pant. As the dog pants and air moves across mucous membranes and water evaporates and cools the body. This means adequate water is also critical for a dog to maintain its body temperature. If the dog is unable to lower its temperature hyperthermia develops. Initial signs of a problem include disorientation, stumbling, and weakness. This gradually progresses to convulsions, loss of consciousness, and death. Dogs saved in the final stages of hyperthermia may still suffer permanent brain damage.

Treatment in a veterinary clinic would include intravenous fluids and medications for shock. To treat hypothermia elsewhere, move the dog to a cool place, and immerse in cool or tepid water, not cold water, and apply cool—not cold—wet towels to the dog's groin, belly, inside the ears, and around the neck. Cold water or ice may cause the peripheral blood vessels to shut down and would not facilitate the loss of heat from the bodv.

To prevent hyperthermia, exercise your dog in the cooler early mornings or late evenings and always have water handy to keep your pet well hydrated. Dogs confined outside must be able to escape to shade, and shade with some ventilation for air movement. When I competed with my dogs in obedience and field trials, I had a closed crate for winter and air-conditioned facilities, and an open wire crate for summer. Milk jugs with frozen water around the crate also supply a source of cold water. If you're camping, have the crate in the shade and make sure that shade doesn't disappear as the sun moves. Different breeds and sizes of dogs have different heat tolerances. A Saluki bred for the desert would tolerate far greater temperatures than an Alaskan malamute. Brachiocephalic dogs with short muzzles, like boxers and bulldogs, are particularly sensitive to becoming overheated, as are elderly pets. Do not count on your dog to know its own limits. Some Labrador retrievers will chase a ball thrown on a hot day until they collapse.

Be conscious of the air quality. Smoke from forest fires to the west of Calgary can add to heat problems making a dog more susceptible to hyperthermia.

So, steel your heart to those big brown eyes asking to come with you and if it is in your dog's best interests leave him at home and please never leave your dog or children in a closed car in the sun for even one minute.

Have a wonderful summer.

How will you Activate YYC?

Launched on June 1, ActivateYYC is a mircrogrant program that will fund 150 community projects across Calgary – events or activities that get people to walk, play and be neighbourly – like paint the pavement, pop-up BBQs, Little Libraries, community murals, bike parades, and so much more!

ActivateYYC grants will average \$750 in funding - to organized groups and businesses to experiment with temporary local projects and events. Projects can be small or large, and on public or private land. They should involve volunteers and engage people. They are short term and can occur any time of the year. And they should be new and creative!

Through ActivateYYC - administered by The Federation of Calgary Communities and made possible by The City of Calgary, Council Innovation Fund – the 150 reimbursement microgrants that will awarded across Calgary to experiment with local level ideas that support more walkable and neighbourly communities. By engaging a diverse group of citizens, we can explore innovation, look at civic barriers to citizen-led projects and energize people, businesses and social organizations city-wide to engage in future community building projects.

The ActivateYYC application deadline is August 15. 2017. Projects/events can take place from September 2017 to March 2019.

Visit calgarycommunities.com/activateyyc today for all the information you need, including 101 project ideas to get you thinking about how you can activate your community.

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- ◆ Forty word limit

CALGARY 55+ GAMES: From August 10th to 12th 2017, Calgary 55 Plus Games Association will be hosting the Calgary 55 Plus Provincial Championships. There will be 11 events. We need new members and volunteers. Go to www.calgary55plus.com for information.



Guidelines and entry forms are at www.fonhs.org for our Nose Hill Park photo contest which is open to all. Submissions are due September 30th. Photos must have been taken between October 1st, 2016 and September 30th, 2017.

To better understand wildlife in Calgary, a wildlife monitoring program will start this year. To monitor wildlife, motion-activated cameras will be installed in 11 City parks, including Nose Hill Park and one provincial park, to take pictures of wildlife in those areas. The information from this monitoring program will be used to make better decisions when planning parks and other City spaces. See more at www.calgary.ca.

Once there is a database of images to classify, residents will be asked to help classify them using a platform called Zooniverse. This is a citizen science web portal owned and operated by the international Citizen Science Alliance. It is home to some of the internet's largest, most popular, and most successful citizen science projects; and will allow volunteers to participate in crowd sourced scientific research. More details will be shared when the program moves into that phase. Some of the questions to be explored over the next few years include:

Who calls Calgary home? While we can't directly measure populations with the data from our cameras, we can get a sense of what wildlife call Calgary home.

Where are they? Finding out where certain species are most likely to spend time allows us to target conservation and management efforts.

How do species live with each other? This program will help understand how species in Calgary might compete with one another, engage in predator-prey dynamics, or avoid one other. By evaluating the camera images, we begin to better understand the Calgary urban ecosystem, including how all the species interact.

How can humans and wildlife co-exist in a city? It is known that people change the way wildlife behave - some animals adapt well to humans, some are indifferent, and others avoid us. The camera data will allow a better understand of our impact on wildlife.

Please note: The City does not conduct gopher control in natural environment parks in Calgary. The Alberta government is responsible for wildlife management. The City of Calgary provides information as a public service.



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Saving Lives Through Better Predictions

On July 31, it will be 30 years since a powerful and damaging tornado ripped through Edmonton and area. On what became known as Black Friday, 27 people lost their lives, hundreds of homes were destroyed and damage totals exceeded \$330 million. To this day, quickly darkening clouds on the horizon bring back horrifying memories for thousands of Albertans.

There were seven other tornados in Alberta that summer day. Originally, weather forecasters had warned of unusually severe thunderstorms but the sheer power, size and destruction of the weather to come was not known. Enhanced warnings of tornados went out when the first one was spotted near Leduc but for many that was too late.

The federal government has invested substantially over the years to upgrade radars, upgrade satellites and the computer systems behind them. In the 30 years since, weather forecasting has improved by leaps and bounds and our ability to share critical weather warnings is unmatched in our history. New computer models can now more accurately forecast the weather and even predict tornados and their probable paths in advance. We now have accurate lightening, wind-chill, humidex, pollen, ice and other types of forecasting that did not exist just a few years ago. For some areas, weather forecasting is now available for different neighborhoods within the city.

While we all can remember a day when the forecast was wrong, and we like to curse the 'weatherman', we take for granted how accurate the forecasts generally are. Accurate weather forecasting is a critical part of our economy as it helps farmers, mariners, pilots, construction crews and the general public make important and life-saving decisions ahead of time.

Canadians now have the ability to track weather through radio, television, computers and various other methods. The ability to send weather warnings to people via their televisions, computers and smartphones has saved lives

and property across Canada. As we head into the severe summer weather season, Canadians are encouraged to consult the weather on a regular basis, especially if they plan activities outside or may not have easy access to safe cover from the weather. There are a number of free weather alerts available through weather forecasting websites, including Environment Canada at www. weather.gc.ca.

Those who take risks with the weather should realize they often put their lives, their loved ones' lives and the lives of emergency workers at risk unnecessarily. As the saying goes, "If it is predictable, it's preventable". Let's have a great summer and thank those who work invisibly behind the scenes to ensure we have a safe summer, no matter what the forecast may be.

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Friends,

This July 1st, we celebrate the 150th birthday of this great country. This year Canada Day falls on a Saturday, and there will be a huge range of events for people to attend throughout Calgary. The city is predicting 250,000 people will turn out for the celebrations, so I encourage people to be prepared by bringing a hat, sunscreen and water. To top it all off, there will be a 30 minute fireworks and light show on the river front downtown.

On June 30th, Triwood and Brentwood will be hosting a Canada BBQ for the country's 150th birthday. The BBQ starts at 5pm, will have live music, and fireworks at 10:30pm. The event is at the Triwood Arena, and is no charge, but RSVPs are requested.

The busy spring legislative session is now over. We've worked hard to bring in programs to make life more af-

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fordable for everyday Albertans, by capping electricity prices, reducing school fees and keeping taxes on families the lowest in Canada. Our government has just announced a \$20 million playground grants program for K-6 schools to reduce the fundraising burden on families. New and replacement K-6 schools announced between 2014 and 2018 will get \$250,000 grants to build a playground. We know that playgrounds not only benefit the students who get to use them, but they serve the community as a whole. They are hubs where parents and children meet and play together. If a community wants to upgrade or replace an existing playground, they are able to apply for the Community Facility Enhancement Program grant offered through Culture and Tourism.

Our government is always interested in hearing what Albertans have to say about major public programs. The Spring 2017 survey of the curriculum review wrapped up in June with thousands of responses. Alberta Education will then review the results of the survey and use what they heard to refine their work and help develop learning outcomes in each subject. There will be a Fall 2017 survey announced later in the summer. As the federal government is legalizing cannabis by July 2018, Alberta has to develop a provincial framework to manage it. Until July 31st, Albertans can visit alberta. ca/cannabis to participate in a survey to develop a provincial framework for cannabis legalization.

July 7-16 is Calgary Stampede, so it's time to break out your cowboy hat, see the parade, and eat free pancakes until you burst! Besides events all over the city, there are several right here in Calgary-Varsity. On July 6th at 5:30pm, Banff Trail is hosting a Stampede BBQ. Triwood Community Association is having their annual pancake breakfast at the Triwood community centre on July 9th from 9am-12pm. Market Mall will have a pancake breakfast from 9-11am on July 11th. And Dalhousie Station Shopping Centre has a pancake breakfast on July 12th from 9-11am. I'm certainly looking forward to the Stampede events here in the constituency. Yahoo!

Our office serves all the people of Varsity, Dalhousie, Brentwood, Banff Trail, University Heights, Montgomery, and Charleswood. Our team is available to talk to constituents about provincial government departments, programs, scrolls, and services. To find out more drop in, call, email, or check out stephaniemclean. albertandpcaucus.ca



Councillor, Ward 7 **Druh Farrell**

Green Line LRT and Crowchild Trail Updates

For the past several years, Calgarians were engaged extensively on the new Green Line Light Rail Transit (LRT) line and the Crowchild Trail Study. Thank you to Ward 7 residents for engaging on these projects and for helping to push for better outcomes.

The Green Line LRT will improve the daily lives of Calgarians. It will connect our communities with highquality rapid transit, spur reinvestment along Centre Street and around station areas, and act as a catalyst for improved community amenities.

Earlier this year, Council voted to proceed with Stage One of the Green Line LRT, running from 16 Ave N in Crescent Heights/Tuxedo Park to Shepherd in the SE. Stage One includes 20km of track, 14 stations, the Centre City tunnel, a new maintenance facility at Shepherd, and new low-floor trains. It will carry around 65,000 Calgarians on day one (in approximately 2026) and comes in at \$4.65 billion.

A phased approach allows us to build a solid foundation for continuous expansion, and to ensure we build the Green Line right from the start. We have one of the top performing LRT systems in North America today, and can expect this to continue with the Green Line.

The City of Calgary and the Government of Canada have committed \$3 billion to the Green Line. Now, with Stage One set, the City can submit a formal funding application to the Government of Alberta. If funding, financing, and years of planning align, we will see the start of Green Line construction in 2020.

In May, City Council unanimously approved a new plan for Crowchild Trail. Council praised the work done by City staff and the incredible participation from communities. The plan is in stark contrast to the 2012 Crowchild Trail expansion plan that called for the demolition of dozens of homes and restricted access between com-

Proposed changes include new walking/cycling bridges across Crowchild and to the Bow River Pathway, pathways along Crowchild, safety improvements at conflict points, traffic noise mitigation, and free-flow traffic from Glenmore Trail SW to 12 Mile Coulee Rd NW. Residents along Crowchild now have certainty about whether or not their homes will be impacted.

The Crowchild plan, which includes short, medium and long term improvements, is a massive project that comes at significant cost. While the full plan is not funded, funding is approved to rehabilitate and improve the deteriorating Crowchild Trail Bridge over the Bow River. Funding for the full plan will be reviewed against the City's other priorities such as flood mitigation, affordable housing, and, of course, the Green Line LRT.

To sign up for updates on key community and Ward 7 issues, please visit www.DruhFarrell.ca.

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Are you ready to party?

Join us as we celebrate 150 years of Confederation on July 1, 2017 with our many civic partners and sponsors!

Begin the day with a hearty pancake breakfast at Confederation Park or Fort Calgary, and end it with some of the most fantastic fireworks ever seen at the Centre Street Bridge.

Throughout the day, there will be activities and exhibits to inform, activate and delight every member of the family! Immerse yourself in our Indigenous and Francophone cultures on Prince's Island Park, or be amazed at the pageantry and culinary delights in Chinatown.

Enjoy Canadian music, arts, crafts and delicious food at venues throughout the city, including Eau Claire, East Village, Stephen Avenue Mall and Riverfront Avenue, or take part in storytelling and activities at the Central Library. You can even discover Studio Bell at a special discounted rate or check into the King Eddy for live music all day.

Help us show our national pride by participating in the Enmax Living Flag at Fort Calgary this year, and re-affirm your personal pride as a Canadian at the CIBC Canadian Oath, being held at Olympic Plaza.

You won't want to miss a minute of this year's Canada Day events! Please visit our Canada Day page at Calgary. ca for times, locations, road closures and updates as we put the final plans in place.

See you there!

Banff Trail mybabysitterlist

Name	Age	Contact	Course
Abby	12	403-819-0141	Yes
Abby	14	587-830-6330	Yes
Abigail	13	403-554-4577	Yes
Dario	19	403-681-7109	Yes
Eliana	31	587-437-1107	No
Hannah	19	403-629-2676	Yes
Jessica	20	780-695-9304	Yes
Maria	14	403-467-2760	Yes
Rowena	42	587-894-0713	Yes
Samantha	23	204-781-7743	Yes
Sophie	18	403-650-8461	No
Todd	45	403-585-8463	Yes

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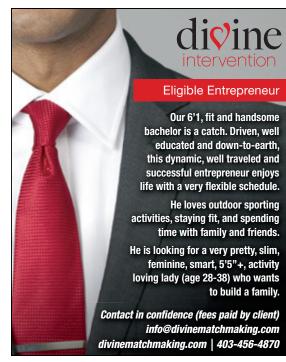
Disclaimer: We recommend for your own peace of mind that references be checked when choosing your babysitter. This babysitter list is provided as a service to the community and is governed by the terms & conditions outlined at mybabysitter.ca.



Hats Off to the Beaver

Fur trade was a historical benchmark of Canada's international commerce. Felt from beaver fur could be molded into many creative hats. From top hats to bowlers, tricorn hats to fancy women's hats, the possibilities were endless. Thank goodness beaver fur went out of fashion in favour of silk hats, or not as many of our iconic furry friends might be around today!







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