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A black and white photograph of a woman in a field, looking up with her arms outstretched, next to a bicycle. The image is split vertically: the left half is a lighter, slightly faded version of the same scene, while the right half is the original, darker photograph. The woman is wearing a short-sleeved, button-down dress and is standing in a field of tall grass or weeds. A bicycle is parked next to her, and she is looking up towards the sky with a joyful expression.

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St. Francis High School (S)	10-12	<a href="http://www.cssd.ab.ca">www.cssd.ab.ca</a>
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8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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Offices are closed on statutory holidays

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## PROGRAMS

Register at the Circulation Desk or by calling 403-932-4353. Further program details may be found online.

### Weekly Children's Programs:

**Dramatic Story Time/Craft** on Wed. from 10:00-11:00 am for ages 3-5.

Preschoolers, are you ready for an adventure? Join us for some dramatic story telling. Learn how to engage your child in the most fascinating journey of their

lives... Bump heads with a rhinoceros. Go to sleep with a bear. Journey to places unknown! We have it all right here for FREE! Be sure to sign up!

**Musical Mites** for ages 3-5 on Wednesday and Friday from 11:00-11:30. Become a member of our high-energy interactive environment. Watch your child learn to sing, dance, hop and sway to stimulating and engaging music. Fun for everyone, even MOMS! This is a free music enrichment program that started in January. Be sure to sign up.

**Wiggles and Giggles** for ages 0-2 on Fridays from 10:00-10:30 am.

Moms, are you looking for a bonding time where you can socialize with others while learning new songs and rhymes? Look no further... A FREE program on Fridays at 10:00am here at your library!

**Drop-In Story Time** on Friday afternoons from 2:00 – 2:30 pm with Mzzz. Bee

### Adult Programs:

Our current exhibition features "Creative Expressions" by students in Cochrane's francophone preschool. Begun May 6<sup>th</sup>.

### Upcoming Programs:

**"Phonography - a presentation re: a smartphone photo contest / exhibit"**

Thurs. June 13 @ 7:00 - 8:30 pm.

Join Jennifer Winter from Winter Photographics for a second, practical workshop on smartphone photography. Learn to work with available apps and get involved in our photography competition and exhibition to showcase the Town of Cochrane.

### Summer Reading Program "GO!"

July 2-30 every Tues, Weds and Thurs

1:30-3:30 pm for ages 6-12

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## JUNE MOON CALENDAR

	New Moon June 8		First Quarter June 16		Full Moon June 25		Last Quarter June 29
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# Fire Bans

## in Rocky View County

At various times during the year, weather conditions dictate fire bans at certain levels. When a Burning or Fire Ban is issued it has a designated Level which carries specific restrictions. You will know if there is a Fire Ban because it is listed on the Alberta Fire Bans Website, and it will be posted on the County website. Fire bans also apply to Recreational Fire Pits. Fire Ban Information Line: 403-520-6310

### Level 1

Permit burning in the County is banned due to dry/windy conditions. All outstanding burning permits are suspended until further notice. The exemptions to this fire ban are listed as follows:

1. Internal household fire places
2. Incinerators (for farm and acreage use)
3. Regulated burning barrels
4. Camp stoves
5. Solid fuel barbecues (charcoal briquettes)
6. Liquid fuel barbecues (propane and natural gas)
7. Recreational camp fires (approved burn pit 24" in diameter or less)
8. Chimeneas
9. Fires contained within approved facilities and appliances in designated camping and recreational areas
10. Oil well flaring must register with central fire dispatch at 403.264.1022

### Permit 2

Permit burning in the County is banned due to dry/windy conditions. All outstanding burning permits are suspended until further notice. This fire ban includes:

1. Incinerators (for farm and acreage use)
2. Regulated burning barrels
3. Solid fuel barbecues (charcoal briquettes)
4. Recreational camp fires (approved burn pit 24" in diameter or less)
5. Chimeneas
6. Fires contained within approved facilities and appliances in designated camping and recreational areas

The exemptions to this fire ban are listed as follows:

1. Internal household fire places
2. Camp stoves
3. Liquid fuel barbecues (propane and natural gas)
4. Oil well flaring must register with central fire dispatch at 403.264.1022

### Level 3

Permit burning in the County is banned due to dry/windy conditions. All outstanding burning permits are suspended until further notice. This fire ban includes:

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3. camp stoves
4. Solid fuel barbecues (charcoal briquettes)
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*Information as detailed on Rockyview.ca. For further information or media inquiries, please contact Deputy Chief Perry Prete at 403-478-8058.*

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# Rocky View County Sets 2013 Tax Rate

(May 13, 2013) – Council has approved the Rocky View County 2013 tax rate bylaw, setting the property tax for residential and non-residential properties.

Property taxes in the County will increase by three per cent over 2012, a number in keeping with the County's 2011 to 2013 Corporate Strategy.

"Council committed to annual tax increases of no more than three per cent throughout our entire term," said Reeve Rolly Ashdown. "We've worked hard with Administration to keep costs down, and we've made some very difficult decisions, but we have kept our promise to taxpayers."

Ashdown says Rocky View County tax rates compare very favourably to neighbouring communities, and particularly to Calgary.

"Calgary's taxes have increased by about seven per cent more than Rocky View's over the past three years. I think the residents of the County can be very pleased with the efficiency of their municipal government."

The actual taxes a property owner pays may go up or down depending on any changes to the property's value from the 2012 assessment. Rocky View County's manager of Business Services, Barry Woods, says work is progressing on rebalancing taxes between residential and non-residential properties.

"We are adjusting our tax split to gradually move more onto non-residential properties, while still continuing to be a great place to do business," Woods says. "We have low tax rates and exceptional water and wastewater infrastructure in place for those who do business in Rocky View."

Rocky View County will soon mail out tax bills to all property owners. The bills will include taxes for the Alberta School Foundation Fund and the Rocky View Seniors Foundation, but the County does not set those rates. School taxes are expected to rise, while the assessment for the seniors foundation is expected to drop slightly.



# in & around your community

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## Reading on the Road

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## Fostering safe communities...

- Animal & Bylaw Services is part of the Joint Graffiti Investigative Team
- The team includes Calgary Police and Calgary Transit

Citizens are our partners in the fight against graffiti:

- Report graffiti by calling 311 to help get it removed & aid ongoing investigations
- Call 911 to report graffiti in progress
- Remove graffiti from your property within 24 hours to discourage more graffiti
- Get help from Animal & Bylaw Services to organize a Community Clean-Up
- Find out about the educational resources offered
- Learn more about the Graffiti Abatement Program

\*Visit [calgary.ca](http://calgary.ca), [graffitifreecalgary.ca](http://graffitifreecalgary.ca) or call 311 to find out about the programs, services and resources mentioned above.

The family summer road trip - the open road beneath your wheels, kids crammed into the back seat, and hours of together time as you head down the highway towards adventure and relaxation. The road is a surprisingly good opportunity to encourage your children to stay engaged in reading while away from the classroom. Calgary's early literacy program, Calgary Reads, would like to offer up a few fun and easy suggestions to fill up that road trip with reading.

- Before leaving on your trip, help your kids locate your destination (and all the vantage points along the way) on a map.
- Read highway signs en route.
- Play word and alphabet games in the car, games like the Geography game or I Spy using letters instead of colours.
- If you stop to eat at a restaurant, have your children read the menu to you.
- Stop at interesting or historical sites along the highway to stretch your legs and to read the information markers.
- And, of course, pack lots of books and magazines in the car.

With a little planning, imagination and a well-stocked vehicle, your family summer road trip can become a literary adventure, one that will keep your kids on the road to literacy.

*Calgary Reads helps kids learn to read. Our primary program trains volunteer tutors to work one-on-one with a grade 1 or 2 reader in schools. We also host school reading parties, professional and parent learning sessions and a huge yearly book sale. Want to get involved? Learn more at [www.calgaryreads.com](http://www.calgaryreads.com).*



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## ACROSS

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- 6 Name for a female whale
- 7 Imaginary perfect place
- 9 Buzzing insect
- 10 Fortress protecting a city or town
- 11 Bow River water sport (2 words)
- 15 Weight attached to fishing line
- 16 French brandy
- 17 Blanket bearing cartoon character
- 19 Summertime meal eaten outdoors

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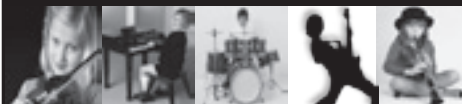
- 1 Oldest walled city north of Mexico (2 words)
- 2 Cool summertime treat
- 4 Baked clay article
- 5 Club used on the green
- 8 Meaty tomato variety
- 12 A small summer pavilion or building
- 13 Fan shaped mollusc shell
- 14 Mexican/Spanish celebration
- 16 Fortune \_\_\_\_\_
- 18 Floor of a ship

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\*\*participants are asked to register for a maximum of 3 sessions  
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### Week 1 – Art

July 8 -11 at the Sunalta Community Association Hall (5330 19 St. SW) 11am – 4pm.

### Week 2 – Dance

July 15 – 18 at the Killarney Community Association Hall (2828 28th St SW – Bus #6) 11am – 4pm.

### Week 3 – Cooking

Group 1 – 10am-1pm / Group 2 – 1:30pm-4:30pm  
July 22 – 25 at West Springs Co-op (917 85th St SW – Buses 98, 452)

### Week 4 – Photography

July 29 – Aug 1 at Lakeview Community Field House (6110 34th St SW – Buses 18, 47, 63) 11am – 4pm.

### Week 5 – Fitness

August 6 – 9 at Westside Recreation Centre (2000 69th St SW – C-train access) 2pm – 6pm.

### Week 6 – Discover Calgary

August 12 – 15 at the Rosscarrock Community Association Hall (4411 10th Ave SW – Buses 72, 93, 412) 11am – 4pm.

### Week 7 – Sports

August 19 – 22 at Glenmore Athletic Park (5330 19th St SW – Buses 7, 13) 11am – 4pm.

## BRAIN GAMES SUDOKU

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Check out our **Youth Read** program starting June 12<sup>th</sup>. Youth read is our completely online summer reading program for teens. You can access Youth Read on our website at [www.calgarypubliclibrary.com/teens](http://www.calgarypubliclibrary.com/teens). Complete cool challenges and enter to win great prizes!

Our adult summer reading program, **Summer.Read**, will start on June 19<sup>th</sup> and run to the end of summer. The grand prize will be one of five 32GB Google NEXUS 7 tablets. So join us at the library, on our facebook site or at [calgarypubliclibrary.com](http://calgarypubliclibrary.com) to find out more information.

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*Everyone who will be attending a program needs to have their own library card, including babies.*

## See you soon at the Signal Hill Library!

*The library will be closed on Monday, July 1<sup>st</sup> for Canada Day!*



Lisa MacLean Tofts

Do you have an RRSP? Are you planning for the future? How long do you plan on working? These are the questions my son asked me the other day. How does he even know what an RRSP is? Why is he, at 12 years old, planning his future now?

It wasn't until years after I moved out of my parents' house that I realized I needed to be safe with my money. And it wasn't until I had my children that I even knew what an RRSP was.

When I was a child, we did not discuss money or bills. We didn't talk to our parents about the mortgage and the cost of running a home. It was taboo. When asked how much money my Dad made at his job, he would say, "That's none of your business. I make enough to put food on the table and clothes on your backs." Indeed he did. I don't think my parents ever planned ahead. When high school finished and college applications were in front of us, it was then that Dad confessed he didn't have enough for my college tuition. He didn't think his children needed college, so he didn't save.

I remember bill collectors calling and notices in the mail from companies demanding money. We were not poor, by any means. They were slow at paying bills because of their lack of budgeting. I guess my parents did not speak to their parents about money and financial matters. In a financial sense, it was a nightmare. They ruined their credit and it took years to correct.

I will always keep those childhood days in mind when I prepare our monthly budgets. I never want to receive those nasty phone calls or rude letters. And, to be honest, I am happy my son is so interested in our family financial situation. It shows he's mature and is thinking of his future. Every few weeks, to put his mind at ease, I show him our paystubs and a list of all the bills we need to pay. I'm glad he's thinking of our future.

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