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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I'd like to begin by introducing myself, Keith Pedersen, as the new MSCA President. My family and I moved to Calgary in 1981, to our first home in Midnapore. In 1990, we then moved to our current home in Sundance. I may be biased, but these are the two greatest communities in Calgary. I have been the Treasurer and Director of Operations over the past few years. In addition to this, I am also the Board Liaison on our upcoming renovations - which will be discussed further below.

Devin Elkin has stepped down as President, but will remain with the Board as Past President. I personally want to thank Devin for his continuing devotion to our communities as we work to serve our residents.

Mark Schmidt, Vice President is also our Director of Planning/Development for Mid-Sun. The City forwards building permit requests to him for review, and he presents them to the board for its approval or comment.

Patsy McNish has returned as Secretary. Patsy keeps the records of our monthly Board meetings and our Annual General Meeting. I truly appreciate the accurate re-

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cords of our meetings as we continue to discuss our efforts and our activities in our communities.

Rose-Marie McKinnon, remains as Director of Fundraising – Casino. Rose-Marie's commitment to our communities is unparalleled. Her support, and the support of the many volunteers she works with, helps Mid-Sun maintain its facility and provide the services we now do.

Kim Taylor has joined the Board this year, as Garden Committee Chair, as well as Director of Community Relations. Kim is currently working with local businesses to provide added value to your community memberships.

Janice Fisher and Christine Nielsen are continuing with the Traffic Committee to help keep our community streets safe! It is essential that we continue to report safety issues and be effective in our requests for improvements to make our roads safer for pedestrians.

We also have 3 new members joining us who will be acting as Members at Large. These members are Ryan Steffens, Michael Collins, and Faye Andrews.

Welcome to all!

As mentioned above, Mid-Sun Community Centre will be undergoing some internal renovations, which are expected to begin next Fall. Some of the key renovations include: many improvements to the gymnasium such as upgraded lighting, new windows, new doors, air conditioning etc.; larger, nicer washrooms on the main floor; offices relocated to improve the lobby flow and more. More details will come as we progress through the different stages of design, schematics and construction.

Have you heard of Pickleball? The Centre has been offering the sport popular with the 55+ group Tuesday and Thursday mornings, with a drop-in fee. It has quickly become a place to be to meet and socialize with others, particularly within this age group. If you'd like more information, contact the centre or drop in and have a look!

Until next month,

Keith Pedersen

Come Be A Part Of Things At Mid-Sun

We are looking to build our Volunteer Base

There are plenty of opportunities to be included in upcoming events. We are looking for people to participate in event planning and to contribute time to events such as the Stampede Breakfast, Community Clean Up, Taste of MidSun, and a host of other unique happenings in our community.

Add your email to be alerted as Volunteer Opportunities come available by sending a note to info@midsun.org



MID-SUN BUSINESS

We thank the following businesses for their ongoing support of the Mid-Sun Community Association.

Please Support Your Local Businesses.

- Impact Orthodontics
- Renfrew Educational Services / Sundance Centre
- Sundance Animal Hospital
- Great News Publishing

To join this list, please email programs@midsun.org



MID-SUN COMMUNITY CENTRE DROP - IN FAMILY PLAY GROUP

Fridays between 10:30am-12:00pm, starting February 19 Cost: \$2 M, \$5 NM per family. (Max 4 family members)

We provide the space for parents to interact and build skills with their children though play and for families to connect with one another. Playgroup spaces contain toys and other materials to help strengthen each child's cognitive, physical and creative selves, and to help promote social, emotional skill building.

For more information contact Kaley at programs@midsun.org

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HELP YOURSELF - HELP YOUR COMMUNITY





MESSAGES FROM THE BOARD Are you concerned about increasing traffic and speed issues along SUN VALLEY BLVD?



The MidSun Traffic Safety Task Force has been established to work with the City of Calgary and our community to improve safety along this busy road.

Please feel free to send your Sun Valley Blvd traffic concerns or suggestions to: traffic@midsun.org







View the Mid-Sun Messages online at www.midsun.org



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Your city employees want to start the new year with a big Thank You for appreciating our efforts in keeping Calgary clean and green. You gave our garbage and recycling teams a 97% satisfaction rating last year.



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And we'd also like to thank the City for reaffirming their commitment to keeping this service public — and saying No Thank You to a for-profit service that would have cost taxpayers 5-20% more!

Here's to another great year, in Canada's greatest city.

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Musical Theathe 18 a full refund wil For more details, visit: \$200.00 \$200.00 \$200.00 between day camp programs is at the discretion of the day camp directors www.midsun.org unles en other week no refund will be offered Ages 6-12 Week 3: (July 18-22) Hits of 2015 doctor's note is provided. Week 6: (Aug 8-12) Disney's Greatest Hits Week 8: (Aug 22-26) Top 40 Pop Hits Policy ch 1 to May be granted, minus a Mid-Sun Summer Day Camps 2016 In-house registrations opens March 16 - Visit 50 Midpark Rise SE, www.midsun.org or call: 403 254 8058 From March 1 the camper transfers June 27, Online registration opens March 1 - Register online before March 16 and receive \$5 off per camp \$200.00 \$200.00 \$200.00 \$200.00 Week 1: (July 4-8) \$200.00 Field Trip: Telus Spark Science Centre \$200.00 \$215.00 \$200.00 Week 8: (Aug 22-26) \$200 Field Trip: Shakers Family Fun Centre Field Trip: Sleepover & Movie Theatre UINSations Week 6: (Aug 8-12) Field Trip: Lloyd's Roller Rink Week 5: (Aug 2-5) Field Trip: Calaway Park *no camp Monday, August 1 Week 7: (Aug 15-19) Field Trip: Extreme Air Park Field Trip: Military Museum Ages 6-12 Week 2: (July 11-15) Field Trip: Calgary Zoo Week 4: (July 25-29) Week 3: (July 18-22) 2 (July 11-15) \$200.00 (July 11-15) \$200.00 (Aug 22-26) \$200.00 (July 18-22) \$200.00 (Aug 15-19) \$200.00 (Aug 8-12) \$200.00 (July 4-8) \$200.00 (Aug 2-5) \$200.00 npers must Specialty Camps can *no camp Monday, August 1, bring own bike and helmet Week 8: Beginner's Soccer Ages 6-9 Week 3: Summer Splash Ages 6-12 Week 2: Discover Camp Week 2: Dance Camp Ages 6-12 Week 5: Bike Adventure Week 7: Baton & Acro Ages 6-12 Week 6: Martial Arts Ages 6-12 Week 1: Art Camp Ages 6-12 Ages 6-12 Ages 6-12 \$200.00 \$200.00 \$200.00 \$200.00 \$200.00 \$200.00 \$200.00 \$200.00 Sunbeams Full Day Camps Ages 3-5 ino camp Monday, August 1 Around the World in 5 Days

Week B: (July 11-15) Lil' Buckaroos

Neek A: (July 4-8)

Week C: (July 18-22) Space Odyssey

Week D: (July 25-29)

Dino Days

Week E: (Aug 2-5)

Wini Athletes

*Children must be toilet trained

Week G: (Aug 15-19) Under the Big Top

Week F: (Aug 8-12) Sounds of Music

Week H: (Aug 22-26) Fam Friends



"To better reach and serve the communities of Midnapore and Sundance"

Community associations are a way for neighbours to work together on mutual goals and provide support to the areas we live in. For over 25 years, the Mid-Sun Community Association has been dedicated to improving guality of life in the communities of Midnapore and Sundance. Through the work of the Mid-Sun Board of Directors and the staff at the Mid-Sun Community Centre, the association provides a broad array of community services:



· Community Events: Mom's Market- Used Toy and Clothing Sale /Small Business Showcase, Community Clean-Up, Taste of Mid-Sun

- Access to government: Community concerns regularly discussed with representatives from Municipal and **Provincial Government**
- Development Concerns Addressed: Home businesses, infill construction, area redevelopment, municipal and commercial development
- Traffic Committee: lobbied for pedestrian lights on Sun Valley Boulevard, addressed concerns regarding Stoney and Macleod Trail interchange, applied for additional Sundance entrance sign along Sun Valley Boulevard
- · Community programs: Mid-Sun Community Garden, Little Library, Future Mid-Sun Skate Park
- · Community Centre Operations and Programming: Recreation Programs for all; Seniors Programs; Out-of-School Care and Preschool; and more!
- Residential Communication: "Mid-Sun Messages" newsletter, Website, Facebook and Twitter
- Membership discounts for recreational programming at Mid-Sun Community Centre
- Discount on programming at Trico Centre

The Mid-Sun Community Associations current goals include working to further engage the community, improving the programming and facilities at the Mid-Sun Community Centre, moving forward with the goals of the traffic committee, and increasing the usage of our community garden. We would love for you to join us.

Joining your community association is a great way to gain experience in a wide variety of areas, such as project management, event planning, fundraising, board etiquette, city planning, facility management and leadership. Let us know if you would like to help out in any of the areas discussed above, or another that concerns or interests you.

The cost for a yearly membership will be free for 2015/2016. Board of Director meetings are held once a month, September through June. All are welcome. Please see http://www.midsun.org/next-board-meeting/ for meeting schedule, or contact us for more information.

- Phone: 403-254-8058 E-mail:Info@midsun.org
- Facebook https://www.facebook.com/pages/Mid-Sun-Community-Association/293529344109836
- Twitter @MidSunCommunity



MID-SUN COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP

To receive a membership to your community association, you can fill out the form below and bring it into the Mid-Sun Community Centre. 50 Midpark Rise SE, Calgary. Memberships valid June 1st 2015 to May 31st 2016

2015/2016 Memberships are free with valid I.D.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

amily Name:		
Additional Family Members:		
Address:	Postal Code:	
Phone Home:		
mail:		
Vould you like to receive information and updates fro	om the Mid-Sun Community Association? Yes No	
Vould you be interested in volunteering ?		

Board of Directors Special Events Fundraising Seniors Events









Check Out our Facility and Rates

The Mid-Sun Community Centre offers a wide range of rooms available for rental

Are you planning a Birthday Party or Sports Tournament? Need a space to practice for your dance recital? We can help! Current Members of the Mid-Sun Community Association receive 10% off all rentals. Inquire Today!

Facility Fees

Room	Regular Rates
Full Gym	\$80.00/hr
Half Gym	\$50.00/hr
Meeting Room	\$50.00/hr
Midnapore Studio	\$50.00/hr
Sundance Studio	\$45.00/hr
* All rates include GST	

For more information about rates and availability contact the Mid-Sun Community Centre 50 Midpark Rise SE, Calgary, AB T2X 1L7 403-254-8058 or bookings@midsun.org



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NEWS FROM MIDNAPORE LAKE Residents association

HAPPY VALENTINES DAY!

We hope that you are enjoying skating and sledding this year. Please remember to keep your eye on Midnapore Lake's Facebook Page or website, www. midnaporelake.ca, for up to date ice conditions. In the event of poor or unsafe ice conditions there maybe occasions when we need to close the lake to skating and/or ice fishing.

We are looking forward to our annual Family Day event. We hope to see you all at the lake on Monday February 15, 2016 for a day of skating, wagon rides, toboggan hill radar and a perch fishing derby. Hot dogs will be available for purchase for \$2.00 and there will be free hot chocolate. The event will run from noon until 4:00 pm and we will be accepting donations of non-perishable food or cash on behalf of the Calgary Food Bank. This event is for members and their guests. Please check the Facebook page or website, www. midnaporelake.ca for up to date information.

We continue to ask all members to enjoy the toboggan hill and our new snow tubes with safety in mind. Please only toboggan on the designated hill, do not start sledding until it is safe to do so, and please be patient and take turns. This way everyone can enjoy a pleasant tobogganing day!

Please remember that helmets are strongly recommended for skating and tobogganing. Have fun and be safe!

CANADA DAY PARTY AND SPECIAL EVENTS

The MLRA Board is planning a Canada Day party this summer but we need your help to make it happen! To make this and further special events a reality we are putting together a Special Events Committee and a volunteer roster. If you are interested in joining the planning committee or if you might be available to volunteer on the day of a special event please contact the office (403) 256-0550, or send an email to manager@midnaporelake.ca for more information.

MIDNAPORE LAKE BOOKINGS

For your Lake Room, Cookshack and Large Group Bookings please call the office staff at (403) 256-0550.



ESSENTIAL PHONE NUMBERS for SENIORS in CALGARY*

403-SENIORS (403-736-4677) - The Way In Information, advice and help to connect to programs and benefits for older adults – business hours only. <u>www.thewayincalgary.ca</u>

403-943-LINK (403-943-5465) – HealthLink 24 hour nursing advice and health service information

403-266-HELP (403-266-4357) SeniorConnect & Distress Centre Calgary - 24 hour Crisis Line support for yourself, or a senior who may be at risk in the community. <u>www.distresscentre.com</u>

403-705-3250 - Elder Abuse Resource Line 24 hour confidential information, support and potential referral regarding elder abuse including intake line for the Kerby Rotary Shelter.

2-1-1 24 hour Information on community and social services in Calgary <u>www.211calgary.ca</u>

3-1-1 24 hour Information on all City of Calgary Services, or <u>www.calgary.ca</u>

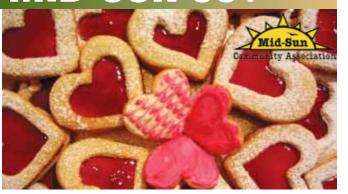
4-1-1 24 hour access to telephone directory listing across Canada (there is a charge for this)

www.canada411.ca (free online service)

403-266-1234 - Calgary Police Service 24 hour Non-Emergency Line

9-1-1 EMERGENCY Medical, Fire and Police

*Telephone Language Interpretation Services available on all lines



Monthly Meet up – Valentine's Treats Tuesday, February 16 12:00pm-2:00pm Free!

Get out of the cold and into the warm kitchen and enjoy some valentines baking. We will be making chocolates and treats, as you enjoy complimentary tea and coffee.

Drop-In Pickleball Every Tuesday and Thursday 8:45am-10:15am Drop-In Pickleball *Additional Day* Friday 12:30pm-2:30pm

Pickleball has become so popular here at Mid-Sun that we have added an additional day! Play is limited to 30 minutes if people are waiting.

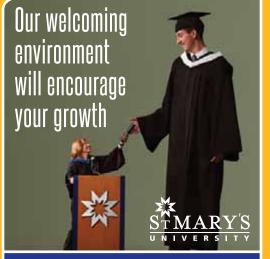
Equipment set up is required.

\$2 Members\$5 Non Member10 Visit cards are available



MID-SUN COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION Save the date!





OPEN HOUSE: February 20th at 10:00 am - 2:00 pm 14500 Bannister Rd. SE | Calgary, AB Learn more at **stmu.ca/grow**



Methods of Registration

Online Registration www.midsun.org

Create an account Online to Register for Recreation Programs and Day Camps
Pay with Visa or MasterCard

In person Registration at 50 Midpark Rise SE

• Pay by cash, cheque, Visa, MasterCard, or debit. M: Mid-Sun Community Association members NM: Non-members

Notes on Registration:

• Payment is due at the time of registration.

Confirmation of registration only with payment.
Register early to ensure your place in the program of your choice.

• Requests to transfer or withdraw from a program will be accommodated for medical reasons only.

- Withdrawal from programs will be issued a full refund if they are accompanied by a note from a medical professional. Withdrawal from programs before program registration closure date will be issued a refund or credit MINUS a \$25 administration fee.
 Withdrawal from programs after program registration closure date will result in NO REFUND.
- NSF cheques are subject to an administration fee of \$20.

Note on Programs:

- For safety and program quality reasons, please do not bring unregistered siblings to programs.
- All children participating in unparented programs must be potty trained.
- Participants must be the minimum age at the time of the program in order to register.

Program Cancellation Policy

Mid-Sun reserves the right to cancel any recreation program with insufficient registration. Full refunds will be given or you can transfer to another program (space permitting).



MID-SUN PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Spring

SPRING REGISTRATION BEGINS TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23 2016

Register before March 8 and receive \$5 off!

Registrations available online and in person only Programs start week of April 4th

PARENT & TOT PROGRAMS Zumbini

Thursdays: 9:15am–10:00am Ages: Caregiver and Baby up to 4 years old! (Max 3 children to one parent) April 7–June 6 Instructor: Pamela Murphy Cost: \$150 M, \$160 NM

Are you tired of the same old nursery rhymes? Designed to let you and your little ones wiggle, sing and learn together, the Zumbini[™] program is where the science of child development meets the magic of Zumba[®] – for the ultimate bonding experience.

READY, SET, PLAY *NEW*

Tuesday–11:15am – 12pm Ages: Caregiver and Child 1yr–3yrs (Max 2 children to one parent) April 5–June 7 Instructor: Kirstin Lehmann Cost: \$110 M, \$120 NM

Get ready to sing, dance, bounce and rhyme to build your toddler's early literacy skills! Through these techniques along with finger plays, stories, games, felt boards and puppets, you and your child will bond and develop the foundational skills of literacy and have fun too! This course is directed toward ages 1-3 years but siblings under five are welcome.

PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS (AGE 3 – 5 years)

Tiny Dancers Tuesdays–4:30pm to 5:15pm Ages: 3-5yrs April 5–June 7

Cost: \$90 M, \$100 NM

Nurture the dancer in your child. Encourage them to spin, pivot and pirouette across the floor. Help them learn even more by signing up for this class, where they will be introduced to the basics of the dance world and they will be encouraged to love creative movement and expression. There's a tiny dancer in all children; this class gives them space to shine.

KIDS AND YOUTH PROGRAMS

Youth Basketball

Youth Basketball Mondays: 5pm to 6pm Ages: 9-11yrs April 4–June 13 Instructor: TBD Cost \$100 M, \$110 NM

Whether you are a beginning basketball player or you are striving to play in the NBA this class will teach the fundamentals of the various skills needed to be successful. Shooting, passing, ball handling, 1 on 1 skills, moving without the ball, as well as, defensive concepts will all be covered in this fun class.



Zumba Kids Tuesdays - 5:15pm to 6:00pm Ages: 5-9yrs April 5–June 7 Instructor: Karen Berry Cost: \$90 M, \$100 NM

Perfect for our younger Zumba^{*} fans! A rockin', high-energy dance party packed with kid-friendly routines set to their favorite music. Classes incorporate key childhood development elements such as confidence, self-esteem, memory, creativity, coordination, balance and cultural awareness.

Artrageous

Tuesday- 5:00pm- 6:00pm Ages 7 to 11yrs April 5–June 7 Instructor: Lee Cost \$125 M, \$135 NM (All Supplies Included)

Come and discover the artist within you! This class will encourage kids to explore their creative side through a variety of arts and crafts. Learning different sketching, painting and sculpting techniques to fuel your passion and let your creativity soar!

Youth Tennis

Wednesday 4:00pm – 5:00pm Ages: 6-9 yrs Wednesday 5:00pm – 6:00pm Ages: 10-13 yrs April 6–June 8 Instructor: Universal Tennis Cost: \$115 M, \$125 NM

> Are you the next Eugenie Bouchard or Milos Raonic? Come out and see, and try tennis. Learn the basics of the sport and then play against your friends in a mini-game.

No experience necessary. Rackets provided.



Floor Hockey

Thursday 5:00pm–6:00pm Ages: 10-12yrs April 7–June 9 Instructor: Eric Welde Cost \$100 M, \$110 NM

Come and join us as we play the Canadian Classic, Hockey! Learn new skills in a fun non-competitive environment. This is a great class to get active have fun and meet new friends. No experience required. *Bring your own stick*!

Youth Dodgeball

Fridays: 4:30pm–5:30pm Ages: 8-12 yrs April 8–June 10 Instructor: Steve-0 Cost: \$30 M, \$40 NM

Dodge, Duck, Dive and Dip. This program provides participants with a supervised environment to learn this fast pace game and work on their ball handling skills.

TEEN PROGRAMS

Teen Yoga

Tuesdays: 4:15pm – 5:15pm Age: 13-18 April 5–June 7 Instructor: Tracey Short Cost: \$50 M, \$60 NM



Teen Yoga is a dynamic flowing class which quickly builds strength, flexibility, and focus. This class is great for teen athletes, as well as for teens looking to get fit in a non-competitive environment.

Watercolour Level 1 Beginner

Wednesdays: 7:00pm – 9:00pm April 6–June 8 0R Thursdays:10:30am–12:30pm April 7–June 9 Instructor: Gabriele Lynch Cost: \$155 M, \$165 NM (supplies not included)

Explore the world of watercolour painting in a relaxed and supportive atmosphere with Calgary artist Gabriele Vogt-Lynch. A variety of techniques and subjects will be covered to get you on the road to your own artistic expression. Great for those who have previous experience but would like a little refresher! Register early as classes fill fast. One Piece of Watercolour paper included.

Watercolour Painting Intermediate

Thursdays: 7:00pm–9:00pm April 7–June 9 Instructor: Gabriele Lynch Cost: \$155 M, \$165 NM (supplies not included)

Explore the world of watercolour painting in a relaxed and supportive atmosphere with Calgary artist Gabriele Vogt-Lynch. Participants will work on individual paintings using techniques learned in previous sessions with Gabriele. Level I must be completed prior to participation in this class. One Piece of Watercolour paper included.

Watercolour Painting Advanced Session 1 (5 Weeks) Fridays: 10:15am-12:45pm April 8-May 6

Watercolour Painting Advanced Session 2 (5 Weeks)

Fridays: 10:15am–12:45pm May 13–June 10 Instructor: Gabriele Lynch Cost: \$85 M, \$95 NM (supplies not included)

Do you love painting flowers, barns, landscapes, wildlife. If so, then our Watercolor Studio is for you! Bring your ideas and have a little extra coaching from Calgary artist, Gabriele Lynch. Some experience in watercolor painting required, preferably having completed two sessions with Gabriele. One Piece of Watercolour paper included.

Drawing The Human Figure (5 Weeks)

Tuesdays: 10:30am-12:00pm April 5–May 3 Instructor: TBD Cost: \$70 M, \$80 NM (supplies not included)

The human figure is one of the most enduring themes in the visual arts and students will learn how to draw realistic human bodies in any of its various shapes and postures. Create accurate proportion and refining details of all the body parts.

Drawing: TBD (5 Weeks)

Tuesdays: 10:30am-12pm May 10–June 7 Instructor: TBD Cost: \$70 M, \$80 NM (supplies not included)

Tabata Express (1/2 hour class!!)

Tuesdays: 5:30pm–6:00pm April 5–June 7 Instructor: TBD Cost \$85 M, \$95 NM

Just finished work? Looking for a quick workout before going home for the day? Then try our Tabata Express class! This fast paced, high intensity class will push you towards your fitness goals in half the time as a regular class! With weight and cardio in just half an hour, you'll be feeling great all evening and into the next day



Booty Barre Tuesdays: 6:00 pm–7:00 pm April 5–June 7 Instructor: TBD Cost: \$120 M, \$130 NM

You told us you loved it, so we brought it back. The hottest fitness trend in LA comes to Calgary! Booty Barre combines strength and flexibility with cardio for an all over fun workout. To see how Booty Barre works check out their website.

ADULT FITNESS PROGRAMS (16 & Up)

Yoga at Your Level

Mondays: 8:00pm–9:00pm April 4–June 13 Instructor: Gladys McCoy Cost: \$110 M, \$120 NM Have you always felt intimidated by large group yoga classes in the studios around town? Worried that you'll be the least flexible person in the room? Yoga at Your Level is the answer! Our instructor, Glady tailors all her classes to suit the group she's working with. She will adjust and help you to have you feeling like a true Yogi in no time! Learn about the basics of yoga and never feel left out again. (Please bring your own mat)

ADULT ART PROGRAMS (18 & Up)

spirited and having great game.

Teen Dodgeball

Dodge, Duck, Dive and Dip. We're bringing the

exciting game of dodgeball to teens. Bring on

the competition and sportsmanship that build

friendships and promote fair play. Whether you

win or lose, we believe in having fun, being

Tuesdays-6:00pm - 7:00pm

Age: 14-17

April 5–June 7

Instructor: Steve-0

Cost: \$80 M. \$90NM

Acrylics with Alexander

Wednesdays: 11:00am–1:30pm April 6–June 8 Instructor: Alexander Ivanov

Cost: \$215 M, \$225 NM (supplies not included) Come and join established artist, Alexander Ivanov, in the art of acrylic painting. Use your own inspiration to create a masterpiece while learning techniques and methods of acrylics in a relaxed environment.



Worth the Weight

Tuesdays: 7:00pm- 8:00pm April 5-June 7 Instructor: TBD Cost: \$120 M, \$130 NM

One of the most important parts of our fitness routines is often the part that we neglect to include as often as we shouldweight training. In this class, we will be using a combination of light, moderate and heavy dumbbell weights to get an 'all over' workout designed to create lean, strong muscles. And this will help burn fat! Join us for this great class to develop strong muscles and boost your metabolism! All levels of fitness welcome, all equipment provided.

Pilates

Tuesdays: 6:45pm–7:45pm April 5–June 7 Instructor: Andrea Dean Cost: \$120 M, \$130 NM

Pilates is a challenging workout that will strengthen your core, improve your alignment and posture, increase your flexibility and range of motion, and release stress and tension from your body (just to name a few benefits). This class is suitable to all ages, body types and levels of fitness as it will start with the fundamentals of Pilates and progress each week as you improve. Learn properly with skilled instruction, feedback, and correction in this small class. Bring your own exercise mat.

Hula Hoops

Wednesday: 6:00pm-7:00pm April 6–June 8 Instructor: Celeste or Meagan Cost \$120 M, \$130 NM

These classes are total fitness for the mind & body. Hula hoop classes are designed to suit all levels of fitness and skill. Beginning with yoga stretches, followed by a full body, high cardio, low impact workout that will give definition to your abs, tone your arms, and nurture your confidence. You will learn belly hooping, hula hooping with your feet, one hoop, two hoops, three hoops then four hoops separated on your body! This is a great chance to find your own groove and really dance like no one is watching.

Cardio Blast

Wednesday: 7:00pm – 8:00pm April 6–June 8 Instructor: Tracey Short Cost \$120 M, \$130 MN

Feel the difference cardio training can make. Kick, step and tone with our inventive Cardio blast class. A mix of Kickboxing, Bootcamp, Step and low intensity cardio combining low and high impact moves, as well as core exercises, to keep the body guessing at each class.

Yoga with Tracey

Wednesday: 8:00pm-9:00pm April 6–June 8 Instructor: Tracey Short Cost \$120 M, \$130 NM

Combining elements from Restorative and Flow yoga, Tracey will move you though fluid flow sequences, gentle core movements and relaxing Restorative poses for a well-rounded practice.



50+ PROGRAMS NEW LOWER PRICES FOR 50+ PROGRAMS

50+ Fit and Fabulous

Mondays: 10:30am–11:30am April 4–June 13 Cost: \$70 M, \$80 NM Instructor: Tracey Short

This class is designed for active men and women over 50 to improve your overall fitness levels. Using gentle, light weights and simple cardio exercises you can improve your strength and overall fitness. No experience necessary.

50+ Yoga

Tuesdays: 10:30am–11:30am April 5–June 7 Cost: \$70 M, \$80 NM Instructor: Tracey Short

This class is designed for relatively active men and women over the age of 55. Emphasis in these classes is on balance, strength and flexibility. Classes are slow and gentle allowing everyone to work at their own pace. No experience necessary!

50+ Sumba

Wednesday: 10:30am-11:30am April 6–June 8 Cost: \$70 M, \$80 NM Instructor: Tracey/Hayley

Perfect for older adults who are looking for a fun Latin inspired dance class with easy-to-follow choreography at a lower intensity.

50+ Tai Chi

Fridays: 10:30-11:30am April 8–June 10 Cost: \$70 M, \$80 NM Instructor: Leslie

Tai chi is a Chinese physical system used to 🥌

improve and maintain health by using slow, smooth body movements to achieve a state of relaxation of both body and mind. Join instructor Leslie in this ancient exercise, which is a gentle way to improve balance, flexibility, bone strength and concentration.

IN & AROUND SCHOOLS St. Bonaventure, School

St. Bonaventure has had a busy start to 2016 with many exciting events to celebrate within the areas of athletics, spirituality, and community building.

Athletically, the annual senior boys and girls basketball tournament was an overwhelming success. We would like to extend a sincere note of thanks to all parents, staff, students, and community sponsors who supported the event. Falcons' players and coaches are to be commended for continuing the tradition of basketball excellence at St. Bonaventure. Good luck in the playoffs! Our junior basketball players are enjoying an introduction into the game of basketball.

Spiritually, the entire school community had the opportunity to join in the St. Bonaventure Feast Day and Shrove Tuesday. We are truly blessed to be able to continue on our faith journey with the support of the St. Bonaventure parish. The students certainly continue to enjoy learning more and more about the life of St. Bonaventure. Related to this, the theme of humility continues to come to life at St. Bonaventure through our global charity focus. Humility indeed!

In terms of engaging students for success, our senior band students are looking forward to participating in the annual band camp along with the Alberta International Band Festival. Good luck to our students and thanks to our band volunteers! Furthermore, students will once again have the chance to receive instruction from Alberta Netball.

Important Dates:

Teachers' Convention: February 11 and 12 Family Day: February 15 Professional Day: February 16





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3 & 4 LEVEL SPLITS	565,000	369,000	419,688	41	8
BI-LEVEL	396,500	355,000	378,650	37	6
ATTACHED	310,000	437,500	353,218	32	17
CONDO	513,000	197,000	285,768	41	22

2015 Lake Sundance Sales Stats						
STYLE HIGH LOW AVG. AVG DOM TOTAL						
2 STOREY / 2 SPLIT	1,350,000	340,000	549,636	38	73	
BUNGALOW	860,000	345,000	505,324	50	17	
3 & 4 LEVEL SPLITS	375,000	532,000	431,003	27	19	
BI-LEVEL	489,000	360,000	425,111	54	9	
ATTACHED	515,000	352,500	460,833	36	3	
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The Good Food Box Mission

The Good Food Box makes top-quality, fresh food available in a way that does not stigmatize people, fosters community development and promotes healthy eating. Available to people with all financial means.

What is the Good Food Box?

The Good Food Box (GFB) is a program under the Community Kitchen Program of Calgary whereby you can purchase fresh fruits and vegetables at a very low cost. The Good Food Box is a hands-up program as opposed to hands-out. We offer all Calgarians' sustainable access to nutritious food to ensure that no one has to go hungry. The boxes are put together and delivered by dedicated volunteers who along with The Community Kitchen desire to see individuals and families accessing affordable nutritious food.

How Does the Good Food Box Operate?

The GFB operates by buying fresh, top quality produce directly from farmers and from wholesale clubs. The food is bought in bulk and dropped off at their warehouse. Their volunteers then divide up the produce into portions and put the Good Food boxes together. The boxes contain the maximum produce possible in them for the price.

How to Order a Good Food Box

To order a Good Food Box you must come into the community centre. All orders must be paid for by CASH at the time of ordering and be in before 12pm on the order cut of date. You can pre order your Good Food Box one month in advance.

Picking up your Good Food Box

Your order will be delivered to Mid-Sun Community Center after 12:00pm on the noted delivery date. Mid-Sun Community Center staff will notify you by EMAIL once the delivery has been made, and is available for pick up. Check in at the admin office to sign off your pickup, and the staff will take you to your box. The order MUST be picked up by 9pm that night or it will be donated to the Calgary Food Bank.

Box Options

Small Box	\$20, 20-25lbs of fruits and vegetables
Medium Box	\$25, 30-35lbs of fruits and vegetables
Large Box	\$30, 40-45lbs of fruits and vegetables

Each box contains the same mixture of food, but will change with each delivery.

Payment in CASH only. Orders must be in by noon.			
Month	Order By Pick Up		
February	Feb23rd	Mar 4th	
March	March 29th April 8th		
April	April 26th May 6th		
May	May 24th June 3rd		
June	June 14th June 24th		
July	NA	NA	

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MidSun Real Estate Update Last 12 Months MIDNAPORE MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
December 2015	\$602,466	\$584,500
November 2015	\$408,500	\$398,043
October 2015	\$763,940	\$725,250
September 2015	\$386,371	\$377,285
August 2015	\$385,966	\$375,633
July 2015	\$419,875	\$414,500
June 2015	\$473,981	\$462,390
May 2015	\$431,433	\$423,833
April 2015	\$427,900	\$414,180
March 2015	\$426,566	\$418,000
February 2015	\$488,833	\$477,500
January 2015	\$397,200	\$385,000

Last 12 Months SUNDANCE MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
December 2015	\$544,833	\$528,244
November 2015	\$468,455	\$461,285
October 2015	\$500,620	\$491,740
September 2015	\$529,659	\$517,055
August 2015	\$588,954	\$577,681
July 2015	\$501,918	\$493,550
June 2015	\$462,200	\$449,269
May 2015	\$541,393	\$527,153
April 2015	\$516,554	\$506,740
March 2015	\$533,063	\$513,392
February 2015	\$562,900	\$546,250
January 2015	\$605,900	\$596,975

To view the specific SOLD Listings that comprise the above MLS averages please visit **midnapore.great-news.ca** or **sundance.great-news.ca**



Although the weather outside may indicate otherwise, it's time once again to get ready for a new year of little league baseball. Preparations for the 2016 season are well underway at Cal South and we look forward to another great year on the diamonds.

In-Person Registration

Following are the details of our **ONE** in-person baseball registration session for this year:

Mid-Sun Community Centre 50 Midpark Rise SE Saturday, February 20, 2016 11:00am-3:00pm

On-Line Registration

You can also register on-line at www.calsouthlittleleague.org.

Umpire Registration

Is your child interested in Umpiring for CalSouth Little League? Come to the IN-PERSON Registration and submit your application form to umpire for the 2016 season.

Volunteering with CalSouth

All parents and coaches wishing to volunteer for CalSouth Little League this year, must complete a the following 3 Forms: • Police Information Check Form (requires 2 pieces of ID) (valid for 3 years.)

Volunteer Application Form (required each year)
Volunteer Coach Form (required each year)

Please attend either the **in-person registration** or one of the **evaluations** to complete your paperwork.

Late Fee Policy

Late Registration Fees will of \$50 per player will be applied to ALL Coach Pitch to Senior Registrations received after February 28, 2016.

Upcoming Dates

• February 20, 2016 - In person registration

- March 1, 2016 late fees for registration begin
- March 19, 2016 Evaluations at the Okotoks Dawgs Fieldhouse

 March 26, 2016 – Evaluations at the Okotoks Dawgs Fieldhouse

May, 2016 – Little League Season begins

Are we connected?

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Evening of Saturday, April 23rd 2016 More information to come. Follow us on Facebook and Twitter! www.midsun.org



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Amélie	12	403-988-8568	Yes
Connor	12	403-483-0828	Yes
Evelyn	12	403-475-0919	Yes
Jeffery	13	403-256-7828	Yes
Petra	13	403-589-3173	Yes
Maxine	13	403-455-8427	Yes
Anna	13	587-999-5607	Yes
Aliyah	13	403-801-9420	Yes
Sandra	13	403-207-4409	Yes
Elizabeth	13	403-281-2808	Yes
Belle	13	403-256-5551	Yes
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Ashlee	14	403-616-3236	Yes
Ashlee	14	403-440-9493	Yes
Sophia	14	403-225-9309	Yes
Jadelyn	14	403-201-6628	Yes
Liv	14	403-619-6399	Yes
Amanda	14	587-899-8983	Yes
Shay	14	587-899-3512	Yes
Grace	14	403-256-8802	Yes
Rory	14	403-605-6558	Yes
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Rhys	15	403-399-7509	Yes
Eden	15	403-225-2595	Yes
Amy	15	403-247-9228	Yes
Gracie	15	403-807-6893	Yes
Maggie	15	403-222-2223	No
Jacy	15	403-254-4949	Yes
Dakota	15	403-993-7525	Yes
Cristina	15	403-245-5184	Yes
Kaitlyn	15	403-200-7820	Yes
Monika	16	403-805-1224	No
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Leah	16	403-862-2487	Yes
Laura	16	587-350-5705	Yes
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Claire	16	403-259-8680	Yes

Kelsie	16	403-605-6558	Yes		
Kayleigh	16	403-618-7605	Yes		
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Sabrina	16	403-512-3171	Yes		
Kaitlyn	17	403-254-6382	Yes		
Garrett	17	403-708-7312	Yes		
Brianne	17	403-999-6906	Yes		
Lucy	17	403-279-2938	Yes		
Lucy	17	403-796-8951	Yes		
Ellie	18	587-888-9614	Yes		
Shawna	18	403-402-0489	Yes		
Maddy	18	587-888-7298	Yes		
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Kelsey	20	403-818-6034	Yes		
Sonya	20	403-389-5921	Yes		
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Danita	21	403-990-0205	Yes		
Becky	21	403-993-9284	Yes		
Jaden	21	403-554-5737	Yes		
Michelle	22	403-926-5166	No		
Katelyn	22	403-870-1752	Yes		
Christi	23	403-869-1573	Yes		
Emily	23	403-999-8525	Yes		
Shannon	24	403-614-2570	Yes		
Blaise	24	587-223-8583	Yes		
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Chantele	25	403-652-0083	No		
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Lisa	27	506-721-8460	No		
Sheree	27	403-422-0740	No		
Deidra	28	587-582-0400	Yes		
Heather	28	403-719-5371	Yes		
Heather	29	403-966-5233	Yes		
Crystle	29	403-714-8050	Yes		
Amber	30	587-438-4789	Yes		
Michelle	31	403-923-5111	Yes		
Brandie	34	403-802-2940	Yes		
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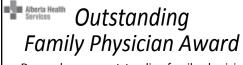
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IN & AROUND Schools

St. Philip Fine Arts Elementary School

Happy Valentine's Day from all the staff and students at St. Philip Fine Arts School.

Pope Francis has declared an Extraordinary Year of Mercy (December 2015 -November 2016). At St. Philip, we have designated one of the main gym doors a "Jubilee Door" to remind us of this great act of leadership by the Pope and to keep mercy at the forefront of our minds every time we pass through this door.

January was another busy month of teaching and learning. Students in Kindergarten to Grade 4 enjoyed learning the sport of inline skating, and the Grade 5 and 6 students went to the Olympic Oval. We also enjoyed having a travelling art exhibit from the Alberta Foundation for the Arts in our school.

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FEBRUARY IN FISH CREEK

Fish Creek CommUnity Fair

Would You Like to Volunteer in Fish Creek? The Friends of Fish Creek Need You!

Saturday, February 27, 2016 1:00pm - 4:00pm

Fish Creek Environmental Learning Centre, Shannon Terrace, Fish Creek Provincial Park

(13931 Woodpath Rd. SW - Access via 130 Ave. SW and 37 St. SW)

Come to the 3rd annual Fish Creek CommUnity Fair to learn about amazing programs, courses, events and opportunities taking place in 2016. The ground may still be covered in snow, but Spring starts now in Fish Creek!

The February Fish Creek Speaker Series Sticks and Stones: Using Bioengineering to Improve Fish Habitat

Thursday, February 25, 2016 — 7:00pm - 8:00pm

Fish Creek Environmental Learning Centre at Shannon Terrace in Fish Creek Provincial Park (13931 Woodpath Rd. SW, access via 130 Ave. SW and 37 St. SW).

Presented by Lesley Peterson (P.Biol) Provincial Biologist Trout Unlimited Canada

The process of bioengineering was used to improve fish habitat along a side channel of the Bow River here in Fish Creek. Trout Unlimited Canada undertook this project in the spring of 2015 to improve and enhance the side channel located at Mallard Point. The entire area was heavily impacted by the flood of 2013 and Trout Unlimited saw the opportunity to explore bioengineering as an effective way to repair and enhance the area to improve fish habitat. The presentation will also explore the needs of fish during their life cycle and offer people background on Trout Unlimited and the work they do provincially and nationally.

Park Protectors Needed!

The Friends invite you to join us as a Park Protector. As an alternative to traditional annual membership, you may find that the Park Protector program suits your busy lifestyle a little better. The Park Protector monthly donor program is one of the most convenient ways to support the Friends and the park everyday! In addition to a valuable tax receipt and our newsletter, Park Protectors receive the exclusive monthly e-publication the Park Protector Update, that provides information on how your contribution is making a difference in the park.

Friends of Fish Creek Annual General Meeting

Thursday, January 28, 2016, Registration at 6:30 pm, Meeting starts at 7:00 pm

Fish Creek Environmental Learning Centre, Shannon Terrace, Fish Creek Provincial Park

It is because of our members, volunteers and donors that the Friends have accomplished so much. Come and have your voice heard and meet our board and staff at the Annual General Meeting. Refreshments will be served.





Dental Pain in Pe

If you have ever had a cavity, dental abscess, or fractured crown you may remember the pain you experienced probably made it difficult for you to concentrate on any task. Eventually you would seek dental treatment or rely on pain control to function. I see dental disease in almost every pet I examine in my veterinary clinic. Unfortunately preventative dental care is not something that most pet owners start early and continue daily. If there is a line of hot red swollen inflammation along your pet's teeth, put your nail against the edge of the gum where it meets the tooth. Does your pet wince and pull away?

Taking care of your pet's teeth can be time-consuming and expensive. Owners tend to ignore the teeth because they don't see them, but healthy teeth are directly linked to your pet's short and long-term well-being. I can't count the number of clients who have told me a month after a dental treatment that their elderly pets start playing with toys again and they didn't appreciate the discomfort their pet must have been experiencing.

Put to rest the belief that pets fed hard foods don't get dental disease. The value of specialized diets and dental products is limited, but really, if there was some magic component added to food that eliminated dental disease, wouldn't people be eating it to avoid our own dental disease and the ensuing costs.

Pets, ideally, should have their teeth brushed daily. Use a soft small tooth brush. Finger brushes don't work. Use pet toothpastes that do not foam or contain sodium bicarbonate so they can be swallowed. They come in flavours ranging from tuna to chicken to beef. Yum, yum! Many of my clients have even taught their pets to tolerate electric tooth brushes.

A few pets will not allow brushing under any circumstance. These pets will have to rely on the limited benefits from chewing products as well as a specialized dental diet. None of these products out-perform the physical action of daily tooth brushing. Never give your pet hard bones, ice, and very hard toys.

Ideally pets should have regular preventative cleanings. Veterinarians offer every tool available to minimize the risks associated with general anaesthetic. Veterinarians doing pet dentals use ultrasonic scalers, drills, polishers, and advanced dental radiology to do as thorough a job as your own dentist and their staff. No self-respecting pet will tolerate a complete scaling and polishing below the gum line conscious.

I recently did a dental cleaning of a young dog's mouth expecting no or little disease. Visual examination prior to the cleaning everything looked good, but I discovered four deep pockets between the gums and four teeth. Dental radiographs confirmed the bone around the roots of the teeth was being eaten away by infection. The removal of diseased teeth allows a better chance to keep the surrounding teeth healthy. This disease would never have been discovered without a proper examination of an anaesthetized pet.

Superficial scraping of visual tartar only hides disease and lulls a person into thinking their pet's mouth is healthy.

Rotten teeth and gums can be a portal to bacteria entering the blood stream and traveling throughout the pet's body. Dental disease advances more quickly when pets have other illnesses such as kidney disease or diabetes, and dental disease can make other diseases more difficult to control. When the teeth hurt it can also cause an otherwise sweet pet to become cantankerous. Our pets are living longer than ever with advances in veterinary medicine and so your pets are going to need those healthy teeth longer...start brushing early.

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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 to15 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.

Trico Centre is located at 11150 Bonaventure Drive SE. Residents of partnered communities' pay 20% less for memberships than those who reside outside partnered communities. Phone: 403-278-7542 or see www.trico centre.ca to find out more.



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IN & AROUND CALGARY

Nestle into nature this Family Day weekend

Family Day is a great time to reconnect with loved ones - a time to slow down, focus on family and create lasting memories together. Finding activities for the holiday weekend that everyone will enjoy can be challenging, but rest assured, this year it will be a walk in the park.

The City of Calgary will be hosting free We Are Family

events throughout the Family Day weekend at three of Calgary's beautiful parks. Grab your skates and join us on Saturday, February 13 at Carburn Park or Sunday, February 14 at Prince's Island Park for ice skating, fireside nature activities and family-friendly fun.

If you prefer an indoor celebration, drop by Devonian Gardens, Calgary's downtown tropical oasis, on holiday Monday, February 15. We will have entertainment for all ages, including nature games, crafts and a variety of animal furs and bones to see and touch.

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On February 28, we celebrate Father Lacombe's 189th birthday. Father Lacombe was an amazing builder of and contributor to this great province. His legacy can be seen throughout Calgary Shaw's St. Mary's University Campus, the Father Lacombe Centre, to the 100 year old St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church on Macleod Tr. (now used as a place of worship for Russian Orthodox participants). Many people pass this historical site each and every day on their way to and from work. It is quite amazing to think how much different Calgary Shaw would have been if it hadn't been for Father Lacombe and his passion for people. He certainly was a man of vision.

This past year I was very excited to see how very generous Calgarians were over the holidays. We saw record donations to organizations such as the food bank and homeless shelters in our city. Calgarians are so very community spirited and continue to have a giving spirit even during difficult economic times.

Infrastructure project updates:

Prior to the end of this summer, once the bidding process is completed we will likely see construction begin on the Southwest Ring Road. We will be sure to make all information available to you. Our government is ensuring that we move forward with shovel ready projects that will help us battle our infrastructure deficit and at the same time aiding in job creation.

Openness and Transparency:

Our government has recently expanded the Sunshine list (Bill 5) for provincially paid employees. Those earning over \$125,000 can be disclosed. This bill permits local boards including school boards to follow through with the same options.

During these challenging economic times, it can become difficult for people to navigate community services and resources. If you have any questions about where to go or what supports are available to you, our office is available to help.

I enjoy attending community events, if you would like me to attend yours, I will do my best to be available. If you have concerns regarding community issues you can reach me through my constituency assistant Carole: 403-256-8969

In next month's newsletter, watch for an outline of opportunities for constituent / community and MLA engagement.

My office can provide Notary Public and Commissioner for Oaths services and provincial pins, if you need a few. Happy Valentine's Day!



COUNCILLOR, WARD 14 PETER DEMONG

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Greetings Ward 14!

Great news! You have an extra day in February! I'll be making sure that the City is using that extra day—and the other 365—wisely, and I want to mention a couple of ways we'll be doing. Let's leap right in to it.

LED Streetlights in Ward 14

The lights we use to brighten our streets at night have a huge impact on this city, and not just in terms of better visibility. They require us to produce energy, they can cause light pollution, and they often need to be replaced. I am happy to say that in 2015 we began retrofitting streetlights for new light emitting diode (LED) bulbs, and will continue into 2018 until the retrofitting of 80,000 streetlights is complete. They will be replacing the high pressure sodium lights that the City has been using for some time now.

The financial benefits of the project are clear. With all the lights installed we expect to save \$1 million annually on maintenance costs, and \$5 million in annual electricity costs. But there are also some benefits that are not as easily represented in a financial statement. They will reduce energy consumption by up to 50%—the equivalent of powering 2,820 homes per year—and will drastically reduce light pollution. I think you'll find you'll be able to see better too.

The LED streetlights are coming to Ward 14 very soon. Silverado is scheduled for retrofitting during the first quarter of 2016, and the rest of Ward 14 will be done during the third and fourth quarters. Let me know what you think of them!

Interactive Parks and Roads Map

As I write this just a little before Christmas, the Roads department, Parks department, and I are hoping for some snow to test a project that we have been working on. We had an exceptional amount of snow during the winter of 2013/2014, and we learned many things from the experience. Based on people's comments to my office, the lack of communication between the City's crews and its headquarters became very apparent. A highlighted map was literally the only way for us to know what had been cleared and what had not. The result of our work will be real-time information not only on what roads and pathways have been cleared of snow, but eventually what parks have been mowed as well. It will be available to the public in an online map made possible with GPS outfitted equipment. It is a significant step forward in the level of service that we provide citizens. All we need are two significant snowfalls to test the system out. Hopefully we will have had them by the time you read this.

February Counciltalk

Thank you to everyone who attend Counciltalk in January. If you didn't get a chance, or would like another opportunity, the next one will be on February 27 at the Chaparral Resident's Association Lakehouse (225 Chaparral Drive SE) from noon to 2 p.m. If you can't make that one there are other opportunities listed at calgary.ca/ counciltalk, or you could sign up to get reminders of all the Counciltalk dates at calgary.ca/ward14connect.

Have a wonderful February, and don't forget that you can always contact me.

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IN & AROUND CALGARY

Citizen Dashboard in the works to give Calgarians insight into City performance and Calgary's quality of life

The City of Calgary is building a Citizen Dashboard, an online tool that provides Calgarians with access to information about The City's performance and how City services contribute to Calgary's quality of life. Available at calgary. ca/citizendashboard, the tool displays performance measures and data using interactive graphs, charts and maps.

"The Citizen Dashboard is just getting started, but it's a great example of our efforts to be more open and accountable to Calgarians for the programs we offer at The City," said Jeff Fielding, City Manager.

"The Dashboard provides citizens with easy access to City performance measures, provides explanations of what those measures mean and what we are doing to improve service," said Mac Logan, General Manager, Transportation and Chair of a committee designed to oversee and champion customer service and digital innovation at The City. "We look forward to hearing from Calgarians during the pilot as they explore our new tool."

Powered by The City's Open Data Catalogue, the Citizen Dashboard pilot currently displays select performance measures for 311; Roads Maintenance: Summer; Calgary Transit Access; and Building Regulations. Additional performance measures will be added to these services as the Citizen Dashboard evolves and feedback is collected.

The following services will be added over the coming months:

- Roads Maintenance: Snow and Ice Control and Spring Clean-up
- Transit: Safety and Security, CTrain and Bus
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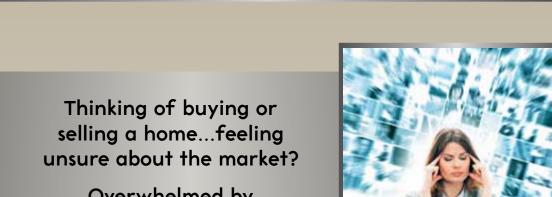
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