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- **May 18 to June 1 - Ginapalooza:** This spring, it's all about gin. The festival celebrates local gin distillers as well as internationally renowned gin brands. [www.ginapalooza.com](http://www.ginapalooza.com)
- **June 2 - 12th Annual Evening of Wine and Wishes:** This food and fundraiser event is an entire evening of culinary festivities. Proceeds support the Rainbow Society of Alberta, a charity that helps Alberta kids with life-threatening or severe chronic medical illnesses. [www.rainbowsociety.ab.ca](http://www.rainbowsociety.ab.ca)
- **June 2 to 4 - Revv52: California:** Calgary's own vocal energy group, Revv52, celebrates its 64th season by exploring the music of California at the River Park Auditorium. [www.revv52.com](http://www.revv52.com)
- **June 3 and 4 - As Heard On TV:** This concert celebrates some of the most memorable music from popular TV shows of the past and the present, as performed by singer and comedian Nicole Parker and conducted by Steven Reineke. [www.calgaryphil.com](http://www.calgaryphil.com)
- **June 4 - 2016 Eddies Short Film Festival:** The 2016 Eddies Short Film Festival this year is themed "trailblazer." Filmmakers can interpret that theme in any way they wish, and create any kind of film they like that reflects this theme. [www.bigrockbeer.com](http://www.bigrockbeer.com)
- **June 4 and 5 - Calgary Ukrainian Festival:** The annual Calgary Ukrainian Festival pays tribute to Ukrainian immigrants and showcases all aspects of their heritage. [www.calgaryukrainianfestival.ca](http://www.calgaryukrainianfestival.ca)
- **June 4 to August 28 - Afternoon Tea on the Verandah:** Enjoy a traditional afternoon tea on the verandah of Heritage Park's newest exhibit, the Famous 5 Centre of Canadian Women. [www.heritagepark.ca](http://www.heritagepark.ca)
- **June 17 and 18 - Vintage With Flair:** Find hand-designed, re-purposed and curated creations. The market sells everything from home decor to garden items to jewellery. [www.vintagewithflair.blogspot.ca](http://www.vintagewithflair.blogspot.ca)
- **June 22 to 26 - Sled Island:** The festival includes performances, installations and artwork by more than 250 bands, artists, filmmakers and comedians. The festival takes place in more than 30 venues across the city. [www.sledisland.com](http://www.sledisland.com)

### JUNE 1 AND 2 POPS IN THE PARK

Celebrate the arrival of warmer weather and longer days with a picnic and concert in the park. This annual light-hearted, musical evening includes a western barbeque and plenty of music. [www.calgaryphil.com](http://www.calgaryphil.com)



### JUNE 5 LILAC FESTIVAL

The festival kicks off with a parade down 4th Street S.W., and afterward, Mission plays host to more than 500 vendors, street performers and musicians. [www.lilacfestival.net](http://www.lilacfestival.net)



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### Last 12 Months PANORAMA HILLS

#### MLS Real Estate Sale Price Stats

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
March 2016	\$499,900.00	\$480,000.00
February 2016	\$525,000.00	\$510,000.00
January 2016	\$509,900.00	\$495,000.00
December 2015	\$489,900.00	\$480,000.00
November 2015	\$555,000.00	\$541,000.00
October 2015	\$528,950.00	\$521,000.00
September 2015	\$569,000.00	\$552,500.00
August 2015	\$569,000.00	\$556,000.00
July 2015	\$569,900.00	\$557,500.00
June 2015	\$533,400.00	\$518,444.00
May 2015	\$544,900.00	\$530,000.00
April 2015	\$564,900.00	\$558,500.00

### Last 12 Months COUNTRY HILLS

#### MLS Real Estate Sale Price Stats

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
March 2016	\$355,000.00	\$345,000.00
February 2016	\$0.00	\$0.00
January 2016	\$394,350.00	\$390,400.00
December 2015	\$389,900.00	\$389,900.00
November 2015	\$418,894.00	\$410,500.00
October 2015	\$399,900.00	\$394,000.00
September 2015	\$419,950.00	\$406,500.00
August 2015	\$399,900.00	\$390,000.00
July 2015	\$437,450.00	\$431,500.00
June 2015	\$421,350.00	\$417,050.00
May 2015	\$399,898.00	\$380,000.00
April 2015	\$0.00	\$0.00

To view the specific SOLD Listings that comprise the above MLS averages please visit [panorama\\_hills.great-news.ca](http://panorama_hills.great-news.ca) or [country\\_hills.great-news.ca](http://country_hills.great-news.ca)

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## Your child's summer reading plan

**It's never too early to think about what your child might read during the summer break.** Reading over the summer not only improves children's literacy and language skills but also prevents what is known as the 'summer slide'—a regression in reading ability that can occur when children have an extended break from school.

### How to help your child:

- Children need access to books and other print materials to help them become consistent readers. Make books and magazines available throughout your home (or in the car on road trips) and utilize your public library!
- Even reading just six books over the summer holidays can help your child maintain or improve their reading level.
- Children need books that are "just right"—not too easy and not too hard. Let your child choose what they want to read. As they fall in love with books, then you can help them discover more books!

### Ways to make reading fun this summer:

- Get involved with your child's reading. Consider a family book club or read your child's book along with them and have conversations about the characters and plot. Read aloud a book above their reading level too—to build vocabulary and critical thinking.
- If you are taking a vacation or visiting family, involve your child in your on-line research and vacation planning; give them an attractive journal so they can write or draw about each day's fun and experiences.
- Does your child have a hobby, sport or interest they will be involved in during the summer? If so, build reading opportunities around this as they research to start a collection, read to build skills or navigate instructions.

The **CBC Calgary Reads Big Book Sale** runs from May 13 to 15, 2016. This is Calgary Reads' signature fundraising event. With children's books starting at just \$1, the Book Sale is a great time to stock up on summer reading for the entire family, keep books in circulation locally and to support our work to help children read with confidence and joy! Find full event details on our website [www.calgaryreads.com](http://www.calgaryreads.com).



## MAKING A WILL

It is a good idea for everyone to have a Will and people often have more assets than they think. Having a Will is the only way to communicate who gets what you have. Anyone with children under the age of 18 should make a Will in order to choose a guardian for their children and give directions about their financial needs.

You can make a Will at any time and should make one when you marry, start a family or divorce.

A Will contains your instructions about what you want done with your property when you die. It appoints an Executor who is responsible for carrying out your wishes and sets out what happens to your property.

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## News from the Friends of Nose Hill

by Anne Burke

International Migratory Bird Day is on May 8. Continual monitoring is required to maintain accurate, current information on their status around the world. Go to [www.naturealberta.ca](http://www.naturealberta.ca) for Alberta birds at risk.

Ordinary people with an interest in wildlife, plants or species can help. Citizen science programs combine learning, field work, and volunteer research. Projects can be about insects, frogs and toads, birds, mammals, plants, water, and more.

There are local clubs and annual count events, such as the species count of birds during May at various locations around Alberta. The flower blooming count is the last week of May. Everyone is welcome to participate. For botany details, email [svisser@ucalgary.ca](mailto:svisser@ucalgary.ca).

Our Facebook group is busy reporting on wildlife sightings, identifying plants, and how early the crocus appeared on the John Laurie side, off the 64 Avenue entrance, and near the top above Charleswood Drive. Alberta Plant Watch is part of the national Canada Watch program. By reporting when certain plants bloom, volunteers contribute vital information for climate change studies. We now have almost 3 decades of information.

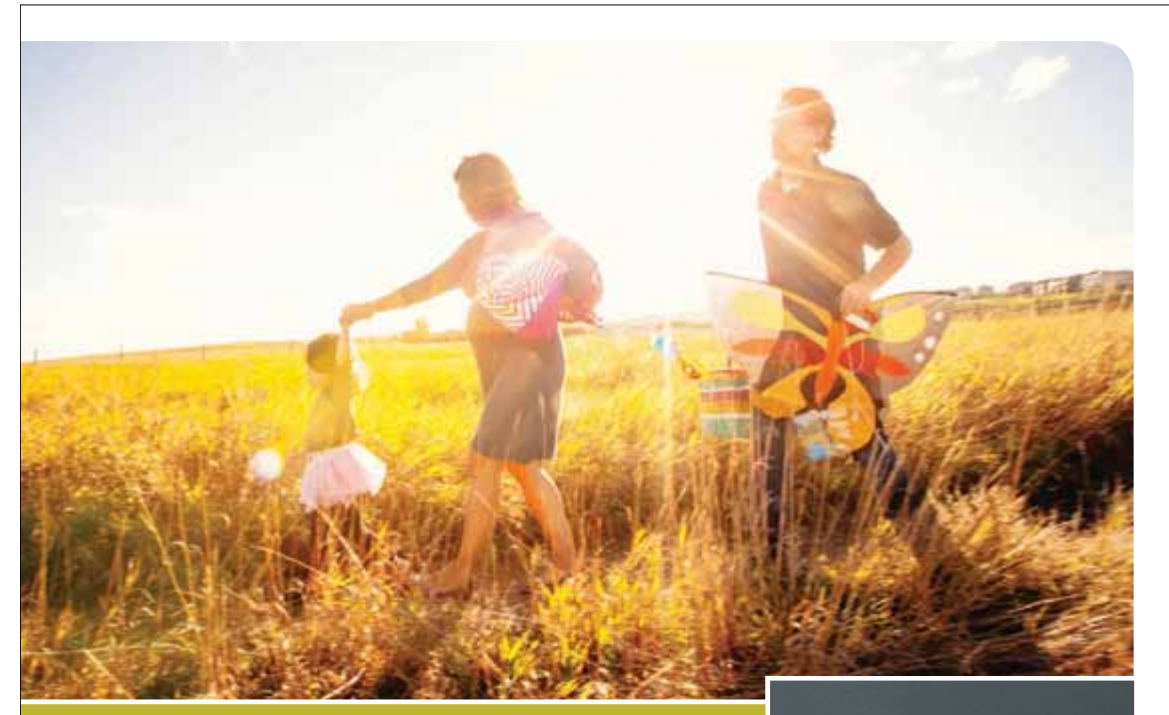
Go to [www.plantwatch.naturealberta.ca](http://www.plantwatch.naturealberta.ca).

Participation can be as easy as just looking for flowers in bloom and recording information about it on a data sheet and taking a picture; or go online to identify unusual or difficult plants.

Full colour photos are on our website. You can now report your observations and locations easily online. You can also use your smart phone to report data by your phone's GPS, and/or to send a photo of your plant. Please submit count results by June 30, 2016 for the May Flower Count -May 25-31.

**Mark your calendars now for Nose Hill clean-ups on Saturday, June 18 and July 30 at the Edgemont parking lot (Edgemont Blvd. & Shaganappi Tr.) 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. where pick-up bags are given out to park users. Parks staff and Bylaw officers will be on hand. Individuals and groups are welcome for this PUPPY program.**

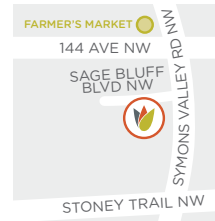
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Tobi	15	403-909-6908	Yes
Carol	21	403-472-9002	No
Shanila	38	403-805-6904	Yes
Aman	40	403-401-1060	Yes

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## IN & AROUND CALGARY

### How safe is your backyard fire pit?

Backyard fire pits are great places to gather and share good times in Calgary's summer months, but these great times can quickly become tragic if you aren't safe.

The City of Calgary has bylaw standards to help minimize some of the dangers of your backyard fire pit, or outdoor fireplace, wood burning oven or chimneys. The Calgary Fire Department also has a number of tips to help prevent anyone from getting hurt.

#### Safety tips and bylaw regulations

- Backyard fire pits should be built into the ground, on brick or stone, or in a fire-resistant container.
- Portable fire pits may be used on a deck as long as they sit on brick or stone, and not directly on your wooden deck.
- Fire pits must be at least two metres away from your property line, house, garage, or fence.
- Fire pits must not be under any trees, branches, plants or other materials that can catch fire.
- Always have a way to put out the fire close to your fire pit. Easy options are your watering hose or a bucket of water.
- All fires in your fire pit must be kept to a reasonable size; under 1 metre high and wide. This helps ensure the fire's embers, sparks or smoke do not harm anyone or cause a nuisance to neighbouring properties.
- All fires in your fire pit must be continually supervised.
- Fires may only be burned in fire pits from 10 a.m. to 1 a.m., unless prohibited in a fire ban.

#### Do not burn:

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- Wet, or green/fresh cut wood
- Yard waste (cut grass or leaves)
- Garbage
- Rubber
- Plastic
- Furniture

Always check [www.calgary.ca/firebans](http://www.calgary.ca/firebans) to ensure no fire bans are in effect, which may caution against or forbid using fire pits. Remember, you can be fined from \$500 to \$5,000 for not following Calgary's fire pit bylaws (5M2004) or the instructions of fire bans. Learn more about Calgary fire pit safety and Bylaws by visiting [calgary.ca](http://calgary.ca) and searching the term 'fire pits'.

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We are now starting this process for the north section of the Green Line, and we hope you'll join us in the discussion.

### What is a Charrette?

A multiple-day, collaborative workshop led by a consultant team that brings together citizens, developers and policymakers to create a feasible and supported community plan based on four feedback loops: **Issues, ideas, concepts, and solutions.**

### Upcoming Charrettes

#### 96 Avenue North Charrette

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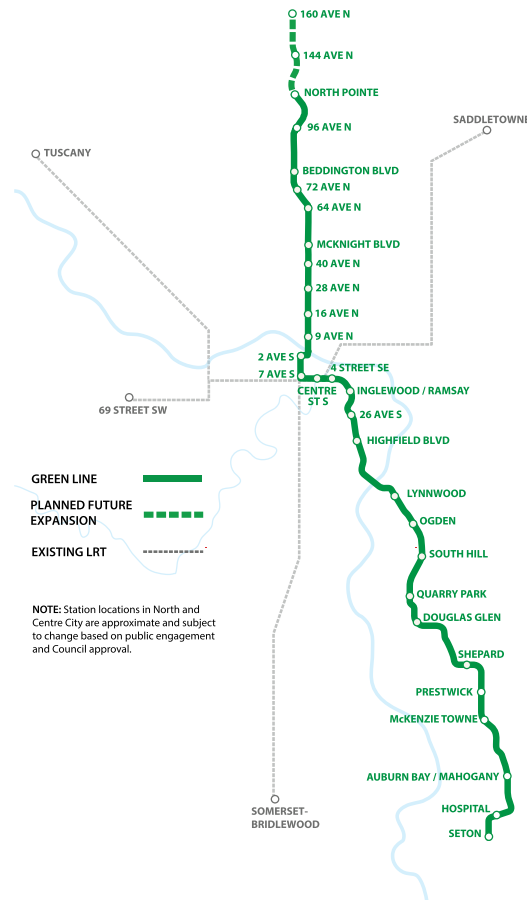
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#### 9 Avenue/16 Avenue/28 Avenue North Charrette

June, 2016\*

\*More details and confirmed dates will be released on [calgary.ca/greenline](http://calgary.ca/greenline).

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Greetings residents of Calgary-Northern Hills,

On May 8<sup>th</sup>, I would like to give a shout out to all Mothers to recognize their unwavering commitment to their family and community, and their unconditional love. Happy Mother's Day!

### Maiden Speech

In the second week of the current session of the Legislative Assembly, I delivered my maiden speech about the transportation, health, and education needs of Calgary-Northern Hills. The constituency is playing catch-up after two decades of rapid growth, and shortfalls in capital investment. As MLA, I promise to work with our community members and organizations to advocate for more schools, a much-needed community health centre, and the construction of the LRT Green Line.

If you would like to see the full 15-minute speech, please visit me on Facebook at *Calgary-Northern Hills MLA* or Twitter *@jamieKmla*.

### Community Initiatives Program and Community Facility Enhancement Program

Across Alberta, non-profit organizations have received matching grants through the Community Initiatives Program (CIP) and the Community Facility Enhancement Program (CFEP). These grants help community-based non-profits deliver important programs, and provide access to community facilities. I am pleased to announce three grants have been awarded in our constituency. The Nose Creek Sports and Recreation Association received a CIP grant to support program development. They also received a CFEP grant to assist with facility renovations. As well, Panorama Hills School received a CIP grant to support the school's technology upgrades.

I would like to congratulate both recipients for their successful applications, and their hard work raising matching funds. Please do not hesitate to contact me or stop by the office, if you would like more information about community grants.

### 2016 Stampede Breakfast

We are happy to announce that we are partnering with local volunteers, and our friends at Vivo, to host the annual Northern Hills Stampede Breakfast on Saturday July 9<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 to 10:30am. Please stop by for a pancake feast, Bouncy Castle, line dancing, and draw prizes. Once again, this event will be held at the Vivo East parking lot. Y'all welcome to join us in your best western tack. To volunteer and/or sponsor this event, please contact Nicole Dawe at (403) 567-4473 or [ndawe@vivo.ca](mailto:ndawe@vivo.ca).

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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
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Poison Centre - Alberta	1-800-332-1414
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South Health Campus	403.956.1111
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Alberta One-Call Corporation	1.800.242.3447
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Greetings Residents!

**How safe is your backyard fire pit?**

Backyard fire pits are great places to gather and share good times in Calgary's summer months, but these great times can quickly become tragic if you aren't safe.

The City of Calgary has bylaw standards to help minimize some of the dangers of your backyard fire pit, or outdoor fireplace, wood burning oven or chimneys. The Calgary Fire Department also has a number of tips to help prevent anyone from getting hurt.

**Safety tips and bylaw regulations**

- Backyard fire pits should be built into the ground, on brick or stone, or in a fire-resistant container.
- Portable fire pits may be used on a deck as long as they sit on brick or stone, and not directly on your wooden deck.
- Fire pits must be at least two metres away from your property line, house, garage, or fence.
- Fire pits must not be under any trees, branches, plants or other materials that can catch fire.
- Always have a way to put out the fire close to your fire pit. Easy options are your watering hose or a bucket of water.
- All fires in your fire pit must be kept to a reasonable size; under 1 metre high and wide. This helps ensure the fire's embers, sparks or smoke do not harm anyone or cause a nuisance to neighbouring properties.
- All fires in your fire pit must be continually supervised.
- Fires may only be burned in fire pits from 10 a.m. to 1 a.m., unless prohibited in a fire ban.
- Do not burn:
  - Painted, treated or lumber containing glue or resin
  - Wet, or green/fresh cut wood
  - Yard waste (cut grass or leaves)
  - Garbage
  - Rubber
  - Plastic
  - Furniture



Always check [www.calgary.ca/firebans](http://www.calgary.ca/firebans) to ensure no fire bans are in effect, which may caution against or forbid using fire pits. Remember, you can be fined from \$500 to \$5,000 for not following Calgary's fire pit bylaws (5M2004) or the instructions of fire bans. Learn more about Calgary fire pit safety and By-laws by visiting [calgary.ca](http://calgary.ca) and searching the term 'fire pits'.

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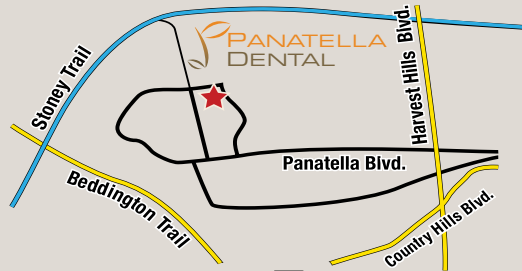
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