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are held the first Tuesday of
every month.

All community members are
welcome and encouraged to
contribute.

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

*"It is good to have an end to journey toward;
but it is the journey that matters, in the end."*

~Ernest Hemingway

Every day we embark upon a journey, whether it's to work, home or play. During our journey, we often neglect the trivial thin

gs that make the journey worthwhile and memorable.

The ECCA, in partnership with Sage Hill Community Association, are partnering to bring you the Symons Valley Canada 150 Celebrations. This event, on 05 August, will be an opportunity to bring us together to learn more about our neighbours, learn more about are environment and celebrate our rich cultural history and diversity. The event will see the day begin an environmental educator providing an opportunity for residents to connect with nature within their own communities. Christina Pickles will be our guide and is an educator with AB Council for Environmental Education, who will lead 2 sessions and open our horizons on the wide array of wildlife living within our backyards. Continuing our festivities, family friendly activities at Soccer fields will bring us together to celebrate and get to know one another and will commence at noon until 4pm. Finally, the day will be celebrated with a pyro musical display, sponsored by Qualico Communities.

We welcome and look forward to you all participating, to get out and meet your neighbours and enjoy the day's activities. We are and will be looking for volunteers to assist us with the day's activities. If you are interested in participating, please contact the Board.

Warmest Regards,

- Jason Yardley



A Sign of the Times

by Anne Burke

City Council updated the Temporary Signs on Highways Bylaw: permits for groups to use Mobile Community Signs and a fee for larger signs by community associations, charities, and not-for-profit organizations.

Other rules are about height, length of time, and roads on the prohibited list. No signs in playground zones or holding signs above roadways; but separating signs by the same owner. Start date for election period and for sign removal after election (to 72 hours). Update fine schedule and penalties. List mobile community sign users. Remove community I.D. signs from bylaw; add annual permit for mobile community signs.

The Federation of Calgary Communities, Calgary YMCA, Inglewood Business Improvement District, and the Calgary Real Estate Board were asked for their input. An online survey, in which more than 6,700 people participated, shared over 36,000 comments. The survey was available from October 4-21, 2016.



Hats Off to the Beaver

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

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Calgary Future Transportation

by Anne Burke

A report on Future Transportation in Calgary deals with changes within the next 25 years. Some are: autonomous vehicles (no driver required), electric vehicles, and the increased use of mobility as an on-demand service (versus ownership of vehicles).

Calgary Transit may change and the City could lose funding (such as fuel tax due electric vehicles). There are many factors: health (due to reduced collisions), environmental (lower greenhouse gases), fiscal (lower travel costs) and diversifying the job market.

This comes with risk to employment in several fields, reduced physical activity, and social isolation. There will be collaboration with government, academia and industry, updating plans and bylaws, and undertaking pilot projects. One recommendation is that the City take part in a pilot project of a low-speed driverless vehicle at the Calgary Zoo LRT station in 2018.

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Pop up Play Evanston

Join us for a **FREE** one day event where children aged 6-12 years can drop-in and participate in various games and activities led by City of Calgary staff.

Pop up Play will offer children fun games with the opportunity to use their imagination and create their own play.

Program has limited capacity and is weather dependant.

Date: Saturday, July 22
Time: 9:30 a.m. – noon.
Address: 115 Evanston Dr. N.W.

Please call 311 for more information



Park n' Play & Stay n' Play

These free safe, supervised programs help children make new friends and learn games and activities that they can use on their path to healthy and active lifestyles.

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Dates: July 31 - Aug 4
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I hope you are enjoying the summer and have had lots of time to relax and enjoy the weather.

The 25th of every month has been designated “Orange Day” by the United Nations’ Campaign UNiTE to End Violence against Women to raise awareness and encourage people to take action to end violence against women and girls. This is a very important issue to me and I was happy to have the opportunity to make a Member Statement in the house in May. I’m very proud that our government has taken important steps to help empower women and we have the first gender balanced Cabinet in Canadian history and the first Status of Women Ministry in Canada. I am committed to every woman and girl being able to walk alone, without fear.

Bill 14 *An Act to Support Orphan Well Rehabilitation* was passed in May and I spoke in favour of this bill because it is an integral part of the rehabilitation of orphan wells, which are a large, and growing problem in the province. This legislation would allow the government to lend the Orphan Well Association (OWA) \$235 million to speed up proper abandonment and reclamation of a growing number of oil and gas well sites that no longer have a responsible owner. It’s estimated this will result in up to 1,650 new jobs in reclamation work over the next three years, helping to put highly skilled Oil and Gas workers back to work.

Canadian Blood Services recently held a ground-breaking ceremony for a 153,000-square-foot facility in the Barlow North industrial area; it is scheduled to open and will be the second largest facility in Canada, serving about a quarter of the country’s blood and blood product needs. Earlier this session the Legislature passed the Voluntary Donations Act to protect the blood supply in our province. As summer travel and recreation ramp up, the need for blood is even greater and I encourage you to donate blood.

My 2nd Annual Tacky Cowboy Shirt Stampede BBQ is coming up soon! Check out my Facebook page for more details about the BBQ on July 8th, at the Huntington Hills Community Association. Please RSVP for the BBQ at cal-

gary.mackay.nosehill@assembly.ab.ca or by calling 403-215-7710. I hope to see you there!

2017 is the 150th Anniversary of Confederation. There are many celebrations across the city and of course across the country. If your non-profit organization has a celebration planned please make sure to check out the Alberta Culture Canada 150 grant programme. You can find more details here: <http://www.culturetourism.alberta.ca/community/community-grants/community-initiatives-program/alberta-canada-150/>. Happy Sesquicentennial Canada! Please drop by the office and pick up a Canada150 pin. We have limited quantities.

Our office is open 9am - 4:30pm on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday (closed for lunch 12:00pm-1:00pm). We’re open until 7 p.m. on Thursdays or email us at calgary.mackay.nosehill@assembly.ab.ca, call us at 403-215-7710, or drop by the office at #106, 8220 Centre Street NE.

Notice of Motion

by Anne Burke

With the city and school trustees election on 16 October, 2017, there will be new ward boundaries. In Calgary there are 234 communities and over 150 Community Associations.

The boundaries should result in equal population and/or even grow in the next 10 years, although they do not have the same number of communities and community associations.

Ward office resources are shared equally across the 14 ward offices. The average number of community associations in each ward is 11. The number of communities, in each ward, can vary from 10 to 31, while the number of community associations will vary from 3 to a 24.

City Council should request the Coordinating Committee of the Councillor’s Office to review how resources are allocated, in order to make it more equal, and return with recommendations no later than the November 2017 Budget Meeting of Council.



The ‘yurt’

Girl Guides in the Summer

In our typical Girl Guide articles, we usually talk about what the units have been up to. But all of our units ‘shut down’ for the summer. It is a much-needed break for the leaders, plus families are usually gone on summer vacation, so our attendance usually drops.

Before breaking for summer, most of the older units (Guides, Pathfinders Rangers) do try to get out and camp in May/June, as it is usually ideal camping weather, especially for tenting. Yes, some units do winter camping, but it is so much more enjoyable (in my opinion) to tent camp when it is not -20 degrees and snowy out!

The Pathfinder units recently went out to IASG at the end of May, which is considered a backcountry camp. You have to hike into your campsite, and there are only very rudimentary shelters – a ‘yurt’ and a shed for storing your food away in; otherwise you have to sling your food in a tree to keep it away from bears. They had a great time, the weather was absolutely gorgeous.

I was jealous though, because when MY daughter was in Pathfinders, we tried camping at IASG, but we got flooded out, literally (I will try including some photos). There is a small foot bridge to cross over a small creek to get into camp. We had so much rain that weekend, the creek overflowed its banks and was starting to lap over the bridge surface on Saturday afternoon. We decided to break camp early (we weren’t supposed to leave until Sunday afternoon) as we didn’t want to lose our only way in and out of camp!

Girl Guides (and Scouts for that matter) are one of the few organizations around that bring youth out into nature and wilderness – tent camping, canoeing, kayaking, etc. There are active Guiding and Scouting groups for all ages in NW Calgary. You can find out more information by going online (google either organization).



The overflowing foot bridge



Setting up in the rain





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Fostering Friendship with the **BISSOON FAMILY**

Anthony and Alvina Bissoon decided to build in Evanston in 2008 as they were looking for a young community to eventually raise children in. They've been in Evanston for the past 9 years and can't imagine raising their children anywhere else. They have 3 children now, Jack (7), Ayla (5), and Eric (3). Despite the kids desperately begging for a dog, the Bissoon family doesn't have any pets in their family, for the time being.

Alvina was born in Prince Albert, SK and grew up in Edmonton, the third child of four (an older brother/sister and younger sister) and with a mom that made sure they were active kids. Alvina was very involved in March-

ing Band from a young age and was fortunate that summers included band tours across North America. Travelling and performing with friends is a lifelong cherished memory. Alvina had an Ophthalmology career prior to having kids and she worked at The Gimbel Eye Centre, where she worked with world-renowned surgeons as an Ophthalmic Technician. She also worked at Calgary Retina working with some of the best Retinal surgeons in Canada. Her love of helping people see lead her to Paraguay in 2008 for a two-week mission trip with VOSH (Volunteer Optometric Services to Humanity). After having three kids in four years, Alvina decided to start Mojo Photo Booth Calgary! Mojo Photo Booth can be seen at local events including weddings, corporate events, private parties, charity functions, graduations and Christmas parties. They were fortunate to expand their business last year and are planning to expand again later this year, because...everyone loves a good photo booth!

Anthony was born in Edmonton and grew up in Sherwood Park and St. Albert, AB. He is the youngest of four, with three older sisters. Anthony also grew up in the Edmonton area playing hockey and other sports as a child. He was very involved in Marching Bands and also considers his opportunity to perform and travel a valuable part of his youth. Anthony attended Grant MacEwan/University of Alberta studying Music Performance and was fortunate to perform and study with many exciting ensembles. Anthony has been with ADT Canada as a Residential/Small Business Installation technician for the past ten years.

Alvina and Anthony met at a local music group in Edmonton in 1998 and were friends for a couple of years before they started



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dating in 2000, and eventually got married in 2006. The couple moved to Calgary in November 2004 because Anthony took a job as the Director of a local Marching Band called Allegiance Elite. Fittingly, Alvina volunteered a lot behind the scenes. Anthony proposed to Alvina on the 50-yard line at McMahon Stadium at the end of a Marching Band show. Somehow Anthony arranged for both of their families to come from Edmonton and watch the show; little did Alvina know it was so they could watch the proposal at the end of the show! Of course, she said yes! At their wedding, they had their guests play a trumpet in place of clinking glasses for the traditional "kiss" request to tie in their love of music.

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Their eldest son Jack attends school at Our Lady of Grace and is in Grade 2. Jack plays both winter and spring hockey and soccer as well; he loves all sports. If he's not on the backyard ice in the winter, then he is shooting in the garage or playing street hockey in the summer. Jack has a kind heart and giving spirit; he was able to raise over \$500 for Ronald McDonald House at his birthday and over \$200 for The Heart and Stroke Foundation recently.

Ayla attends Kindergarten at Foothills Alliance School and is excited to join Jack at OLG next year for Grade 1. She dances at Soul Connexion, is in Sparks (Girl Guides), and she loves swimming lessons and leisure skating. She is very creative, enjoys drawing/crafting and has recently learned how to read. Ayla wants to be a Veterinarian when she grows up.



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Eric is their Halloween baby, he attends pre-school at Early Discoveries in Kincora. He plays soccer, skates, and swims, and is looking forward to starting gymnastics in the fall. Eric loves to play and is super funny.

With three kids attending three different schools, mornings are a challenge to get everyone off for the day, but the Bissoon family is fortunate and blessed to have three great environments for their children to learn and grow. OLG has been a blessing as it has really connected the family to their community, and, in time, they hope to settle all of their children there.

With so many extra circular activities, the family often spends a lot of time in hockey rinks, soccer fields, gyms, and pools. When Anthony and Alvina aren't hanging out with their friends at

these venues, then they enjoy attending StoryBook Theatre, exploring local parks or having spontaneous play dates and road trips with their children. Anthony enjoys playing rec hockey or catching a drum corp show while Alvina enjoys gardening, reading and the occasional paint/movie night out with her friends.

Anthony and Alvina have travelled a lot around the United States and Canada with music groups in their youth, but have been to Trinidad and Tobago to visit Anthony's family a couple of times. They had a blast when they did a house swap with a Kelowna family that had similar aged children; it was a lovely trip as they had everything they could possibly need at their fingertips! The family has travelled to Trinidad and Tobago, Barbados, and Mexico. Anthony and Alvina think that Disneyland may be next on their list.

Their neighbours have become their friends, and many have become like family. Since they don't have family close by to help, if Anthony or Alvina are ever in a pinch to borrow cooking ingredients, need help with a ride to/from sporting events, or someone to watch the kids because of something last minute, there is always someone that they can reach out to and have help. Evanston has given the family roots. When the neighbourhood kids are playing together (riding bikes/playing hockey, creating master pieces with sidewalk chalk, or blowing bubbles) the parents all come out to talk and "do life" together. There is nothing better than getting

random messages of encouragement or funny jokes when you're having a rough day from someone who you know doesn't have to care, but does.

Anthony has been fortunate to volunteer for the Simons Valley Hockey Association as a Novice and Timbits division coordinator, as well as volunteers as a coach for Eric's soccer team. They love to be active in their kids' activities, as it takes community involvement to have these opportunities.

Anthony and Alvina love Evanston and watching their kids growing up here. Anthony and Alvina have roots here, and their kids have roots here. The Bissoon family looks forward to continuing to foster friendships and establish roots in Evanston.

To have your family profiled (story and professional pictures) in the next edition of this community newsletter, please send us an email to EVT@great-news.ca



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Celebrate: Don't miss the Canada 150 celebrations happening across the country. Locally, Silver Springs residents kicked off festivities with a Tulip 'Bloom' Celebration at the Half Moon Garden on May 27th. This summer, the Evanston Creekside and Sage Hill Community Associations are hosting a Symons Valley Canada 150 Celebration on August 5. Scenic Acres is engaging neighbouring communities to plan a day-long celebration for August 26. These events will be open to the general public, and the organizers tell me they are hoping to offer fireworks displays.

Explore our Country: Discover Canada's national parks and heritage spaces, and explore our country's rich history in 2017. The discovery pass is free in 2017; visit the Parks Canada website for more information and to download the Visitor Guide.

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Passport 2017: Find out about Canada 150 events and activities with the Passport 2017 App. This personalized application combines culture, food, history, sports and travel while awarding virtual badges.

The Canada 150 logo: The Canada 150 logo is available online and free for everyone to use. Composed of a series of diamonds, the logo is arranged in the shape of the



iconic maple leaf. The four diamonds at the base represent the four original provinces that formed Confederation in 1867: Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. Additional diamonds extend

out from the base to create nine more points to represent the 13 provinces and territories. The maple leaf motif is recognized at home and abroad as distinctively Canadian, and it fosters feelings of pride, unity and celebration.

myYYC Time has flown by!

The Calgary Airport Authority is celebrating its silver anniversary! July 1 marks 25 years since we assumed the management, maintenance, and development of YYC. This year we're going above and beyond by giving a little something back to our community. Throughout 2017, we are taking our passion for giving back to the next level with a campaign focused on participating in activities that benefit our surrounding community, including:



Airport activities, like reading to our tiny travellers while they wait for their flights, or welcoming Calgary Marathon runners to our beautiful city.



Partner activities, helping great organizations such as Habitat for Humanity, the Calgary Rotary Challenger Park, and the Alzheimer Society of Calgary in their initiatives.



Community activities, supporting our neighbours in their community garden builds, community fairs, and festivals with our Crew's time, passion, and expertise.

Is there a volunteer opportunity in your community that could use some additional assistance? Email us at community@yyc.com



YYC CALGARY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT



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Alessandra	17	587-894-2404	Yes
Alexandra	14	403-288-0695	Yes
Alita	16	403-863-5262	No
Anabelle	14	403-462-9281	Yes
Ania	35	403-608-0187	Yes
Ann	56	403-569-0237	No
Bhegie	42	403-870-0363	Yes
Camille	15	403-830-9240	No
Carly	15	403-870-3057	No
Cedar	12	587-619-0600	Yes
Coda	17	403-870-7429	No
Divine	15	587-703-6972	Yes
Gloria	44	403-903-0818	No
Kaiya	14	403-860-7198	Yes
Krystyna	22	587-894-4201	Yes
Laura	18	403-909-4021	Yes
Mercedes	55	403-831-6429	Yes
Nachelle Brick	45	403-973-2428	No
Neha	16	403-273-4395	No
Raiyah	17	403-567-0270	Yes
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Thanks for all your help,
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I hope everyone is enjoying the start of summer and was able to take in some of the many Canada Day celebrations throughout our City. A number of important decisions have been made by City Council over the past couple months that will impact you as a resident and as a taxpayer.

The Green Line LRT project was approved by Council on May 15th, 2017. I voted against this project because of the revised cost and the revised route. Originally, the Green Line was supposed to go from North Pointe all the way down to the South Health Campus. This would have served many residents of Northwest Calgary, including many in Ward 2. However, the revised plans presented to City Council was for a Green Line that only goes north to 16th Ave NW. I did not think it was a good use of your tax dollars - \$4.7 Billion of your tax dollars - to pay for an LRT that essentially only serves the inner city.

Another major decision made by City Council was to approve a tax increase of up to 2% for 2018. I not only opposed the tax increase, I introduced a motion to lower property taxes by 2%. Unfortunately, this motion did not pass as only three other councillors supported my motion for a tax decrease.

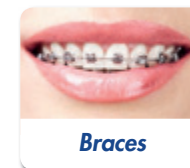
One very positive item for Ward 2 is that Council approved the purchase of the land for the missing link on Symons Valley Parkway between Symons Valley Road and Sage Hill Drive. Plans are being drawn up for the design of this road and I am currently working on getting funds allocated to get this road built.

Joe's Tip:

Come out to our **Ward 2 Stampede Barbeque** at Loblaws City Market in Sage Hill on Saturday, July 15 between 11am – 2pm.

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EVANSTON 2017 STATS	# SALES	AVERAGE PRICE
Bungalow	1	\$402,000
Two Storey	109	\$511,656
Split-Level	0	-
Townhouse	28	\$330,095
Condo	2	\$212,763
TOTAL	140	
Average Days on Market	53 Days	

Huge 1/3 Acre Lot

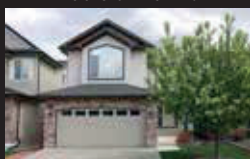


\$749,900

125 Edgebrook Grove NW

- Jayman 3 bedroom+bonus two storey
- maple kitchen, hardwood & granite, A/C
- fully finished, backyard sports court

Backs on Ravine

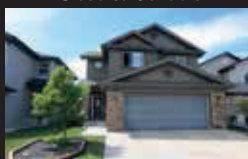


\$639,900

260 Kincora Heights NW

- sunny 4 bedroom+bonus rm two storey
- maple kitchen, finished walkout, A/C
- hot tub, hardwood & tile, steps to park

Close to Schools



\$524,900

63 Covepark Mews NE

- sunny 4 bedroom+bonus rm two storey
- fully finished, maple kitchen, South yard
- built-ins, cork & laminate floors, cul-de-sac

Walk to LRT



\$459,900

40 Scenic Cove Circle NW

- former showhome, 3 bedroom two storey
- laminate floors, vaulted ceilings, skylight
- oak kitchen, fully finished, close to schools

Shane Homes Beauty

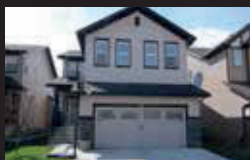


\$549,900

92 Nolanfield Way NW

- one owner, 4 bedroom+bonus two storey
- designer kitchen, quartz, fully finished
- RV parking, huge deck, close to shopping

Media Room

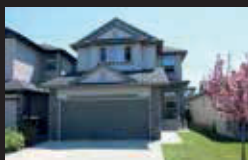


\$612,900

53 Sage Bank Crescent NW

- Sterling Homes 5 bedroom two storey
- maple kitchen, vaulted ceilings, hardwood
- fully finished, granite, bonus & flex rooms

Cul-de-Sac



\$539,900

34 Tuscany Summit Grn NW

- Cardel 3 bedroom+flex room two storey
- hardwood & granite, bonus rm, great room
- maple kitchen, fenced backyard, by ravines

Panamount Place



\$189,900

9207, 70 Panamont Dr NW

- 1 bedroom/ 1 bath condo, U/G parking
- maple kitchen, ensuite laundry, balcony
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