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Anna	13	403-875-7007	Yes
Breton	14	403-978-0056	Yes
Brooklyne	14	403-651-8383	Yes
Brynna & Maya	16	403-247-0522	Yes
Cicelly	16	587-225-4304	Yes
Claire	16	403-208-0002	Yes
Claire	32	403-402-1917	Yes
Ekene	20	403-466-1134	Yes
Ellen	14	403-532-1010	Yes
Emma	14	403-240-0169	Yes
Eunice	20	403-801-0453	Yes
Faris	16	403-402-0950	Yes
Fiona	17	403-277-9441	Yes
Hannah	14	403-993-3044	Yes
Janeeta	19	587-284-9642	No
Jasmin	15	403-460-0370	Yes
Jenica	16	403-919-4090	Yes
Jenoah	17	587-284-2316	Yes
Julia	17	403-667-5984	Yes
Julia	17	403-239-1297	Yes
Julianna	15	587-352-2878	Yes
Kaitlyn	17	587-436-9098	Yes
Kate	40	403-690-0410	Yes
Kendra	14	587-352-2878	Yes
Lipi	34	403-207-5350	Yes
Luise	17	587-583-4714	Yes
Megan	20	403-547-1958	Yes
Melaine & Karina	17	403-239-5811	Yes
Miyah	17	403-703-9620	Yes
Nathan	14	403-402-3457	Yes
Payton	13	403-909-0340	Yes
Priya	13	403-966-6160	Yes
Shannon	15	403-208-8389	Yes
Shayla	17	403-826-5506	Yes
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- Proper underwriting
- Premium discounts
- Constant benefit amount
- Designate a beneficiary
- Portability
- Needs Analysis



The major disadvantage with mortgage insurance is underwriting is done after you make a claim. You pay your premiums, but do not know if you will qualify to receive your benefit. This type of underwriting has led to several families having claims denied. The risks of associated with mortgage insurance were recently exposed in a segment CBC's Marketplace.



Another disadvantage is the declining benefit amount. As you pay off your mortgage the benefit amount decreases, even though your premiums stay the same. In addition, this benefit will go directly to your lender because they are automatically named beneficiary with this type of policy.

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Senior cats and dogs, while mature and well-socialized, are often overlooked by adopters because of their age. However, when well cared for, senior animals can be a source of love and companionship for many years to come. Ideally, the owner and pet will complement the lifestyle and pace of each other.

The program's goal is to enrich the lives of both pets and people. The adopter can benefit from reduced loneliness, increased opportunities for exercise, socialization and companionship. Owning a pet also has added health benefits (such as lowering blood pressure and cholesterol).

To inquire about adopting a senior pet, please visit www.calgary.ca/adoptapet.



Large and Sparse

The sprawl of Calgary covers roughly the same area as New York City, but only has about 10% of the population.



BRAIN GAMES **SUDOKU**

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YOUR CITY OF CALGARY

Nominations Open for Advisory Committee on Accessibility's Annual Awards

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Fostering Friendship with Thomsons Family

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Please welcome the Thomsons! Jaime and her husband Steve live in Tuscany with their two sons Madden (8) and Max (5). Steve and Jaime moved into Tuscany and bought their first house in 2004. They lived in that first house for seven years before moving into a larger home in Tuscany to accommodate the growth of their family.

The Thomsons couldn't imagine raising their boys anywhere else. It was not an option to move outside of Tuscany once they moved to the community; it has meaning to both Steve and Jaime because it reminds them both of where they came from.

Jaime grew up in the small town of Golden, B.C. about two and a half hours west of Calgary. It's a quaint, beautiful town that is nestled in the heart of the mountains. Rivers, lakes, and trees are plentiful there, so it's nice to still be able to see the mountains from Tuscany. The family loves being so close to them. They also love living so close to Bowness Park (where the family pictures were done) and where Steve proposed to Jaime fifteen years ago. Steve grew up in Saskatoon, SK. The home of never-ending skies! He loves Tuscany for how dark it gets at night; you can view the stars and skyline. At certain times of the year, and if they are up late enough, they can see the northern lights just outside their bedroom window! They also love that at any given time they can see wildlife in the neighbourhood.

It's meaningful to the Thomsons to find a balance between both of Steve and Jaime's childhood residences and share this with their boys. They love Tuscany's small-town feel. Steve and Jaime love that their boys are establishing their roots here, both attending St. Basil school and establishing friendships with some pretty amazing kids! They are typical boys who love to explore, and there is a forest on their street and their house backs on to a pathway with lots of greenery that can transport Madden and Max into any kind of adventure that their imagination takes them. The Thomsons also spend lots of time biking as a family throughout their neighbourhood, visiting the many playgrounds along the way. Tuscany has an abundance of great pathways that they make great use of.

This past summer, Steve and Jaime got the boys into a great golf program to

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introduce them to the sport. Both Steve and Jaime grew up on a golf course and feel so fortunate that they are just steps away from some great courses close to Tuscany. In the fall, Madden started his second year with the Calgary Speed Skating Association. He loves the program and his parents can tell that the great coaching has made such a positive impact on him, both on and off the ice. Steve and Jaime are hoping that when Max turns six, he will want to join as well, but Jaime suspects he'll have other plans. He adores the water and loves to swim. He also excels at being pretty goofy, and has a passion for being a ninja. So, if there is program for comedic ninja, someone please let them know!

Steve and Jaime both work at the Foothills Medical Centre where they are both positioned in Diagnostic Imaging. Steve's background is in CT and he is an Education Consultant for Calgary and Southern Alberta. Jaime's

background is in Interventional Radiology and she is currently the Quality, Safety and Research Coordinator for DI. Both of them hold demanding positions at the hospital, so it is important to share as much time with their kids while they still want to spend time with their parents.

Both Steve and Jaime love their downtime and are very much home bodies. They love their home, yard, and the friendliness of the other families that live in the area. They take part in the harvest festival, as well as meet friends at the Tuscany club in both the summer and winter for splashing around and ice skating. Steve, Jaime, Madden, and Max are so happy that they found this amazing community to become what they believe will be their forever neighbourhood!

To have your family profiled (story and professional pictures) in the next edition of this community newsletter, please send us an email to TC@great-news.ca

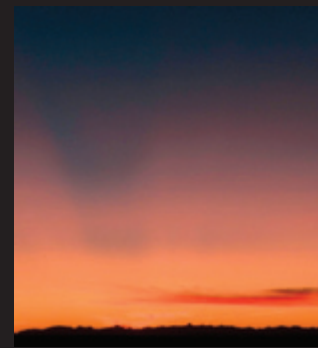
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Real Estate Update

Last 12 Months Tuscany MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
October 2017	\$501,950	\$486,000
September 2017	\$549,900	\$544,900
August 2017	\$549,500	\$539,500
July 2017	\$509,400	\$500,000
June 2017	\$556,950	\$548,500
May 2017	\$547,000	\$537,000
April 2017	\$521,950	\$508,500
March 2017	\$504,350	\$495,000
February 2017	\$539,894	\$526,375
January 2017	\$475,000	\$499,800
December 2016	\$495,000	\$490,000
November 2016	\$494,450	\$490,500

Last 12 Months Tuscany MLS Real Estate Number of Listings Update

	No. New Properties	No. Properties Sold
October 2017	26	22
September 2017	39	19
August 2017	21	26
July 2017	26	22
June 2017	46	36
May 2017	32	33
April 2017	36	36
March 2017	38	30
February 2017	26	22
January 2017	27	13
December 2016	14	11
November 2016	21	22

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Ward 1 Updates

Curious about the status of developments and projects in your community? There are a total of 27 developments and projects in Ward 1, all of which have been updated on my City website at: <http://www.calgary.ca/citycouncil/ward-1>.

1. Bowfort Road/TransCanada Highway Interchange
2. Bowness Park
3. Bowness Complete Streets Corridor Project
4. Bowmont Park/Dale Hodges Park
5. Calgary West/Shape Properties
6. Christine Meikle School
7. West Crestmont Phase (Phase 4)
8. Eric Harvie School
9. Franco Sud School
10. Greenwich (4200 95 ST NW)
11. Groves of Varsity
12. Haskayne ASP (formerly Bears paw South)
13. Market Mall
14. Montgomery TCH Beautification
15. North Cross Town Rapid Transit (BRT)
16. Rock Lake Estates Phase 4
17. Rocky Ridge Recreation Facility
18. Shouldice Athletic Park Renovations
19. Silver Springs Outdoor Pool
20. South Shaganappi Study
21. Stadium Shopping Centre Area Redevelopment Plan
22. Stoney Trail/Ring Road
23. Tesoro/Homes by Avi
24. Trinity Hills - Medicine Hill
25. Tuscany Fire Hall
26. University District (West Campus)
27. Varsity - Attainable Homes



November

By Hilary Angrove

November: the month where there's too much snow for hiking but not enough for skiing, when the snowbirds go south and potential tourists stay south. Not a snowbird and don't have a November vacation lined up? Luckily, November in Calgary offers many opportunities to get cultured, from just a stone's throw away.

The Calgary Underground Film Festival elevates Calgary's cultural landscape with the best in local and international independent cinema. Recently, they noticed Calgarian's growing desire for non-fiction films so from November 16th – 19th they will be presenting a unique roster of never before screened in Calgary documentaries.

Without a doubt, Calgarians have an appetite for engaging, educational, cinematic output. From November 16-19, The Marda Loop Justice Film Festival will be screening films on issues important to us as individuals, Canadians, global citizens, and humans. Improve your dinner table discussion and hang out for post-show discussions with local and international cinematographers, and take advantage of the Festival's different opportunities to interact with experts.

Not a cinephile? Explore the untold stories of lemurs in Madagascar with Mireya Mayor during the National Geographic Live presentation at Arts Commons on November 5th and 6th. The talk includes a post-show Q & A - a chance for you to fully engage with this inspiring explorer.

Calgary is a wonderful place with much to offer - and there are a multitude of places to get cultured, beyond this list.



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Average Days on Market	34 Days	

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- bonus room, cul-de-sac, backs on ravine

Calvanna Village

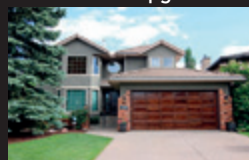


\$219,900

2313, 928 Arbour Lake Rd NW

- adult 50+ living, 2 bedroom / 2 bath condo
- oak kitchen, top floor, insuite laundry
- underground parking, balcony, clubhouse

Extensive Upgrades



\$829,900

130 Scenic Park Crescent NW

- Maillot Homes 3 bedroom two storey
- Brazilian cherry floors, finished walkout
- gourmet kitchen, granite, newer windows

Mountain Views

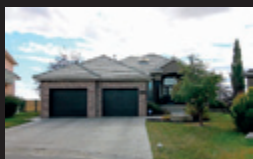


\$199,900

331, 345 Rocky Vista Pa NW

- Pavilions at Rocky Ridge, 1 bedroom+den
- maple kitchen, U/G parking, balcony
- lots of storage, South-facing, amenities

Mountain & Pond Views



\$998,800

117 Royal Crest Bay NW

- Albi 4 bedroom+den walkout bung, A/C
- hardwood & granite, 2 fireplaces, built-ins
- fully finished, cul-de-sac, backs on pond

Hot Tub & Central Air



\$849,900

44 Royal Highland Court NW

- upgraded 5 bedroom+den two storey
- finished walkout, hardwood & tile, granite
- bonus room, cul-de-sac, 3 fireplaces

Backs on Ravine



\$999,900

223 Silver Hill Way NW

- custom 4 bedroom two storey, 3 fireplaces
- finished walkout, hardwood & granite
- newer roof, maple kitchen, mountain views

Pavilions at Rocky Ridge



\$249,900

313, 345 Rocky Vista Pa NW

- 2 bedroom / 2 bath condo, U/G parking
- white kitchen, corner unit, insuite laundry
- upgraded carpets, balcony, amenities



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