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Community Fun Facts

Mode of Transportation to work:

	SANDSTONE	MACEWAN	CITY
Driver-Car,	75%	76%	70%
Van, Truck			
Passenger	5%	7%	5%
Public Transit	14%	15%	17%
Walked	2%	1%	5%
Bicycle	1%	0%	1%
Other	4%	2%	1%

Courtesy of Calgary Civic Census Results Snapshot

Sandstone/MacEwan Community Association Meetings

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



3rd Tuesday of Every Month
May 17, 2016
June 21, 2016



AREA SCHOOLS

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
St. Margaret (K-9 Spanish program)	403-500-2025
Notre Dame High School	403-242-1801
École Terre des Jeunes (K-6 French)	403-247-2458
Ste-Marguerite-Bourgeoys (s)(K-12 French)	403-240-2007
École de la Rose sauvage (7-12 French)	403-230-3112
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Hidden Valley Elementary (K-3 French)	403-777-7236
Dalhousie School (K-5 Spanish Bilingual)	403-777-6030
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

Happy Birthday (SMCA)! On May 6, 1986 the Sandstone Valley Community Association was incorporated. The name was later amended to the current name of Sandstone MacEwan Community Association. Were any of you on the board in 1986? Please contact us if you were. We would be interested in hearing from everyone as to why you are living in Sandstone or MacEwan and what you most appreciate about our communities. What kind of memories do you have of the development in the area? I lived in this community when I was going to University and recall the painful light and construction delays as they were building the 14st and John Laurie interchanges.

June 18, 2016 is celebrated as Neighbor Day, an opportunity for neighbors to come together in the form of a front yard barbecue, garden party, picnic, and so on to celebrate our strong community spirit in Calgary. If you are interested in hosting an event with your neighbors please contact us at macsand.ca and we will be happy to provide information and assist in your event where we can.

While you are considering hosting an event please consider what you think constitutes a "good or even a great" neighbor. Starting in May we will be accepting nominations from those who have neighbors they wish to nominate. For example, do you have a neighbor who watches your kids in a pinch, shovels your sidewalk before you get out of bed, keeps a watchful eye on the neighborhood, or always has a smiling face? The nominations will be reviewed by the SMCA Board and we hope to formally recognize your neighbor's contribution. We ask that you include sufficient information for us to understand why you have nominated this individual. You can look forward to further details in the near future.

I would like to send out a special thanks to several McKnight Hockey players who volunteered to clean up around the outdoor rink and schoolyard. Thanks to Nathan, Ben, Zach, and Nathan, your assistance was greatly appreciated!!

As you may have heard in the media or perhaps have a personal experience, break-ins have increased significantly throughout the city of Calgary. Many of these



Thanks to Zach Young, Nathan Warkentin, Ben Coatham, Nathan Schroeder, and Jeff Schroeder.

crimes occur during the day when most folks are either at work or in school. If you see something suspicious in your neighborhood, do not hesitate to contact the Calgary Police Service (CPS) on the non-emergency line at 403-266-1234. Call 911 if you are witnessing a crime in process. Finally, please take the time to check doors and windows to ensure the security of your property.

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.

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May 6, 1986

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SCOUT GROUP**



The 224 Sandstone Scout Group would like to extend a huge THANK YOU to all the residents of Sandstone/MacEwan for the awesome support of our three times a year bottle drives. Without your constant and continued support, the 224 Scout group could not run a quality program for our youth.

The 224 Scouts will be ending our 2015/16 season at the end of April. The 2016/17 season begins the first Thursday of September. We hope to be able to announce shortly that our meetings will be held in Sandstone starting in the fall.

The 224 Scouts will still be active throughout the summer and are helping with the June Community Clean-up.

Early youth registration opens May 1 and will run until June 20, 2016. Simply go to myscouts.ca and follow the links to register. Scouts is a co-ed program starting Kindergarten to University. New members are always welcome.

Our next bottle drive will be in October. Watch for the exact date in the newsletter and other postings around the community. If you have any bottles you wish to donate you can send a message anytime to 224SandstoneScouts@gmail.com and arrangements will be made to come to collect.

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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 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.

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.

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.

You can volunteer to be a Park Interpreter for Nose Hill from June to October if you love to tell a story and have an interest in environment, natural history, local plants, and wildlife. Must be 18 years of age or older. Training provided. Call 311 or apply online at www.calgary.ca.

YOUR COMMUNITY business of the month

Kidz Choice Preschool

Hidden Valley-Hanson Ranch Community

Kidz Choice Preschool is an early childhood program for children ages 3 to 5 located in northwest Hidden Valley. It may be the perfect place for your child to come and play with friends while learning key social skills in a child friendly environment. For the last 10 years, Kidz Choice Preschool has been serving the communities of Hidden Valley, Panorama, Evanston, and Kincora and is a service ministry provided by Holy Trinity Anglican Church. Wendy Wood is the Director and cofounder with 20+ years' teaching experience and also teaches the Tuesday and Thursday classes.

There are four classes that are held in the gym of the Holy Trinity Anglican Church and run Monday to Friday. On Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays there is a morning and an afternoon class for four year olds and on Tuesdays and Thursdays there is a morning class for 3 year olds and a flexible afternoon class for 3 and 4 year olds. We have a low child to teacher ratio in the classroom so the needs of the child can be met as well as the group.

The program is broken up into a semi-structured routine while not overwhelming the anxious child. A typical class would look like this. A short welcome takes place on the carpet when the children arrive. It is our belief that children learn best by playing so a good portion of the class is free play which starts after welcome. During this time, children can choose from learning centers that are designed with a rich variety of challenging and hands-on activities, interests and materials while giving opportunities to participate in solitary or small group activities. We plan the activities looking through the eyes of a child so we promise that your child will have lots of fun and never be bored because the learning centers, toys and materials are always changing. To grow their creativity children are encouraged to join in the art for the day. In our fine motor area, we are committed to providing a stimulating selection of activities

that will strengthen the dexterity of the hands and fingers. Some examples are painting, playdough, reading books, coloring, table activities, building toys, blocks, puzzles, water and sand play, to mention a few. Once a week the children are encouraged to exercise their large and small muscles in the activities offered in gym time.

After free play, the children tidy up the centers, wash hands and sit together at the tables for a snack. Then a learning time of singing, story and sharing time commences on the carpet until it is time to go home.

To celebrate the end of the year, we have a class picnic with a special guest and a special graduation is organized for children continuing on to Kindergarten. We do have some empty spots for next year so if you are interested please call Sheila at 403-274-9801. If you have any questions about our program you can call Wendy Wood at 403-274-9801 or email her at mwendi@shaw.ca.

There is much more information to share and you can find that on our website www.kidzchoicepreschoolcalgary.com. Thank you for your time and hope you visit the website or come and visit the classroom!

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Sandstone-MacEwan mybabysitterlist

Name	Age	Contact	Course
Laikyn	12	403-702-5316	Yes
Jordan	12	403-274-6910	Yes
Charlise	14	403-275-2129	Yes
Sam	14	403-719-9866	Yes
Joe	14	403-454-2801	Yes
Abigail	14	403-295-7464	Yes
Seth	14	403-274-6910	Yes
Emma	15	403-275-0968	Yes
Leticia	18	403-275-5679	Yes
Nicole	20	403-808-9215	Yes
Lauren	22	587-893-8008	Yes
Chantelle	27	403-354-7370	Yes

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EMS: Window & Balcony Safety

With the return of warmer weather, Emergency Medical Services (EMS) would like to remind parents and caregivers of an often overlooked hazard in the home – access to open windows. Every year, paramedics respond to emergencies where a child has fallen from an open window, often from the second floor. These can be avoided by following simple safety measures. Take the time to assess potential hazards in your home before a preventable fall occurs.

Windows and screens

- Prevent access to windows by moving furniture such as cribs, beds, stools, and change tables out from under them;
- Keep drapery cords out of children's reach. Wrap excess cord around cleats, or tie-downs to avoid a choking hazard;
- Remember: screens are not safety devices. They are designed to keep bugs out, not to keep children in.

Balconies

- Do not underestimate a child's ability to climb. Furniture and other items stored on balconies and decks can be used to climb resulting in falls over the railing;
- Ensure that your balcony railings are not more than 10 cm (4 inch) apart. This will eliminate access between the vertical bars of a balcony, or deck.

Further prevention tips

- Children aged one to four are at highest risk of falling from a window or balcony;
- Direct supervision of children is the single most effective way to prevent falls from windows and balconies;
- Install safety devices which limit the distance in which a window can be opened to a maximum of 10cm (4 inches);
- Ensure the safety device can be released quickly so the window can be used for escape in case of emergency.

EMS is proud to be a member of the **Partners Promoting Window and Balcony Safety**. Take time to assess your home for window and balcony hazards and eliminate the risks before a preventable fall occurs. www.windowssafety.ca.



Sandstone MACEWAN Real Estate Update

Last 12 Months SANDSTONE VALLEY
MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
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
April 2015	\$464,900.00	\$457,550.00

Last 12 Months MACEWAN GLEN MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
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
April 2015	\$474,900.00	\$468,500.00

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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 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 and searching the term 'fire pits'.

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As we all welcome spring, your Government continues its Spring sitting as we debate the Budget which was introduced on April 14th, 2016. Our caucus is working very hard to do the best we can for all Albertans; we recognize the challenging economic times we continue to face both personally and financially. My office hears from a number of constituents who are definitely struggling, and I want to assure the residents of Calgary-Mackay-Nose Hill that these issues remain of paramount importance to me.

At the beginning of April, I am proud to say that the Minister of Human Services Irfan Sabir repealed the Person with Developmental Disabilities (PDD) Safety Standards Regulation in response to the input from Albertans. During the public consultation on the standards of safety for Albertans receiving supports through the PDD program, participants said Regulation was confusing and caused

undue stress in the community. The Minister accepted the consultation team's Phase One recommendations in their entirety, to implement a coordinated approach across relevant ministries which includes working with municipalities to ensure safety and to extend the Team's mandate to oversee Phase Two of the consultation. This issue is of vital importance to many of my constituents, and it is crucial that it be addressed.

The Government has established a new structure to improve the province's environmental monitoring and reporting system and this new model will replace the Alberta Environmental Monitoring, Evaluation and Reporting Agency (AEMERA). An independent review concluded that AEMERA is not the right delivery model to ensure effective and accountable oversight of environmental monitoring on behalf of Albertans and found that the private model diverted overhead costs away from monitoring, led to confusion around roles and responsibilities, and limited resources. This government continues to be committed to building standards based on international best practices and a renewed partnership with Indigenous communities; as a part of those commitments, the new structure will improve the province's environmental monitoring and reporting system and will retain an independent science advisory panel and a traditional ecological knowledge advisory panel. The government is also committed to doing the best job possible of monitoring the environmental impacts of industry and resource development as we build a more resilient, diversified economy.

On April 6th the Government introduced proposed legislation to help seniors stay safe and independent in their homes. The proposed 'Seniors' Homes Adaptation and Repair Act' (Bill 5) enables a new low-interest home equity loan program that helps seniors improve the safety and sustainability of their homes. The program allows senior homeowners who qualify to finance essential home repairs and adaptations, such as widening doorways or hallways, installing walk-in tubs, roof replacements, and electrical repairs. About 145,000 senior households could be eligible for the loan program; under the provisions of the Bill, seniors would not be required to pay monthly loan payments as they would with traditional loan programs. Low-income seniors who do not qualify under the loan program may still be eligible for a grant to help finance necessary home repairs. Consumer protection measures will also be offered, including provisions to review the reasonableness of the costs of the home repair as well as the right to cancel contracts. Keeping seniors in their homes for as long as possible is so important, and this program would address the needs and priorities of an aging population.

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Rockyview General Hospital	403.943.3000
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