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**President's Message** By Bev Johnson

Officially, Spring begins in the northern hemisphere on March 20th, but I believe April is the month when

many in Canada feel Spring has truly arrived, and a sense of renewal is in the air. At the ECA we feel the same way, and our community association takes the opportunity bring our membership together for the opportunity to hear what the ECA has been up to over the last year, and elect a NEW board of directors, who will guide the community association for the following term. I say term because, when you read this, our meeting to revise our bylaws will have taken place and hopefully those bylaws will have been approved by Service Alberta. If that's the case, then our membership will be electing a new board for a 2-year term, a first in the history of our organization. We believe that extending the term will give new board members time to learn about being on a community board and a chance to follow through on initiatives they'd like to work on for the betterment of the community. So this is your chance Edgemont residents: APRIL 26<sup>TH</sup>, 7PM - BE THERE!

In the newsletter this month our Youth Press reporter Samantha Tse has written a wonderful article on how the idea of "loving thy neighbour" translates into action, so make sure that you take the time to read it. Samantha's story is not the only one concerning acts of kindness and caring that can be shared about our neighbourhood. Many of you will recall that at the end of February we had a house fire near our rink and playing fields. Thankfully, none of the residents were harmed but there was extensive damage to the house, which means the family who lived there has had to move out until the house can be rebuilt. This of course is a hardship that all of us can empathize with, so it is comforting to know that neighbours Ginger DeBoni and Lesley James organized a way for the community to donate what they could, to help the family through this difficult period. The ECA would like to extend a heartfelt thanks to both Ginger and Lesley, and all those who pitched in to help.



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#### **The Board Room** Capacity 20

To end off, I'd like residents to SAVE THE DATES. Firstly for our annual community clean up, where you get to clean out all your clutter and either donate to the City of Calgary disposal team or pop gently used items into the NWCC garage sale to support their orphanage in China. Last but not least, May 6th where we'll be celebrating our 6th 1World celebration, and if that wasn't exciting enough, we are going to incorporate a Canada150 theme to celebrate the 150 years of this wonderful success of a nation. A very special part will be the Citizenship Ceremony where new Canadians will take their oath and become citizens of this great country. Not to be missed. See you there.

Till next month. Bev

#### SCHOOLS AROUND **EDGEMONT**

#### **Tom Baines School Drug Awareness Night**

On Feb 23<sup>rd</sup> over 500 people attended a meeting at Tom Baines School about drug awareness and Fentanyl.

Speakers included two mothers who had lost their sons to Fentanyl, a young man who is now a paraplegic because of Fentanyl, a spokesman from Simon House (a drug recovery Centre) and a policeman on the front line in the battle against drugs.

People were given information about specific behaviors to look for in their children that might indicate drug use. They also learned about PChAD (Protection of children using to drugs act), which allows parents to obtain a court order to get youth under the age of 18 out of dangerous situations and into temporary care (10 days).

It also became clear, listening to all the experts, that Marijuana is a "gateway drug", often leading to addiction to hardcore drugs such as Heroin, Fentanyl, and Oxycodone etc. In fact drug dealers are now adding other drugs such as Fentanyl to Marijuana in order to hook youngsters on hardcore drugs. We need to remember that drugs are big business and our youth are the collateral damage. Dealers are making huge profits out of dealing these drugs, and the crime rates in our communities rise as addicts try to pay for their habit via theft etc.

People were also informed about Narcan kits that First responders carry to deal with drug overdose situations. Narcan is the brand name of Naloxone, the drug used to



reverse the effects of an opioid overdose. These kits are also available to the general public from Pharmacies, once they have been trained how to use the kits.

What can we do to address this in our community?

- 1. Be informed. Go to the Nope to Dope Facebook page for drug information and videos.
- 2. Talk to your children about drugs, peer pressure and making good choices.
- 3. Be aware of steps like PChAD that you as parents can take to regain control of the situation
- 4. Consider writing to your MLA with your concerns that legalization of Marijuana could exacerbate the problem
- 5. Do not underestimate or ignore the part Marijuana, as a "gateway" drug, plays in drug addiction and the drug business
- 6. We all need to be non-judgmental when families are dealing with these issues. Bad things happen to good people and we all need to be part of the solution not the problem.
- 7. If you suspect drug dealing in your neighborhood or see suspicious behavior call the Police

If we all work together we can make a difference!

## **Emergency/ Safety Card**

As we know, Edgemont is a wonderful community made up of people of diverse backgrounds, and for many English is not their first language. Sometimes, people slip and fall, injuring themselves, or for those of us getting on in years, sometimes we forget things, like our phone number, and when you find yourself in a position where you are unable to communicate what is wrong, then a minor incident can become a big problem. At the suggestion of a community member, the ECA will have small cards available at the office for people to fill in essential information, such as name, phone number, address etc. You can fill in as much or as little information as you feel you need. Hopefully, these cards will help keep our community members safe and provide necessary information to first responders or members of our community trying to render assistance.

Let's do our best to keep all our community members

#### SCHOOLS AROUND **EDGEMONT**

#### **MP Michelle Rempel talks to Edgemont Grade 6 students about important Democratic matters in Canada**

**Edgemont Herald** 

By Krystyna

On January 24th, 2017, MP (Member of Parliament) Michelle Rempel, who represents the Calgary Nose Hill constituency, came to Edgemont School to talk to the Grade 6's. The presentation was held in the Panorama Room of the Edgemont Community Centre. She came to talk about working in Parliament, how bills are passed, and to answer some questions the students had for her. "I was very excited to meet an MP who works in the government and she is known in so many places. It was like meeting a famous person!" said Grace, a Room 21 student.

The Grade 6's did a little "preparing" before meeting MP Rempel. Room 21 began by learning a bit about her. They learned that MP Rempel is a member of the PC Party and that she represents Calgary Nose Hill. They watched a video called: A Day in the Life of a Member of Parliament and had a lively discussion about different questions to ask MP Rempel.

MP Rempel began her presentation by introducing herself. She explained her job as an MP, and her responsibilities. She answered multiple questions that students had for her as she went through her presentation. She said that no two days are the same when asked about typical days. A Grade 6 student asked her about how she became an MP and what she had done before. She said that she started volunteering for the PC Party when she was around the age of 21. She had learned from her fellow party members about campaigns, elections and the process, and important information for political positions. "My teacher said that she came to talk because the Grade 6's were learning about Democracy and Government. I felt really special." Rachel, a Grade 6 student stated. But it wasn't until she told everyone her daily email amount that we understood she was truly very busy. There are

always a few hundred daily emails she said. Citizenship and Immigration is her committee. She said that some people are guite pressuring and have negative comments about her.

"I think everybody was pretty excited after her presentation, "said Kira, a Grade 6 student. "I know I was. I learned a lot." MP Rempel will continue to love her job and help her constituents. The presentation came to an end as the Grade 6s flooded the room with applause and excited chatter.



## Come One Come All To 1 World

On MAY 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017

the 6th 1World Cultural celebration will take place at

THE EDGEMONT COMMUNITY CENTRE & **EDGEMONT SCHOOL** 33 EDGEVALLEY CIRCLE, NW FROM 10AM - 2PM

All are welcome to come, see and participate in the cultural diversity of our community. Tom Baines, The Edgemont Community Association, Edgemont School, Mother Mary Greene School & local businesses, along with city and volunteer agencies working in Edgemont, and the Government of Canada extend a warm invitation to you all to experience the cultural depth of Edgemont through great performances, fun activities and fabulous food.

This year we celebrate CANADA's 150th birthday with a CITIZENSHIP CEREMONY!!

What a perfect way to celebrate our inclusive diversity in both our great community and nation.

SEE YOU THERE

#### **SCHOOLS AROUND EDGEMONT**

#### **Important Changes to Student Population at Tom Baines School**

After thorough review and feedback received from parents, students, staff and community members January 2016 to January 2017, we have decided to make the following changes to the student population at the school:

• Edgemont Grade 6 students will be added to the current school population

This means that next year, the student population will

- Regular program Grade 6-9 students living in Edgemont
- Regular program Grade 7-9 students living in Hamptons

This decision was made to address the fact that Edgemont School is over capacity. The decision allows Edgemont Grade 6 students to attend Tom Baines School, which helps to address the overcrowding at Edgemont School. The decision also reflects feedback to keep Hamptons students at Tom Baines School due to proximity. More details of what we heard from the community and how this plan responds to that feedback is detailed in the attached chart.

We believe this plan provides the best use of learning space for our students, schools and communities as a whole. It also balances our values and planning principles with what we heard from our students, staff, parents and community.

We know you may have questions about implementing this plan, and we are providing answers to the most frequently asked questions here.

Thank you to everyone who participated at in-person sessions, open houses and through online surveys throughout the engagement process. Your thoughtful contributions have made a meaningful difference in decision-making.

#### Can students living in the Hamptons attend Tom Baines School in Grade 6?

Tom Baines School will be operating at or near capacity. The school will not have space to accommodate Grade 6 students living in the Hamptons for the foreseeable future.

#### What happens if Tom Baines School becomes too full in the future?

If Tom Baines School becomes too full, an overflow bus receiver school will be identified and acceptance into the school will be based on the CBE's lottery process.

#### How will students get to school?

As part of the June 2016 CBE transportation strategy to move Grade 6-9 students to Calgary Transit when possible, students attending Tom Baines School use Calgary Transit and other personal means to travel to and from school. Calgary Transit determines the number of buses and the routes based on ridership and available resources. Some communities have dedicated routes. Visit the Calgary Transit website for more information.

#### Will students need to register at the new school location?

Grade 5 and 6 students who reside in Edgemont and are currently at Edgemont School or as overflow students at Captain John Palliser School are automatically enrolled in Tom Baines School.

Grade 5 students living in Edgemont who currently attend Captain John Palliser School can remain at the school for Grade 6. If they choose to remain at Captain John Palliser, however, they would not be able to attend Tom Baines School for junior high in the unlikely possibility the school reaches capacity. All other students will need to register (new to CBE) or request a transfer from their current school.

#### Will teachers and other staff at the school be changing?

In cases where students enrolled in a regular program move from one school to another, staff movement will depend on requirements at the current and new school locations as well as individual career choices.

#### What support will families and students receive during the transition?

Each school may provide support in different ways, such as hosting an information session, offering a school tour or other means of communication. Your school will advise of these opportunities once they are determined.

When a student with complex learning needs moves from one school to another, the supports required to

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#### SCHOOLS AROUND **EDGEMONT**



#### **Byte Camp Adventure at Edgemont** School

By Simrah

Summer camps are always fun to join, but what better than having an hour of camp right at school? Recently, Byte Camp came to Edgemont School, to give the grade six classes an experience of what Byte Camp is like. Each class had individual time set aside to work with Scratch.

The instructor, Professor Brandon Cathcart, showed the students how to code a maze game. They learned basic coding, using "Scratch." The main coding technique the students used was if, then statements. They also used show and hide, if \_\_\_\_ touching \_\_\_\_ then\_\_\_\_, and many other techniques. Each individual chose a "Sprite", better known as characters to use for their maze game. The basic maze was drawn by the students (on Scratch), making sure they had some challenges included. They also coded to have treasures to collect. Mr. Thomas kindly offered his room, Room 26 in Edgemont School, for coding. Some students had already used Scratch before, so they were more familiar with the coding. Although, after touching on the basics, everyone became much more comfortable with the program. The Grade six teachers and some quest teachers came along to watch. Some even participated by making their own mazes. Simrah, a Grade Six Student, stated, "Even though I've used Scratch before, Byte Camp refreshed my memory. I learned many things, and overall, I had a great time."

"I was having so much fun, I didn't even know that I was using math!" said Simrah. The Cartesian Plane (X and Y axis) was used to configure the way the Sprite would move. Positive and negative integers were used to define the amount of space the Sprite would move within (eg., Y -10, X 10), and so forth. Although the students were working offline, they saved their projects into folders, to access it again.

The teachers and Professor Cathcart are the reason the students had the experience of Byte Camp. Byte Camp came to Edgemont because they wanted to educate the kids; they wanted to introduce (or refresh) them to programming.

Byte Camp is a Vancouver Island based, non-profit organization running since 2003. Byte Camp runs programs in the summer and during the school year. The activities are programmed for ages 9-14. Byte Camp offers animation, SCRATCH coding, video game design, FLASH animations, and introduces computer hardware design. If you are interested check out the Byte Camp website: https://bytecamp. ca/. This was an incredible experience, and the students are hoping Byte Camp comes back to Edgemont.

#### **Important Changes to Student...** cont'd

fulfill the IPP requirements move with them. Teachers and staff at the former and new school will collaborate to ensure the student's needs are met.

What about bell times, school calendars, transfer of resources and fundraising dollars, and other decisions? School administration will communicate with staff, students and parents on implementing processes that work best for the CBE and the school community. CBE Administrative Regulations and other requirements and efficiencies will also be considered in these decisions. Check your school website and newsletter regularly for

#### What if I have more questions?

We have posted an implementation FAQ and other information on our website. If you have a question that is not answered here or on our website, contact the school's principal. If you still have questions, please contact the Area I office at Areal@cbe.ab.ca or 403-777-8710.

This is a time of excitement and, understandably, some apprehension as well. We look forward to working with staff, students and parents to help make a smooth transition.

Sincerely,

Brant Parker • Director, Area I Darlene Unruh • Director, Area II

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## Edgemont WHAT'S HAPPENING IN EDGEMONT



#### **A Message From Your Volunteer** Coordinator

Jeff Edwards • 403-616-6480 volunteers@edgemont.ab.ca

Hi Edgemont,

This is what's happening this month...

Community Clean-up, Serve Day, and Charity Garage **Sale** – 9AM to 2PM Saturday April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2016. See the pics from last year. The ECA Community Clean-up and Serve Day goes from 9AM to 2PM and you can bring non-hazardous junk to the garbage trucks at the ECC, recyclables to the recycle stations, and yourself to the Serve Day table to do a variety of small neighbourhood fix-up projects. E-mail me if you'd like to help. As usual, we will have a charity garage sale at the same time to allow you to donate things that are still useful to raise funds for an orphanage in China.

**1World** multi-cultural celebration is **May 6**th... A beautiful neighbourhood tradition!

Our Casino fund-raiser is May 13-14. Contact me to volunteer.

The Wednesday Breakfast Club (7-9AM) and Wednesday Reading Club (4:30-5:30pm) help children in our neighbourhood. Email me for information.

Questions? Want to be on the volunteer email list? Please contact me.

Love your Edgemont neighbour!













## Summer Program Brochure 2017

Mr. D's Summer Drama Camp • Technology Byte • Mad Science • Sportball • "STARS" Basketball • Rhythmic Tank Music • Rhythmic West Gymnastics • Kids Yoga Camp

Registration for Mr. D's camps begins May 8th 9am walk-ins. Registrant can register a maximum of 3 children. Call ECA office to register after May 9th. Phone in's will be contacted. If space is still available.

#### July 3rd-7th Mr. D's Teen Drama Camp Gr 6 - 12 Cost: \$235 9am - 3pm

My 21st yr. of Summer Drama Camps and we are performing "Shrek", so come on down and have some fun. We will play "X-treme- Survivor", with new games, challenges prizes for all. Camp t/shirts, pizza/texas donut talent show. summer comic book. Mr. D's awesome cooking show Friday is blockbuster day so parents can come and see the show. Your favourite camp counselors are back. Bring lunch every day except Thursday. Register early as camp fills up fast.

#### **Rhythmic Tank Music Camp** 9am - 4pm Cost \$250/week Half day \$125

Help spark your child's passion for music. Create and perform a live action silent movie. Create your own musical instrument to play at home. Will work together to create a family showcase that will celebrate your week at camp. For more details or to register go to www.rhvthmtankstudio.ca or call Jess 587 434-3564.



#### July 10th-14th Mr. D's Junior Drama Camp Gr 6 - 12 Cost: \$235 9am - 3pm

In a galaxy far, far away, yes Star Wars is back this year and we are going "Roque". Favourite camp counselors are back. So much fun with games, prop building, magic. Awesome week of survivor, light sabre battles, bounty hunter breakfast, comics and much more. Pizza/Death Star donut movie day, t/shirts. Visit for TK-197 and his close friend Boba Fett. Bring a lunch every day except Thursday. Register early as this camp fills up fast.

#### Byte Technology Camp 9am-4pm Ages 11-14yrs 3D Animation

Dreaming of a career with Pixar? Come and have fun learning how 3D animated movies are made, learn and have fun modelling, animating, tell your own stories, make you own short animated movie. For more details or to register go to www.bytecamp.ca

#### **Mad Science Radical Robots** Ages 7- 12yrs 9am - 4pm \$350 +GST

Robot Camps are back this year, so much fun; build either Kingli Dragon Bot or Hydraulic Arm bot or both. Have hours of fun at camp and get to take home so plenty of battle fun with friends. Campers will also learn programming, coding and so much more.

More details or to register 403 263-4140 or https://register.madscience.org

#### July 17th-21st **Mad Scientists Inventors Camp** 9am - 4 pm. Ages 6 -11yrs \$350 + GST

Go on an incredible scientific journey through the ages, Leonardo da Vinci to Outer space, medieval times to science fiction. This camp covers lots of ground but you have fun at the same time. You have challenges; construct things like catapults, forts and even a working Light Saber. Too many things to list. Interested contact

Details or to register 403- 263-4140 https://register.madscience.org

#### **Byte Technology Camp** 9am - 4pm Ages 9-12vrs Introduction to Coding

Discover how much fun it is to build your own game. You will be introduced to basic coding skills, learn how to create your own 2D vector artwork making characters and levels that are entirely their own. Lastly you make a game that you take home on USB that vou can share with friends online. For more details or to register go to www.bvtecamp.ca

## Summer Program Brochure



#### July 24<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> Mad Science Jr Brixology Camp 9am - 12pm. Grades K-2 \$175+ GST

Details and to register 403 263-4140 or Learn to construct engineer themed projects using Lego bricks, you will learn about aerospace whilst building a space station, find out about nautical and mechanical engineering as you build boats, vehicles and so much more. More details or to register 403 263-4140 or https://register.madscience.org

#### Mad Science Junior Explorers Camp 1pm – 4pm. Grades K-2 \$175 +GST

Learn what it is like to be an astronaut, learn about dinosaurs, robots, mini mad lab day or watt up day. Too many things to list. Interested and want to find out or to register 403- 263-4140 https://register.madscience.org

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For more details or to register go to www.sportball.ca

#### July 31<sup>st</sup> - Aug 4<sup>th</sup> Stars Basketball 9am - 4pm. Ages

For more details or to register contact Jerome at jmakasier@elitesportsgroup.ca

#### Yoga Camp

#### 9am – Noon

Have your child experience the joy of yoga. We build confidence, concentration and community through poses, games, art projects, learn to relaxation techniques and simple breathing.

To register or find out more info, please contact. Marnie 403 988-4400 or e-mail shantigardenyoga@gmail.com

## August 8<sup>th</sup> -11<sup>th</sup> Byte Technology Camp 9am - 4pm Age 11 - 14 2D Video Game Design

Learn how to build an HTML5 game from ground up by using our tools and equipment. This is a coding camp so be prepared to challenge yourself and learn new skills. You will create advanced 2D vector artwork and animated character sprites to make your game look great. You get to take your game home on USB to share with friends online. For more details or to register go to www.bytecamp.ca

## August 14<sup>th</sup> -18<sup>th</sup> Mad Science Inventors Camp 9am - 4pm Ages 7-12yrs \$350 + GST

Go on an incredible scientific journey through the ages, Leonardo da Vinci to Outer space, medieval times to science fiction. This camp covers lots of ground but you have fun at the same time. You meet challenges; build things from

catapults, forts and even a working Light Saber.

Details or to register 403- 263-4140 https://register.madscience.org

#### August 21st-25th

Rhythmic Gymnastics Camp 9am – 4pm Ages 5-7yrs Half Day Camp \$120

#### Ag es 8- Full Day Camp \$235

Come and have fun activities include rhythmic gymnastics, acro-skills, dance, and yoga. You will create your own rhythmic ribbon to practise at home. Please bring your own lunch and snack.

For more details, or to register contact h.palmer@shaw.ca. Or visit the website www.RGCalgary.ca

#### Stars Basketball Camp 9am – 4pm Ages

For more details or to register contact Jerome at jmakasier@elitesportsgroup.ca

#### Sportball Camp

#### 1pm - 4pm

Action packed camp introduce children to variety of ball and activities, arts, crafts, snack time and more. Coaches focus on basic skills like balance, co-ordination, stamina and timing in a fun, supportive noncompetitive setting that emphasizes teamwork.

For more details or to register go to www.sportball.ca

#### August 28<sup>th</sup> - Sept 1<sup>st</sup> Rhythmic Gymnastics Camp

Rhythmic Gymnastics Camp 9am – 4pm Ages 5-7yrs Half Day Camp \$120

#### Ages 8- Full Day Camp \$235

Come and have fun activities include rhythmic gymnastics, acro-skills, dance, and yoga. You will create your



own rhythmic ribbon to practise at home. Please bring your own lunch and snack.

For more details, or to register contact h.palmer@shaw.ca. Or visit the website www.RGCalgary.ca



#### Park n Play/ Stay n Play

City run program
For more info contact 311

#### Skate park dates:



#### Outdoor Sportball Program

Beginning May Sportball is running an Outdoor Program. Introduces fundamental concepts of gameplay teaches basic skills required to Bend it like Beckham in a non-competitive, supportive environment. Classes run outdoors ands parents are required to remain on the sidelines for the childrens's safety. Registration fees include a Sportball soccer ball and jersey. For more details and to register contact\_www.sportball.ca.



#### LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE AND ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM

This is the title that the city has for the LEAF program.

March will be an exciting month for LEAF as we will have our detailed interactive Edgemont map up and running on our Web site. It will provide detailed information with before and after pictures about all the work done by the City LEAF crew in 2016.

We will also include the history of the Edgemont LEAF program, frequently asked questions, what the program provides for our community, and the 2016 budget report. This has been a time consuming project but well worth the efforts.

We will continue to put updates on the ECA bulletin board, the web site, the newsletter and Facebook through out year two.

Our City Parks Supervisor and our Horticulturalist have been extremely helpful providing us with thorough detailed information, and we want to thank them for all their time and effort to making this program a success.

April will hopefully bring some nice warm weather and we may see some spring 2017 projects started. Our Edgemont weather can be challenging to any project and we have to respect those challenges.

Hope you enjoy the web site. Jo-Ann (ECA LEAF Director) Helen (ECA LEAF Volunteer)

# Edgemont's Annual Recycling Community Clean-up Day

#### Saturday April 22 9am - 2pm

\$5.00 Drop off charge Free with valid membership card.

Electronics, metal, tires, batteries, kid's car seats (upholstery removed), garbage, organic waste, paint: hopefully.

Not accepting household chemicals, home appliances, propane tanks, glass, railroad ties.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN

#### **Message From The Edgemont Casino** Chair

Hello Everyone,

The Edgemont Community Casino is coming up; our dates are SATURDAY, MAY 13th and SUNDAY, MAY 14th 2017 at the ELBOW RIVER CASINO. This is the weekend before the long weekend, so we hope that you don't have any camping plans yet.

Last year we made just over \$70,000 for the community which goes along way helping to support the community building and supporting programs within the community of Edgemont.

You would have to sell an awful lot of chocolate bars or cookies to raise that kind of money. But in order to do that we need the volunteers to support us. That's

where you come in. Please consider giving your time to this event. No experience is needed we get a lot of support from the casino advisors and they show you exactly what to do. We also are so grateful for people coming out that we pay for your dinner/lunch. You could make it a date night! It's also a great way to get together with old community friends.

If you can volunteer for us, please contact me by email

edgemont\_volunteers@outlook.com or phone me at 403-239-8423 or you can just pick up the forms at the Edgemont Community office, one is for Alberta Gaming Liquor Control and the other is for my organizational purposes, fill them out and leave them in the Edgemont Community office.

I look forward to hearing from you and most importantly seeing you at the casino.

Thanks for reading, Cari Middleton, Edgemont Casino Chair





## Edgemont EDGEMONT YOUTH PRESS

#### **Neighbourly Love**

By Samantha Tse, Edgemont Youth Press

Hi everyone, I hope you're all doing well in our neighbourhood.

I know Edgemont is considered a safe community. For me, I never doubted my safety whenever I went out for runs; because I knew this was a safe community. Our people have families, and they go to school and work and have their lives. Our streets are clean and we have a sense of security where we live. But I forgot the fact that no community can be completely safe; consequently, I became more aware of the aspect of personal safety during an incident in January.

I was out for a run, and I saw a woman of about 60 years old walking towards me as she was coming up the sidewalk. I moved over to the side so we could pass each other, but as we neared, she turned her back around 180 degrees. I thought she had turned around to look for something behind her, but when she turned back around, she used all her force to swing her bag at me. I looked at her in shock and saw all the white around her widened eyes. I started getting really scared because of her angry body and facial expressions. She shouted at me and got ready for her next swing. Her anger frightened me so much that I turned and ran across the street to get away from her. I looked back across the street at the woman and moments later, she opened her bag and pulled out a black-handled, six-inch kitchen knife, the kind of knife you would use to cut meat. She shouted and waved her knife at me before collecting herself and continuing up the street as though nothing had happened.

I've learned a lesson -- I know now that even though we live in the Northwest, there is still danger out there in our community. I want to turn this unpleasant experience into a caring reminder to all that we still have a risk of being harmed even in such a safe community as Edgemont. I am aware now, and I hope no one else ever finds themselves in any sticky situations like this.

There's more to this story though, a silver lining even. A woman in her car had witnessed the incident and recognizing the danger, she pulled over and helped me phone 911. We filed a police report. Another woman with her dog offered to walk me home afterwards. The police came to Edgemont and finding the woman, they admitted her into a hospital that day. I thank the two women (I believe who also live in Edgemont) for looking out for me—their concern for me touches me and I see just how caring the people here in Edgemont are.

I am so grateful for what happened to me that day because I experienced how great of a community Edgemont really is. The people here look out for each other. Let's follow the example of these two women. When we see our neighbours in distress, let's help them. We will go to work, to school, and have our own lives; but when we see someone in need of help, let's reach out to them in love and patience. How encouraged and thankful I am to live in this loving community we call Edgemont.



# PROGRAMS AT EDGEMONT COMMUNITY CENTRE

#### **CHURCH SERVICES**

#### **Northwest Community Church**

(nwcchurch.ca) Sundays 10:30am -Noon Contact: Pastor Jeff Edwards @ 403-616-6480 Email: pastor@nwcchurch.ca

#### The City of God Ministry

Sundays 2pm-4pm **ESL & Financial Counseling** Contact; Pastor Praise 587-703-8441 Email: faithhouse2011@gmail.com

#### **Calgary True Light Gospel Church**

(卡城真光福音教会) Mandarin service every Sunday at 10:30AM.

Contact: Pastor Chris Xu 587-703-8443

#### **CHILDCARE**

#### **Edgemont Edusarc**

Before and after school age program servicing the Edgemont Elementary School Please call Judy at 403-241-0131 or email edusarc@gmail.com.

#### Kaleidoscope Kids

Preschool for ages 3-4 years. Mon - Fri. Starts Contact: 403-547-1020 www.kaleidoscopekidspreschool.com

#### **PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN &** YOUTH

#### Scouts

Contact Ross at 403-208-8778 or Neil James 403-288-2705

#### Flourish Yoga

Yoga classes for youth and teens Contact Krista at 403.874.4127 Register: www.flourishyoga.ca

#### **Rhythmic Gymnastics**

Wednesdays h.palmer@shaw.ca for info

#### **Philatelic Society**

Youth stamp collecting Meets 2nd Saturday/month Contact: ECA at 403-239-1211

#### The Casey O'Loughlin Academy of **Irish Dance**

Saturday mornings, 9:15 -10:00am for ages 4 and up. For more information or to register, 403-520-0059 Email:caseyoloughlin@academy.com

#### Art drawing class

Thursday, Saturday, Sunday classes for ages 5 and up. Includes cartoon, sketch, watercolor painting. www.calgary.icoc.cc or call 587-889-8685

#### **First Serve Tennis**

Jeff 403-441-6870 www.firstservetennis.ca

#### Sportball

Tuesday 9:45-11:30am & 4-6pm Children ages 2-8 years www.sportball.ca/Calgary

#### **Drawing @ Young Rembrandts**

Wed 3:45 -7pm for ages 3.5 to 12 Brand new Fall session! With over 25 years of experience and our unique step by step drawing process, students can expect a fun, new lesson every week and improved art skills. Parents can expect increased attention to detail, improved fine motor skills, discipline, persistence and patience. Call 403-457-3729 or calgary@youngrembrandts.com.

#### Music with Joyce: Cantonese music class - adapted from "The Music Class (TMC)" program.

For infants to preschoolers. Each class has between 6-12 students. siblings welcome. Each session is animal themed and

runs for 10 weeks. Class is 45 min long. www.MusicWithJoyce.com. Fridays, 6:30 – 8:30 pm

#### **Edgemont Soccer**

www.edgemontsoccer.ca

#### Northside Soccer

www.northsidesoccer.ca

#### **Mavericks Football**

www.mavericksfootball.ca

#### Calgary Minor Basketball Association www.cmba.ab.ca

#### Skating Rink

Skating rink at John Laurie Park adjacent to 7081 Edgemont Drive NW: Summer use includes basketball, street hockey, roller blading, skateboarding and bike ridina.

#### **PROGRAMS FOR ALL AGES**

#### **One Step Ahead Dance Studio**

Ballet, tap, jazz, hip hop. Adult and

Contact: Melinda @ 403-247-3607

#### LifeSongYoga

Classes for the whole family. Gentle Yoga-Tuesday 2pm-3pm Core Conditioning - Friday 9am-10am Family Yoga- 1st Saturday of the month

For more classes, info and registration: www.lifesongyoga.ca Contact: Wanita@lifesongyoga.ca

## Registration for our programs is ongoing.

#### Karate

Youth and Adults Contact Doug at 403-560-4508

#### **Bunbukan Karate**

Sensei Alan Colter, has been teaching all ages and skill levels for more than 16 years, and is a Chief Youth instructor at the U of C since 2007.

Wed. 6-9:30 pm all year long. Variety of classes and levels, all welcome, try a class FREE. Contact: Alan Colter at 403-274-3535 Email: info@bunbukan.ca. www.bunbukan.ca

#### **Bollywood Dancing**

Wednesday 7:30-8:30pm Mind, body and soul exercise program. Adults and children. Contact: 403-246-5739 Email: contact@spargproductions.com

#### Lvnda Burgess Yoga Prenatal Yoga - Wednesdays

6:05-7:20pm Ease discomforts, stretch your body and build strength while preparing your body and mind for your upcoming birth.

#### Mom and Baby Yoaa -

Thursdays 10:30-11:30am Gently restore and strengthen your body and relieve discomforts while spending quality time with your baby.

For more information and registration please visit www.lyndaburgessyoga.com

#### PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS:

#### **Learn Spanish**

Take the challenge of learning Spanish. For details, pricing and class

schedules: www.spanishmania.ca or 403-475-6162

#### **Toastmasters**

Every Saturday from 9:30 to 11:30 Contact: Shaila Khan speakersedgetoastmaster@gmail.com

#### **Alcoholics Anonymous**

Meet every Friday 7pm-9pm Contact: ECA 403-239-1211

#### **Megan Fitness**

Wed. 7:45 – 8:45pm email megankmacdonald@yahoo.ca to register

#### **Zhan Fitness**

(in Mandarin) Tues. 7:15 – 8:30pm email zhanwendy@shaw.ca

#### **NW Chinese Senior Support Group** of CCECA

卡城華人耆英會西北關懷小組 Drop-in for those who are 50+ and speak Chinese (Cantonese/ Mandarin).

Singing, dancing, exercise, news reporting, sharing games and pot luck.

Contact: 403-269-6122

#### **Silk Road Chinese Folk Dance**

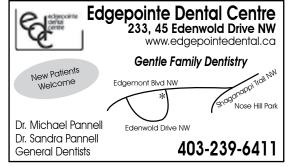
Class NEW CLASS Thurs 6-8 pm silkroaddance88@gmail.com 403-510-9059

#### **Al-Anon Family Group**

Meets every Thursday 10am - 11am. Contact: ECA 403 239-1211.







#### **Editors' Note**

The editorial board of Inside Edgemont consists of:

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ECA Board of Directors, Communications

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Visit our website for current news on ECA activities.

Our website and social media accounts are evolving under the direction of Brett Plaizier, communications@ edgemont.ab.ca.

Website: www.edgemont.ab.ca

Facebook: Edgemont Community Association

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**Instagram:** edgemontcommunity

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- 1. Keep your letter to 200 words maximum.
- 2. Include your name and contact information.
- 3. You may be edited for space and to ensure a balanced and respectful tone.
- 4. Publication is not quaranteed.

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#### **Helping Your Children with Social** and Emotional Skills

As parents, we strive to help our children learn new things in the early years of their lives. These things include learning to walk, dress themselves, use the potty, and many many more things. Teaching your child social-emotional skills are just as important. These skills are: recognizing and understanding their thoughts and feelings; making healthy decisions and learning right from wrong; being a friend and making friends (teaching conflict resolution and cooperation); self regulation (calming themselves down in an appropriate manner); being empathetic to others.

Here are some tips on how to foster social emotional development in a preschool child:

- 1. Parents need to role model proper interactions and self control.
- 2. Listen to what the child is saying instead of judging.
- 3. Give reasons for the behavior you want and make goals to achieve the behavior.
- 4. Teach a child empathy instead of being sympathetic all the time. It never hurts to try and see something from another's point of view.

The Calgary NW ECD Coalitions consist of three coalitions who have joined forces with parents, community members, organizations and professionals, who are all working together to better the lives of young children and their families. We work hard to support five important developmental areas for children – Social Competence, Emotional Maturity, Language & Thinking Skills, Physical Health & Well-being, and Communication Skills & General Knowledge. We are always looking for interested parties to join our coalitions.

If you are passionate about children and their future, and would like more information about the Calgary NW ECD Coalitions, or if you have any questions, please email us at: nwecdcoalitions@gmail.com.

#### TRIPLE A

#### April at Triple A

Join us for the 21st Annual Bow West Art Show and Sale Saturday April 8th! 10am to 3pm at the Silver Springs Community Centre where over 40 artists will show case their work. From landscapes to still life, there is sure to be something for everyone. If considering making a purchase please note payment is only accepted by cash or cheque.

TAXES on your mind? Silver Springs CA will be hosting FREE TAX CLINICS on March 28 6:30 – 8:30pm and April 12 6:30 – 8:30pm. Returns are processed by Chartered Professional Accountants (CPA's) and CPA candidate volunteers organized through CPA Alberta. By appointment only. Call for more information on who is eligible for the service or to book your time slot 403-288-2616.

Looking for a new activity to fill a gap in your day? Look no further here is the comprehensive list of activities by day of the week:

#### **MONDAYS**

- Ladies Social Coffee Craft Club at SACA: April 3 & 24 9am to Noon, April 10 9am to 3pm bring a lunch
- Senior Fitness at VCA: 9:15 to 10:15am
- Zumba Gold at SACA: 10:30 to 11:30am Drop-ins welcome
- 50+ Chinese seniors gathering at ECA: 10am Noon, Cantonese & Mandarin spoken, come and meet some new friends and sing, dance, share games, pot luck lunches. For more information contact 403 269-6122
- Country Line Dancing at VCA: 11am to Noon
- Zumba Toning Gold at SSCA: 11am to Noon
- Senior's Yoga at SSCA: 12:15 1:15 (Registration Required)
- Seniors Card Club at VCA: (Canasta and Bridge): 12:30 - 3:30pm
- Senior's Social at MCA: Last Monday of the month 1:00 to 3:00pm. Join us for a pot luck lunch and then a presentation and/or cards and games.
- Fun & Games at SSCA: 1:30 to 3:30pm
- HATHA Yoga at VCA: 8:15 9:15pm

#### **TUESDAYS**

- Zumba Gold at DCA: 9:15am
- Seniors Yoga at VCA: 10:00 11:30am
- Single Ladies Get Together at SACA: April 11 & 25 10:30am to Noon
- Beginner Dancing at SACA: 10:30 to 11:30am Drop-ins welcome

- Intermediate Dancing at SACA: 11:35am to 12:35pm Drop-ins welcome
- North Ladies Duplicate Bridge at VCA: Noon 3:00 pm
- Varsity Artist Colony at VCA: Noon 3:00pm
- Book Club at SACA: April 4 1 to 3pm
- Quilting Group at SACA: April 19 9am to 3pm
- Qigong at SSCA: 12:15 to 1:15pm (Registration Required)
- Pickleball at SSCA: 1:30 to 3:30pm \$5 Drop in fee
- Varsity Book Club at VCA: 1st Monday 7:00 9:00 pm

#### **WEDNESDAYS**

- Walking Club at SACA: departing from SACA at 9:15am sharp, FREE!
- Senior Fitness at VCA: 9:15 10:15am
- Ladies Bridge at VCA: 12:30 3:00pm
- Fun & Games at SACA: 12:45 to 3:45pm \$2 Drop in Fee
- Cribbage at DCA: 1:30 to 3:30pm

#### **THURSDAYS**

- · Walking Group at VCA: 9:15 to 10:00 am
- · Zumba Gold at DCA: at 9:15am
- Yoga Basics at SACA: 9:15 to 10:45am Drop-ins welcome
- Qigong at SACA: 9:30 to 10:30am Drop-ins welcome
- Tai Chi at VCA: 11am to Noon
- Laugh & Learn at SACA: April 6 1:00 to 2:00pm FREE! Smart Phone & Internet Safety
- Mah Jong at SSCA: 12:45 3:30pm
- Artist Gathering at SACA: April 13 & 27 1:00 to 3:00pm \$2 Drop in Fee
- Intermediate Line Dancing at SSCA: 1:00 to 2:00pm (Registration Required)
- Beginners Line Dancing at SSCA: 2:00 to 3:00pm (Registration Required)
- Pickleball at SSCA: 7:00 to 9:00pm \$5 Drop in fee

- Zumba Gold at SACA: 9:15 to 10:15am Drop-ins welcome
- Seniors Yoga at SSCA: 11am Noon (Registration Required)
- Pickleball at SSCA: Thursdays 1:30 to 3:30pm \$5 Drop in fee

#### **Location contact information**

- DCA Dalhousie CA 403.286.2555 admin@dalhousiecalgary.ca
- ECA Edgemont CA 403.241.9493 office @edgemont.ab.ca
- MCA Montgomery CA 403.247.3116 mcac@telus.net
- SACA Scenic Acres CA 403.547.9589 scenicacresca@shaw.ca
- SSCA Silver Springs CA 403.288.2616 ssca@shaw.ca
- VCA Varsity CA 403.288.9001 vcapros@telus.net



Join a committee to plan community events that will bring the residents of Edgemont together.

groups & the City, coordinating sharing of assets like fields & storage. Jeff Edwards volunteers@edgemont.ab.ca 403-616-6480

#### Friday Foodbank deliveries

Adult volunteers needed to occasionally deliver groceries.

#### Wednesday Breakfast Club donations

starting in September, drop off items to help feed breakfast to some hungry kids in Edgemont at the ECA office

#### **ECA BOARD MEETINGS** April 24, 2017

Open to all Edgemont Residents. Please call the office to confirm the start time 403,239,1211

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS. SAVE THE DATE!**

#### **REGISTER FOR A PROGRAM**

at Edgemont Community Centre! Most programs run from September to June. There are a variety of programs to choose from.

www.edgemont.ab.ca Under program tab.

#### **Annual CLEAN UP**

April 22<sup>nd</sup> • 9am – 2pm

#### AGM

April 26th • 7pm

#### 1World Celebration

May 6th, 2017

# IN & AROUND

#### **Women's English & Social Group – Meet Your Neighbours** & Practice English!

The New Friends and Neighbourhood Group program is a safe and fun environment for immigrant women to improve their English and meet new women in the community.

Registration is FREE and there are no minimal English requirements. Groups meet once a week for 2 hours to practice English, make new friends and have fun! Free childcare is also provided (6 months - 6 years). JOIN ANYTIME!

Edgemont Group 224 Edgeburn Lane NW Wednesdays 10:00am-12:00pm throughout the city, please contact: Debra Colley, Program Coordinator Calgary Immigrant Women's Association Email: debrac@ciwa-online.com

Phone: 403-444-1752

Website: www.ciwa-online.com

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News from the

**Friends of** 

**Nose Hill** 

by Anne Burke

The North Calgary Water Servicing Project is underway. This is part of a long-term plan to sustain the water supply system. A new water supply line (feeder main) is required to service future area development A consultant will design and construct a new water main from Big Hill Pump Station to the Beddington Reservoir. The preferred alignment will cross Nose Hill Park, using geotechnical tunnelling up to 90 metres or 300 feet deep. A rare plant and bird survey to ensure conservation of protected species will be done before phase 1 soil sampling to test the proposed route. The optimum time to drill 21 test holes (each 6 inches in diameter) is midwinter when the ground is frozen, which minimizes the impact on the surface environment. However, the areas adjacent to these test locations will be rehabilitated prior to crew leaving the site.

The City promises that there will be only minor surface disruption in the SW and NE corners of Nose Hill at the entrance and exit of the proposed tunnel. No other surface work would be required in the park. Phase 2 construction will occur in Summer 2017 to summer 2018. Drilling and survey equipment and personnel will be visible on the hill but away from the paths by mid-Febearly April 2017. In addition, there will be signs at Nose Hill parking lots and an information brochure at www. calgary.ca/nosehill. You can phone 3-1-1 for general water construction inquiries or a list of road closures due to other construction projects.



Our website: www.aboutpainting.ca

#### **Easter Sunday Celebration**

Please join us on April 16, 2017

9-10:20am Complimentary Breakfast (RSVP by phone or e-mail)

9:50-10:25am Children's Easter Egg Hunt 10:30-11:30am Worship and Musical Celebration

#### Westminster Presbyterian Church

290 Edgepark Blvd. NW, Calgary Website: www.wpchurch.net Phone: 403.241.1443 E-mail: admin@wpchurch.net





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Here is some of what we were up to in February and March, and some upcoming events in April.

Our district covers the communities of: Edgemont, Evanston, Hamptons, Hidden Valley, Hanson Ranch, Kincora, Nolan Hill, Sherwood and Sage Hill. We have units for all age groups -Sparks (ages 5-6), Brownies (ages 7-8), Guides (ages 9-12), Pathfinders (ages 12-15) and Rangers (ages 15-17).

\*\*When does registration start for next year? You can register online through www.girlguides.ca - open registration starts the first week of June (re-registration for current members starts in April/May).

#### Sparks

The 170th Spark (Thursday nights) unit went on a c-train ride to Tim Horton's for hot chocolate! It was a fun experience for the girls and a great way to learn about the community around us. We are extending our community focus by visiting a bakery in the area to make some scones. We are excited about eating some tasty treats!

The 70th and 145th Spark units have been busy earning their "Being Healthy" keeper by learning about Canada's food guide, eating healthy, why it is important to stay healthy and learned how to put on a Band-Aid on their favorite stuffy! To complete our keeper, the girls enjoyed an evening of Zumba and danced all night.

We had a very fun night making a tent craft for our memory books and even had our meeting in a tent in our pajamas singing songs and eating popcorn. As we all have a birthday every year, we celebrated with an "Unbirthday Party" all on one night at the Coventry Hills Superstore making pizza and decorating a birthday cake. The firehall visit was awesome and had a fun time with the firemen, learning all about what a firefighter does. We even got to sit up in the fire truck and use the fire hose! A very fun sleepover at the Telus Spark Science center where the Sparks played through the exhibits, watched a dome show about the planets and constellations and even got to see real science hot and cold science experiments. The girls learned about Lord and Lady Baden Powell and celebrated Thinking Day! The girls are busy working on their keepers and earning lots of fun crests! Our units have more fun meetings planned for the remaining of our Guiding year!

The 165th Sparks (Monday nights) have been busy little bees! We went to visit our local fire house, and 20 minutes into the tour, the Fire Hall got an emergency call. We all had to rush out so the firemen could leave to do their job. It was very exciting.

We have also been working on our Being Healthy keeper and learned all about the eating well with the Canada Food guide and attended a Zumba class! We had the exciting opportunity to spend the night at Telus Spark were we learned all kinds scientific facts and got to build our own colouring robot!

Coming up soon we are going to go to District Camp for a day as well as our own one night Spark Camp. We will also be continuing to work on our In Our Neighborhood keeper by visiting a grocery store and a Gelato Shop. Of course we will also be selling cookies!

#### **Brownies**

229th Brownies (Monday nights) - In January we had a career night and attended Healthy Aisles at Loblaw's City Market. We had fun at our Flip Factory sleepover where we bridged with the 4th brownies. We have a Pathfinder leading a meeting for us for thinking day. We are also getting ready for our AARCS service project with the Sparks. We will be collecting pet supplies and making homemade treat for the dogs. We will also be bridging with the 145th Sparks and teaching them some fun Brownie activities!

151st Brownies (Thursday nights) - we did on the 9th Feb Valentines Day Hearts for each other, and painted wooden boxes for those valentine secrets! 23rd Feb we did crafts and games for thinking day including international uniform paper dolls. making awesome British soldiers using clothes pegs, role playing the Baden Powells, and a pretty friendship ribbon craft with yellow and blue. In March we plan Home Depot visit to work on our woodworking key, badge testing and our heritage on the 9th and then 16th a sewing workshop

4th Brownies (Tuesday nights) – we had a great time at the Flip Factory sleepover (trampolines) with the 229<sup>th</sup> Brownies. In February, we also celebrated Valentine's Day, had an art show fundraiser for CWFF (Canadian World Friendship Fund), and celebrated Thinking Day, the birthdays of Lord Baden-Powell (founder of Scouts) and his wife, Lady Baden-Powell. In March, we are planning a trip to the Fire Hall, and bridging with Guides in preparation for advancement in May. We are also looking forward to our upcoming District camp in April, where all of our units in our entire district will be participating!!

9th Trex - In the last month or so, the Trex unit has done some planning for the last part of the year. We have finished the Explore Canada Challenge, gone to an Archery night with another Trex unit, planned a night for the Guides and will be running their program/fun night and talking about the Trex unit to them. Our upcoming events are skating at the Oval, Izzy dolls Service Project (Health Partners International of Canada comfort dolls for their humanitarian medical kits) and planning for a couple camps we have coming up in May and June.

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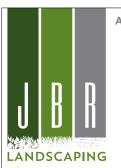
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As you know, my top priority remains the Alberta economy and jobs crisis here at home. I will continue to work hard on your behalf and demand that this government provide the relief and job creating policies that Albertans need in order to get back to work. That's why my colleagues and I created the Alberta Jobs Taskforce, in order to listen to Alberta employers and those who are out of work and convey their solutions directly to the federal government. The report, along with the 11 recommendations, is on my website at www.MichelleRempel.ca.

I would also like to bring your attention to two important upcoming events:

- 1) Town Hall Meeting April 27th at 7:00 PM at the Berkshire Citadel (222 Sandarac Drive N.W.)
- 2) Career Services Event May 13th starting at 9:30 AM at Foothills Alliance Church (333 Edgepark Blvd. N.W.)

For more information on both these events visit my website at www.MichelleRempel.ca

As always you can contact me at my office, about issues important to you.







MLA Calgary-Foothills **Prasad Panda** Suite 104, 3604 - 52 Ave NW Calgary, AB T2L 1V9 • 403-288-4453 calgary.foothills@assembly.ab.ca

You are invited to my town hall meeting on April 24. It will be held at the Symons Valley United Church, located at 38 Kincora Rise NW at 7PM. I look forward to hearing your views on any and all topics, including legislation passed in the fall session and new bills that are being debated in this current session. I also want your opinion on the recently introduced 2017/18 Alberta budget and the impact you feel it will have on your family's future.

In late February I was attending a conference in Ottawa and took the opportunity to meet many federal MPs and policy advisors from both the government and official opposition sides. I was particularly interested in speaking with ministerial staff and opposition critics in the natural resources and economic development portfolios. I had many respectful discussions about market access for Alberta's petroleum products.

I also visited the Ontario legislature at Queen's Park in Toronto where I had informative meetings with Patrick Brown, the leader of the Official Opposition, and Minister Dipika Damerla from the Ontario government. I think it is important to make and maintain connections with my elected counterparts in other provinces so that we can gain a greater understanding of ways to cooperate and to deal with the challenges we both face.

In the current session, I am pleased that I will be introducing my first private member's motion. While a motion doesn't carry any legal obligation for the government to act, if it passes, it would give the government tacit permission to explore their options for future policy in this area.

The wording of my motion is as follows: "Motion 505 - Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the federal government to introduce legislation to phase in a ban on the import of oil from countries with a poor human rights or environmental record and develop strategies to facilitate the building of pipelines within Canada to ensure better prices for Alberta oil and security of supply to Canadian markets."

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