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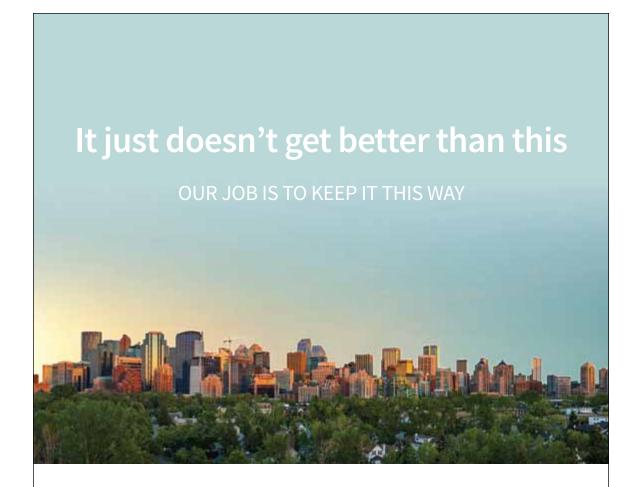
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my babysitter list

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Evelyn	12	403-475-0919	Yes
Kaiya	12	403-805-1446	Yes
Everett	12	403-663-1963	Yes
Roman	12	403-464-3696	Yes
Connor	12	403-483-0828	Yes
Aliyah	13	403-801-9420	Yes
Kyla	13	403-697-9764	Yes
Maxine	13	403-455-8427	Yes
Emma	13	403-483-0828	Yes
Elizabeth	13	403-281-2808	Yes
Cassidy	14	587-225-9179	Yes
Valeria	14	403-830-7991	Yes
Andrea	14	403-919-1200	Yes
Ashlee	14	403-616-3236	Yes
Alissa	15	403-542-6142	Yes
Maggie	15	403-222-2223	No
Rhys	15	403-399-7509	Yes
Jayce	15	403-478-2704	Yes
Kaley	15	587-998-2190	Yes
Owen	15	403-819-2259	Yes
Eden	16	403-225-2595	Yes
Shannen	16	403-919-7200	Yes
Ayden	16	403-880-4809	Yes
Claire	16	403-259-8680	Yes
Sabrina	16	403-512-3171	Yes
Gillian	16	403-259-8680	Yes
Kayzha	16	403-252-5052	No
Lindsay	16	587-434-8953	Yes
Kayleigh	16	403-618-7605	Yes
Garrett	17	403-708-7312	Yes
Brianne	17	403-999-6906	Yes
Nicole	17	403-862-8692	Yes
Shawna	18	403-402-0489	Yes
Makenzie	18	403-796-7733	Yes
Tierza	18	403-568-7298	Yes
Alexa	18	587-226-3132	Yes
Jakarta	18	403-808-8503	No
Maddy	18	587-888-7298	Yes
Maddy	18	587-888-7298	Yes

Kristy	19	587-432-1616	Yes
Cheyanne	19	250-938-1090	No
Cheyanne	19	250-938-1090	No
Gracia	19	587-969-1296	Yes
Sonya	20	403-389-5921	Yes
Jessica	20	587-580-5696	No
Quinlan	21	587-436-4877	Yes
Danita	21	403-990-0205	Yes
Katelyn	22	403-870-1752	Yes
Kate	22	403-437-3559	Yes
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Alana	24	587-888-4854	Yes
Megan	24	403-861-3718	Yes
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Lauren	25	403-993-7654	No
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Heather	28	403-719-5371	Yes
Crystle	29	403-714-8050	Yes
Heather	29	403-966-5233	Yes
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Ambur	30	587-434-3742	Yes
Michelle	31	403-923-5111	Yes
Brandie	34	403-802-2940	Yes
Dawn	36	403-285-9513	Yes
Heather	38	587-225-8225	Yes
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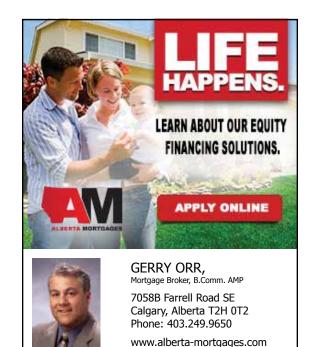
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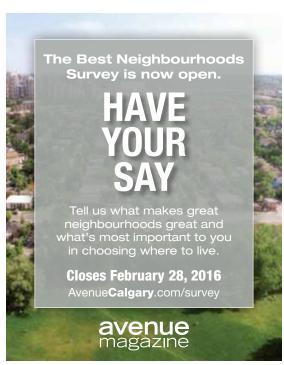


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N & AROUND SCHOOLS

Mapleridge Cooperative Preschool

With Valentine's Day and Family Day approaching, Mapleridge Cooperative Preschool children will be learning about and celebrating friendship, love and family. Students will celebrate Valentine's Day with in-class parties filled with cupids, crafts, and crunchy heart cookies! We will also be learning exciting facts about bears.

At the end of January all classes took a fun filled field trip to Tommy K Play. What a great morning filled with climbing, sliding and exercise!

Shortest month of the year stocked with events at **École St. Cecilia School**

The events start early in February for students at École St. Cecilia School with our annual 'Carnaval' at the beginning of the month. This day-long event celebrates Québec's Winter Carnival and features cultural activities such as learning about Bonhomme and tasting snow-frozen maple candy known as 'la tire'.

This year, Lent begins in February and students will participate in religious celebrations including pancakes on Shrove Tuesday and attending church for Ash Wednesday.

Grade 1 students will visit 'Clay for Kids' for a field trip and all students will hear from Edouard Labonté, who will present educational French learning materials in his entertaining one-man show.

The month will conclude with a fundraising Movie Night for students and their families to attend.

Interested in having your child attend École St. Cecilia School?

Mark your calendar for our Information Evening on March 1, 7 p.m. and our Open House on March 8 from 1-3 p.m.

IN & AROUND SCHOOLS

St. Boniface students

The St. Boniface students were very excited to get back to school after a restful holiday!

In February, we are excited to celebrate the 100th day of school and our school wide field trip to COP. The students will either be skating, skiing or snowboarding. Lots of fun!

As we approach the Lenten journey, we will begin by celebrating Ash Wednesday mass at St. Bonaventure Parish along with St. Bonaventure Junior High School. During our journey we will take many opportunities to reflect upon the sacrifices Christ has made for us and how we can live our lives demonstrating more love and kindness towards one another.



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Last 12 Months Acadia MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price			
January 2016	\$418,266	\$410,166			
December 2015	\$402,960	\$391,900			
November 2015	\$420,580	\$406,000			
October 2015	\$433,500	\$422,142			
September 2015	\$424,857	\$412,500			
August 2015	\$449,709	\$439,500			
July 2015	\$425,916	\$412,333			
June 2015	\$446,280	\$438,543			
May 2015	\$443,978	\$436,005			
April 2015	\$441,861	\$432,568			
March 2015	\$450,338	\$438,833			
February 2015	\$439,116	\$428,137			
Total	123	101			

Last 12 Months Acadia MLS Real Estate Number of Listings Update

	No. New Properties	No. Properties Sold
January 2016	10	3
December 2015	4	5
November 2015	6	5
October 2015	10	7
September 2015	8	7
August 2015	6	5
July 2015	8	6
June 2015	6	15
May 2015	15	10
April 2015	10	16
March 2015	12	9
February 2015	13	12
Total	108	100

To view the specific SOLD Listings that comprise the above MLS averages please visit acadia.great-news.ca

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Guides Canada BLACKFOOT DISTRICT

Happy Thinking Day!

So what is this Thinking Day? World Thinking Day -February 22- is the joint birthday of Lord and Lady Baden-Powell the founders of Boy Scouts and Girl Guides. World Thinking Day gives Girl Guides and Girl Scouts the world over the chance to reflect and show camaraderie with their sisters in far flung places. Units will hold parties or special events in celebration of Thinking Day and raise funds for the CWFF (Canadian World Friendship Fund). These funds will go to WAGGGS (World Association of Girl Guides & Girl Scouts) for development of the Guiding programs in other countries.

Blackfoot District will be hosting a bridging roller skating night for all its members. This is an event sure to be filled with spins and thrills-can you do the Hokie-Pokie on roller skates?

The Spark units will be visiting the fire hall, celebrating Valentine's Day with cupcakes and cards, and learning about Guides from around the world.

The Brownie units will be working on Keys, sleeping over at Telus Spark, celebrating Thinking Day through games, songs, dances and crafts from our sister Guiding countries.

The Guide units will be learning about the 4 World Guiding Centres by participating in activities from Mexico (Our Cabana), India (Sangam), Switzerland (Our Chalet) and England (Pax Lodge) in celebration of Thinking Day.

The Pathfinder, Ranger and Trex units will be prepping for winter camping, snowshoeing, cross country skiing, attending STEM Day at U of C and prepping for the national camp "Guiding Mosaic" being held in Alberta this summer.

Guiding is a great place to build new friendships and experience new challenges. Why not give us a try.

If you have any questions regarding Guiding or registration please contact

Calgary Area Girl Guides at 403-283-8348 or ggcinfo@ calgarygirlguides.com

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February at Trico Centre

Trico Centre for Family Wellness is a non-profit, community-owned and operated recreation facility. Our memberships are affordable and our programs are family-friendly. With a membership, you can work out in the fitness centre, take more than 70-drop-in fitness classes a week, use the gymnasium, swim, skate, or play shinny, plus you get 20% off our fun, active registered programs.

Residents of communities partnered with Trico Centre (yours!) pay 20% less for a Trico Centre membership with presentation of a community association membership or payment of the Community Support Fee (which is sent to your community association.)

Pool Refurbishment

After 33 years in operation, Trico Centre's Aquatics Centre is undergoing a major refurbishment. This project will address lifecycle issues, improve health and safety components, and take the Aquatics Centre into the next 10 to 15 years. The Aquatics Centre including pool, hot tub, and slide will be CLOSED **starting February 19.** Trico Centre is very excited about the new enhancements and can't wait to share the progress with you. We will be hosting a pool grand opening, so watch for details.

Adults

- Registered adult programs starting in February: Sore Joints Training, Fit 101 for the Absolute Beginner, Strong is the New Skinny: Weight Training for Women by Women
- Check www.tricocentre.ca for two new registered adult programs that are not in the program guide: Triathlon Brick Training and What's What of Watts: Spinning for Power in Eight Weeks.
- February workshops include Foundation of Alignment Yoga Workshop and Mindful Relaxation.

Older Adults

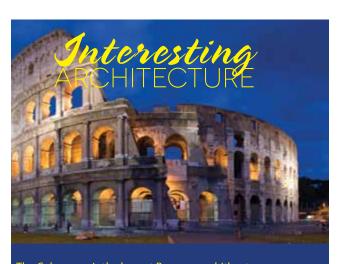
• Bone Builders, Chair Yoga multi-week programs starting in January include Balance Builders, Bone Builders, Chair Yoga, Sore Joints Training. Workshops and clinics include Foam Roller Workshop and Strike It for Seniors!

- New registered program (not in the program guide so check the website for details): Brain Builders helps develop coordination, agility, and a smooth, synchronized gait through different walking conditions by improving reflexes and increasing neurologic control over movement.
- Ease Parkinson's Disease Workshop, Friday, February 26, members \$32, non-members \$40.
- · Check out the Drop-In Gym schedule for drop-in Pickleball times.

Families, Children & Youth

Check out the Drop-In Gym schedule for drop-in gym, Drop-In Playtime, Drop-In Gymnastics, youth drop-in gym, and more. See the Drop-In Arena schedule for lots of cool activities including leisure skate, adult shinny, youth shinny, women's shinny, and stick & puck.





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This free program is open to all parents of babies and young children.

- Enjoy the company and support of other parents
- Give your children some supervised play time
- Get your parenting questions answered with the help of facilitators from the Further Education Society
- Help your young children learn and develop their potential

You can register and start the program anytime over the 11 weeks of the session. Attend as many weeks as you can. To register, call the SWCRC at 403-238-9222.

Positive Discipline in Everyday Parenting Register Now

Tuesday mornings, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm for eight weeks. Next sessions are February 2 - March 22, 2016; and April 12 - May 31, 2016. Program offered free of charge and includes program materials, child minding, coffee and snacks.

Children have the right to protection from physical punishment and to positive discipline that respects their dignity. In this wonderfully affirming program, parents of children 0 - 18 years will learn the four principles of positive discipline: setting goals; creating a positive home climate; understanding how children think and feel; and problem solving in challenging situations. Parents will practice their skills in hands-on exercises and learn to apply these principles across a wide range of situations. The result will be a positive relationship with your child that will last a lifetime.

This program is facilitated by the SWCRC's social workers. To register, please call Marylou Breig at 403-238-9222 ext. 225 or Aynsley Walsh at 403-238-9222 ext. 224.

Neighbours Helping Neighbours

Many thanks to those of you who donated baby and personal care items to our Neighbours Helping Neighbours program over the holiday season. Such a generous response! Please know that it means a great deal to the individuals and families who receive these items that people in the community care about them.

We are still in need of the following items: diapers sizes new born, 4, 5 and 6; baby shampoo; men's and women's deodorant.

SWCRC Volunteer Opportunity: Parenting Group Assistant

SWCRC is expanding its parenting education programming. To support the participation of low income and socially isolated parents, we would like to offer free child care for the parents' young children. As a member of our team of Parenting Group Assistants, you will care for the children by providing a safe, loving and fun environment in which to play, socialize and learn. The time commitment is approximately two and a half hours, 9:30 – noon, either Tuesdays or Thursdays.

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Hello Neighbours!

Last month's newsletter I wrote to you about Team Ward 9's plan to introduce some seriously game-changing, grassroots local governance and community building throughout our great neighbourhoods. I discussed our goal to facilitate community conferences, or Community Objectives Workshops (COW), that would bring together stakeholders from across each community including residents, community associations, businesses, service providers, community leaders and community institutions, for a day-long workshop to really dig into the challenges, opportunities and vision for the future.

As an aside, we found the acronym COW to be both hilarious and somewhat charming as we move through this endeavour. So we decided to keep it!

Over the previous weeks we started to develop our engagement strategies and plans to facilitate these workshops. As promised, we have put together a schedule of the Ward 9 COWs for the year:

Date

Saturday, February 20 Saturday, March 12 Saturday, April 9 Saturday, May 14 Saturday, July 23

Saturday, September 17 Saturday, October 15 Saturday, November 19

Community

Erlton/Rideau-Roxboro/Park Hill Renfrew/Bridgeland-Riverside Lynnwood-Millican-Ogden Inglewood/Ramsay Tuxedo Park/Winston

Heights-Mountview

Riverbend Fairview/Acadia Dover

You will probably notice that several communities have been organized together. This was done both because of geographic location and time constraints to finish by year's end.

We decided to schedule all of our COWs on a Saturday to ensure that many people can participate. Though we recognize that not everyone works a 'traditional' Monday to Friday schedule, we will be doing our best to also get feedback from people who cannot attend, but would like to. The actual times of each workshop are still tentative, though they will likely run from 10am to 4pm with lunch and snacks provided.

We ask that those interested in joining their COW to email us at ward09@calgary.ca or call us at 403-268-5330. We also ask that participants think about what they want as a larger vision for their community and their concerns or issues and, if possible, submit these points to us beforehand.

Finally, we welcome our Ward 9 neighbours to think about who they would like to see attend their COW. If you know any critical stakeholders, such as a local nonprofit or business that adds value to your community or an individual that you think is a community leader, please let us know! We want each Community Objectives Workshop to be as diverse, inclusive and rich as possible.

Thank you for all your incredible work.

Yours,

Gian-Carlo Carra





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Alberta Health Care	403.310.0000
AHS Addictions Hotline	1.866.332.2322
ATCO Gas – 24 Hour Emergency	403.245.7222
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
ENMAX – Power Trouble	403-514-6100
Poison Centre - Alberta	1-800-332-1414
HOSPITALS / URGENT CARE	
Alberta Children's Hospital	403.955.7211
Foothills Hospital	403.944.1110
Peter Lougheed Centre	403.943.4555
Rockyview General Hospital	403.943.3000
Sheldon M. Chumir Health Centre	403.955.6200
South Calgary Urgent Care Health Centre	403.943.9300
South Health Campus	403.956.1111
OTHER	
Calgary Humane Society	403.205.4455
Calgary Parking Authority	403.537.7000
SeniorConnect	403.266.6200
Calgary Kerby Elder Abuse Line	403.705.3250
Alberta One-Call Corporation	1.800.242.3447
City of Calgary	311
Kerby Centre for the 55 plus	403-265-0661
Community Mediation Calgary Society	403.269.2707
RNR Lockworks Ltd.	403.479.6161
Road Conditions – Calgary	511
Weather Information	
Gamblers Anonymous	403.237.0654

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Hello friends and neighbours!

Our Provincial Government is committed to ensuring fairness in our elections, and throughout our Government. We know that Albertans expect that the rules governing our elections ensure that the political process is about citizens, not about special interests. That's why we banned corporate and union donations, and that's why we've created the Special Select Committee on Ethics and Accountability.

As Deputy Chair of the Committee, it's important to me that the voices from Calgary-Acadia are heard during this important review process, and I would encourage everyone to contribute to the public consultation that has been launched. The Committee is currently seeking opinions from Albertans on the Elections Act, the Elections Financing Act, the Public Interest Disclosure (Whistleblower Protection) Act and the Conflicts of Interest Act, with submissions due at the end of February.

We would love to hear your thoughts on ways that we can improve elections in Alberta. Do you have concerns about elections financing or donation limits? How about spending limits for candidates? How about third party advertising? What are your thoughts on extending the number of days of Advanced Polling, or expanding the number of mobile polling stations? What's a reasonable expectation for voter identification? How can we make voting easier? Any other thoughts on Elections or Election Financing?

When it comes to the Public Interest (Whistleblower Protection), how can we ensure that every citizen, including those in the public service, is free to speak out about issues in government? Should it be expanded to include contractors with the Provincial Government? What types of wrong-doing should be covered by the Whistleblower legislation? Any other feedback?

For Conflicts of Interest, what are your thoughts on how we can strengthen the Act to ensure that MLAs aren't using their position to benefit their personal financial interests, or those of their families and political friends?

How should we strengthen cooling-off periods for former MLAs, political staff, or appointees to Agencies, Boards and Commissions? Any other comments or concerns?

Submissions to the Committee are due Friday, February 26, and can be submitted by email to Ethicsand Accountability.Committee@assembly.ab.ca; or by mail to Select Special Ethics and Accountability Committee, 3rd Floor, 9820 - 107 Street, Edmonton, Alberta, T5K 1E7. You can also call toll free by dialling 310-0000 and then 780-644-8621.

You can follow the work of the Committee via the Committee website at www.assembly.ab.ca/committees/ ethicsandaccountability, on Facebeook via Legislative Assembly of Alberta or on Twitter @LegAssemblyofAB.

On another note, be sure to mark your calendars for my next Constituency Office Open House! On Saturday, March 12, 2016 between 1-4 pm, stop by the office to have a coffee, ask questions and join in the conversation.

As always, my staff and I are here to help and love to hear your feedback.









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