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## CONTACT

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Board Room / Gym - 1922 – 14 Avenue N.W.

**Parking:** west of the Louise Riley Library, accessed via the library drive-way. Hall/Gym is located NE of our parking lot, just across the soccer field.

**Phone:** 282-6634 (voice mail) (checked 1 - 2 times per week)

**Email:** admin@hh-bh.ca

**Beacon Submissions:** beacon@hh-bh.ca

**Boardroom/Gym Bookings:** bookings@hh-bh.ca

The HH-BH Gym and Boardroom schedule can be viewed at [www.hh-bh.ca](http://www.hh-bh.ca).

For the latest news, programs and events, please visit our Official HH-BH Community Association website at [www.hh-bh.ca](http://www.hh-bh.ca).



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Have an idea for a great community program or event? Send your ideas to [vp@hh-bh.ca](mailto:vp@hh-bh.ca).

## COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

### Youth Badminton

Youth Badminton -Ages 12 – 17  
Information at [www.hh-bh.ca](http://www.hh-bh.ca)  
[Badminton@hh-bh.ca](mailto:Badminton@hh-bh.ca)

### HHBH Gym Drop-in Programs

Badminton: Tues – Fri - 9:00 am – 12:00 pm  
Pickleball: Tues – Wed - 1:00 pm – 3:30 pm  
Rates: \$4 per person, \$3 for seniors (55+)

### Family Open Gym Night

FREE -Fridays 6:30 – 8 pm Community Gym



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Community Board Meetings Second Thursday of the month at 7 pm in the Community Boardroom. **All are invited!** To be on the agenda, please contact [admin@hh-bh.ca](mailto:admin@hh-bh.ca), at least 2 weeks in advance. Please note there are no Board Meetings in July or August. **Next Meeting: November 10**

### HH-BH – 2016 AGM

Wednesday, November 16, 7 to 9 pm – Community Boardroom  
Everyone is invited! Refreshments! Special Guests that want to hear from you!

### Kindergarten Reunion/Dinner – Please Join Us

Nov. 19, 6-10 pm.  
Restaurant/hall location TBA  
RSVP by Nov. 1 to [admin@hh-bh.ca](mailto:admin@hh-bh.ca)

**Memberships:** A reminder that memberships expire July 31! \$20 / year per family household. \$10/Seniors. Renew online at [www.hh-bh.ca](http://www.hh-bh.ca), by mail or in person at our next Community Event! Thanks!

## Kindergarten Reunion Please Join Us

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RSVP by Nov. 1

As members of our community board, we recognize that the dissolution of our kindergarten has been a difficult time for our community.

We do feel strongly, however, that we need to recognize and celebrate the kindergarten, its staff and the many



volunteers who have made it a success for our children for so many years. To that end, we would like to offer the opportunity to come together to share an adult-oriented evening of good company, good food and good memories.

Please spread the word, and kindly respond by Nov. 1. (to: [admin@hh-bh.ca](mailto:admin@hh-bh.ca))

Yours respectfully,

*Carol, Liz and Kathleen*

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

November is now upon us and this is a particularly busy month for our community association's board members due to our Annual General Meeting. It is scheduled for November 16, 7:00pm. It is a time for reflection on what has happened in the past year and for looking ahead to what needs to be accomplished in the future. I hope that many of you will take time out of your busy routines to come to the community board room and be part of our meeting.

As always, we hope to have Councillor Druh Farrell and Constable John Kastamonitis of the Calgary Police Service present so that you can voice your questions or concerns. You will be able to read board members' reports on activities in the past year and let us know what's on your mind as we work together as neighbours to continue to make our inner city community the gem that it is.

As you know, our community association board is comprised of volunteers. We are all busy people with jobs and commitments but we believe that community service is worth the work and worry that it often involves. Our AGM is an important meeting for us as it is our chance to hear from you and receive your support or your concerns on how we impact our neighbourhood.

All board members are elected for a one year term that begins and ends at our AGM each November. Any community member with an active membership can run for election and vote, so this is your chance to be involved with who is on your board or to run for a position. As I am writing this message in early October, I know that some of the directors will be standing for re-election and other directors have expressed that they will not

seek re-election for another term. Here are three director positions that I ask you to consider filling at the AGM - Sears Plume (about which I wrote last month), Communications and Education.

Communications is a crucial part of our organization and this director is involved with promoting two way conversations between the board and our community. The tools for this include our website (hh-bh.ca), Beacon newsletter, email subscribers, Facebook and Twitter. This role has a lot of help from experienced volunteers contributing content and keeping us connected.

The Education Director acts as a liaison and adviser between our association and the play school parent committee and is an important resource person who can help make sure that we are providing a quality program for children aged 3 - 5. The playschool is directly under the umbrella of our community association and as such needs to be supervised closely to fulfill our legal governance requirements.

We are always very happy to welcome new people who would like to join the board without a particular position. Bring your skills and passions and come be a part of our association! Learn more about what makes our community tick and take this opportunity to make a contribution to how our neighbourhood runs (and plays!). It's also a wonderful way to meet your neighbours and find new challenges and personal growth.

I would like to sincerely thank all those who have volunteered their time and talents as board and community members over the past year. Without your help in so many ways, Hounsfeld Heights - Briar Hill would just be another dot on a big city's map.

Please come out to our AGM on the 16th. For more information check our website: hh-bh.ca. Or contact any board member if you are interested in joining us!

Laura

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	WHAT	HOW	WHEN	
01	<b>GROW</b>	Grow a Mo, save a Bro	The moustache is our ribbon for men's health	For the 30 days in the month formerly known as 'November'
02	<b>MOVE</b>	Get active for men's health	Raise funds for men's health while you do something good for your own health	Anytime, anywhere, during the month of November
03	<b>HOST</b>	Throw or go to a Movember event	Any excuse for a good time. Events are a great way to have fun and raise funds for men's health	Anytime, anywhere, during the month of November



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## We Remember the Moments!

Save the date! Saturday November 19, 2016, 6 to 10 pm at the community gym. There will be a celebration and reunion of the HH-BH Community Kindergarten. This evening is for all alumni families, former staff and volunteers, former students and friends of the kindergarten to reunite and celebrate. Please check our website at [www.hh-bh.ca](http://www.hh-bh.ca) for more details on this special evening and to register for the event. Volunteers to help with planning, capturing memories and decorating would be appreciated, please contact [communications@hh-bh.ca](mailto:communications@hh-bh.ca).



## STORMTROOPERS

Canadian soldiers in WWI earned the nickname 'Stormtroopers' due to their reputation for being precise, relentless, intelligent and highly organized.

## Membership has its Privileges

It's time to renew your HH-BH community association membership (valid August 1 – July 31 each year), and it's gotten easier: renew online by visiting our website: [www.hh-bh.ca](http://www.hh-bh.ca).

**A family membership is only \$20/year, and entitles you to**

- register children in the HH-BH Community Playschool
- register children in indoor and outdoor youth soccer, badminton and other sports programs
- take part in adult badminton, pickleball and other recreation programs
- bring the whole family to the community hall for free Family Gym Nights on Fridays year-round
- vote at HH-BH Community Association Annual General Meetings (ours is coming up in November, by the way – we'd love to see you there!)

**In addition, your membership helps support the wide range of activities organized or supported by the community association, including:**

- annual Stampede Breakfast
- Summer Solstice Block Party
- annual Community Clean-Up
- family-friendly community events in the Fall, Winter and Spring, with entertainment such as the bouncy house, face painting, dunk tank, live music, dancing and FREE food and beverages
- up-to-date news and event listings on our HH-BH website, Facebook and Twitter. Check it out at [hh-bh.ca](http://hh-bh.ca)!
- the Beacon delivered to your door Monthly
- ice maintenance, equipment and supplies for the outdoor rink at Green Park
- a clean, well-kept and efficient community gym and meeting facility with friendly and helpful staff, employing youth from our community
- organizing casino fundraisers to keep all this going
- strategic, business and land-use planning for our community and liaising with the City of Calgary



Hounsfield Heights-Briar Hill  
  

Name	Age	Contact	Course
Duncan	18	403-500-9826	Yes
Grace	16	403-282-8823	Yes
Josephine	15	403-283-0478	Yes
Sophie	17	403-283-0478	Yes

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## Hounsfield Heights - Briar Hill Community Association Annual General Meeting

**Wednesday, November 16, 2016 at 7 pm**  
 HHBH Community Hall  
 1922 – 14 Ave. NW

\*Entrance is on the south west side of the gymnasium.  
 All are welcome and refreshments will be served.  
 Board and Committee positions are open.  
 More Information at [www.hh-bh.ca](http://www.hh-bh.ca).

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# Beyond The Four Walls Conference

Four community association board members (Laura, Carol, Joanna and Liz) had a chance to learn about other association success stories, do some peer-networking and access resources at the “Beyond the Four Walls” conference organized by the Federation of Calgary Communities in October.

Conference sessions looked at the importance of community engagement from three areas of focus:

- engagement as a means to share valuable information;
- engagement to gather community input; and
- how engagement builds community through a sense of belonging.

You might be thinking: What does engagement mean to me or the board? Engagement is about relationships. The more engaged we are as a board and neighbours, the better place our community will be: more connected, strong and resilient; where people feel they belong and have some fun along the way!

The Federation of Calgary Communities is a member based support organization for over 220 not-for-profit organizations in Calgary including more than 150 community associations. They offer members support in organizational development, financial services, urban planning, crime prevention and safety, engagement, and more. The FCC provides members with educational workshops, one-on-one support, online resources, networking opportunities, and specific service areas that address their needs.

In addition to learning about other community association success stories and peer networking, we purchased the engagement toolkit as a resource for our community. If you are interested in getting involved with community engagement efforts please email [communications@hh-bh.ca](mailto:communications@hh-bh.ca)

# Tree Planting

## ReTree YYC -Free Education Programs in Hounsfield Heights-Briar Hill

Hounsfield Heights-Briar Hill has been chosen as a Re-Tree Community in 2017! As part of the program, the City of Calgary will be planting new City trees in our community and educating community members about the proper planting and maintenance of our urban forest. Hounsfield Heights-Briar Hill will receive free tree care education programs in spring 2017. More information will be posted on our website in the early spring.

**Background on ReTree YYC:** ReTree YYC is a program created in response to the September 2014 late-summer snow storm causing extensive and severe damage to over 1 million trees. ReTree communities are chosen based on many factors, including the extent of the storm damage, open canopy space and community interest. By helping Calgarians plant and maintain trees on both public and private property, we hope to make the city landscape better for generations to come. You can learn more about the program at [Calgary.ca/trees](http://Calgary.ca/trees).

## BRAIN GAMES SUDOKU

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# Sears Plume Sears Quarterly Update September 30, 2016

Sears Canada Inc. and Clifton Associates Ltd. are pleased to provide this quarterly update on the environmental assessment and remediation activities that are ongoing in the community of Hounsfield Heights-Briar Hill (HH-BH). Since the previous Beacon posting in June 2016, Sears and Clifton have now completed:

- the installation and sampling of the soil vapour monitoring network throughout the community,
- implementation of the PlumeStop remedial pilot scale study, and
- the third quarter groundwater monitoring event.

In the past three months, the Soil Vapour Monitoring Program (SVMP), which involved the installation of over 30 external soil vapour monitoring points at key locations throughout the community. The SVMP has been implemented as an additional method of assessing risk to human and environmental health. Air samples were taken from each soil vapour monitoring point and analyzed for contaminants of potential concern (COPC) which were identified in previous soil and groundwater investigations. This data was then converted into representative indoor air concentrations and compared to the respective site-specific guidelines for indoor air within the community of HH-BH.

None of the soil vapour samples collected and analyzed for COPC from the HH-BH community exceeded the applicable site-specific indoor air quality guidelines. This data, in conjunction with the Human Health Risk Assessment (HHRA) which was completed based on soil and groundwater sampling, provides further evidence that the risk to residents within the community of HH-BH is negligible. Alberta Environment and Parks is still reviewing the HHRA and all of the site-specific guidelines developed.

Per our previous Beacon posts, the Regenes Plume-Stop technology has now been installed along 11th Avenue NW as part of the pilot-scale remediation assessment. The installation went as planned with nine injection points in the areas of highest contaminant concentration along 11th Avenue NW. We understand that the pilot scale injections caused a disruption to traffic flow on 11th Avenue and we would like to thank the residents for their patience during that time. Upon completion of the injections, the nearest monitor wells have been sampled every two weeks to assess the effectiveness of the remedial injection. Currently, six weeks worth of data has been collected and preliminary results are encouraging, showing a statistical reduction in PHC concentrations. However, additional monitoring and sampling will be conducted to further evaluate the effectiveness of this technology. At this time, we are proposing to continue with the pilot scale study for continued evaluation. We will provide another update on the progress of the pilot scale study in our annual community letter to be completed for early in the New Year.

The third quarter groundwater monitoring event was completed during the month of August. We expect to make available the details of the third and fourth quarter groundwater events, the updated SVMP, along with the soil vapour probe installation report and soil vapour results later this year.

Sears and Clifton appreciate the opportunity to provide this information to the residents of the HH-BH Community. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact one of the Sears or Clifton representatives listed below.

Yours sincerely,

Greg Paliouras, Divisional Vice-President, Construction, Energy and Maintenance Sears Canada Inc. 700 - 290 Yonge Street, Toronto, Ontario. M5B 2B6 T (416) 941 4037 [Greg.Paliouras@Sears.ca](mailto:Greg.Paliouras@Sears.ca)

Clifton Contact: Stephen d’Abadie, MEng Environmental Scientist/Regional Manager Clifton Associates 2222 – 30th Avenue NE, Calgary, Alberta. T2E 7K9 T (403) 263 2556 Ext 4140 [Stephen\\_dAbadie@Clifton.ca](mailto:Stephen_dAbadie@Clifton.ca)

For copies of current or historical documentation, please visit the Environmental Site Assessment Repository (ESAR) website at [www.esar.alberta.ca/esarmain.aspx](http://www.esar.alberta.ca/esarmain.aspx) and enter a PBL Search for Plan: 8210266

# Community Cleanup 2016

Thank you to the Volunteers and Residents on another successful Community Cleanup

The weights collected for 2016:

**Garbage: 11,295 kg**

**Organics: 2,545 kg**

**Total: 13,840 kg**

**Truck Loads Hauled: 3**

*HUGE THANKS to all the volunteers who helped make the 2016 Community Clean-Up another rousing success. Special thanks to Clean-Up Coordinator Patricia Leahy, pictured here at the "Cleaned Up" community after-party (bottom left).*



**SURPRISE!** This year, clean-up day included surprises that went well beyond the give and take table. As the sun set, fire-dancers put on a brilliant display on the soccer pitch. Spectacular, and no sod was harmed in the execution of the fire dance.

# Traffic Concerns

Do you have a concern about traffic in our community? Your community association can assist you in an application for a community traffic study as outlined in Section 3.1.1 of The City of Calgary's Traffic Calming Policy. If you are submitting an application and need community association support please email [communications@hh-bh.ca](mailto:communications@hh-bh.ca).

## Community traffic study application process

After reviewing the information online in the Traffic Calming Policy, if you would like to apply for a community traffic study, you must complete the Traffic Issue Reporting Form, found in the appendix of the document, and submit it to Transportation Planning.

Please note that in order for the form submission to be considered complete, you will need to collect signatures from your community association, Councillor, police, and from members of your community, as a minimum level of support from the community needs to be demonstrated as outlined in Section 3.1.1 of the policy.

All information, forms and applications are online at the City of Calgary website or call 311.

## IN & AROUND CALGARY

### Calgary Northwest Events

#### Remembrance Day at Kensington Legion

Services are held at many branches of the Royal Canadian Legions in the city. This year, at the Kensington location the ceremony is followed by lunch and refreshments.

Doors for the Kensington Legion service open at 9:30 am. and close at 9:45; the service begins at 10:45 am. 1910 Kensington Rd. NW. For more info [www.legion.ca](http://www.legion.ca)

#### St. Andrews Heights Artists' Society 2016 Fall Art Show

Local artists will present their new work at the society's annual Fall Art Show on Nov. 26, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. You can meet the artists and also win a great door prize. Parking and admission are free. For more information visit [www.atsahas.ca](http://www.atsahas.ca).

#### Green Calgary's Green Kids Saturday Drop-In Program

Sat. Nov. 5, 19 and 26, 2016. 11am -1pm. Videos, hands-on learning activities, crafts and games involving environmental topics for kids 3-10 and their families. Drop in program, all children must be accompanied by one adult, fee by donation. For more info [www.greencalgary.org](http://www.greencalgary.org).

#### Fall Studio Members Pottery Sale:

Nov. 6, 10 am-4pm. Now in its 33rd year! Excellent prices and variety, a great opportunity to purchase local artists' work for unique presents. Come early and bring something to carry your treasures. Cash, cheques and credit cards accepted. Triwood Community Association Hall, 2244 Chicoutimi Drive NW.

#### Free Skate at Shouldice Arena

The arena is open for public skating Friday, November 11, 2016, 1-2:30p.m. Address: 1515 Home Rd. NW

#### Stuff A Bus

Nov. 5, 2016. 9am - 4pm. Calgary Co-op and Calgary Transit team up for the 24th Annual Stuff A Bus, in support of the Calgary Food Bank! Transit buses and volunteers will be at all 21 Calgary Co-op locations accepting donations. Stuff A Bus with food to help Calgarians in need at this busy time of year.

#### Free Swim at Thornhill Aquatic and Recreation Centre

Friday, November 11, 2016, 1-4:30p.m. Swim Times: 1 - 2:30 p.m. and 3 - 4:30 p.m. The half hour break will be waived if capacity permits. 6715 Centre St. NW

#### Finances 101 with Jill (CPA) at Tuxedo Park Community Hall

6:30pm-7:30pm, free to attend, all welcome. October 26, 2016 - Ten Healthy Habits of Financial Management.

November 23, 2016 - Saving Strategies: Easy Concept, Difficult Reality.

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## Hounsfeld Heights/Briar Hill Real Estate Update

### Last 12 Months Hounsfeld Heights/Briar Hill MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
September 2016	\$1,774,950.00	\$1,845,000.00
August 2016	\$1,597,450.00	\$1,575,000.00
July 2016	\$1,049,900.00	\$1,040,000.00
June 2016	\$594,900.00	\$578,750.00
May 2016	\$1,224,950.00	\$1,201,000.00
April 2016	\$619,900.00	\$590,000.00
March 2016	\$0.00	\$0.00
February 2016	\$2,199,000.00	\$2,100,000.00
January 2016	\$0.00	\$0.00
December 2015	\$0.00	\$0.00
November 2015	\$0.00	\$0.00
October 2015	\$2,799,900.00	\$2,500,000.00

### Last 12 Months Hounsfeld Heights/Briar Hill MLS Real Estate Number of Listings Update

	No. New Properties	No. Properties Sold
September 2016	7	2
August 2016	2	4
July 2016	5	3
June 2016	2	2
May 2016	9	4
April 2016	4	3
March 2016	2	0
February 2016	0	1
January 2016	5	0
December 2015	1	0
November 2015	3	0
October 2015	1	1

To view the specific SOLD Listings that comprise the above MLS averages please visit [hounsfeld\\_heights\\_briar\\_hill.great-news.ca](http://hounsfeld_heights_briar_hill.great-news.ca)



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#### Remembering Is Something You Do

During Veterans' Week, November 5th to 11th, I will join Calgarians and people across the country as we pay tribute to all Canadian Veterans. Throughout the week, thousands of commemorative ceremonies and events will take place across our country to honour Canada's Veterans, current serving members of the Canadian Forces and those who have made the ultimate sacrifice. The sacrifices and achievements of our Veterans have helped define and defend Canada's values of freedom and democracy. They will always be remembered.

Here are some ways to engage in Remembrance: Wear a poppy above your heart, attend local Remembrance Day ceremonies, and vow never to forget; Change your profile picture on Facebook to a poppy and blog or tweet about the importance of remembrance; or listen to Veterans talk about their experiences and thank them for their service. Remembrance IS more than something you think about – it's something that you do.

Another way to help remember is to find your connections to the past. You can obtain information on where the graves of all Canadian soldiers who died while serving abroad are located. Here's how to do a search for your connection to the past.

Visit the Veterans Affairs Canadian Virtual War Memorial online at [www.virtualmemorial.gc.ca](http://www.virtualmemorial.gc.ca). (If you are looking for an Allied soldier you could also try a similar search through the Commonwealth War Graves Commission at [www.cwgc.org](http://www.cwgc.org) as they keep track of all Allied cemeteries.)

Search by name and select the soldier you are looking for. (Keep your search terms broad to yield the best results. This is especially important with first names or common misspellings of names.)

Review the results of the search. When available, it will include photos, a copy of the page from the Book of Remembrance, vital personal details and possibly even a summary of the circumstances surrounding the soldier's death.

## IN & AROUND CALGARY

### South Shaganappi Study: You shared ideas. We developed concepts.

**Let's evaluate.**

The City of Calgary is continuing to conduct a transportation corridor study to explore the future design for the south end of Shaganappi Trail.

As part of **Phase 2: Concept Development and Analysis**, we are asking Calgarians to evaluate the preliminary concepts against the study's objectives and community values developed in Phase One: Project Initiation and Definition. We will then use the evaluation, along with additional technical review, to identify a set of recommendations for Calgarians to provide feedback on in Phase 3: Preferred Concept Selection in spring 2017.

**Join us at the November open house or provide your input online.**

#### Public Open House

Thursday, November 24, 2016  
5:30 to 8 p.m.

Foothills Academy, Wellness Centre - 745 37th St. N.W.  
Provide input online at [calgary.ca/southshaganappi](http://calgary.ca/southshaganappi)  
Opportunities to participate online will be available around the same time as the events listed above.

**Please note:** an open house for the adjacent communities of Montgomery, Parkdale and Point McKay has been scheduled in November. This invite-only event provides those with homes and businesses in close proximity to the study area an opportunity to participate in the same event with others who may share similar perspectives.

To learn more about the study, visit [calgary.ca/southshaganappi](http://calgary.ca/southshaganappi) or call 311.

A quick Google search using the name of the cemetery often yields a link to photos of all the tombstones, lists of those buried (alphabetical and regimental) and a good description of the cemetery itself. Please don't consider the Veterans Affairs Canadian Virtual War Memorial as the only possible source of information and don't underestimate the power of a good online search engine like Google.

Share your findings and experiences with others in a gesture of Remembrance. I would be interested to hear from anyone who uses this process and finds it as rewarding as I have.



## News from the Friends of Nose Hill

by Anne Burke

Our annual general meeting is on Wed. Nov. 16 at Triwood Community Centre NW and the public portion begins at 7:30 p.m. Our guest speaker John McFaul will offer a power point of Nose Hill Flora with an introduction to the City BiodiverCity 10-year strategic plan. John was appointed by City Council as a member of the Biodiversity Advisory Committee and is a professional naturalist, who has been leading nature walks and hikes for 30 years. From 1986-2003, he worked for City of Calgary Parks as a naturalist for the Inglewood Bird Sanctuary. He received the Loran L. Goulden Award from the Federation of Alberta Naturalists. John is a professional interpreter with the Interpretive Guides Association. For more details you can go to our website at [www.fonhs.org](http://www.fonhs.org).

Calgary has been called "Sandstone City" because it is a key component of many heritage buildings, including the old City Hall. Rather than importing the material, City Council approved a notice of motion to reintroduce mining within the city limits, at Edworthy Park and/or the former John A. Lewis Quarry site. A scoping study will return to City Council about the feasibility of reactivating small-scale quarrying sites.

When news of the motion was published, Nose Hill Park was named as the second site. Council was already in session. As a result I wrote a letter opposing the plan, due to public safety issues, impact on wildlife, and damage to diversity. The Ward Councillor voted against the motion and said, "No one must touch Nose Hill". There was a re-commitment to preserving Nose Hill for future generations of Calgarians. The assistant to the motion mover confirmed, while there was no reference to Nose Hill Park, it is important to preserve and conserve nature across our city. Fortunately, the second site is actually in the West Creek Valley, well outside the Park.

City Hall exhibited "Calgary Goes to the Dogs: A History of Dogs and Dog Licenses. In 1885, there were only 100

# CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIRS

**4<sup>th</sup> Annual St. William Christmas Craft Market:**  
11020 Fairmount Dr SE (across from Southcentre Mall and Trico). Saturday December 3 10am – 3pm.

**St Gerard's Bazaar: Annual Bazaar and Garage Sale.** Saturday, November 19, 2016. 9:00-3:00 pm. St. Gerard's Church. 8944 Elbow Dr. SW.

**Auburn Bay Christmas Craft and Marketplace**  
Nov. 19, 10am – 4pm. Auburn House, 200 Auburn Bay Blvd SE. For more info visit [www.auburnbay-connect.com](http://www.auburnbay-connect.com).

**Annual Bow Cliff Christmas Craft Fair and Bake Sale**  
Nov. 26, 10am – 3pm. 3375 Spruce Dr. SW

**Bonavista Christmas Craft Fair**  
Sat. Nov. 19 – sun. Nov. 20, 11am – 4pm. 1401 Acadia Dr SE. For more info [www.lakebonavista-community.com](http://www.lakebonavista-community.com).

**Arbour Lake Christmas Craft Fair**  
Nov. 5, 2016 at 11:00am-3:00pm  
Arbour Lake Residents Hall

**St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church Christmas Bazaar:** Saturday, November 5th, 10am-2pm.

dog tags; now there are 100,000. There were no leash bylaws or fenced-in backyards. We have the Responsible Pet Ownership Bylaw and there are estimated to be 150 public off-leash areas. This accounts for 20% of park spaces in Calgary (1250 hectares).

Nose Hill is a popular park for walking dogs, in part because some communities do not have their own off leash areas. The pathways on the escarpment are on-leash areas, while the multi-use plateau (top of the hill) is off-leash.



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Aside from the odd spot of traffic, most of us have a fairly easy time getting around our city while walking, cycling, driving, or taking transit. There are many of us, however, who find our city hard to navigate. As recently as 2012, 10% of Calgarians reported having significant disabilities. By 2019, 200,000 Calgarians over the age of 15 will live with disabilities.

The City of Calgary is committed to building an inclusive society where everyone can access programs in a way that respects the independence and dignity of people with disabilities. Other orders of government have also taken notice. Several provinces have passed strong barrier-free legislation, and the Government of Canada is currently working on a national accessibility strategy.

Last year, Council supported my motion to find ways to make our public facilities and public realm barrier-free. The work includes an accessibility audit of all our civic facilities, as well a plan to improve how they function for Calgarians with various disabilities.

My motion also asked staff to encourage better accessibility of private developments through the planning process, and to partner with advocacy groups to increase the amount of barrier-free housing.

I am encouraged that the initial response from City staff will result in some quick and easy wins in and around the municipal complex at City Hall. These measures will make navigating City Hall easier for those visiting to drop off a permit application, pay a bill, or attend a Council meeting. Wayfinding signs directing people towards accessible facilities have already been installed on the LRT platform at City Hall. Banding decals have been installed on the glass elevators in the Municipal Building to assist blind visitors. Elsewhere, our Roads department purchased wheelchairs to give its staff personal experiences of what it is like to move around Calgary's streets with disabilities.

Achieving an accessible city is much like achieving a clean city or a safe city. There is no finish line. Through continuous improvements, striving for an increasingly accessible city is worth the investment.

If you see an opportunity to improve accessibility on public property, please call 3-1-1 or go online to [www.calgary.ca/311](http://www.calgary.ca/311). To learn more about this and other Ward 7 topics, visit [www.druhfarrell.ca](http://www.druhfarrell.ca). To sign up for updates on key issues, please email [ward07@calgary.ca](mailto:ward07@calgary.ca).

## Should you 'exchange' your shorts for a snowsuit next winter?

Suzanne Smith-Demers – Consultant

For snowbirds who've found a way to enjoy life while avoiding Canada's frosty winters, this coming winter may turn out to be less (financially) relaxing than most.

Around April is the time when many snowbirds make the decision about where they'll be living when they head south. They make their decisions, sign their rental agreements and pay their deposits – in other words, they are locked in. That's exactly what you did last April and then the exchange rate continued to drop. Now, that rental deal that looked quite economical in April will look a lot less attractive this fall and winter.

So, what do you do when April 2017 rolls around? Do you roll the dice and secure a condo rental for winter 2017?

With uncertainty on whether the exchange rate will improve any time soon, you may be inclined to forego your southern sojourn next winter – but you have other options.

- Explore the exchange rates offered by boutique currency exchange companies. The Canadian Snowbirds Association provides a currency exchange program that offers very competitive rates.
- Buy U.S. dollars over the year whenever the loonie goes up.
- Open a U.S. dollar account at a bank that offers no-cost transfers from a Canadian U.S. dollar account to a U.S. dollar account in the United States.
- If you're flying, consider doing so from a U.S. border airport where airfares may be cheaper.
- Check out more affordable destinations away from the usual southern hotspots; the exchange rate and cost of living may be more favourable in Mexico, Costa Rica, Panama and other non-traditional southern locations.

It's an unavoidable fact: No one can predict the future with 100% accuracy. The key is to be prepared for whatever comes, planning is key.

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