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## **Community Fun** Facts from 1986

Calgary Population 1986: 636,107 Calgary Population 2015: 1,203,915

Development of Sandstone Valley and MacEwan Glen

began in 1982

Mayor of Calgary: Ralph Klein Alderman of Ward 4: Don Hartmann President of Simons Valley Denis Wren

Community Association:

MLA: **Bob Hawkesworth** 

Premier of Alberta: Don Getty Prime Minister of Canada: Ben Mulroney

#### Sandstone/MacEwan Community **Association Meetings**

are held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 7:00PM at the Berkshire Citadel-Sandarac Drive, NW Everyone is welcome to attend.

3rd Tuesday of Every Month June 21, 2016



Monsignor Neville Anderson Elementary K-6						
Year Round School Option	403-500-2094					
Simons Valley Elementary K-6	403-777-6660					
Simon Fraser Junior High	403-777-7290					
St. Joseph (Yr. Round Jr. High)	403-500-2009					
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Ste-Marguerite-Bourgeoys (s)(K-12 French)	403-240-2007					
École de la Rose sauvage (7-12 French)	403-230-3112					
St Dominic Fine Arts Elementary	403-500-2058					
Queen Elizabeth High	403-777-6789					
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Hidden Valley Elementary (K-3 French)	403-777-7236					
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Valley Creek Middle School (4-9 French)	403-777-7995					
Senator Patrick Burns School						
(6-9 Spanish Bilingual)	403-777-7400					
William Aberhart High School						
(10-12 French Immersion/Spanish Bilingual)	403-289-2551					



#### **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

June is a great and busy month! If you hesitated planting your garden in May, you should be safe now. Mark your calendars for the SMCA Community Clean up June 5<sup>th,</sup> it's a great way to clean up around your house without having to travel to the city landfill. Please check the website and facebook to see the restricted materials.

In the May Newsletter I mentioned the Sandstone MacEwan Community Association was celebrating 30 years of incorporation. We were fortunate enough to be contacted by the original President and one of the founding members of the Sandstone Valley Community Association, Denis Wren, who still happens to be a resident in the community. Denis owned one of the first houses built in Sandstone and recalls one of the developers Jagar Homes assisting the association by providing hoses so they could flood a skating rink where the pleasure rink is. He had many stories of the origin of both communities that we hope to share at a later date.

If you served on the SMCA board in the past 30 years, please contact Pinky Nantais through our email macsand@macsand.ca we are hoping to put together a chronology of board members.

Please send us a quick email if you have a memory or thought you would like share about your experience living in Sandstone or MacEwan.

Look what else is going on in June: World environment day is June 5th, Canadian Rivers Day is June 12th, Father's Day is June 19th, and Summer Solstice is June 20th which as you know is the longest day of the year.

June 18, 2016 is celebrated as Neighbor Day. Please contact us if you are hosting an event with your neighbors at macsand.ca and we will be happy to assist in your event where we can.

Do you have a neighbor worthy of the "good neighbor" nomination? Throughout the year we will be accepting submissions regarding a neighbor who stands out and someone you are proud to call a good or great neighbor. The nominations will be reviewed by the SMCA Board and we hope to formally recognize your neighbor's contribution including a small gift of appreciation. We ask that you include sufficient information for us to understand why you have nominated this individual.

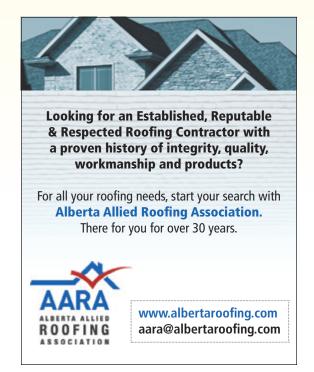
SVE and MNA will be saying goodbye to the kids for the summer so expect more activity in your neighborhood.

A small crew will be out and about strategically placing flower pots as we have the past couple of years. The plants are manually watered by this same small crew and we would very much appreciate you adopting some flowering areas. Please send a quick email to Carolyn Gomez and let her know you have adopted an area to water.

For any questions about your community including volunteering, or information about purchasing a membership, please check out the website at www.macsand.ca or contact us at macsand@macsand.ca. Don't forget to like us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter.

Sue Coatham

Celebrating 30 years of SMCA





## Free City of Calgary Skate Park at the **Sandstone Rink**

June 14-27, 2016 Weekdays 3:00-7:00 pm

#### Waiver required see more info at:

www.calgary.ca/CSPS/Recreation/Pages/Skateparks/ Community-mobile-skateparks.aspx



#### **Neighbour Day 2016**

A message from the Federation of Calgary Communities

Neighbour Day is fast approaching, and will take place on Saturday, June 18!

Held annually on the third Saturday of June in commemoration of the 2013 floods, Neighbour Day is an opportunity for neighbours to come together to get to know one another and celebrate your community.

The idea is to meet one another, make new friends, have fun, and maybe work together on a project that benefits the entire community. So make Saturday, June 18, 2016 the day you get to know your neighbours!

Check with your community association to see if they have anything planned, and to find out how you can get involved!

And don't forget to share your experiences on social media using the hashtag #yycNeighbourDay.

Visit calgary.ca/NeighbourDay for more information.

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## Sandstone MacEwan Beddington

## Community Clean-up

Sunday, June 5, 2016 9:00AM-2:00PM Only

Sandstone Rink (355 Sandarac Drive)

#### This year we can only accept:

Yard waste, compostables as well as recycling of computer electronics, bicycles.

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#### The scoop on dog poop

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Cleaning up your dog's waste helps keep our yards, parks and off-leash areas safe and healthy, and is part of being a responsible pet owner.

Here are five facts you may not know about doggy doo-doo: 1. It's classified as a hazardous pollutant. It's in the same category as toxic chemicals!

- 2. It's crawling with E. coli and often contains roundworm larvae which, if ingested by humans or dogs, can lead to brain, eye and other organ damage.
- 3. It's not a good fertilizer. Its high nutrient content is toxic to lawns and will create "hot spots" causing the grass to burn
- 4. It doesn't absorb into the soil, so the risk of spreading its harmful effects can linger for years!
- 5. It attracts mice, coyotes and other wildlife that consider it a delicious snack.

Keeping our city pet-waste free is easy, if we all do our part. Always carry pet waste bags with you when you walk your dog, and pick up and properly dispose of your pet's waste as soon as possible.

To learn more about the importance of picking up after your pet, join us at a P.U.P.P.Y. (Pick Up Pooch's Poo Yourself) event near you. Visit calgary.ca/puppy for details.



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Pre-Board Pals is a collaboration between the Authority and Pet Access League Society (PALS) and is focused on providing comfort to passengers and employees by encouraging hands-on therapeutic interaction with pets.

Look for our furry volunteers and their handlers in the terminal during peak travel times every Thursday to Saturday.

Want to stay up to date on the latest YYC news? Connect with us on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram.





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Date:			Sign
May we put you on a list of volunteers?	Yes	No	
Membership Fees are:			
\$20 per household per year, or \$50 for	a 3 year ı	nembei	rship
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Sandstone/MacEwan Community Associ	iation		

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Family Name:

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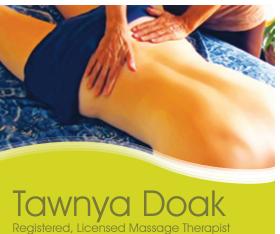
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Afnan	16	403-210-3384	Yes
Chantelle	27	403-354-7370	Yes
Charlise	14	403-275-2129	Yes
Emma	15	403-275-0968	Yes
Joe	14	403-454-2801	Yes
Jordan	12	403-274-6910	Yes
Laikyn	12	403-702-5316	Yes
Lauren	22	587-893-8008	Yes
Leticia	19	403-275-5679	Yes
Nicole	21	403-808-9215	Yes
Sam	15	403-719-9866	Yes
Seth	14	403-274-6910	Yes

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## INSUC S and Technology

The Namib Desert's darkling beetle is the inspiration for a new idea to turn morning fog into droplets of water and will have the ability to provide enough water per day for survival of Namib Desert people. The beetle's body has little bumps that repel

water, sending the droplets down his back into his mouth.

Discovery Magazine



## Sandstone M<sup>AC</sup>Ewan Real Estate Update

Last 12 Months SANDSTONE VALLEY MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
April 2016	\$459,900.00	\$459,500.00
March 2016	\$455,000.00	\$448,900.00
February 2016	\$470,000.00	\$453,000.00
January 2016	\$369,900.00	\$366,000.00
December 2015	\$439,900.00	\$416,500.00
November 2015	\$459,900.00	\$451,000.00
October 2015	\$549,900.00	\$536,500.00
September 2015	\$429,900.00	\$420,000.00
August 2015	\$569,000.00	\$557,500.00
July 2015	\$459,894.00	\$448,500.00
June 2015	\$459,900.00	\$445,000.00
May 2015	\$452,400.00	\$443,500.00

## Last 12 Months M<sup>AC</sup>EWAN GLEN MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
April 2016	\$464,900.00	\$453,000.00
March 2016	\$404,850.00	\$387,500.00
February 2016	\$463,350.00	\$452,500.00
January 2016	\$539,900.00	\$535,000.00
December 2015	\$409,900.00	\$400,000.00
November 2015	\$429,999.00	\$423,500.00
October 2015	\$437,400.00	\$423,000.00
September 2015	\$449,900.00	\$448,000.00
August 2015	\$414,900.00	\$406,000.00
July 2015	\$439,900.00	\$430,000.00
June 2015	\$469,900.00	\$459,194.00
May 2015	\$489,900.00	\$481,000.00

To view the specific SOLD Listings that comprise the above MLS averages please visit **sandstone.great-news.ca** or **macewan\_glen.great-news.ca** 





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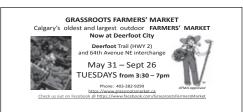
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## **COMMUNITY BUSINESS**OF THE MONTH

## **Sugared Smooth Body Sugaring**

Sugared Smooth Body Sugaring is one of Calgary's longest running body sugaring studios, and is located right here in MacEwan! Body sugaring is an all natural alternative method of hair removal that can be used on sensitive skin, stubborn hair, and is safe for people young and old. The sugar is used at roughly body temperature, so no danger of burns that you can sometimes get if wax is too hot. No more sticky spots on your skin that require chemicals to remove either, if any sugar is left on the skin, just use soap and water! And best of all, if you keep up with your sugaring you will see a permanent reduction in hair growth and eventually it will stop all together!

With body sugaring the hair is removed the opposite direction to conventional waxing techniques, and allows for better removal of the hair as well as the roots, which is key in decreasing your re-growth!

The secret to body sugaring is the sugar. Body sugaring goes back to Egyptian traditions of long ago. The products we use at Sugared Smooth Body Sugaring are produced in BC, and are 100% natural. The sugar itself is just sugar, water, and lemon juice. What makes body sugaring even better is the results. With body sugaring the hair is removed by applying a layer of sugar paste to the skin and then removing the sugar in the same direction of the hair growth. This is opposite to conventional waxing techniques, and allows for better removal of the hair as well as the roots, which is key in decreasing your re-growth! You may see a 'thinning out' of the hair after just one treatment (especially for underarms and bikini area), however after three correctly timed sessions your hair will feel softer, there will be less of it, the roots will be smaller, and it will take longer for your hair to grow back.

While we specialize in Brazilians, body sugaring can be used all over the body, wherever you have hair! It is a

great option for athletes, including swimmers, runners, cyclists, gymnasts, and body builders. However many of my clients are just body conscious people who enjoy keeping themselves well groomed.

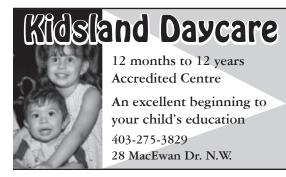
Before we use our sugar to remove your unwanted hair, we clean the skin, and dry it with a powder. We do not use talc in any of our powders! After a Brazilian we use a French Green Clay to calm the skin, clean out the follicles, and prevent ingrown hairs. It is like a spa day for your bikini area!

At Sugared Smooth we take great care to ensure out client's comfort and well being. Our home based studio is cozy and warm, providing complete privacy and respect. We would love to meet with you and answer any questions you might have about body sugaring.













#### **COUNCILLOR, WARD 4 SEAN CHU**

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Hello Residents.

#### Thinking about a vard improvement project?

Garages, decks, fences and even driveway widening are just some of the projects that often require a permit.

"Before you pay for materials, hire a contractor, or do it yourself, we encourage you to visit calgary.ca/homeimprovement or get in touch with us here at The City," says Jamie Fandrich.

Planning Services Technician at The City of Calgary, Fandrich is part of the team that helps Calgarians understand Alberta's safety codes and City bylaws on the phone and in person at the Municipal Building. The latest resource Fandrich's team uses to educate Calgarians on development and building regulations is the webpage calgary.ca/homeimprovement, which allows anyone interested in doing a renovation to browse popular home renovation topics for bylaw and permit information, property and land designation, drawings and forms they will need to complete their home renovation.

"It can sometimes be difficult to understand when you need a permit and what City bylaws might impact your project we're here to help guide you through the process," Fandrich

Planning, development, licence or permit question? Visit Calgary.ca/homeimprovement or call and visit Planning Services.

#### **Planning Services**

Monday through Friday (closed holidays)

8 a.m. - 4:15 p.m.

Call centre: 403-268-5311

Permit counter: 3rd Floor Municipal building, 800 Macleod Tr SE

Best regards. Councillor Sean Chu www.seanchu.ca



#### **IMPORTANT NUMBERS**

ALL EMERGENCY CALLS	91
Alberta Adolescent Recovery Centre	403.253.5250
Alberta Health Care	403.310.000
AHS Addictions Hotline	1.866.332.232
ATCO Gas – 24 Hour Emergency	403.245.722
Calgary HEALTH LINK 24/7	81
Calgary Police – Non Emergency	403.266.123
Calgary Women's Emergency Shelter	403.234.723
Child Abuse Hotline	1.800.387.543
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Rockyview General Hospital	403.943.300
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# News from the Friends of Nose Hill

Calgary: City of Animals, this year's U. of C. community forum, brought together Canadian scholars in history, animal studies, and geography to explore the roles that animals play. The fur trade, cattle ranching, and the Stampede are part of our history. So too is our relationship with animals and it is interesting to adopt that perspective about our shared spaces, as well as the city's past, present, and future.

We categorize urban animals in different ways, as wild and domestic, livestock, companions, and entertainers. Have you thought of how your interaction with animals shapes Calgary and traces were left on geography, and identity? Consider the routes animals take and the places where they live. We can learn more about viewing the city as an ecosystem, that includes animal life, and see/be humans as "one animal" among many in the urban environment.

Shelley Alexander, a lead in the Candid Conservation Science Lab, made a study of human-wildlife conflict, especially wolves and coyotes, both in the field and using a geographical information system (GIS). Sean Kheraj is co-editor at niche-canada.org of Nature's Past: Canadian Environmental History Podcast. Susan Nance, who studies entertainment, communication, performance, and historical animal life, is associated with animal welfare. For information you can go to: www.facebook.com/CalgaryInstitute.

You can become a Parks volunteer and help take care of natural areas, off-leash areas, parks, green spaces, playgrounds, pathways, trees; conduct research; and provide park users with interpretive experiences. Individuals commit six shifts per season. For example at Nose Hill Park, you will greet visitors; offer information; present "biofacts"; lead interpretive activities; and promote Parks programs.

If you are looking for a volunteer project for your company or group, join the Parks Environmental Team

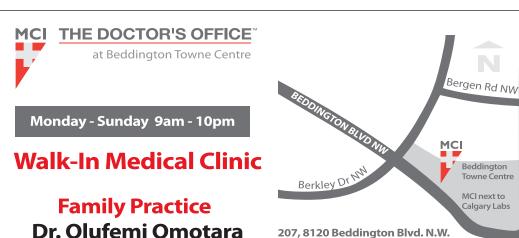
on a green initiative project, such as invasive species (weed) pulls, painting projects, playground renewals, and more.

Volunteers of all backgrounds, abilities, and experience are invited to contribute. Once accepted, volunteers receive orientation, training, and support. To apply, call 311 or email: parksvolunteer@calgary.ca.

Don't forget there will be public cleanups of Nose Hill on June 18 and July 30 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Meet at the Edgemont Parking lot (Edgemont Blvd. and Shaganappi Tr. NW) These are P.U.P.P.Y. events with Parks staff and volunteers who help park users pick up.

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