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A Thought for Valentine's Day
 "Love (purest kind/platonic) and Justice are actually *related* to each other, as they *both* require the concept of **fair peace** between two or more people, whether it is a business or personal relationship."
 – Stella Riesen

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Two classes weekly (Tue. & Thurs) AM \$ 135.00
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 • Afternoon hours 12: 30 – 3.00
 Your child must be at least 3 years old age to enter and be fully toilet trained.
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403-275-6666 ext. 229 or email to barb.d@huntingtonhillscalgary.com
CURLING ROCKS!!!!!!!



Family Zumba

Saturday, February 20
1:30 -2:30



PUBLIC SKATING TIMES

Public Skating at Huntington Hills Community Centre is:
 Mondays & Wednesdays - 2:00 to 3:15pm
 Fridays - 1:15 to 2:15pm
 Cost: \$2.00 per person



Huntington Hills Drop-In Curling League

- Mixed male & female players, mixed levels
- Fun league, non-competitive
- Runs on Wednesdays and Fridays at 9 AM (please arrive prior to 8:45AM)
- You must have some prior curling experience

For further information contact Heather at 403-284-2411.

IN & AROUND SCHOOLS

Huntington Hills School!

Greetings from **Huntington Hills School!** We are proud to be a community school with approximately 240 students Grades K-6.

Our school has been *extremely* fortunate to partner with Dalhousie and Crowfoot Chapters this year. The love of reading and literacy is very important to our school, and these stores have generously supported our fundraising efforts through Chapters Adopt-A-School and the Indigo Love of Reading Foundation. We have been able to purchase new books for our library including dual-language and non-fiction materials. A big thank you to the Calgary community and our Parent Council for also supporting this initiative!

At the end of February we are looking forward to a presentation at our school of Mozart's Magic Flute performed by the Calgary Opera! As well our school is working with Geri Lorway from *Thinking 101* to create a one-year math residency including a parent evening.

We welcome our relationship with the greater community. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact our school!



The curling season is well underway at Huntington Hills. If you are interested in curling contact the curling club at 403-275-6666 ext 229. The ice is GREAT, and the people are FANTASTIC.

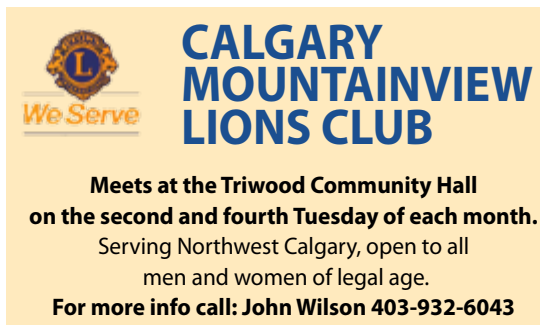
The 55+ Drop In League on Wednesday and Friday mornings at 9:00 are always looking for curlers. The cost is \$6.00 each time. Drop in, curl, and have fun!

The Men's Bonspiel was well attended and a big thank you to Andrew Stevenson and his volunteer group for organizing another successful event.

Practise Ice is available on weekends - Sunday from 1:30 to 4:00pm. The cost for members is \$5.00/person/hour and \$10.00 for non-members/hour. Equipment is also available to rent.

We have numerous corporate and family functions booked on weekends so if you are thinking of booking some curling ice for a fun event, please contact the curling office directly and we would be thrilled to assist you with your event.

We are looking forward to a great second half to our season! Cheers and if you want more information on curling at Huntington Hills contact Barb at 302-275-6666 ext. 229 or email to barb.d@huntingtonhills.ca or check out the Huntington Hills Curling Club website www.huntingtonhillscurlingclub.com.



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Your city employees want to start the new year with a big *Thank You* for appreciating our efforts in keeping Calgary clean and green. You gave our garbage and recycling teams a 97% satisfaction rating last year.



And we'd also like to thank the City for reaffirming their commitment to keeping this service public — and saying *No Thank You* to a for-profit service that would have cost taxpayers 5-20% more!

Here's to another great year, in Canada's greatest city.

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Family Connections Parent Link Centre

The Parent Link Centre is open from 9-5PM Monday-Friday & Thursday we are open 9- 7:30PM and We offer free programs for parents with children 0-6 For more information on hours and programs please stop by & visit us to pick up a calendar or call Tracey at 403-275-6666 ext 276.

PARENT LINK STAFF

Cassandra: Manager ext 274

Tracey: Admin assist - ext 235

Sue: Parent Coach - ext 235

Paula: Child Development Facilitator – ext 237

Vivian: ESL Program Facilitator – ext 242

Michele: Program Facilitator – ext 241

All of the Parent Link Programs are free of charge!

The Family Connections Parent Link will be closed February 15 for Family Day.

SPECIAL EVENTS:

Family Day Skate 2015

Feb 12 Friday 12:45-2:15 pm

Come join the Huntington Hills Community Association and Family Connections Parent Link, North Central Family Support Program for a Family Day Skate. All children 17 and under must have a buckled helmet and skates to be on the ice to participate in this Free event. It is recommend by that everyone, children and adults wear helmets (hockey or biking) when on the ice. For more information call 403-275-6666 #242.

PROGRAMS

Playtime Fun: Tuesday mornings, 10:00-11:30; Please Join us for this free, drop-in, playgroup for parents and children (Birth to 5). Children are able to move about in the room and pick from a variety play areas.

Kids' Corner: Tuesday afternoons, 1:30-3:00; Join us for this afternoon, relaxed, drop in group for parents and children free of charge (Birth – 5). Our afternoon program is a little quieter and is another option parents with children under 12 months come to.

Busy Toddlers: 1-3 years old: Wednesday mornings, 10:00-11:30 am in the main hall (where Friday morning Gym Time is held) Please join us for this active play program for toddlers (need to be walking). Activities

will involve exploring and developing physical and social skills with other children and adults in a gym setting. Siblings are welcome. The last 10-15 minutes will involve either some songs or parachute play. Don't forget to bring a change of shoes, a water bottle and snacks.

Play & Story: Wednesday mornings, 10:00-11:30; this is a playgroup for all ages with a variety of activities to explore in the Parent Link Room and ending with a short story and song time. Please sit with your child on the rug during this time. Toddlers are not expected to sit for story and wandering will happen. Exposing your child to these story times is great for developing their attention span. There are no toys available during the story time.

* We are requesting that families pick one program to attend that morning and not move between Busy Toddlers and Play & Story on the same morning.

Baby & Me (under 12 months): Thursday afternoon 1:30-3:00. Stop in and join the fun playing with your baby and talking with other parents. Watch the calendar for special guests eg. Library, AHS nutrition or Speech & Language speakers.

Gym Time: Friday mornings, 10:00-11:30; Full of opportunities to practice hopping, jumping, balancing, ball throwing and all sorts of large motor skills! This program is most suitable for children from 1 -5 years of age (as long as they are stable on their feet). Please note that there are no drinks or snacks provided during this program so parents may wish to bring a small water bottle for their child.

ESL/ CONVERSATION

For more information on the ESL conversations call Vivian 403 275 6668 Ext 242.

PARENTING PROGRAMS

Dealing with Disobedience (TP discussion workshop) February 23 Tuesday 6:30-8:30 pm
Come share ideas and experiences while identifying positive parenting strategies to help prevent problems and handle disobedience with children 3-11 years old Call Tracey at 403-275-6666 ext. 276 to register for the workshop and free childcare starting Jan 26 For more information call Sue at 403-275-6666 #235.

Ready, Set Go

Potty Training for Parents

February 19 10-11:30 am

Are you ready Parents to start Toilet training? Come

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Family Connections ...cont'd

share ideas and challenges with other parents while gathering information on toilet training. To register (workshop and childcare in Parent Link site) call 403-275-6666 #276 starting Jan 21

Me and My Dad (best suited for children 1-6 years)

Sat. 10-11:30 am

Feb 27 Building & Construction

Come join our new Me and My Dad program. Dad's and children 1 year (able to walk and run) and older will be able to participate in variety of activities while meeting other dads. Call Sue for more information at 403-275-6666 #235. To register call Tracey at 403-275-6666 #276 starting Feb 5.

Healthy Eating for Toddlers & Preschoolers

Monday Feb. 22 10-12 pm

Do you have questions about your child's eating? Learn how to create a positive mealtime environment, introduce new foods and how to cope with mealtime struggles. Taught by a dietitian, this class is for parents and caregivers with children 1 – 5 years of age. To register (workshop and childcare in Parent Link site) call 403-275-6666 #276.

Building Strong Families Lone Parenting Program (formerly Single Parent Support Program):

Building Strong Families: Parenting on Your Own Spring Session will begin in April - dates to be decided

*For more information or to register call
Lesley 403-275-6666 ext 222.*

Family Day Skate 2016

**February 12, Friday
12:45-2:15 pm**

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Centering Pregnancy

The Centering Pregnancy program, located in The Alex Family Health Centre (1318 Centre St NE), provides prenatal group care to new mothers and their families or support person, at no cost.

- Groups are led by a doctor and childbirth educator or a nurse.
- Sessions are spent in an interactive setting with activities and stories about pregnancy/prenatal care shared with each other and childbirth educators.
- Individualized check – ups with a doctor at each session helps to optimize the health and wellbeing of an expecting mother and her baby.
- Participants are connected to a system of support that extends beyond the program.

For more information contact Mylene Portier, 403-513-7406, or email centeringpregnancy@thealex.ca

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PROGRAMS OFFERED:
 Girls Teams from U10 to U19
 Mixed Teams for Tim Hortons Learn to Play



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 For more information or to Register: www.nosecreeksoftball.ca
 Male athletes U10 and up can register for the 'Calgary Boys Fastpitch' softball program at www.calgaryboysfastpitch.com

IN & AROUND CALGARY

YOUR CITY SECTION

Check out these important updates from The City of Calgary

Learn about the inner workings of Council and its Committees. Explore the many ways you can connect with your City, Mayor, and Councillors.	calgary.ca/cityhall101
The City is recruiting census takers for the annual Civic Census. Applications are available until the end of February. For more information visit calgary.ca/census or call 403-476-4111.	calgary.ca/census
Check out the Citizen Dashboard pilot, an online tool that gives Calgarians access to information about City performance and how City services contribute to Calgary's quality of life.	calgary.ca/citizen/dashboard
Spend the Family Day weekend in nature! Enjoy outdoor skating, nature-themed activities and playtime in the park at our free We Are Family events.	calgary.ca/parks
Register your child for a spring break nature adventure! Our half-day and full-day camps explore the exciting world of bugs, birds, plants and animals using hands-on activities and outdoor play. Before and after camp care is available.	calgary.ca/parksguide
The City is looking for more Calgarians to join Calgary's online panel. Sign up at CitizensView.ca.	citizensview.ca
The Spring & Summer Recreation Program Guide hits the stands February 24. This issue includes summer day camps & sailing school. Don't miss picking up your guide to fitness and adventure.	calgary.ca/recreation
The whole family is welcome to our special Family Day weekend climbing and gymnastics drop-in.	calgary.ca/leisurecentres

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North Central Family Support Program

In February and March, we will be offering a number of workshops for youth in our North Central Region.

At Home Alone Workshop – Wednesday February 10 from 6:30 – 8:30 pm
Girls and Activism Workshop – Wednesday February 24 from 4:30 -6:30 pm
Social Netiquette Workshop – Wednesday March 16 from 6:30 -8:30 pm

On Friday February 5 we will be hosting a family games night. Unplug the electronics, bring the kids

and enjoy an evening of board games. It's a great way to reconnect and have some family fun.

We are looking for volunteers to help with our Good Food Box depot days. If you have one afternoon per month to give us a hand with food pick-ups, we'd love to hear from you. It's a great chance to meet some of your neighbours.

Please contact Lili or Michelle 403-275-6666 for more information on any of our events, to register for a workshop or to volunteer.

HUNTINGTON PIONEERS ASSOCIATION

A club for adults 50 years and older, retired or semi-retired.

Located in the lower level of the Huntington Hills Community Association
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E-Mail: pioneers50@telus.net
The Huntington Pioneers Association is a group of people participating in a variety of activities.

Some of the activities include:
Bridge, snooker, whist, shuffle boarding, art classes, craft classes, outings, movies, volunteer activities, social events and more!

We have regular monthly activities and we invite anyone meeting our membership requirements to join us:

Pot luck supper: last Monday of each month, starts at 5:30pm

Movie Night: 3rd Friday of every month 7pm, Silver collection for popcorn and pop.

Art classes: Every Tuesday 1:00pm-3:00pm, includes: oil painting, water color, acrylics and sketching.

Games Night: every Tuesday from 6pm – 9pm.

Soup and Bun Day: The 2nd Thursday of every month, starting at 12pm. Cost set by Board.

Club Cost and hours:
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Name	Age	Contact	Course
Kaiya	12	403-805-1446	Yes
Zoe	13	403-272-7841	Yes
Rebecca	13	587-223-6730	Yes
Olivia	13	403-289-2232	Yes
Maxine	13	403-455-8427	Yes
Claire	13	403-830-0060	Yes
Madison	13	403-850-6001	Yes
Emily	14	587-581-3684	Yes
Hazel	14	587-890-9559	Yes
Janessa	14	587-830-6585	Yes
Samantha	14	587-349-1138	Yes
Angela	14	403-288-3410	Yes
Ruth	14	403-289-8737	Yes
Faris	14	403-402-0950	Yes
Maude	15	587-890-2828	Yes
Shy-Lynn	15	587-899-2766	Yes
Bella	15	403-969-2072	Yes
Sebastian	15	403-971-1986	Yes
Brooklyn	15	403-990-6176	Yes
Kiona	16	403-248-4588	Yes
Angelica	16	587-223-0215	Yes
Jacalyn	17	403-277-6174	Yes
Maryam	18	587-707-7107	No
Maddy	18	587-888-7298	Yes
Eugene	18	403-703-4488	Yes
Maddy	18	587-888-7298	Yes
Rachelle	18	403-971-8870	Yes
Makenzie	18	403-796-7733	Yes
Amy	19	403-969-6057	Yes
Taryn	19	403-999-1777	Yes
Vicky	19	204-898-6636	Yes
Rachel	19	403-862-3026	Yes
Nicole	20	403-808-9215	Yes

Jessica	20	587-580-5696	No
Maggie	21	403-605-8598	Yes
Carol	21	403-472-9002	Yes
Paméla	21	819-531-2543	No
Siobhan	22	403-923-9499	No
Andrea	23	403-465-0933	No
Blaise	24	587-223-8583	Yes
Megan	24	403-861-3718	Yes
Josefa	25	587-437-1252	Yes
Genevieve	25	581-307-6165	Yes
Chantelle	27	403-354-7370	Yes
Camila	27	403-680-0942	No
Tammy	29	587-968-1638	Yes
Lindsay	29	403-383-1474	No
Amber	30	587-438-4789	Yes
Andrea	30	587-437-2048	Yes
Dayelle	32	587-755-1878	No
Alexandra	33	587-432-7977	Yes
Anna	33	403-607-7464	Yes
Chantelle	33	403-510-7474	Yes
Teresa	43	403-478-3749	Yes
Todd	44	403-585-8463	Yes
Martha	48	403-919-2967	No
Mercedes	53	403-831-6429	Yes
Iffat Noreen	57	587-353-9949	Yes
Ann	65	403-669-4495	No

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Citizens' View: Calgary's online panel – 2,000 members and growing

The City is looking for more Calgarians to join citizensview.ca

You're invited to join more than 2,000 people that have already signed up for Citizens' View, Calgary's online panel. Citizensview.ca makes it easier for Calgarians to share their input anytime, anywhere through online surveys and discussions.

As Citizens' View continues to grow, The City is working to make sure that they hear from people of all ages and areas of Calgary. Right now, The City needs more people of all demographics and communities. Can you help?

"Creating an even better Calgary takes all of us—not just government," said Mayor Nenshi. "Citizens are the key to improving our communities and creating the

best programs and services for our city. Calgarians are the experts in their lives and I encourage them to share their thoughts about life in Calgary by signing-up at citizensview.ca."

The City hopes to attract more than 4,000 people that reflect Calgary's diverse population. Members can expect to receive surveys once or twice a month, join on-line discussions, and receive information on City events and service improvements.

Calgarians 18 years and older can sign-up for the Citizens' View at www.citizensview.ca.



IN & AROUND CALGARY

Citizen Dashboard in the works to give Calgarians insight into City performance and Calgary's quality of life

The City of Calgary is building a Citizen Dashboard, an online tool that provides Calgarians with access to information about The City's performance and how City services contribute to Calgary's quality of life. Available at calgary.ca/citizendashboard, the tool displays performance measures and data using interactive graphs, charts and maps.

"The Citizen Dashboard is just getting started, but it's a great example of our efforts to be more open and accountable to Calgarians for the programs we offer at The City," said Jeff Fielding, City Manager.

"The Dashboard provides citizens with easy access to City performance measures, provides explanations of what those measures mean and what we are doing to improve service," said Mac Logan, General Manager, Transportation and Chair of a committee designed to oversee and champion customer service and digital innovation at The City. "We look forward to hearing from Calgarians during the pilot as they explore our new tool."

Powered by The City's Open Data Catalogue, the Citizen Dashboard pilot currently displays select performance measures for 311; Roads Maintenance: Summer; Calgary Transit Access; and Building Regulations. Additional performance measures will be added to these services as the Citizen Dashboard evolves and feedback is collected.

The following services will be added over the coming months:

- Roads Maintenance: Snow and Ice Control and Spring Clean-up
- Transit: Safety and Security, CTrain and Bus
- Water Resources
- Water Services
- Waste & Recycling Services
- Recreation
- Fire

Calgarians can check out the new tool and provide feedback at calgary.ca/citizendashboard.

Fire Safety

A message from the Federation of Calgary Communities Building Safe Communities Program

Each year the Calgary Fire Department responds to over 1000 fires in Calgary. Here are some tips on staying safe from the Calgary Fire Department:

- Ensure your bedroom doors are closed while you are sleeping
- Ensure there are smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors on every level of your home
- Ensure there are at least 2 exits out any room where people are sleeping (ex. a window and a door)
- Prepare a home fire escape plan including a meeting place

Want to learn more about home fire safety?

Please join us and the Calgary Fire Department for a FREE informative session on home fire safety. Topics include: Fire extinguishers, home escape plans, fire prevention tips, fire detection requirements and more.

Date: Wednesday, February 10, 2016

Location: Marlborough Park Community Association - 636 Marlborough Way NE

Time: 7 – 9 pm

Cost: FREE to the public – space is limited

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IN & AROUND
CALGARY

February Is Heart Month

Do you know the signs and symptoms of a heart attack and what to do if someone experiences these? Knowing can make the difference between life and death. Recognizing and responding immediately to the warning signs of a potential heart attack can significantly improve survival and recovery.

February is Heart Month - take the time to be heart safe and learn how you can reduce your risk.

Know the signs of a heart attack

- (Any or all of these signs & symptoms may occur)
- Chest pain described as crushing, squeezing, pressure or chest heaviness;
 - Pain that moves beyond the chest such as shoulder, arm, neck or jaw pain;
 - Shortness of breath, sweating or nausea and vomiting.

Reduce your risk

- Heart attack risk factors include:
 - Obesity*
 - Sedentary lifestyle*
 - Smoking*
 - High cholesterol*
 - Age / Gender
 - Family history
- Speak with your doctor about how to treat your modifiable(*) risk factors and learn to be heart safe.

What to do when seconds count

- Call 9-1-1 immediately. Early treatment can greatly reduce heart damage and make the difference of life and death.
- Treatment starts the moment EMS arrives. Paramedics can provide oxygen, start an intravenous and perform an electrocardiogram (ECG).
- Paramedics can also administer important medications in the early minutes of a heart attack to lessen heart damage.
- During transport, EMS will also share information with the hospital so definitive treatment can begin immediately on arrival.
- Take a CPR/AED (automated external defibrillator) course. Training is widely available from many reputable organizations. It's easy, inexpensive, and only takes a few hours.

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The Official City of Calgary Map Gallery is a collection of online maps that show locations and information for City parks, recreation centers, flood recovery efforts, drop-off locations, landfills and much more. Based on citizen feedback over the last several years, this collection of maps is now organized by categories, allowing easy navigation throughout the gallery. In addition, we've improved functionality of our maps by hosting multiple custom-made maps instead of only one generic map. There are over 30 maps available in the gallery, and each tells its own customized story. There is much information to discover in The City of Calgary Map Gallery, available from your personal computer or mobile device.

To use the Map Gallery, simply go to Calgary.ca and click on the Map link from the home page. Browse through the several categories available, and then click on the map of your choice.

See what services are available in your community, or take the Historical Downtown Calgary Walking Tour – the Map Gallery has it all. Visit maps.calgary.ca.

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YOUR COMMUNITY/CITY EVENTS
AT A GLANCE...

- **January 16 to May 31 - Body Worlds Vital:** The exhibition celebrates the living human body and allows visitors to learn about human anatomy in a far more real way than any textbook. www.sparkscience.ca
- **March 3 - The Harlem Globetrotters:** The Harlem Globetrotters, a world-famous exhibition basketball team, combines athletic feats and teamwork with theatre and comedy. www.harlemglobetrotters.com
- **March 3 - Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band:** The Art of Time Ensemble is a chamber group that merges chamber music and pop music in this concert. The ensemble reinvents The Beatles' soundtrack to The Summer of Love. www.calgaryphil.com
- **March 4 to 13 - The Big Taste:** Each year for The Big Taste, a number of Calgary restaurants offer prix fixe menus, giving Calgarians the chance to try the best of what each restaurant offers. www.calgarydowntown.com
- **March 5 - The Black and White Ball:** Decidedly Jazz Danceworks' annual fundraising party is a black and white evening. Dress up in your finest (make sure it's black or white) and dance the evening away. www.decidedlyjazz.com
- **March 13 to 15 - Earth Science for Society Exhibit:** Earth Science for Society (ESfS) is a free, family-friendly event that is open to the public. It showcases the importance of Earth Science in our everyday lives. www.esfscanada.com
- **March 17 to 19 - ACAD Student's Association Spring Show + Sale:** See what Calgary's up-and-coming young artists have produced during their school year. www.acad.ca
- **March 24 to 29 - Disney On Ice presents Dare to Dream:** Disney princess stories are coming to the ice. The whole family will have fun seeing these favourite stories come to life on the ice rink. www.disneyonice.com
- **March 29 to April 9 - Taking Flight:** Festival of Student Work: Each year, the Taking Flight festival showcases the range of work conceived, directed and performed by University of Calgary graduate and undergraduate students. www.scpa.ucalgary.ca
- **March 30 to April 16 - Macbeth:** Darkness, dishonesty and murder fill Shakespeare's supernatural tragedy Macbeth. Macbeth timelessly highlights how ambition can cause one's downfall. www.shakespearecompany.com

**MARCH 5
BLITZ SNOWSHOE FUN
RUN — LAKE LOUISE**
Snowshoeing is one of the fastest growing outdoor winter activities. Get involved in the trend and participate in a 5 kilometre of 10 kilometre snowshoe fun race. www.snowshoe.blitzevents.ca



**MARCH 5 TO 6
CALGARY MAPLE
FESTIVAL DES SUCRES**
Running all weekend at Heritage Park, this event is a celebration of francophone music, culture and food. www.calgarymaplefest.com



**MARCH 18 TO 28
SPRING RALLY
IN THE ALLEY**
This annual, family-friendly event offers a range of activities centered around different modes of transportation. www.heritagepark.ca



MARCH

News from the Friends of Nose Hill

by Anne Burke

We can preserve nature and foster biodiversity for future generations, by staying on designated pathways and trails in our parks, in addition to respecting wildlife habitat and their migration patterns. The long-range plans are to monitor and manage invasive species (weeds); reduce habitat fragmentation; and link important habitat areas in the city and region.

The city-wide Biodiversity committee has met and a website with agenda and minutes is in the works. In the meantime, digital versions of the 10-year strategic plan can be found on the City's biodiversity page at: www.calgary.ca/biodiversity.

Many of Calgary's existing open space sites, such as Nose Hill, Union Cemetery, Reader Rock Garden, Riley Park, Fort Calgary, and Inglewood Bird Sanctuary are in the category of Cultural landscapes. A major challenge is determining which method is most appropriate for the resource, with a view toward protection, preservation or conservation, and restoration.

Cultural resource projects may include some or all of the following:

- Protection: measures needed to guard against further damage or deterioration;
- Preservation: ongoing maintenance activities that preserve the historic appearance or features of the landscape;
- Restoration: the removal of later additions and the re-creation of missing elements

Of the 800 kms of city-wide pathways, City Council approved snow clearing for up to 350 kms. Generally, City Parks crews are to clear snow on pathways within 24 hours and on sidewalks adjacent to parks within 72 hours. Re: concerns about pathways in natural parks not being cleared, some trails/pathways are best used only in non-winter months. Due to the steepness of the slope or site conditions, there may be safety concerns for potential pathway users and crews.

Environmentally Significant Areas (ESAs) are land with conservation value.

This applies to the river valley system, the urban forest, and natural environment parks. The land includes escarpments, natural grasslands, woodlots, and native pasture but also pertains to wetlands, natural bodies of water, and riparian corridors (along the river margins and banks).

There is an update on Open Space policy for recreational and environmental park spaces. Stakeholder consultation meetings with City Parks staff and industry began in February 2015. A final draft form of impact assessment for ESAs was debated by Council in early 2016. Planning and mapping guidelines are expected and a work program completed by March 2016.

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IN & AROUND CALGARY

Nestle into nature this Family Day weekend

Family Day is a great time to reconnect with loved ones - a time to slow down, focus on family and create lasting memories together. Finding activities for the holiday weekend that everyone will enjoy can be challenging, but rest assured, this year it will be a walk in the park.

The City of Calgary will be hosting free We Are Family events throughout the Family Day weekend at three of Calgary's beautiful parks. Grab your skates and join us on Saturday, February 13 at Carburn Park or Sunday, February 14 at Prince's Island Park for ice skating, fireside nature activities and family-friendly fun.

If you prefer an indoor celebration, drop by Devonian Gardens, Calgary's downtown tropical oasis, on holiday Monday, February 15. We will have entertainment for all ages, including nature games, crafts and a variety of animal furs and bones to see and touch.

All events run from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

For more information about our We Are Family events, visit calgary.ca/parks.



Huntington Hills Real Estate Update

Last 12 Months Huntington Hills
MLS Real Estate Sale Price Stats

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
December 2015	\$372,820	\$364,000
November 2015	\$380,600	\$370,450
October 2015	\$438,933	\$426,666
September 2015	\$425,938	\$425,677
August 2015	\$409,912	\$405,912
July 2015	\$396,686	\$394,993
June 2015	\$424,871	\$414,771
May 2015	\$410,400	\$404,144
April 2015	\$411,703	\$403,504
March 2015	\$365,823	\$356,625
February 2015	\$363,950	\$358,033
January 2015	\$382,627	\$377,100

Last 12 Months Huntington Hills MLS Real Estate Number of Listings Stats

	No. New Properties	No. Properties Sold
December 2015	3	5
November 2015	5	6
October 2015	10	12
September 2015	9	9
August 2015	14	8
July 2015	11	16
June 2015	17	14
May 2015	16	17
April 2015	6	12
March 2015	13	8
February 2015	18	12
January 2015	15	5
Total	137	124

To view the specific SOLD Listings that comprise the above
MLS averages please visit huntington_hills.great-news.ca



Writings about Reading

Any place can be a reading place

Do you look for ways to encourage your child's enjoyment of reading? Creating a 'reading place' in your home can help!

A reading place might be in your child's bedroom, a cozy corner in the family room, a little nook under the stairs . . . or? Just remember the 3B's and you'll create a wonderfully welcoming spot:

Books

Make lots of books available. All kinds; picture books, stories, and nonfiction books about things your child is interested in (dogs, planes, machines, cake making perhaps). Encourage your child to write their name inside their books. Ownership is directly connected to higher reading scores.

Bookshelves

Have bookshelves or baskets, boxes or bags of books all over your home. Easy access means reading can happen anywhere, at anytime. In your special reading place books all around help create a colourful and welcoming environment.

Book lights

If you set your reading place up in a family room or bedroom, you can use a nearby lamp. Or, small, inexpensive lights (clip-on or flashlights) in cozy nooks make reading more of an adventure. Lights aid visibility and define a space that focuses a child on their reading.

Encourage other families and children to celebrate books and reading in their own reading place!

You can help others get excited about creating their own unique and comfy reading place too! If you take a photo of your child reading in their special reading place and would like to share it with us via:

- email to: info@calgaryreads.com
- Instagram, Facebook, and Twitter using hashtag #MyReadingPlace and tagging @CalgaryReads

Those who submit one by March 15, 2016 will be entered into a random draw for various '3B' prizes.

For resources to help your child develop critical literacy skills and a joy of reading, visit calgaryreads.com.

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

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Alberta Health Care	403.310.0000
AHS Addictions Hotline	1.866.332.2322
ATCO Gas – 24 Hour Emergency	403.245.7222
Calgary HEALTH LINK 24/7	811
Calgary Police – Non Emergency	403.266.1234
Calgary Women's Emergency Shelter	403.234.7233
Child Abuse Hotline	1.800.387.5437
Kids Help Line	1.800.668.6868
Child Safe Canada	403.202.5900
Distress/Crisis Line	403.266.4357
ENMAX – Power Trouble	403-514-6100
Poison Centre - Alberta	1-800-332-1414
HOSPITALS / URGENT CARE	
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City of Calgary	311
Kerby Centre for the 55 plus	403-265-0661
Community Mediation Calgary Society	403.269.2707
RNR Lockworks Ltd.	403.479.6161
Road Conditions – Calgary	511
Weather Information	
Gamblers Anonymous	403.237.0654

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Know Your City Hall

Calgary City Hall is, by definition, a public space where citizens can visit, attend Council and Committee meetings, and present on issues that matter to them. City Hall 101 aims to throw open the doors and welcome you to this important city space.

Much like an introductory course at University (hence the "101"), this afternoon workshop is an interactive welcome to your City Hall. In just two and half hours, you will learn about the inner workings of Council and its Committees. And to help you find your voice in government, the event will explore the many ways (at City Hall, online, or in your community) that you can connect with your City, Mayor, and Councillors.

Hosted by the Mayor's Civic Engagement Committee, 3 Things for Calgary, and the City Clerk's Office, City Hall 101 starts by welcoming you and other Calgarians to Historic City Hall and the Municipal Complex.

Beyond touring these important public spaces, you will also learn from citizens like yourself about how you can present to Council or Committee. From getting your turn at the microphone or getting tips or tricks about speaking with Council, the goal of the workshop is to help you get the knowledge and confidence to connect with The City and your politicians about the issues that matter to you.

The next City Hall 101 is 4 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. on Monday, March 7, 2016. You can register at Calgary.ca/CityHall101.

Interested in doing a job that counts? The City is recruiting civic census takers now!

The City's civic census is conducted annually and that means census taker recruitment is underway. The City needs nearly 1,000 flexible workers to help with the door-to-door physical Census collection and data recording in April.

Census takers need to be able to walk in seasonable weather conditions and easily operate a tablet computer. Census takers are provided with essential training, to be completed at home online and must be available for an in-person session in March.

Applications can be downloaded online and are accepted in person, at The City of Calgary Election and Information Services office, 1103 55 Ave NE, between 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. Monday to Friday. In addition to completing an application form, there is a written skills assessment test that takes approximately 30 minutes to complete.

If you or anyone you know would be a good fit as a census taker, be sure to send them to calgary.ca/census to fill out an application.

IN & AROUND CALGARY

Crowchild Tr. Study: Upcoming Events

Attend an upcoming public drop-in session to see how the ideas gathered from Calgarians in fall 2015 look when applied to the Crowchild Trail corridor. Learn more about why some ideas will not move forward for further consideration. As well, help us review and evaluate the remaining ideas and the associated benefits, impacts, constraints and trade-offs against the project key principles. Feedback received will help the project team identify concepts for further development.

Drop-in Session #1: Saturday, February 27

Time: 2 to 5 p.m.

Location: Sunalta School, Gym - 536 Sonora Ave. S.W.

Drop-in Session #2: Thursday, March 10

Time: 5 to 8 p.m.

Location: Red and White Club, McMahon Stadium - 1833 Crowchild Tr. N.W.

Drop-in Session #3: Saturday, March 12

Time: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Location: Queen Elizabeth (Senior) High School, Auxiliary Gym - 512 - 18 St. N.W.

In addition to the events above, similar drop-in sessions for residents, businesses and other stakeholders located within a block of Crowchild Trail have been scheduled in February. These invite-only events provide those with homes and businesses in close proximity to Crowchild Trail an opportunity to participate in the same sessions with others who share their unique perspective or concerns.

An opportunity to provide feedback online will also be available in late February.

For more information about this study and opportunities to provide your input, visit calgary.ca/crowchild.

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