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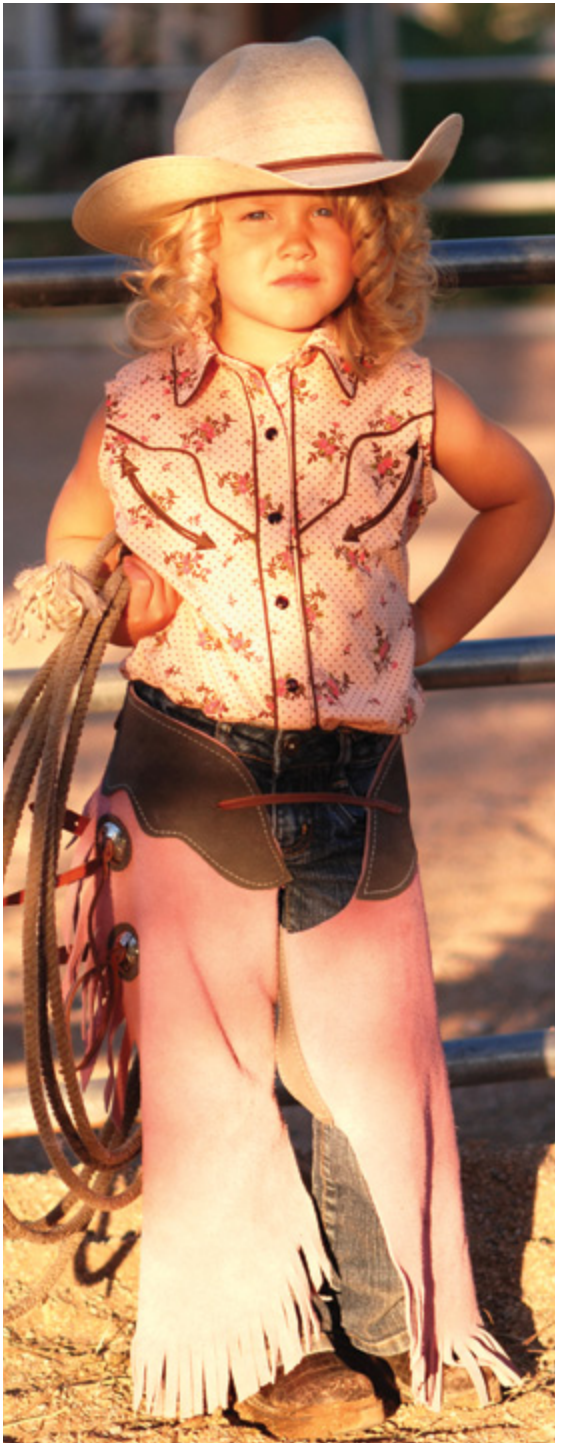

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In October 2011, the Traffic Safety Amendment Act, 2011 came into force, bringing with it a number of new laws against driving while doing things such as talking on a cell phone, applying makeup, texting or engaging in any other activity that can distract a driver from the road.

It is important to remember that sending even a short text can take a driver's eyes off the road for five seconds— enough time to travel the length of a football field. In fact, texting drivers are 23 times more likely to have a collision. Research has indicated that driver distraction contributes to 20 to 30 percent of all collisions. Distracted drivers are three times more likely to be involved in a collision than attentive drivers and studies reveal that drivers reaching for moving objects in a vehicle increase the risk of a collision by nine times.

The fine for distracted driving remains $172 while drivers that exhibit more serious or risky behaviours could be charged with "driving carelessly" under the Traffic Safety Act. The penalty for driving carelessly carries six demerit points and a fine of $402.

Minimizing the possibility of distractions before driving is an effective way to ensure that you, your family, and those around you remain safe on the road.

For more information about distracted driving, visit www.saferoads.alberta.ca or http://www.saferoads.com/communication/communication-print-resources.html

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FROM THE BOARD

ECCA Members Discounts

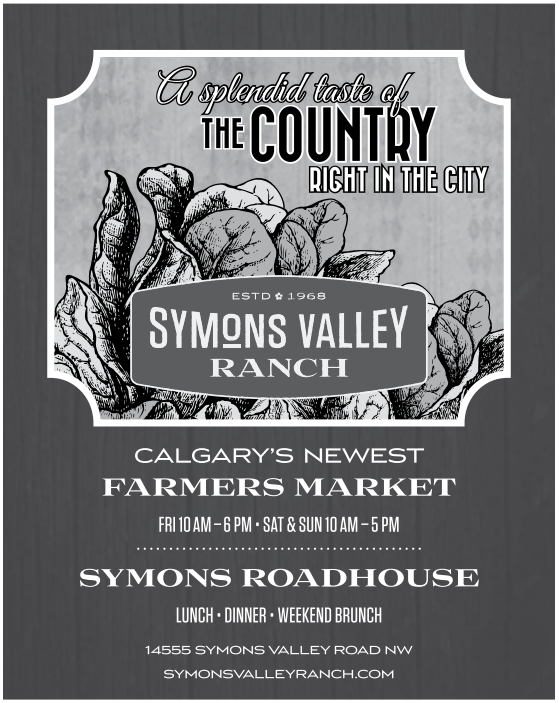
"Show your Card and Save"

The ECCA is running a "Members Discount" Program.

Our Business Members have graciously extended special offers for card carrying ECCA residential members. This program was newly launched earlier this year, and will continue to grow as we partner with more local businesses.

We invite you to check in regularly for offers on our community website http://www.eccacalgary.com/business-directory/ecca-members-discounts/

The ECCA is continually striving to increase the benefits and value of holding a current residential membership. 100% of membership fees go towards community programming and future development projects.



The Evanston-Creekside Association is continually looking for volunteers!

We certainly understand that people are busy and have many commitments. There is no pressure to give up your time when you simply do not have it. The goal would be to engage people when there is a need and reach out to our volunteer base in hopes that a few can fit some volunteer time into their schedule from time to time.

Some events and programs include but are not limited to, Event Planning, Soccer Program, Community Clean-up, Roles in Committees etc...

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact volunteer@eccacalgary.com for more details.

By having a base of volunteers, the ECCA is able to provide more events and community programming. We look forward to your participation in supporting your community.

FYI

The **Glacier Skywalk** provides a breathtaking view of the Columbia Icefield, located in the heart of the Canadian Rockies. A 400-metre walkway leads to a glass-floored observation platform protruding from a cliff 280 metres above Sunwapta Valley.

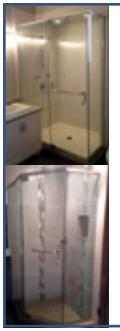
Evanston Real Estate Update

Last 12 Months Evanston MLS Real Estate Sale Price Stats

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
May 2014	$491,183	$486,212
April 2014	$492,766	$490,902
March 2014	$489,927	$487,720
February 2014	$496,300	$491,195
January 2014	$455,544	$452,372
December 2013	$470,239	$465,536
November 2013	$520,257	$510,510
October 2013	$474,373	$469,559
September 2013	$444,644	$439,844
August 2013	$450,493	$444,518
July 2013	$452,500	$446,804
June 2013	$438,494	$434,000

Last 12 Months Evanston MLS Real Estate Number of Listings Stats

	No. New Properties	No. Properties Sold
May 2014	42	32
April 2014	32	26
March 2014	36	32
February 2014	24	26
January 2014	28	22
December 2013	13	19
November 2013	23	24
October 2013	26	32
September 2013	34	18
August 2013	37	30
July 2013	27	25
June 2013	31	27
Total	**351**	**313**



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News from the Friends of Nose Hill

by Anne Burke

The East Zone of Nose Hill has a primary and secondary trail layout, with an upper plateau granular trail and a chip-sealed pathway. Planning and construction activities focus on the following work:

Trail rehabilitation and closure of informal non-designated routes in the east portion of Nose Hill which resumed in spring 2014.

Trail rehabilitation will take place over the next few years, in a phased approach.

Installation of additional trail marker signs will take place, as trails are rehabilitated.

As work progresses on these initiatives, please use caution near construction sites, follow detours, and adhere to park signage.

Please check back for project updates on the city website at www.calgary.ca/nose hill park.

City Parks is interested in projects of any scale; from how we grow and develop as a city; to how we manage spaces (large parks to backyards and balcony planters); to how we increase the knowledge of biodiversity in our communities, and everything in between. If you are interested in having your project featured in the plan, there is still time to contribute.

The Alberta Emerald Foundation Awards annually recognize environmental excellence in the province in a wide range of categories. In 2014, there were 96 nominations from 22 communities. The 23rd Annual Emerald Awards Ceremony was on June 5, 2014. To read more go to: http://emeraldfoundation.ca/. As I write, Polly L. Knowlton Cockett was one of 33 finalists for her project "Stewardship, Signage, and Sense of Place in an Urban Prairie" about Whispering Woods, in her community, with native plants, and interpretive signage.

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News from Georges P. Vanier

What makes Georges P. Vanier amazing? Well of course, it is the wonderful students. It is with a bit of sadness that we see our Grade 9's go this year. All the championships they have won, all the money they have raised for charity, all the work that they have done during the year makes then an amazing crew. They will be a tough act to follow!

Throughout these years at Ecole Georges P. Vanier School, it has been our major purpose to help them grow into intelligent, compassionate and responsible citizens. It has been our objective to build in them an unswerving appreciation of and a loyalty to the democratic values upon which Canada stands. Our emphasis has always been to develop in them the necessary skills that they will need for a sound educational foundation. This foundation will not only serve them well in their pursuit for higher education, if that is their goal, but will be of advantage to them in their social and business endeavours. I have no doubt that they will carry on in the tradition of the thousands of Georges P. Vanier students who preceded them and are now productive members of our society, leaders of industries and difference makers in the World, always striving for excellence!

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- **Centre Street Bridge Fireworks** At 10:45 pm, fireworks will light up the Calgary sky. The following road and pathway closures will be in effect 8 p.m. July 1 to July 2 to ensure the safe implementation of fireworks:
  - Pathways from Prince's Island Park to 4th St. SE and Sien Lok Park to 1st St. SE
  - Centre Street Bridge
  - Centre Street N from 3 Ave S to 7 Ave N
  - Samis Rd. NE
  - Memorial Drive south late from 3 St NW to 4 St NE

- **July 2-6 - The 'North American'** at Spruce Meadows hosts the best show jumping athletes and horses from throughout the world. Family entertainment and shopping Friday - Sunday. 403.974.4200 / www.sprucemeadows.com
- **July 18 - Sister Sparrow & The Dirty Birds** An eight-piece powerhouse that puts a modern spin on classic soul. 7:00 pm at Webber Academy Performing Arts Centre. www.stampedecitysessions.com
- **July 18 – Calgary Stampeders vs Hamilton Tiger Cats** at 8:00 pm at McMahon Stadium. www.stampeders .com/2014-schedule
- **July 19 - Creekfest** is a one-day celebration of water, featuring musical acts, presenters and activities at Fish Creek Park. 403.238.3841 / www.friendsoffishcreek.org/event/creekfest/
- **July 19 – Harlequin & Lee Aaron** at the Deerfoot Inn & Casino. Wristband 6:30 pm / Show 9:00 pm. 403.236.7529 / www.deerfootinn.com
- **July 24-27 – Calgary Folk Fest** is the best way to celebrate community and summer. 403.223.0904 / www.calgaryfolkfest.com
- **July 26 – Zombie Survivor 5K Fun Run** is filled with obstacles and zombies. Will you have what it takes to survive? 855.288.8687 / www.zombiesurvivor.ca
- **until August 9 – The Comedy of Errors** Shakespeare in the Park runs at Prince's Island Park. www.theatrecalgary.com

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AFRIKADEY!
is a celebration of African music, literature, arts, dance and cuisine at Prince's Island Park and other venues. 403.234.9110 / www.afrikadey.com

AUGUST 14-23
GLOBALFEST
is a family-oriented, multi-cultural and fireworks festival held at Elliston Park in East Calgary. 403-569-9679 / www.globalfest.ca

AUGUST 23 – CALGARY DRAGON BOAT RACE & FESTIVAL
takes place at North Glenmore Park. www.chinatowncalgary.com/dragonboat

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- **August 1-9 – Calgary Fringe Festival** hosts a combination of local, national, and international productions. 403.451.9726 / www.calgaryfringe.ca
- **August 2 – Inglewood Sunfest** comes alive with street festival performers, vendors, and food outlets. 403.829.9175 / www.inglewoodsunfest.com
- **until August 3rd – Calgary International Blues Festival** with most events at Shaw Millenium Park. www.calgarybluesfest.com
- **August 10 – Marda Gras** is a free, family-friendly event featuring the best of New Orleans. Food trucks, vendors, live music, street performers, children's activities and more held in the Marda Loop area. 403.685.5667 / www.mardaloop.com
- **August 14-16 – ReggaeFest** is a family-friendly event spreading the sounds of Reggae music around the city. Main stage event at Shaw Millennium Park. More info at 403.355.5696 / www.reggaefest.ca
- **August 14-17 – Taste of Calgary** is the city's outdoor festival of food and drinks -- held at Festival Plaza in Eau Claire. 403.293.2888 / www.tasteofcalgary.com
- **August 14-23 – Opera in the Village** is Calgary Opera's second annual outdoor summer festival. Main stage performance of Candide / family matinees of Hansel & Gretel. 403-262-7286 / www.calgaryopera.com/bigtop
- **August 22-24 – Expo Latino** takes place at Prince's Island Park with a weekend of live bands, dancing, food and art. Weekend passes available. 403.271.2744 / www.expolatino.ca
- **August 23 – Calgary Japanese Festival Omatsuri** held at the Bowness Community Assocation Centre celebrates a wide variety of Japanese food, music, dance and cultural activities. www.calgaryjapanesefestival.com
- **August 23 – Carifest** is an annual festival showcasing the arts and culture of the Caribbean. Shaw Millennium Park. 403.774.1300 / www.carifestcalgary.com
- **August 23-25 – Expo Latino Festival** creates experiences of discovery and learning through the celebration of people, music and dance. 403.271.2744 / www.expolatino.ca
- **August 30 – Calgary Scottish Highland Games** features music, cultural events, Highland dancing and more at Springbank Park For All Seasons. www.calgaryhighlandgames.org
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Friday, July 18 from 10:15 - 10:45 a.m. Registration required.

Beach Ball Babies
Bees buzzing, flowers blooming, sand squishing through toes... Celebrate the hot days of summer with stories, rhymes and songs. Ages 6 to 23 months with a parent/caregiver Wednesday, July 9 from 2:15 - 2:45 p.m.
Registration required.

Eureka! Discover bugs
Let's share stories, songs and rhymes about cute, creeping, crawling bugs.
Ages 2 to 3 with a parent/caregiver Monday, July 14 from 10:10 - 10:30 a.m. Registration required.
Drop-in to any Library and check out a great summer read for your chance to win weekly prizes!

Fort Calgary: On the Road
Learn about our history through artifacts from Fort Calgary's collection. Try on a Mountie tunic and make a craft with your children. Enjoy activities for the whole family! Saturday, July 19 from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. No registration required.

Eureka! Makers - Explore Your Inner Artist
Join us for stories, games and other fun activities to celebrate the 2014 TD Summer Reading Club. Ages 6 to 8 Tuesday, July 15 from 2:30 - 3:30 p.m. Registration required.

Kids' Library Club
Drop in and talk about your favourite books, movies and music, and enjoy board games, origami, video gaming, art contests and much more. Ages 8 to 12 Thursdays, July 24 and July 31 from 2:30 – 4:00 p.m. Registration required.

Computer Technology Coaching
Drop in for one-on-one, volunteer help on using the Internet and Microsoft Office products.
Wednesdays, May 7 to Aug. 27 (No program on July 23) from 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. No registration required

New to Canada? – The library is here to welcome and support you

The library offers Newcomers substantial information and resources to receive vital support in settling in a new Canadian Society and community.

Added to this line of services is "*Welcome to the Library*" a new initiative to gear newcomers to succeed and thrive in Calgary (Canada). In partnership with, and support by RBC Foundation – this program includes Welcome Tours, Welcome Library Cards and Welcome Videos.

The 60 minutes bookable Welcome Tours introduce learners to the vast array of library resources, programs and services available. Newcomers also receive their first Canadian library card *Welcome Library Card* along with a Welcome folder giving them access to programs, resources and services and learning resources. Added to this package for better integration and settlement is a multi-language *Welcome Video* introducing members of the newcomer communities to the Library's resources, programs and services in more than 18 languages.

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THE ALBERTA FILE

Changes have been made to the process whereby government policy and legislation is formulated. This revised process will allow all MLAs to have more input into government initiatives and to better represent their constituents. I am pleased to announce that Premier Dave Hancock has re-established Cabinet Policy Committees which will examine all new government legislation and policy.

Premier Hancock has appointed me as Chair of the Cabinet Policy Committee on Natural Resources and the Environment, which will examine initiatives in the Departments of: Energy; Environment and Sustainable Resources; Aboriginal Affairs; Accountability, Transparency and Transformation; Tourism and Parks; Finance and Treasury Board; Municipal Affairs; International and Intergovernmental Affairs and Infrastructure.

Government is continuing to deliver the services and infrastructure needed to build for the future of our rapidly growing province and will continue working to enhance the lives of Albertans.

Provincial Budget 2014 made seniors our priority. Funding for home care, continuing care, supplementary benefits and special needs assistance, has been increased to help seniors stay independent. The Budget invests in infrastructure for the province's continuing care system by funding the Alberta Affordable Supportive Living Initiative and various continuing care projects.

The Budget also delivers a $2.6 billion operational surplus, a $1.1 billion increase in net assets, and a $1 billion increase for health, education, post-secondary and support for vulnerable Albertans. Over the next three years, Alberta is investing more than $19 billion through the Building Alberta plan for roads, schools, health facilities and municipal capital projects to meet the needs of a growing province.

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Read Aloud 15 Minutes!

There are many wonderful reasons to read aloud every day. It's a great excuse to cuddle up with somebody special; it's the perfect opportunity for you and your child to talk about books (and possibly to groom your little one for future book club participation); and it's an ideal excuse for you to practice your silly voices and funny faces. Research shows that reading aloud with children is the single most important thing you can do to prepare a child for reading and learning.

Reading aloud to young children for as little as fifteen minutes per day has been shown to positively influence brain development in very young children, with birth to age three being critical years for the development of language skills. Reading aloud to preschoolers boosts language development, since the number of words a child knows upon entering kindergarten correlates with future academic success. Vocabulary, phonics, comprehension and storytelling are all literacy skills that reading aloud helps to build. Don't stop reading when your child grows older, big kids love a read aloud story too!

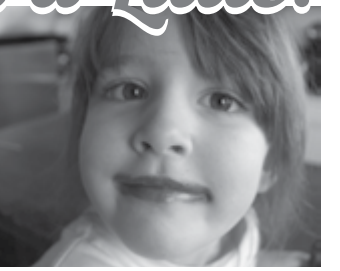
Reading aloud stimulates young imaginations and instills a love of reading. And when you read aloud with your child, you become a role model, demonstrating the importance of learning and reading to you and to your family. Getting into the habit of reading aloud with school-aged children during the lazy days of summer is an effective way to halt the summer slide of forgotten knowledge and can even create gains in your student's knowledge and reading skills.

To learn more about early literacy, the importance of reading and to get parent and family resources see www.calgaryreads.com.

Laugh a Little!

Where lipstick is concerned, the important thing is not colour, but to accept God's final word on where your lips end.

- Jerry Seinfeld



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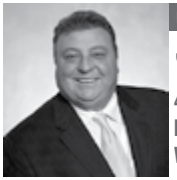

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Happy Stampede to all the residents of Ward 2,

I encourage everyone to get out and enjoy the community stampede breakfast and BBQs. Please visit my website www.calgary.ca/ward2 for the complete list. I look forward to meeting many of you at these.

On behalf of my office, I'm happy to announce the successful application of Ranchlands Community Associations Capital Conservation Grant. The funding is to upgrade the flooring and fire-rated doors and door frames for the community centre; this upgrade is a great improvement to a fantastic pillar of the Ranchlands community. I'm committed to improving and maintaining all our communities.

Many of you have expressed disappointment with the proposed utility and tax increases. I would like you to know that I am working to bring forward motions to cut costs and maintain services within the city by looking at fresh approaches and common sense planning.

The New funding proposals by developers will continue to get my full approval and support, these new proposals will help the city build the infrastructure that you need today while still allowing it to be paid for responsibly when planned and budgeted for. Our communities need the roads, sewers and essential services today but we must as a city, budget and plan responsibly, These new models will help complete communities soon and not wait years down the road till funding is planned.

I'm happy to announce that we have the plans for 14th Street and Stoney Trail on/off ramps to be completed by fall 2014.

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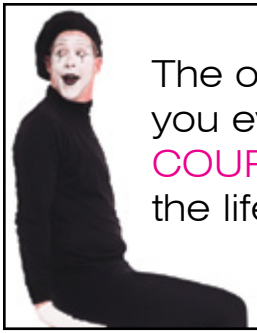

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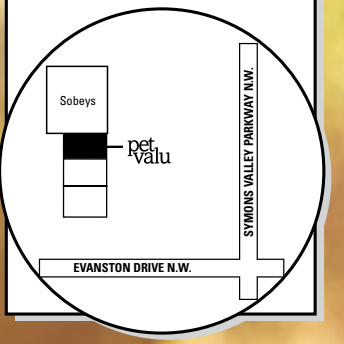

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