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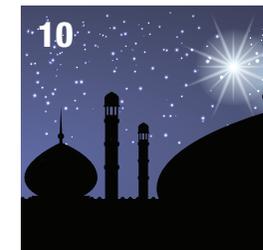
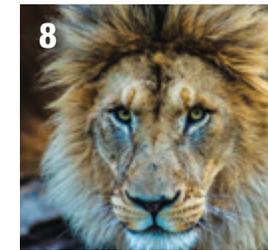


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DOLLARS & SENSE

“New to Calgary” Home Buyers’ Guide

By Susan Mercer-Thornhill, Mortgage Consultant

For many who are new to Calgary, finding an affordable place to live can be an immediate challenge, especially since housing in Calgary varies greatly between communities. Below are tips on what to look for when buying new home:

- Decide how much you can afford, how many rooms you will need, where you'd like to live and what type of housing you prefer.
- Use several different search methods to find your new home. Ask relatives or friends. Search the MLS Listings on the internet, ethnic, community or daily newspapers.
- Make a list of neighbourhoods where you might like to live. Take into account the character of the community and the proximity to medical care, schools, shopping, places of worship and possibilities for work.
- If you're buying a home, make sure you have the right team of professionals. An appraiser and a home inspector will give you a better idea of the condition

of a home and its worth. A lawyer will help protect your interests. If you need to arrange for a mortgage, you will need to find a lender or mortgage associate who can help you buy your home.

- Before you search for a home, learn more about the housing market and the latest price trends in the neighbourhood that interests you. Keep interest rates in mind. Ask a lender or mortgage associate how large a mortgage loan you qualify for.
- Always check out a house as thoroughly as possible before committing. Make sure all plumbing, electrical and other systems are in good working order. Ask about utility, repair and other costs that you may have to pay in addition to the mortgage.
- Know your rights and responsibilities as a home owner. Calgary has bylaws that protect your rights and responsibilities.
- Try to remain positive and avoid being too choosy. Don't feel rushed into buying a home immediately

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Kids Help Line	1-800-668-6868
Child Safe Canada	403-202-5900
Distress/Crisis Line	403-266-4357
ENMAX – Power Trouble	403-514-6100
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Citadel Hawkwood Real Estate Update

Last 12 Months Hawkwood MLS Real Estate Sale Price Stats

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
September 2017	\$438,800	\$435,000
August 2017	\$475,000	\$470,000
July 2017	\$518,800	\$510,000
June 2017	\$469,800	\$475,000
May 2017	\$475,000	\$464,500
April 2017	\$509,900	\$505,000
March 2017	\$459,950	\$455,251
February 2017	\$494,900	\$488,000
January 2017	\$482,400	\$474,144
December 2016	\$420,000	\$420,000
November 2016	\$443,250	\$438,000
October 2016	\$479,900	\$455,000

Last 12 Months Citadel MLS Real Estate Sale Price Stats

	No. New Properties	No. Properties Sold
September 2017	12	7
August 2017	17	13
July 2017	8	11
June 2017	14	13
May 2017	14	15
April 2017	15	11
March 2017	18	12
February 2017	8	5
January 2017	8	10
December 2016	6	5
November 2016	5	6
October 2016	8	6

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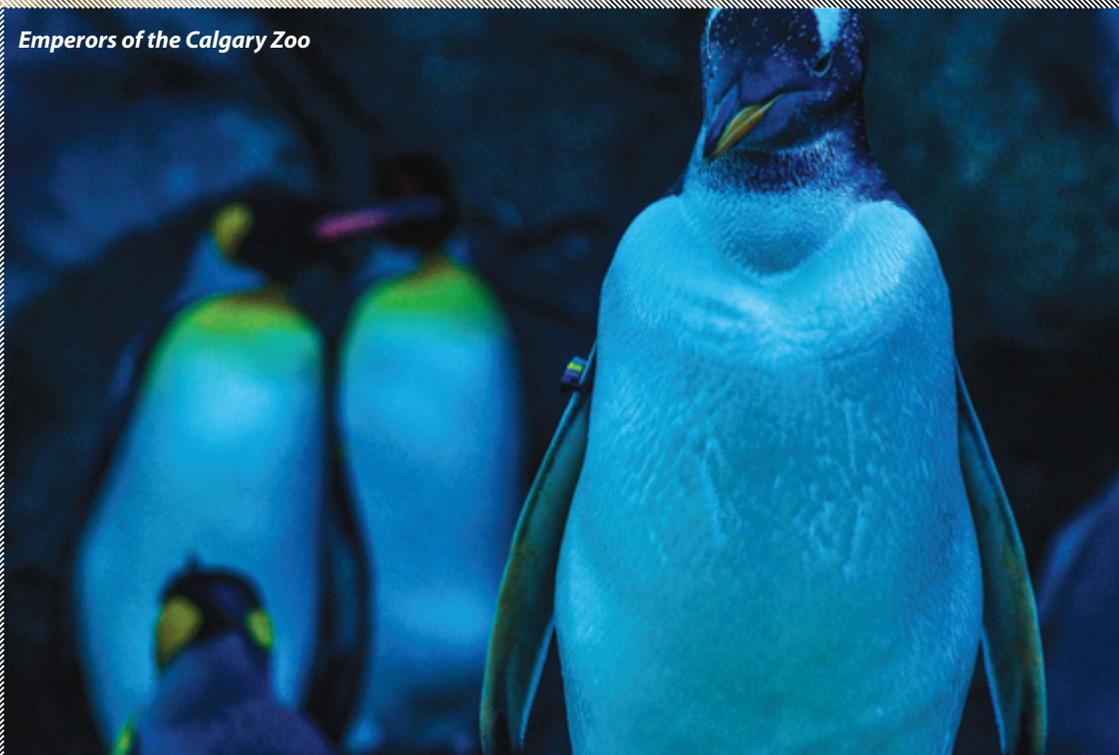
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My name is Shahrukh Abid, and I reside in the Hawkwood community. I represent the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, whose slogan is "Love for All, Hatred for None." The misconceptions surrounding my religion have unfortunately struck fear in people's hearts - which is sometimes apparent even in Calgary. The purpose behind writing these articles is to educate our neighbours in the Hawkwood/Citadel community about the religion of Islam, demystify any misconceptions and answer questions that our neighbours might have. Our community's mosque (place of worship) is located in the northeast of Calgary, next to the Prairie Winds Park.

Mirza Ghulam Ahmad: Founder of the Ahmadiyya Community in Islam



Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (on whom be peace) was born on February 13, 1835 in Qadian, India. In 1882, he saw the Holy Prophet (peace be upon him) in a vision and received a revelation from God, appointing him as a reformer. He officially announced this through public advertisement to religious

leaders, scholars, kings of the world, and of course the general public in March 1885. Under Divine Command in 1889, Ahmad established the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, leading to the first *Ba'it* (declaration of faith), which took place on March 23, 1889. The Ahmadiyya Muslim community has since accepted him as the Promised Messiah.

In his lifetime, Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (on whom be peace) wrote over 90 books, thousands of letters, delivered hundreds of lectures, and engaged in numerous public debates for a rational defense of Islam and openly challenged his opponents. His first book series "Baraheen-e-Ahmadiyya" was published between the years 1880-1884; these four volumes defended Islam through various religious movements and practical arguments. Promised Messiah Ahmad (on whom be peace) also received many prophecies which unfolded in his lifetime, such as ones regarding the death of Pandit Lekhram and Dr. Alexander Dowie, the prophecy of the plague, and the prophecy concerning WWI, to name a few. To further spread his message of the true Islam, under divine instruction, Ahmad (on whom be peace) established the institution of Annual Conference (known as Jalsa Salana) in Qadian. Today, these conferences continue to occur every year but now in numerous countries where the Community has spread.

Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (on whom be peace) announced that after his passing, his community will unite through a *Caliphate*. Since 1908, the Ahmadiyya Community continues to grow under the guidance of one spiritual leader.

Article by Malahat Haq

For more information about Islam feel free to contact Shahrukh Abid at 403-389-3768 or email at shahrukhabid89@hotmail.com. You can also visit the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community website at www.alislam.org.



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So, what does being a Girl Guide allow me to do? It gives me an opportunity to make new friends and meet new people, to see nature and animals, to go on adventures, to have a peaceful moment with my friends, to make crafts, to sleep in tents or bunk beds, to volunteer, to explore new places, to learn to cook, and clean and be independent, to learn life skills, to learn new songs and games. It is an opportunity to be silly, and earn badges, to get out in the fresh air, to eat tasty snacks that I made myself. I learn to respect the world, and be creative, and follow the rules. I learn how to be safe and the importance of volunteering to help those in need. But mostly, it is an opportunity to have fun, because let's face it, we wouldn't want to come if we weren't having fun!

The girls also added that it's an opportunity to sell Girl Guide Cookies, which is the major fundraising tool that allows all these fantastic things to happen. Proceeds from the sale of Girl Guide cookies supports Guiding activities both in our community and across the country. The girls gain self-confidence, increased responsibility, and important life skills regarding courtesy, customer service and money management. That's why we all want to take this opportunity to thank you for supporting us by purchasing our tasty, delicious, marvelous, amazing, wonderful Girl Guide cookies! Your purchases make all this fun happen and helps transform these independent, smart, caring girls into young women that are ready



to take on the world! THANK YOU from the 200th Girl Guide Unit and all the other Girls Guides in Wichewakn District, Calgary, Canada, and beyond!

If you have questions about Girl Guides, wish to volunteer, or want to register your daughter feel free to email Aurora at wichewakn@hotmail.com for more info.



Celebrate National Child Day November 20, 2017!

National Child Day is celebrated annually in Canada on November 20th in recognition of our country's commitment to upholding the rights of children. In 1959 Canada signed the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) and in 1999, it was endorsed by Alberta. The UNCRC sets out the rights of children with 54 articles that provide us with a solid road map of what is needed to raise healthy and happy children and youth. **The 2017 theme is a child's right to be safe.**

Supporting children's rights is a key factor in improving their quality of life. A community that promotes and invests in healthy childhood development, free from adversities, raises healthier and more engaged citizens. When children experience safe, stable, and nurturing relationships, they develop the strength necessary to cope with significant stressors or challenges. When they are placed in unsafe environments that do not uphold these rights, children are at risk for toxic stress, hindered brain development, and negative physical and mental health outcomes later in life.

At the core of respecting a child's right to safety is their voice being heard, believed, and valued in their community. Whether children and youth are at school, at home, on a sports team, with friends, or online, fostering a safe community involves creating positive relationships with caring peers and adults. We respect a child's right to safety by:

- being approachable;
- listening to, and believing their concerns; and
- advocating for safe spaces for them to learn, grow and play.

We encourage all community members to learn about children's rights and to make plans to celebrate the day. Wear blue, attend a special event or plan an activity with a child, read a story or watch a film on children's rights, encourage youth to use their voice on issues that affect them, or plan a fundraiser to support activities for children. Please visit www.nationalchildday.ca for more ideas and to learn more.

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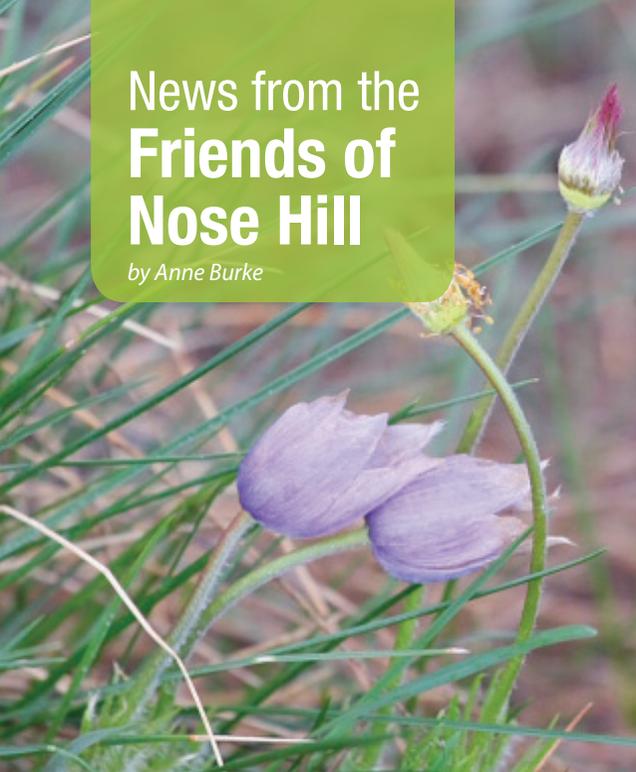
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News from the Friends of Nose Hill

by Anne Burke



quiring investigation by the City of “all available means” to acquire the land. In 1976, the City reduced the size of the proposed Nose Hill Park by deleting the western parcel of 1500 acres. The Municipal Plan in 1979 said there will be a plan for Nose Hill Park. Then the City passed an area structure plan called Crowchild III which refers to the “proposed Nose Hill Park”.

The City adopted the Nose Hill Master Plan by Parks and Recreation to outline the types of recreational activity desirable in the park. This plan put forward 3 alternative park concepts which were evaluated and with recommendations. As a policy document, it was incorporated in the Municipal Plan in June 1980. (There was a Master Plan Review in 1993). With approval of its plan for Nose Hill Park, the City authorized the purchase of land in the park.

The Court determined that: when a municipality makes a firm decision to create a park and demonstrates this in a land-use bylaw, this does not mean that the municipality must create the park immediately.

Under the 1963 law, land could not be zoned as parkland unless the municipality owned the land at the time. Once the decision was made, it had to acquire the land within 6 months. Otherwise, the bylaw was no longer in force.

In 1984, the Court observed that the law has gradually moved away from the rights of the property owner as paramount to planning flexibility and public interest as more important. Alberta decided that, if the rights of individuals and the public conflict, then to the extent necessary, the “greater public interest” must prevail. Ottawa agreed. In other words, *there is nothing inherently wrong with a development freeze*. The Appeal was dismissed with costs.

Join us on Wednesday November 15 at Triwood Community Centre Lounge at 7 p.m. for our annual members meeting. Details on www.fonhs.org.

The Supreme Court of Canada played a role in the creation of Nose Hill Park. Planned public purchase of land for a park can be a legitimate reason for refusing to grant a building permit or for a refusal of an application for rezoning.

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Proper disposal of cigarette waste at home:

1. Extinguished cigarette butts should be thrown away in the black cart.
2. Cigarette ashes need to be double bagged, tied closed and thrown away in the black cart.
3. Never flush cigarette butts or cigarette ashes down your toilet, sink or drain, as they are harmful to the environment and may cause damage to the pipes in your home.
4. Cardboard cigarette packaging goes in the blue bin for recycling.

As a safety protocol, the Calgary Fire Department encourages citizens to ensure that smokers in your home douse cigarette butts and ashes with water before placing them into a non-combustible container and to not ash out or dispose of cigarette butts in planters, mulch or flower beds. The components of soil include organic material that can smolder for hours before igniting.

The city centre is populated with cigarette butt receptacles for citizens to utilize while in public. Many communities and businesses self-manage receptacles for proper waste disposal or recycling purposes.

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This fall has been a busy one for our office. I joined Community and Social Services Minister Irfan Sabir to announce the LGBTQ2S+ Youth Housing and Shelter Guidelines. These guidelines will assist out homeless shelters in helping homeless LGBTQ2S+ youth who account for approximately 40% of the homeless youth population in our city.

I was also proud to stand alongside Advance Education Minister Marlin Schmidt at Bow Valley College as we announced funding for mental health supports for all Calgary post-secondaries. In Alberta, 64% of post-secondary students felt overwhelming anxiety, 57.5% reported feeling hopeless, more than 42% felt so depressed it was difficult to function, and 13.1% seriously considered suicide. This funding will help to provide the necessary supports our students require to succeed.

November is also a special month because it is the month that we put aside a day to Remember and give thanks for the sacrifices made by Canada's brave men and women who have served honourably to protect and preserve the rights and freedoms we as Canadians have today.

There will be many services held around Calgary on November 11th and many the week before. I encourage everyone to take time out of their busy lives to pay their respects to our brave men and women in the Canadian forces past and present who serve and have served with distinction and honor.

To the veterans and service men and women in Calgary-Hawkwood and across our nation, I would like to personally thank you for your dedication, commitment and sacrifices to this country of ours.

Lest we Forget.

REMEMBRANCE

Canada observes the tradition of Remembrance Day on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month. Other nations observe a solemn day but at different dates. For example, ANZAC Day is observed in New Zealand on April 25. In South Africa, Poppy Day is marked on the Sunday that falls closest to November 11.



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Faith formation is a priority at the Calgary Catholic School District (CCSD). To guide us in our faith journey, we have an annual faith theme. For the 2017-2018 school year, we have introduced a new three-year faith theme –“Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you.” (Matthew 7:7)

This year, we will focus on the first part of the theme, “Ask, and it will be given you.” This theme speaks to the power of faith and prayer. Fostering a faith relationship with God through prayer is part of the ongoing work of Catholic education, as it is through prayer that we come to know God’s abundant love and mercy for us, are helped to become all that God wishes us to be and learn to live and act in God’s abiding presence.

Faith formation remains one of our four district priorities this year, as well as student success, student wellness and success for First Nations, Metis and Inuit students. Together with our district administration, we will focus on our faith theme, as well as our district priorities. We are thankful to our district administrators, teachers and staff; we know that through working together we can meet these priorities and help our students succeed.

In recognizing the value and importance of Catholic education, we encourage our community to celebrate Catholic Education Sunday at their local parish on November 4-5. During this weekend, there will be a special collection at each mass, with some funds going to the Calgary Catholic Education Foundation (CCEF). The CCEF is a charitable organization that provides grants to support innovative programs and projects that touch the lives of students in our schools. We thank the CCEF for their support in providing enhanced educational opportunities for Calgary Catholic students and we look forward to celebrating the wonderful work that takes place throughout our province in Catholic schools.

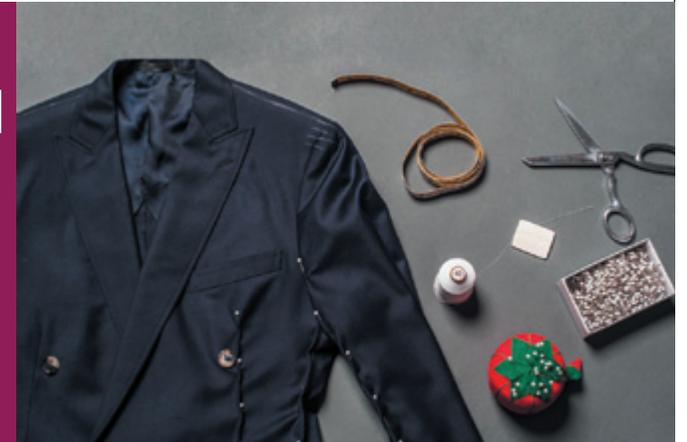


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