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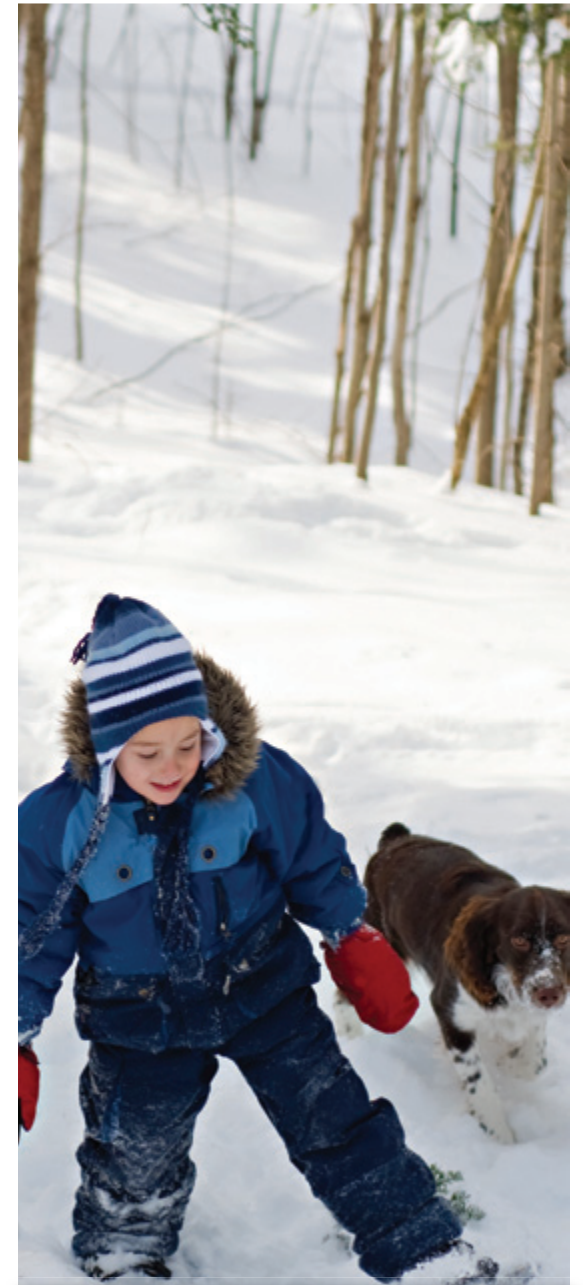
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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year, Folks!

As I am just barely catching my breath from the action-packed December events, I have just a few items to cover this month.

If you haven't already heard, near the end of 2015, we received the good news that the appeal for planned RV park on 114th has been denied. Thanks to all the local folks for their united support to protect our community's future livelihood. This isn't to say they won't try and apply again in the future or try a different type of venture so be aware.

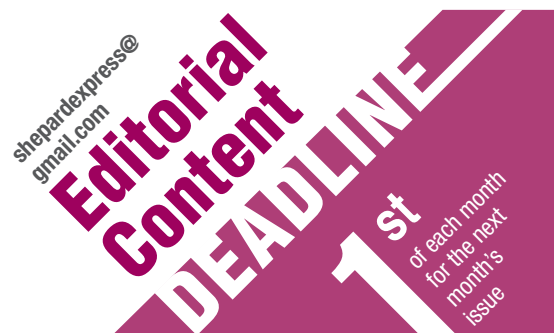
In late January, there will be a memorial service for long-time Shepard resident, Wally Davis. This event will be held at the Shepard Hall with details to be announced later this month by the Davis family.

There is also a family potluck evening planned for Saturday, January 16 starting about 5pm at the hall. Everyone of all ages is welcome to join in. Watch for signage with further details.

Since January is when most folks rebuild their calendars for the coming year, please add the following community meeting 2016 dates to your agenda: January 20, February 17, March 16, April 20, May 18, June 15, July 20, August 17, September 21 **with AGM**, October 19, November 16, December 21\*.

Here's hoping 2016 is "onward and upward" for another good year in Shepard!

Your community president - Sandra Weir



## IN & AROUND CALGARY

### EMS: Sledding Safety

Alberta Health Services, EMS, would like to remind parents and children of some basic sledding safety tips as the winter season continues. Sledding injuries can result from collisions with stationary objects, such as trees and rocks, or with other people on the hill. Unprotected falls can result in injury if you lose control at high speeds. Everyone is at risk – especially children. Have a fun and safe trip on the toboggan hill by following these simple reminders.

#### Equipment

- Ensure your sled is in good condition. Do not use sleds with broken parts, sharp edges, or splits in the material.
- Currently, there are no helmets designed specifically for sledding. However children should wear a properly fitted helmet designed for high impact collisions, such as hockey, cycling, or climbing helmets.

#### Hazards

- Avoid hills that are too steep, or too icy – you can lose control very quickly.
- Choose hills free of obstacles such as trees, rocks, utility poles, or fences.
- Be mindful of clothing that contains drawstrings, or loose clothing, such as scarves, which can present a choking hazard if they become caught or snagged.

#### Plan ahead

- Dress warmly in layers and anticipate weather changes.
- Consider bringing extra sets of gloves and toques to exchange wet garments for dry ones.
- Take breaks to warm up out of the cold.
- Ensure frostbite hasn't affected any exposed skin.
- Even when properly protected from the elements, the finger tips, toes, ears, the tip of the nose, and other high points on the face such as the forehead and cheek bones can be affected by frostbite.
- If frost bite has occurred, treat it by first removing the individual out of the cold environment. Gently warm the affected skin by placing a warm hand over it or by placing the affected part in warm water (not hot; ~41°C max.) until re-warmed.

## EDITOR'S BITS

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### Shepard Newsletter

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### Next SCA Meeting Wednesday Jan 20 at 7pm

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

#### SAVE THESE DATES

#### 2016 SCA Monthly Meetings (on Wednesdays)

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

### Other Area Meetings

- **Bow North Synergy Association**  
Tuesdays, at 7 pm – Indus Arena  
Contact mykeeper@telus.net for next meeting date.

### Road Ramblings

- Road Report - [www.511alberta.ca](http://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](http://www.carmacksent.com)
- City of Calgary Roads - call 311/ [www.calgary.ca](http://www.calgary.ca)
- RockyView County Roads 403-520-6378/ [www.rockyview.ca](http://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/](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](http://www.calgary.ca/publicnotices)

(Email to [Ward12@calgary.ca](mailto:Ward12@calgary.ca) to be included in weekly email updates.

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

**NEW!** Calgary Police Service - HUB Messaging system  
[www.calgary.ca/cps/pages/the-hub.aspx](http://www.calgary.ca/cps/pages/the-hub.aspx)



# Keep Your Paws Warm!

walks rinse and dry your pet's feet if you suspect he has walked through chemicals.

Some dogs just can't tolerate cold paws no matter what you do. Consider booties for these individuals. Booties and mukluks come in all shapes and sizes for dogs. It is important that the boot breath and not compromise the blood flow to the paw. Most animals readily tolerate comfortable well-fitted boots. Online pet stores and local pet stores carry an array of boots for dogs. If you have a large active pet that will need heavy-duty boots you may want to consider custom-made footwear.

Along with their fur keep your pet's nails clipped. In our winters nails may split as your pet goes in and out from the cold and damp and nails may benefit from supplements such as omega fatty acids or fish oils.

My old Labrador would push through the roughest ground cover on the scent of a bird, but in the city he had very sensitive feet and could not tolerate rock salt on his paws at all. Nor would he tolerate boots. I used a paw wax on his feet. Applied to the pad these waxes seal the paw and protect the skin from ice and chemicals. They also protect the pads from cracking with dryness as the dogs go in and out. As long as your dog tolerates his feet touched the paw waxes are very easy to use. Vaseline is a cheap alternative but lasts only a short time outside and can pick up unwanted dirt adhering to the paw.

New products are always coming on the market. Check with your veterinarian and don't forget to protect the rest of your pet from the cold by keeping them well groomed. A clean well-groomed coat insulates from both cold in winter and heat in summer better. Finally remember, like us, as dogs become elderly or arthritic they may require more protection from the elements than they did in their prime. Be as conscious of a senior pet potentially slipping on the ice as you would be of an elderly relative.

*Jennifer L. Scott, D.V.M.*

Well we are about to enter the heart of winter when we see temperatures of minus 20 degrees and lower outside and I don't want to walk my dog, although he is always ready and willing. Most dogs are amazingly well equipped to deal with the cold weather, but not every breed or individual can deal with this kind of cold without precautions.

When dogs first walk on the cold snow you often see them limp or hold a paw up as they run around. Then given some time they seem to become more comfortable. A dog's pads are equipped with a very effective heat exchange system. Once the paw's blood vessels adjust to the cold, and as long as the pad is dry and healthy, the average dog can tolerate most very cold surfaces. Smaller dogs tend to be less tolerant than large breeds. There are exceptions. Dogs with long guard hairs and thick downy undercoats like shepherds and huskies do fine, but dogs with short fine fur like Dobermans have little tolerance for cold. Fortunately stores now stock doggie coats from your basic knitted sweater to fine sartorial splendour depending on the taste of the human companion.

Some people believe a mat of hair over the dog's foot pads will protect them. Not true. Matted fur and excessive hair tends to stay wet, collect ice balls, and hold chemicals such as de-icing agents and salt against the skin. A dog's paws will adjust to the cold more effectively if the hair is kept reasonably short and clean. After

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### January - February 2016

- 1/11 (Monday) South Health Campus
- 1/12 (Tuesday) Fluor - Sundance
- 1/23 (Saturday) Cranston Residents Association
- 1/30 (Saturday) Cardel Rec Centre

- 2/06 (Saturday) Acadia Rec Centre
- 2/18 (Thursday) Quarry Park
- 2/20 (Saturday) Cardel Rec Centre
- 2/26 (Friday) Acadia Rec Centre
- 2/27 (Saturday) South Health Campus



## SHEPARD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION Community Memberships - \$20

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Shepard Community Association  
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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 \_\_\_\_\_

**Animal Trivia**

Certain frogs can be frozen solid then thawed and continue living.

## BRAIN GAMES SUDOKU

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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
Trinity Christian School K-9	403.254.6682

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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

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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
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Happy New Year Ward 12! 2015 was certainly a memorable year for southeast Calgary, and 2016 will be just as exciting!

**City of Calgary Secures Funding for Green Line LRT**  
 On December 14, 2015 Council made the decision to fund one-third of the project costs for the Green Line LRT. Council had previously dedicated \$52M over 10 years to the Green Line. On December 14 I was very proud to take the lead on a Notice of Motion that extended that commitment from 10 years to 30 years. Through this mechanism The City of Calgary is able to dedicate \$1.53B to the Green Line LRT without any tax increases on Calgarians.

**Ward 12 Open House**  
 Want to find out what will be happening in Ward 12 in 2016? Join me and representatives from the City of Calgary for the annual Ward 12 Open House on Thursday, January 28, 2015. This year we will be at the Mahogany Beach House, 29 Masters Park SE. Every year I ask departments from the City of Calgary and community stakeholders to join me and answer questions that residents may have about the future of their communities. Drop in and say hello!

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My family and I would like to wish you a very Happy New Year!

I am happy to report our wish list drive for the Calgary Women's Shelter was a big success. I was able to visit them in early December to drop off all the constituent donations. Items that couldn't be used were donated to Women In Need Society. Thank you to everyone who participated!

I valued being able to meet constituents at the Cranston Christmas Bazaar, where I had a table set up with information for the community. I was also able to attend the Walden Christmas Craft Fair to help hand out door prizes, and speak to the residents. It's always great being able to spend time there. The Auburn Bay Parade of Lights was a huge success in its second year. I was pleased to sponsor a table this year and I was also able to ride in the parade. What a great turn out!

I've heard many concerns from constituents on Bills 5 and 6. I have called back every single constituent who has contacted my office on these issues, and appreciate the feedback I have received.

New Brighton Elementary School Parents Association is collecting bottles on an ongoing basis for fundraising towards their new school. For more information on how you can help: [www.newbrightonschool.com/](http://www.newbrightonschool.com/)



MLA Fraser in the Auburn Bay Parade of Lights, December 2015

## YOUR COMMUNITY/CITY EVENTS AT A GLANCE...

- February 1 to 29 - YYC Hot Chocolate Fest:** Participating restaurants and cafes across Calgary each create a signature hot chocolate and try to win Calgarians' hearts — the hot chocolate with the most votes takes home the title of Calgary's Best Hot Chocolate. [www.yychotchocolate.com](http://www.yychotchocolate.com)
- February 3 – Calgary Flames vs Carolina Hurricanes** at the Saddledome 7:30 pm. [www.calgaryflames.com](http://www.calgaryflames.com)
- February 5 to 20 - Lord of the Flies:** Remarkably true to the novel in spirit... the theatre lends itself particularly well to the ritualistic aspects of the story - chanting, dancing, marching, forming a circle round the victim, stamping out a fire. You end up feeling you have seen a fable of infinite implications enacted in a little room. [www.storybooktheatre.org](http://www.storybooktheatre.org)
- February 12 – Calgary Hitmen & Red Deer Rebels** face off at 7:00 pm at the Saddledome. [www.hitmenhockey.com](http://www.hitmenhockey.com)
- February 12 to 14 - Block Heater: A Winter Music Extravaganza:** There's a new music festival in Calgary over the Family Day long weekend. More than 20 artists perform at three Inglewood venues over three days. [www.calgaryfolkfest.com](http://www.calgaryfolkfest.com)
- February 12 to April 17 - Suite Surrender:** Mistaken identities, overblown egos, double-entendres, and a lap dog named Mr. Boodles round out this hilarious riot of a love note to classic farce. [www.stagewestcalgary.com](http://www.stagewestcalgary.com)
- February 21 to 22 - Spinosaurus: Lost Giant of the Cretaceous:** Meet Spinosaurus, the largest predatory dinosaur yet discovered and hear the incredible story of how this prehistoric giant was almost lost to science, before being brought back to light with the help of a remarkable young paleontologist. [www.artsccommons.ca](http://www.artsccommons.ca)
- February 26 - Calgary Hitmen vs Royals** at the Saddledome 7:00 pm. [www.hitmenhockey.com](http://www.hitmenhockey.com)
- February 27 – Calgary Flames & Ottawa Senators** face off at 8:00 pm at the Saddledome. [www.calgaryflames.com](http://www.calgaryflames.com)
- February 28 - Night With the Stars:** This year, Theatre Calgary's annual fundraiser has an otherworldly theme. This gala takes participants to a different galaxy. [www.theatrecalgary.com](http://www.theatrecalgary.com)

### FEBRUARY 16 TO 21 THE WIZARD OF OZ

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## On Jan. 5, 2016, The City of Calgary will mail 2016 property assessment notices.

Watch for your assessment notice in the mail – it contains important information including:

- Your assessed value
- Your access code to log into *Assessment Search*
- Dates to contact Assessment if you have questions.

Go to *Assessment Search* to:

- View information about your assessment and other details
- Search for comparable properties
- Search for sales of similar properties in your area
- View other detailed assessment information.

*Assessment Search* – getting started

**First-time users will need to complete a two-step registration process:**

1. Create a City of Calgary personal myID account. Visit [calgary.ca/myID](http://calgary.ca/myID) to register.
2. Link your property assessment to your myID account.

When you receive your 2016 assessment notice go to *Assessment Search* at [calgary.ca/assessment](http://calgary.ca/assessment):

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