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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It has been another busy month at the hall and changes are afoot. Advertising in this community newsletter and on Kijiji really paid off as we were inundated with responses for three part-time positions at the hall. On behalf of the SCA Executive Board, we are pleased to welcome Michelle in charge of cleaning, Susan as the Office Manager and Ron aka "Bubba" as the Maintenance/Fix-it guy.

More good hall news – air conditioning will be installed very shortly on both floors which will enhance the rentability immensely! Also, the eaves trough upgrades will soon be complete and this will minimize the skating rink effect in the parking lot we've been struggling with (back when we still had winter!)

Especially for those of you in and near the Hamlet of Shepard, we **highly recommend** you attend the next community meeting for discussion regarding a "future" City of Calgary Sports Park which has been proposed for the 40 acres just east of the hall and adjacent to the railroad tracks and hamlet. It's all in the very early stages but your input about how it will affect your community and livelihood is needed – sooner than later. Next SCA meeting is Wednesday, April 20 at 7pm.

We will be having a Community Clean-Up Day on Sunday, June 19. The Sanitation Dept. from the City of Calgary is bringing three very large garbage bins out to the hall parking lot for items that are in your household items that are no longer useable or recyclable, eg. old toilets, mattresses, old lawn furniture. Watch for Bold signs and advertising when exact details are confirmed. We are working on a plan to have a bulk shredder on site

as well for confidential shredding. Start thinking about all those items you've been putting off dragging to the dump. Here will be your free "community mingler" opportunity!

A community "Parade of Garage Sales" is planned for later in the summer – stay tuned.

This fall, there is interest to hold a Craft Sale but we need your input and volunteer organizers at the next monthly meeting – please call for details.

On Saturday, March 12, we shared the family potluck dinner followed by a few games of crib and then a rousing game of "Pass the Ace" with Bebe as the Ace survivor! A great time and lots of laughs were had by all! Next potluck is Saturday, May 14 and the planned theme is "A Jiggs Dinner"?? – a Newfoundland speciality by Mike and Natalie – should be a great time to warble up your "East Coast accent" and "fill yer boots" with fun!

We are sad to see them go but happy that Calgary Championship TaiQuanDo group have purchased a location of their own. Quick to fill the rental void may be a Girl Guide group for a few days each week. We also have a Quilting group that are negotiating for space where they can throw their resources together to make quilts for folks in need.

On behalf of the Shepard Executive Board and Community Members, we would like to extend our sincere condolences to the one of the pioneering families of Shepard, the Sutherland Family, on their sudden loss of son, Bill in February. Our thoughts are with you.

Until next time, I hope you are enjoying this great spring weather. Be kind to each other and pay the kindness forward.

Your President – Sandra Weir



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Next SCA Meeting Wednesday April 20 at 7pm

Please join us in our new community home!
Shepard Community Hall

SAVE THESE DATES

2016 SCA Monthly Meetings (on Wednesdays)

March 16, April 20, May 18,
June 15, Jul 20, Aug 17, Sept 21, Oct 19,
Nov 16, Dec 21



Road Ramblings

- Road Report - www.511alberta.ca
- SE Ring Road 17 Ave. - 22X Issues - Chinook Road Partnership
- 22X / Deerfoot / Ring Road – c/o Carmacks at 403-543-8750, www.carmacksent.com
- City of Calgary Roads - call 311/ www.calgary.ca
- RockyView County Roads 403-520-6378/ www.rockyview.ca
- Alberta Transportation 1-877-898-7623 or <http://www.transportation.alberta.ca/eastgp.htm>

Local Landscape Links

South Shepard Area Structure Plan - Updates

<http://www.calgary.ca/PDA/LUPP/Pages/Current-studies-and-ongoing-activities/East-region-planning/South-Shepard-Area-Structure-Plan.aspx?redirect=/southshepard>

ATCO Gas Pipeline Replacement

<http://www.atcopipelines.com/upr/>

Revised Public Lands Act (Water) Affecting Private Land Owners

http://www.wetlandsalberta.ca/water_act/

AltaLink Transmission Line

<http://www.altalink.ca/projects/southernabtransmission/fatd/calgary-okotoks-janet.cfm>

Shepard Power Center – Updates

<http://www.capitalpower.com/generationportfolio/constructiondevelopment/Pages/shepard.aspx>

Area Development Permits & Public Notices

Note – there is an inter-municipal agreement whereby you can appeal either County or City listings even if you live in the other tax area.

City of Calgary – Thursday's Calgary Herald or www.Calgary.ca/publicnotices (Email to Ward12@calgary.ca to be included in weekly email updates.

Rocky View County – Check your weekly Rocky View Times newspaper weekly

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Spring Cleaning – Street Cleaning

Spring Clean-up is an annual street sweeping program that removes sanding materials and debris that has accumulated on roads and along major sidewalks and boulevards during the winter months.

The 2016 Spring Clean-Up program begins in April and runs until the end of June.

The City sweeps almost 15,000 lane kilometres of paved roads, and getting the work done is a collaborative effort. The City would like to thank Calgarians for their help in moving their cars and their blue, black and green carts from city streets when sweeping is scheduled. The community schedule for street cleaning will be available on the calgary.ca website by searching "street cleaning".

Public Consultation Matters

There has been a lot of buzz at City Hall over the last few months around public consultation. The City needs to be clear on what decisions are being made and how input is being received. If we are providing public information, it must be branded as public information. If we are asking for public input, it needs to be clearly stated how that feedback will influence a project.

As your elected representative, your feedback plays a key role in what decisions I make on Council. Public engagement is one of the key ways that I can check in and get feedback on the priorities that matter to you and your family.

In late February Council had an entire meeting dedicated to The City's public consultation process. One of the themes that came up was sustainable decision making. The chart below shows some of the key pillars of that process:



In order to make a sustainable decision we must appropriately balance economic viability, technical feasibility, environmental compatibility and public

acceptance. When these interests are balanced correctly we are able to reach a sustainable solution.

The City does much of the work to build a business case for how a project might be economically, technically or environmentally viable. Throughout the process The City will need to engage with the residents to gain public acceptance. It is a critical piece of the decision making process that cannot be overlooked.

Construction is underway for lot of exciting infrastructure projects in southeast Calgary. There are numerous other projects that require public input and feedback. I am looking forward to hearing from the residents of Ward 12 on how these projects can better serve their needs and make southeast Calgary an even better place to live.

The Ward 12 Office is Here to Help

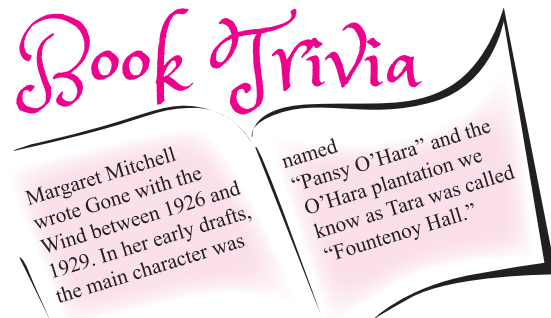
My team is here to serve the residents of Ward 12. I want to provide a simple step process on how my team can better assist you:

1. If you are concerned about something in your community (or with The City in general) please contact 311.
2. 311 will provide you with a Service Request Number (SR#) when you officially log your complaint.
3. If you are unable to get your concerns addressed through 311, you can follow up with my office at caward12@calgary.ca.
4. Please provide your SR# to my team so that they can follow up with the appropriate City department.

It is important to note that The City gathers a tremendous amount of data through 311 requests. By logging your concerns with 311, The City can identify trouble spots and allocate resources accordingly. My team is able to escalate your concerns by referring to the specific SR# that was originally logged with 311.

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APRIL MOON CALENDAR





SHEPARD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION Community Memberships - \$20

Family Names or Business _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ **Postal Code** _____

Phone _____

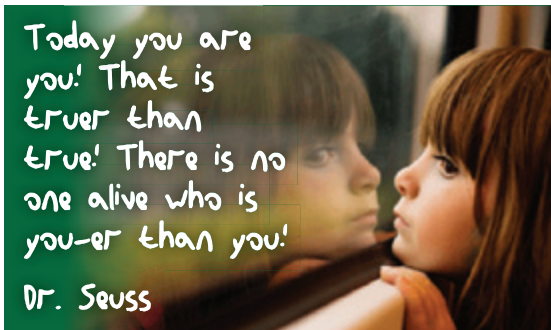
Email _____

(Note – all information received is treated with strict confidentiality)

Please mail \$20 cheque only payable to Shepard Community Association to:
Attention: SCA Memberships
Shepard Community Association
10800 – 84 Street SE, Calgary AB T3S 0A5

Please check any items you would be interested in volunteering for or any position within the Shepard Community Association and return this sheet with your payment.

- Board of Directors
- Events Planning
- Hall Bookings
- Casino Fundraising
- General Cleanup
- Seasonal Parties (Adult)
- Hall Maintenance
- Seasonal Parties (Children)
- Grounds Maintenance
- Hall Construction
- Potluck Nights
- Other: Please specify



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Langdon School	403.936.4579
Prairie Waters Elementary School	403.285.6969
Prince of Peace Luthern School	403.285.2288
Rainbow Creek Elementary School	403.273.8129
Rocky View Learning Connections - Chestermere Campus	403.235.0294
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St. Albert the Great	403.500.2114
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Ste-Marguerite-Bourgeoys (S) (FR) K-12	403.240.2007
École de la Rose sauvage (FR) 10-12	403.230.3112
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St. Albert the Great Catholic Church	403.257.6054	River View Christian Church	403.279.6334
First Alliance Church	403.252.7572	Red Deer Lake United Church	403.256.3181
Ogden United Church	403.271.2700	Langdon Community Church	403.936.5974
St. Bernadette's Church	403.236.2979	Calgary Living Word Assembly	403.472.0292

COMMUNITY

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Shepard Hall (Calgary) Rentals	shepardcommunityhall.ca	403.290.0144
Calgary Police Service – Community Liason Officer (Constable Matt Forest)	POL5067@calgarypolice.ca	
Indus Curling Rink		403.936.5656
Chestermere Public Library		403.272.9025
Glenmore Square Library		403.260.2600
Fish Creek Library		403.221.2090
Shawnessy Library		403.221.2072
Scouts Canada	www.myscouts.ca	403.283.4993

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City of Calgary - Councillor Shane Keating	ward12@calgary.ca	403.268.1698
MLA Rick Fraser	calgary.southeast@assembly.ab.ca	403.215.8930
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Q3 results reveal NDP fiscal strategy is failing Albertans

It was revealed that Alberta's projected deficit would not only be higher than previously anticipated, but could climb to as high as \$11 billion in 2016/17. It's clear from these projections that the NDP government needs to do much more to control spending and manage the impact of plunging oil prices.

"We are deeply concerned to see this government continue to borrow for operations while making no effort to control spending. With the deficit projected to rise dramatically next year, this government has no other plan than to continue racking up debt that will rest squarely on the shoulders of our children and grandchildren."

While we recognize that the government does not control the price of oil, they continue to make choices that

further destabilize our economy and cause even more hardship for people across the province.

"Albertans need leadership when it comes to weathering this storm," said McIver. "It's clear that Premier Notley must take immediate action to control her government's spending and reverse her damaging economic policies."

Bill 10

The Progressive Conservative Caucus supports the intent and the spirit of the Government's LGBTQ education guidelines as a way to ensure that our schools remain safe and healthy environments for the students of Alberta. We are also encouraging Minister Eggen to work collaboratively with all parties including parents, students and school boards across the province to make sure that the policies drafted with the help of these guidelines reflect the best interests of all Albertans.

We believe that an open dialogue between all parties is essential to prevent misinformation or dangerous hyperbole from spreading. Effective communications is essential, and it will be important to set aside any partisan rhetoric as we continue these conversations.

We are confident that the school boards across Alberta will create and implement inclusive policies that respect the rights and dignity of all students in our school system. We would like to encourage anyone who would like to contribute to the discussion to reach out to their local school boards in the coming months.

If you'd like to speak with me directly on this issue, please give the office a call at 403-215-8930. I am here to represent you and I am always going to stand up for parental rights.

In The Community

I continue to attend community association meetings to hear from constituents about issues that are important in the constituency. March was a busy month for school visits to grade 6 students, speaking about democracy and government as well as answering student questions.

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.

Community visits: If you'd like Rick to come and speak to your child's class or at your community event, he'd be happy to. Contact Jennifer at 403-215-8930 to learn more.

YOUR COMMUNITY/CITY EVENTS AT A GLANCE...

- **February 3 to May 29 - Herein We Dwell: Unexpected Images of Calgary in the 1890s:** A rare glimpse into the everyday life of 1890s Calgary is presented with little-seen historical images of early neighbourhoods and people. www.lougheedhouse.com
- **April 22 to June 26 - Young Frankenstein:** Young Frankenstein tells the story of Frederick Frankenstein, Victor Frankenstein's grandson, and how he inherits the family's estate in Transylvania. With the help of two sidekicks, he tries to fill his mad scientist grandfather's shoes. www.stagewestcalgary.com
- **April 28 to May 1 - Arab Nights Film Festival:** The Calgary Arab Arts and Culture Society presents the annual Arab Nights Film Festival at Festival Hall. The organization uses a variety of film to present a positive view of Arab life and society. www.calgaryarabartsociety.ca
- **April 29 to May 5 - 2016 YYC Taco Fiesta:** The city's first YYC Taco Fiesta kicks off on April 29. It is a week-long celebration of the best tacos in the city. The inaugural food festival comes to a close on May 5 with a Cinco de Mayo bash. www.yyctacofiesta.ca
- **May 2 to 21 - Flora and Fawna's Field Trip:** As well as developing survival skills and creating crafts that your mom will love and put up on the fridge, the heartwarming play is all about the power of being a little bit different. www.lunchboxtheatre.com
- **May 6 to 8 - Jane's Walks:** Jane's Walk is a weekend festival of free neighbourhood walking tours. Register to learn about different neighbourhoods and buildings in the city from passionate volunteers, and share your knowledge of the areas, too. www.janeswalk.org
- **May 13 to 15 - Calgary Reads Big Book Sale:** More than 1,000,000 used books can be purchased over the three-day event. As well as a shopping event, there are also special events taking place during the three-day sale. www.calgaryreads.com
- **May 26 to 29 - Ella:** This isn't the story of Cinderella that you already know and love. The local opera company takes Rossini's *La Cenerentola* and performs it with a few Calgary twists. www.cowtownoperacompany.com
- **May 28 - 2nd Annual Bridgeland Cultura Fest:** Spend a day exploring the neighbourhood of Bridgeland this spring. The second annual Bridgeland Cultura Festival showcases all that the neighbourhood has to offer. www.facebook.com/Bridgeland-Cultura-Festival-520066664797700/

MAY 6 AND 7 CALGARY INTERNATIONAL BEERFEST

The Calgary International Beerfest occurring May 6 and 7 at the BMO Centre and will be the largest beer festival in Western Canada! More info at www.albertabeerfestivals.com.



MAY 20 AND 21 E.T. FILM WITH ORCHESTRA

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MAY 21 - KENT SANGSTER'S OBSESSIONS OCTET

Jazz YYC presents the Obsessions Octet. The group is a Juno Award-nominated ensemble that mixes classical tango and jazz. www.jazzyyc.com



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