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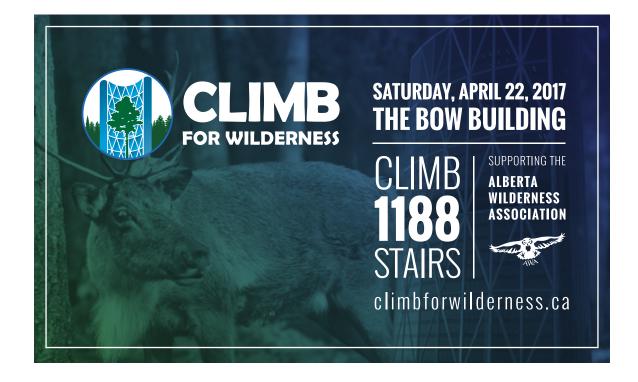
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello everyone. March is here and, along with it, more daylight, less snow and warmer days (hopefully). As we head towards spring, we can see an end to the winter hibernation – whether physical or psychological.

Our community association changes with the seasons too and this month your board is getting active on a few projects.

The biggest and most exciting project is the expansion of our facility. Many of you have visited our gym on a regular basis for sports activities but did you notice the little boardroom door on the left as you walked through the entrance? Have you ever actually gone through it? If your answer is no, you are not alone. But we are hoping to change that!

As I mentioned in my January message, after many years of dreaming and saving, we are finally going to build an addition to our building. This expansion will be approximately 3000 square feet and look fairly ordinary on the outside but on the inside, it will be a very versatile space that can be partitioned to suit many purposes such as dance and yoga classes, meetings, receptions, and seniors' activities.

The success of this project depends on your help. As you know, our community association board is run by volunteers and this project is no exception. We need your help in the form of opinions, ideas and expertise. We have set up a building committee and meet the third Wednesday of every month from 7:00 - 9:00 PM, in our boardroom. Our Vice-President, Carol Sandahl has become our capable and fearless leader so please email her for more information and to be involved: vp@hh-bh.ca. You now have a reason to go through that door!

Our other project is much smaller but important in its own way. On March 18 at 4:00 p.m. (again - in the boardroom) there will be a special meeting of our community membership to help revise our association's bylaws. This was a well-written document 60-odd years ago but unsurprisingly, some things have changed and other clauses are simply outdated. Our community has grown and evolved and it's important that the laws by which we govern reflect those changes. The foundation is still sound but some of the details need updating.

This project is not as exciting as a new addition so to reward your participation, there will be a party in that same boardroom (and gym) that evening, from 6:00 -9:00. Even if you can't attend the bylaws meeting please come! Bring your family and friends as there will be lots

of food and fun activities. It's a great way to meet those neighbours you'll begin seeing more of now that winter is coming to an end.

And finally, just a reminder that effective communication is critical to a vibrant and safe community so check out our HHBH website at www.hh-bh.ca. There you will find upcoming events, announcements, facility information, and loads of other content, as well as links to our Facebook page and Twitter feed. Laura

Briar Hill School 22nd Annual "Recycle a Friend" Community Book Sale Tuesday March 21, 2017 9:00 am to 6:00 pm Donations of books Wednesday March 22, 2017 accepted at the school 9:00 am to 8:00 pm March 6 - March 16, 2017 6:00pm - 8:00 pm 2 for 1 Madness!!!



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Mailing Address: Box 65086, RPO North Hill Calgary, AB T2N 4T6 Board Room / Gym - 1922 – 14 Avenue N.W.

Parking: west of the Louise Riley Library, accessed via the library driveway. 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.

For the latest news, programs and events, please visit our Official HH-BH Community Association website at 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**.



Youth Badminton

Youth Badminton -Ages 12 – 17 Information at www.hh-bh.ca 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

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Outdoor Soccer U4 to U18 Registration Online February 1, 2017





• Community Board Meetings second Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. in the Community Boardroom. All are invited! To be on the agenda, please contact admin@ hh-bh.ca at least 2 weeks in advance. Please note there are no Board Meetings in July or August. Next Meeting: March 9, 2017

• Plans to build an addition to our community association's facility are finally underway!

• Please help us create a space that will enhance our facility and serve the needs of our community. Meetings are held the third Wednesday of every month at the community boardroom, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. For more information, contact Carol Sandahl: vp@hh-bh.ca.

• Special Meeting of HH-BH Community Membership to revise and update our Association's bylaws. Saturday, March 18, 4:00 p.m., Community Boardroom. Party to follow!

• Casino June 4th and 5th - Get to know your neighbours and help the community association raise funds to maintain and expand our community hall at our next casino fundraiser, June 4 and 5. See add in this issue for details.

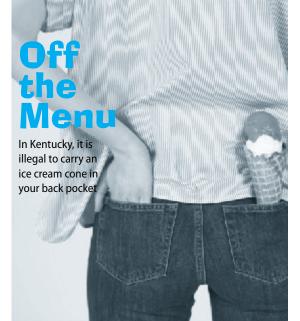
• Free Performing Arts Workshops - Boardroom HH-BH Community Centre on Sundays 2-4 p.m.

• BHES - Recycle a Friend Book Sale - Briar Hill School Tuesday March 21, 2017 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Wednesday March 22, 2017 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. See ad in this issue for details.

• HH-BH Playschool Open House - see ad in this issue for details.

• Networking Evenings Tuesdays 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. held in the Community Boardroom. Visit www.hh-bh. ca for more information.

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





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Hounsfield Heights-Briar Hill Bylaw Revision **Special Meeting**

A special meeting of Hounsfield Heights-Briar Hill community membership to revise and update our association's bylaws is being held Saturday, March 18, 4:00 pm, Community Boardroom. All HH-HB members welcome – party to follow!

Community Clean-up Leader

Hounsfield Heights-Briar Hill is looking for people to lead our annual community clean up event. This annual event brings people from the community together, provides friends and families an opportunity to work together for a good cause, and helps to keep our neighbourhood clean and safe. If you are interested, or have any questions, please contact Patricia at 587-703-9739 or email events@hh-bh.ca 2017 HH-BH OUTDOOT SOCCEPT U4-U18

> Register February 1 to March 15 online at www.hh-bh.ca

Season runs late April to late June, details on our website

We will need lots of volunteers to make this program happen! Contact judyaldous@yahoo.ca to volunteer

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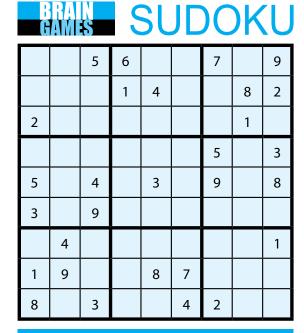
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Tree Planting

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.



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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.

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!
- 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
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We are often contacted by individuals concerned about loss of green space, such as linear parks, golf courses, and other connectors used as wildlife routes. People need the outdoors for healthy lifestyles. In a recent media interview, I was asked to describe what Nose Hill means to the quality of life in North Calgary. In addition to hiking, walking, and cycling, I thought of wildlife sighting and plant studies, especially in the spring. However, there are butterfly enthusiasts too. Nose Hill has been the subject of photography, for decades, and there are paintings of the park in different seasons.

The Citizens for Nose Hill was an early preservationist group. Two other Calgary parks (which had been recognized as property of City-wide significance) were recently re-designated as municipal historical resources, under Section 26 of the Alberta Historical Resources Act. The aim is to protect each site in perpetuity, since they are eligible for provincial grant funds, in order to support on-going conservation.

Confederation Park was once known as the rough and featureless North Hill Coulee This Park was added to Calgary's inventory of evaluated historic resources, in 2010, based on the community effort to establish the park, on the centennial of Canadian Confederation. Harry Boothman, a Superintendent of Parks, and Eric Musgreave, founder of the Centennial Ravine Park Society in 1965, were influential in its 18th-century garden design. Boothman was a long-time supporter and board member of the Canadian Parks and Recreation Association. There is a bursary operated in his name.

William Reader, a garden designer, was a City Parks Superintendent from 1913 – 1942. Reader Rock Garden, established in 1914, was added to the inventory in 2007, with native plants, local materials, gardens and rock pathways. It reflects the optimism in our city's early 1900s. It was the first Legacy Park to open. (www. readerrock.com)

This bylaw protection is intended to prevent demolition but will pertain to the parks by ensuring any future changes or conservation work follow best practices in handling historical resources. The change has no impact on City operating or capital budgets.

However, the conservation of cultural landscapes can often have significant environmental benefits, as many have biodiversity being conserved as part of the landscape. In turn, their conservation contributes to biodiversity in Calgary.

There were letter of support for this designation from both the Calgary Parks Department and Calgary Heritage Authority.

Community Hall Expansion:

Yes, it's really happening!

HHBH residents could be forgiven for rolling their eyes when they hear of upcoming plans to expand the community hall. After all, an extension, expansion or "Phase 2" of the facility have been a matter of ongoing discussion, consultation and debate for more than a decade.

Every time the community association revved up to undertake the expansion, a compelling reason to delay our own plans cropped up: the Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) plan the city undertook to develop areas around C-Train stations, the prospect of expansion for the Louise Riley Library, rumoured multi-use development schemes by the Bentall Group that owns North Hill Centre.

However, the government body that oversees the casino funds raised by this community to maintain and expand its facility (the Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission or AGLC) has given us a hard deadline: we need to break ground by the spring of 2019.

Carol Sandahl has been an HHBH Community Association Director responsible for organizing the AGLC casino fundraisers and the disbursement of the funds for more than 10 years. She's also been an advocate of using those funds to create a physical space in the community that allows us to do more together.

"I love the idea of having a live music venue and a big deck that looks out onto our field – we could incorporate that with festivals on the field," she said recently. "We don't need anything overly grand ... a space for 150 to 200 people that can be partitioned for yoga classes, seniors programs, wine tasting ... these are the kinds of things we could do."

Carol is part of the Building Committee that wants your input – as she said, "The kinds of programming our community wants will drive the kind of space we need." We currently have funding available to fund a 3,000-square-foot extension, but the details are open to input – **your** input.

Get as involved as you like: join Carol, Gunter Sammet and Laura Hunt on the Building Committee or just drop in on the third Wednesday of the month to give them your ideas or ask questions.

See you on Wednesday!

Plans to build an addition to our community association's facility are finally underway! We have the financesinorder,nowweneedyourhelpaswebeginthis exciting project.

Come meet your neighbours and take part in a freewheeling discussion of how best to expand our existing community hall. Please join us and bring your ideas, opinions and talents to create a space that will enhance our facility and serve the needs of our community.

Meetings are held the third Wednesday of every month at the community boardroom, 7 - 9 PM.

For more information, contact Carol Sandahl: vp@hh-bh.ca. • March 15

• April 19

• May 17 • June 21

It's a great opportunity to find out where we are in the process, make suggestions for the kind of facility and programs our community needs, express your concerns and have your questions answered.

Let's build more than a community hall – let's build a community!

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The Public is invited! Our annual carnival is Saturday, March 4, 2017 at the Queensland Community Center, 649 Queensland Drive SE. We sure hope you will join us for fun and friendship and help support the Girl Guides in your community. We'll have a bake sale, cake walk, silent auction, games, crafts and lunch room. The hours are 11:00 am to 4:00 pm. Admission is a non-perishable food or cash donation to the Calgary Interfaith Foodbank. If you are interested in donating to the silent auction, please contact Bonnie, bonnieguideleader@gmail.com. Your support is most appreciated to provide a well-respected program for girls. I also heard that the Classic Cookies may be available for sale at the carnival. Only \$5.00 per box.

And yes, we are still accepting registrations in some units. If you are now ready to enroll your daughter, please visit girlguides. ca and look for the registration information. Ladies, if you are interested in being a leader, now is a great time to get started. Training is provided and support is available. Join a unit now. Contact Pat, isteads@telus.net if you are interested in more information.



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If you needed a life-saving organ or tissue transplant, would you expect our healthcare system to do everything possible to make that a reality and save your life? Of course you would.

However, the real reason you likely would not get that lifesaving operation is because there is a shortage of organs in Canada ... well, not the organs, but the donors.

There are 4,600 Canadians in need of a transplant and hundreds of those will die this year waiting for a one. Shockingly, only 8% of adult Albertans are registered to donate their organs. (In Ontario, 29% are registered!)

We don't have a lack of healthy organs in Canada, but we do have shortage of people willing to donate them.

As one eight year-old girl recently said to me, "Why wouldn't you donate your organs? What are you going to do with them after you die?"

Is it fair not to offer your organs for donation, but expect others to donate to you if you need a transplant? That's a question only you can answer but I am a firm believer in the Golden Rule.

I will continue to encourage Canadians to register to be an organ donor. My proposed legislation would make registering to be a donor easier by allowing people to register as an organ donor through their tax return.

Research shows that 90% of Canadians support organ and tissue donation and yet only 24% have taken the time to register as donors. In real numbers, we have 2.84 million willing donors and the potential to increase that to 11.74 million.

Registering is only half the process, as you need to also discuss your wishes with your family. Sadly, many families overrule those wishes upon death. It is estimated that 10% of registered donors have their families veto their wishes. Imagine how many lives could have been saved.

It is critical that you discuss your intentions with your family and let them know you really do want to save another life when you have the opportunity. The life you save could end up saving theirs one day.

Registering is easy. Just visit www.lenwebber.ca/donate-today and follow the link to the Alberta registry.

While some have legitimate reasons why they cannot donate, most simply have an excuse. What is yours?



Casino Volunteers Needed June 4 and 5

Get to know your neighbours and help the community association raise funds to maintain and expand our community hall at our next casino fundraiser, June 4 and 5.

HHBH CA Vice-President Carol Sandahl is organizing the fundraiser and is using the schedule with six long shifts to make it easier than ever to volunteer. This year, we're at Cowboys Casino (421 12 Ave SE), easily accessible by C-Train from Lions Park.

Please contact Carol at vp@hh-bh.ca to volunteer or receive more information.





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

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
	\$907,450	\$851,250
January 2017	\$650,000.00	\$620,000.00
December 2016	\$907,450.00	\$851,250.00
November 2016	\$599,500.00	\$577,500.00
October 2016	\$0.00	\$0.00
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

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

	No. New Properties	No. Properties Sold
January 2017	8	1
December 2016	0	4
November 2016	2	2
October 2016	3	0
September 2016	7	2
August 2016	2	4
July 2016	5	3
June 2016	2	2
May 2016	8	4
April 2016	4	3
March 2016	2	0
February 2016	0	1

To view more detailed information that comprise the above MLS averages please visit **hounsfield_heights_briar_hill.great-news.ca**

MEMBERSHIPS

Your annual membership is good through July 31, 2017 and entitles you and your family to participate in a variety of different community programs and activities. The cost is only \$20 annually per family/household or \$10 for seniors, including GST.

HOUNSFIELD HEIGHTS – BRIAR HILL COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION	
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Free Performing Arts Workshops

Boardroom HH-BH Community Centre Sundays 2-4 pm

Firedance, Improvization, Play writing, Dance, Yoga, Alignment and Exercise for Performers, Drumming, Voice and Movement workshops will be offered.

Contact: events@hh-bh.ca 587-703-9739





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Even during the current economic downturn, interest in new infill housing remains strong. While housing development brings investment and new families into our neighbourhoods, there are often challenges that come with construction.

Some of the most common calls to our office from communities experiencing redevelopment are about public property damage, noise, and unkempt sites during construction. While we have bylaws to deal with noise and site conditions, damage to public property is usually discovered after the fact.

The costs are significant. When we added up the damage to public trees, sidewalks, laneways, and roadways, we discovered there was an average of \$163 in tree damage and \$1,391 in concrete damage per infill site. Historically, The City has been on the hook for covering the costs. Between 2011 and 2015, contractor damage to public property cost Calgarians over \$9 million.

This is why I put forward a motion to Council to ensure that contractors, not Calgarians, are responsible for covering all the costs of property damage. We are already seeing improvements and responsible contractors are working to prevent damage in the first place. The City's new strategy has three parts:

- Increase oversight of construction sites and work with the construction industry to improve behaviour.
- Encourage all citizens and City employees to use the 311 service to track and measure damage.
- Require pre- and post-construction photographs of nearby City property including trees, sidewalks, laneways, and street signs. Please note: Similar documentation can be used to protect your own property if you live beside or behind a construction site.

This work will help save Calgarians millions and encourage infill developers to be good neighbours. You can help by reporting damage and other infill concerns. If you see unsafe construction sites, unkempt sites, noise bylaw violations, or property damage, please call 311 or report online at www.calgary.ca/311.

Leading a Jane's Walk in Calgary A "How To" Workshop

Date:	Wednesday, March 15 th	
Time:	7:00 – 9:00pm	
	(light supper provided at 6:30 pm)	
Location:	St. Louis Hotel	
	430 – 8 th Ave SE Calgary	

Jane's Walk is a weekend of free neighbourhood walking tours held in cities around the world each May. If you're curious about leading a Jane's Walk, The Calgary Foundation and The City of Calgary invite you to attend a "how-to" session where you will receive step-by-step instructions on how to bring your ideas and neighbourhood to life through a walking tour. This event is free and light dinner will be provided at 6:30pm. For more information or to register go to: https://2017 calgaryjaneswalk.eventbrite.ca

A mini Jane's walk will also take place during the workshop in and around the historic St. Louis hotel. This is Calgary's 10th year of Jane's Walk and a very special year to get involved.

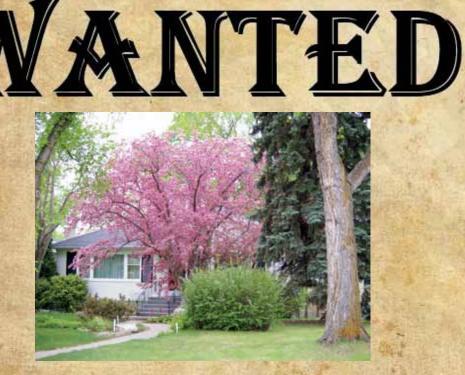




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