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Day Camps

- Register now for summer day camps: ages 3 to 14; full day and half-day camps, early care and late care.
- Don't need a full week of camp? Come to daily camps for a full day or half day, 6-12 years and NEW this summer for 3-5 years too!
- Camp leaders are experienced, trained and committed. Each camp has 1 or more leaders and volunteers.
- Featured camps for 6-12 years: Canada 150 Play, Discover Calgary, Harry Potter Camp, and Just for Girls. Cool Camps for preschoolers include Sportarama, Nature Wonders, Kinder Karate, and Mini Chefs.

Adults/Older Adults

- Summer adult registered fitness: Focus on Powerlifting, Focus on Learning the Basics, Strong is the New Skinny: Weight Training for Women by Women, Straighten Up Posture Series, and Myofascial Stretch and Release.
- First Aid and CPR training: August dates, check Spring Summer Program Guide for details.
- Summer registered programs for older adults: Balance Builders Level 1 (Fall Prevention), Balance Builders Level 2 (Bones and Balance), Chair Yoga, Straighten Up Posture Series.

Children & Youth

- Summer registered child and youth programs: Summer Outdoor Soccer (16-24 months, 2-3 years, 3-5 years, 6-8 years), Dance with Me (2-3 years with parent), Gotta Dance (3-5 years), Little Ballerina 3-5 years), Kinder Gym Kids (4-6 years), Sportarama (3-4 years), Explorasport (4-6 years), DANCEPLAY Kids (6-12 years).



See Spring Summer Program Guide or www.tricocentre.ca for details.

- Register now for summer swim lessons: parent & tot, preschool, Swimmer, and Swim Patrol.
- July 17-21 is registered skating and hockey week: skating lessons all levels, intro to hockey (4-5 years, 6-8 years, adult & child) and powerskating/hockey (7-12 years.)
- NEW SUMMER FUN: Summer-only fun registered programs for kids aged 6 and up: Rhythmic Gymnastics, Circus Arts, Cross Country Running, Badminton Club, and Dodgeball. See www.tricocentre.ca for details.

Canada 150 Play List Event at Trico Centre

- Saturday, September 2 from 10am to 2pm – come to Trico Centre and complete 20+ events from the Canada 150 Play List including dodgeball, boxing, rowing, skating, karate, Pilates, cycling, tag, kinball, stick pull, and more. Check www.tricocentre.ca for details in the coming weeks.

Registration for Fall Programs

- Registration for Fall programs is ongoing. Check the new program guide – online and in our stands.

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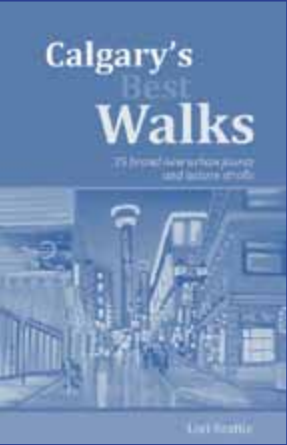
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Last 12 Months Riverbend
MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
July 2017	\$429,900	\$425,000
June 2017	\$440,000	\$443,000
May 2017	\$449,900	\$449,450
April 2017	\$496,950	\$485,500
March 2017	\$449,900	\$443,888
February 2017	\$429,000	\$411,500
January 2017	\$412,400	\$404,250
December 2016	\$459,950	\$447,500
November 2016	\$419,900	\$410,000
October 2016	\$437,350	\$428,750
September 2016	\$469,900	\$450,000
August 2016	\$445,900	\$444,000

Last 12 Months Riverbend
MLS Real Estate Number of Listings Update

	No. New Properties	No. Properties Sold
May 2017	23	8
April 2017	9	10
March 2017	13	17
February 2017	11	9
January 2017	11	6
December 2016	2	4
November 2016	4	11
October 2016	14	8
September 2016	8	9
August 2016	11	7
July 2016	11	17
June 2016	15	9

To view more detailed information that comprise the above
MLS averages please visit riverbend.great-news.ca



Community Preparedness Building Safe Communities Program

As Calgarians we know that emergencies can affect our communities at any point. Many emergencies may not be preventable but we can minimize the risk by being prepared. Here is a list of ways you and your neighbours can be prepared.

1. Know your neighbours

If an emergency does arise, if you know your neighbours you can readily identify neighbours who may have special needs, mobility or those who need additional assistance in an event of emergency.

2. Know the potential risks and hazards in your community

The more residents are aware of areas in their community that are potential risks, the better prepared a community can be. Be proactive!

3. Know the evacuation routes

Knowing how to get of your neighbourhood can reduce traffic congestion and allow for emergency personal easy access.

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- Ambulance, Fire, Police, Hazardous Materials Spills: 9-1-1
- Gas Emergency – ATCO Gas: 403-245-7222
- Electrical Emergency - ENMAX Power: 403-514-6100
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- Calgary Emergency Management Agency 3-1-1: calgary.ca/cema



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Spring Flowering Bulbs

Gardeners have vision. All gardeners, not just the ones we admire and envy. You, me, the neighbour next door. What else would you call it when an ordinary person buys a bag of bulbs in the fall, buries them in the ground, and believes they will produce amazing blooms in 7 or 8 months?

The garden centres will have an abundance of bulbs in stock soon and your biggest decision is what to choose. There are literally thousands of bulbs on the shelves and most of us have limited garden space. The most common hardy spring-flowering bulbs for a Calgary garden are tulip, narcissus/daffodil, allium, iris, crocus, grape hyacinth and squill. The last three are petite and bloom early in the spring, the others show up later, and the irises finish their display in June. Technically, iris grows from a rhizome, but you can treat it like a bulb when planting in the fall. In addition to this list, you can find many more exotic bulbs, just don't expect them to return year after year in our climate.

There are two kinds of tulips that survive here: species (or native) and hybridized. The species tulips should spread into established colonies, returning every year. The large hybrids are more showy and popular with gardeners, but often are best only their first year. My wonderful show of huge pink tulips a few years ago has never been repeated and I fondly remember them as annuals.

If you wish to have a show of continuous color throughout the spring (of course you do) read the labels carefully, and choose from early, mid and late spring varieties.



eties. Then check the labels again for height, as they come in 6" all the way to 28" sizes. How silly to put the tall ones in the front and the short ones behind out of sight. Then there are singles, doubles, lily-flowered, fringed and parrot types, to mention only a few. There are actually 15 divisions of tulip classifications, so it is no wonder the casual gardener gets a bit bewildered. Alliums, likewise, have many varieties, and provide colour between tulips and daffodils and later blooming summer flowers.

Bulbs of all varieties look best in mass plantings of solid colors or two complementary colors. No nice tidy rows, please, unless they are being used for cut flowers; a block of color has far more impact. What colors you choose is strictly personal - plant what looks beautiful to your eye. A sunny spot is best, although some varieties are forgiving and will bloom later in partial shade. Because they are among the earliest color in our Chinook gardens, tulips partner nicely with other bulbs like Muscari (Grape Hyacinth), Scilla (Squill) and dwarf Narcissus.

Get your bulbs in the ground in Sept or October; they need some time to root before the ground freezes. If you share your garden with squirrels, cover the new planting with wire mesh secured by stakes or rocks to keep those little paws from digging them up. Squirrels are particularly fond of tulip bulbs. And while you are at it, be sure to add some new ones in your front yard for the pleasure of your friends and neighbours.

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Did you know?

In the Roman calendar, August was originally called Sextilis. This is because the Roman calendar had only ten months, and August was the sixth month. The name was changed in 8 BC to honor Caesar Augustus.



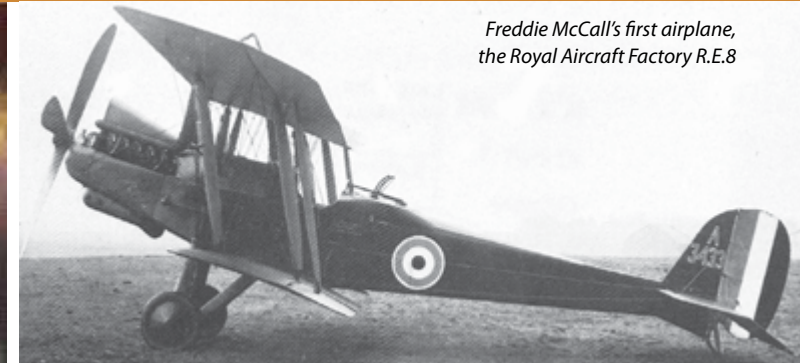
Frederick McCall Canadian Air Ace, WWI and WWII (4 Dec. 1896 – 22 Jan. 1949)

Born in Vernon, BC, McCall and his family came to Calgary in 1906. As a young man looking to serve the country, he enlisted with the 175th Battalion of the Canadian Expeditionary Force (CEF) in 1916. Eight months later, he was in France overseeing the battalion as sergeant. In 1917 McCall received a commission as a lieutenant pilot trainee, and in December was assigned to No. XIII Squadron RAF on the Western Front.

McCall's assigned airplane was the Royal Aircraft Factory R.E. 8, a scrappy little two-seater craft that had improved speed and climb over its inferior predecessor, the B.E. 2. It allowed for better payload delivery over longer distances, an essential strategy in the wide-ranging and many battle fronts of WWI. The craft would serve McCall well in that first World War.

McCall's first aerial victory occurred while flying the R.E.8, shooting down a German aircraft. McCall was awarded the Military Cross "for conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty," and two weeks later the accompanying Bar for downing an enemy scout aircraft while on a mission to take photographs.

After his third victory while flying the R.E.8, McCall was next transferred to No. 41 Squadron RAF and began flying the Royal Aircraft Factory S.E.5. He was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross after scoring four "kills" in May 1918. On June 28th, 1918 McCall downed four enemy aircraft, including one shared with Eric John Stephens. Just two days later, on June 30th, Captain McCall downed five more Germans, four in the morning and



Freddie McCall's first airplane, the Royal Aircraft Factory R.E.8

the fifth that evening. For this McCall was awarded the Distinguished Service Order.

Following the armistice, the pilot embarked upon a variety of civil aviation ventures, beginning with the risky and audacious profession of stunt flying. On July 5th, 1919, while barnstorming, he crash-landed when his engine failed while he was taking off. His landing site was the top of the merry-go-round at the Calgary Exhibition and Stampede. He and his two passengers walked away from the jaw-dropping mishap.

He founded his own company, McCall Aero Corporation Limited, in 1920. With this company McCall flew commercial freight and passengers across Canada, pioneering air travel to Banff. Later, he founded another aviation company, Great Western Airways. One of his more spectacular achievements was the flying of 200 quarts of nitroglycerin from Shelby, Montana to Calgary in 1928. The following year, he ignored bad weather to fly a doctor to the Skiff oil fields to treat two seriously injured workers.

As the Second World War began, McCall was recalled to service with the Royal Canadian Air Force as a Squadron Leader, based at numerous western Canadian bases. He died in Calgary in '49 at the age of 52.

Freddie McCall appears in exhibits in several museums in and around Calgary, such as the Glenbow Museum and the Calgary Aerospace Museum. In 1939 the Calgary Airport was named after him but has since been renamed Calgary International Airport.

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- ◆ Forty word limit

RELIVE CALGARY'S VIBRANT HISTORY: with Chinook Country Historical Society during the 27th annual Historic Calgary Week. From July 28th- Aug 11th get to know people's stories while visiting historic sites in the Calgary area.

CALGARY 55+ GAMES: From August 10th to 12th 2017, Calgary 55 Plus Games Association will be hosting the Calgary 55 Plus Provincial Championships. There will be 11 events. We need new members and volunteers. Go to www.calgary-55plus.com for information.

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Hope everyone is enjoying their summer!

Did you know? In 1974, the Alberta Government declared the first Monday of August an annual holiday to recognize and celebrate the varied cultural heritage of Albertans. Alberta is a province with a very diverse population, which is part of what makes it such a great place to live, work and raise a family.

Calgary will be hosting over 20 different festivals celebrating various types of arts, music, dance and culture in the month of August. There is certainly something for everyone from family friendly day events to 18+ events. Please visit <http://www.todocanada.ca/festivals-in-calgary/> for a well-organized list of festivals and events. It is my hope that you get out and enjoy the beautiful Calgary summer weather and support Calgary's local festivals and businesses.

Daylight Savings Time all year round
 An NDP private member has launched a bill to put Alberta on Daylight Savings time all year.

Here is the text of the entire bill:
http://www.assembly.ab.ca/ISYS/LADDAR_files/docs/bills/bill/legislature_29/session_3/20170302_bill-203.pdf

This would mean that time changes would not continue if the bill is passed. That means kids will walk to school in the dark for much of winter. It also means Alberta will be out of sync with most of North America.

I encourage you to make your feelings known to the government and to me on this potential change.

School Fees –Unintended consequences of Bill 1
 I have written before about changes to school fees. Many constituents have contacted my office about this serious issue. Bill 1 eliminated school fees for transportation, among other things. If you were one the parents relieved of paying \$400 per year that is good for you – unless you are one of the many now paying up to \$1,000 per year instead to find your child alternate transportation to and from school. The money taken from school

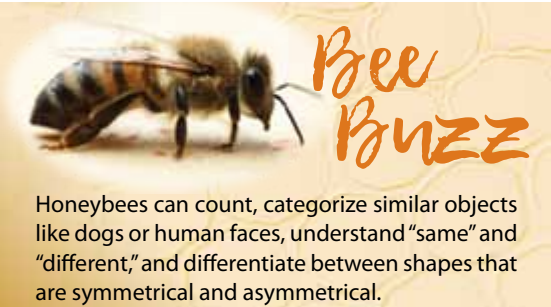
boards for these former fees has left them in a tough place to make other spending decisions which could negatively affect your children. A knock-on effect has been changed bell times causing many parents to be late for work or to now need to hire someone to take their kids to school for them.

Please contact my office with your concerns so I can continue to pass this on to the government.

Unity
 On July 22, our PC party and the Wildrose party will vote on the decision to unite. I am very much in favour of this. I encourage you to vote for unity if you are a member in either party. I will be here to work for you not matter which way the vote goes. Our ability to work together to improve Alberta will be bolstered if the unity vote is positive. Please stay tuned for more information on this.

Scrolls
 Birthday Scrolls are available to constituents celebrating their 65+ birthday, in five-year intervals. Anniversary scrolls are available to constituents celebrating their 25+ Anniversary, in five-year intervals.

Keeping in Contact
 Please continue to stay in touch with me on issues that affect you and your family. As your MLA, I am your voice in the Alberta Legislature and I am here to help you. My newsletter is written a few weeks ahead of publication, so if you are looking for updated information, or have any questions for me or any concerns that you want to share, I would like to hear them. I also look forward to attending your events in the Calgary-Hays area. Please contact me or my assistants, Tannis Turner and Brodie Parker, at the Calgary-Hays Constituency Office. Call 403-215-4380 or email ric.mciver@assembly.ab.ca



Honeybees can count, categorize similar objects like dogs or human faces, understand “same” and “different,” and differentiate between shapes that are symmetrical and asymmetrical.

SCHOOL SHOUT-OUTS

Mapleridge Cooperative Preschool

Congratulations Graduates of 2017! The year-end party for all our preschool students were a huge success. We had a great time at Lake Bonavista filled with fun, laughter and playing at the beach.

We would like to extend our appreciation to all the parents, families and friends who have supported our preschool during the past year. As a cooperative, we could not have done it without you all! A special thank you to Mrs. Killam and Mrs. Marshall as they have both put so much love and dedication into all of the lessons and activities for the students.

Please mark your calendars for the new school year parent orientation at the school on Thursday, September 7th. We currently have a few morning and afternoon class spots left so please contact us if you are interested in enrolling your child at the preschool. You can email us at info@mapleridgepreschool.com, find us on Facebook or call 403-278-9594. Be sure to check out our website as well at www.mapleridgepreschool.com.

Have a wonderful summer!




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Autumn	13	403-801-8722	Yes
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Franny	15	403-293-8847	Yes
Jessica	26	403-970-5385	Yes
Lauren	20	403-993-4025	Yes
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Ward 12 Newsletter Update – August 2017

Can you believe it is August already? Summer is a beautiful time in our city. Seeing so many people out enjoying the great weather reminds me just how fortunate we are to live here. The construction schedule has been busy throughout the summer and we have a City programs that will be coming online this fall.

Green Cart Food and Yard Waste Program

The Green Cart program allows for Calgarians to dispose of all food and yard waste. The organic materials will be turned into nutrient-rich compost at the new indoor composting facility at the Shepard Waste Management Facility. The program will be rolled out in southeast Calgary between August 28 and September 30. To find more information visit www.calgary.ca/greencart.

Glenmore/Ogden Interchange

This project increases capacity on one of Calgary's busiest commercial goods corridors. When completed, motorists will be able to travel on Glenmore Trail with no signal lights between Barlow Trail SE and Sarcee Trail SW. Major construction began in August of 2015 and we expect the project to complete later in 2017. You can find more information on this project by going to www.calgary.ca and entering "Glenmore Ogden Interchange" into the search bar.



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 Head above the water to see what lies beyond.
 Chugga-chugga-chugga-chug... stopping for a bite;
 Nibbling on cattails, I'm hidden out of sight.

Tail up, tail down, steering while I swim,
 Like a skinny rudder, my tail's long and thin.
 Eyes up, eyes down, chugga-chugga, splash...
 I dive below the water in an unexpected flash!

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