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your **BRAESIDE BULLETIN**

THE OFFICIAL BRAESIDE COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER



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Diabetes is a complex disease with many causes and no known cure. In Alberta, an estimated 303,000 people have been diagnosed with diabetes and a further 600,000 live with prediabetes.

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HOW CAN YOU HELP?



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Board meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Lower Hall, Meeting Room 2, at the Community Centre. The meeting is open to all Braeside residents or interested parties. If you have issues or concerns and you would like to be placed on the agenda, kindly call our Board Secretary, Joan Byers, at 403-253-4232.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

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Vice President	Robert Grigg	
Secretary/Acting President	Joan Byers	
Treasurer	Position Vacant	To contact
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Director at Large	Philip Schuman	
Director at Large	Elliott Schuman	
Director of Transportation & Safety	Paul Finkleman	
School Liaison	Louise Whitbread	

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Basketball	Dawn Osborne	403-259-6502
Chinook Music	For Tickets	403-271-3719
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Girl Guides	Barb Augustyn	403-251-5169
Hockey	Lisa Santos	403-263-7510
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SW Community Resource Centre		403-238-9222

AREA SCHOOLS:

Braeside Elementary		403-777-8470
John Ware Junior School		403-777-7930
St. Benedict Elementary		403-253-1881

GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES:

Councillor, Ward 11	Brian Pincott	403-268-3611
MLA, Glenmore	Anam Kazim	403-216-5421
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The Braeside Bulletin

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"The Braeside Community Association is committed to representing the community with honesty and integrity, working towards common values and goals".

Check us out on the web at: www.calgaryarea.com (click on SW, Braeside). Email: braecom@telusplanet.net. Follow us on Facebook and Twitter.

Hall Rental

We are accepting rentals for all areas of the Community Centre. Our Upper Hall area is suitable for weddings, banquets and large gatherings. Our meeting rooms on the main level are suitable for meetings or small gatherings.

Now providing Telus Wi-Fi.

To view the hall or make a booking, call the Community Office at 403-253-4232.

Community Rink Available for Rent

If you are considering a sports tournament, practice or outdoor event, Braeside's newly renovated Community Rink is now available for rent:

Per Hour - \$25.00

Per ½ Day (4 hour period) - \$ 75.00

Per full day (8 hour period) - \$ 125.00

Weekend (8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. daily) - \$200.00

All rink rental requests MUST NOT conflict with renters booked in hall (i.e. weddings in building) due to noise and parking. Additionally, a clean up deposit will be required. There is no overnight storage available. Liability for all items must remain with the renter. NO ALCOHOL AT ANY EVENT.

YOUR COMMUNITY/CITY EVENTS AT A GLANCE...

January 10 - January 21 All The Little Animals I Have Eaten by One Yellow Rabbit: Set in an unusually modern bistro, this latest of Karen Hines' darkly hilarious comedies embraces everything from plagiarism and insurance crimes to Golden Retriever conventions and lonely trolls to existential struggles and the transcendence of the human soul. Scenes are performed by well-heeled diners, glowing ghosts, tiny vertebrates, and other unexpected voices. More info www.oyr.org

January 13 Pop Fridays at Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra: Known as "The Ambassador of Soul" Ellis Hall is a master of classic R&B in the style of the genre's greatest legends. With an incredible career as former lead singer in Tower of Power and a protégé of the legendary Ray Charles, Soul Unlimited's hits include the music of Stevie Wonder, Marvin Gaye, The Temptations, Earth, Wind & Fire and more. More info www.calgaryphil.com

October 6 - January 8 ATB Storytellers Exhibition at National Music Centre: Discover Alberta's rich music history at the new ATB Storytellers Exhibition. Explore the untold history of some of Alberta's music pioneers and icons through artifacts, film and interactives. Free and accessible to the public inside Studio Bell's Drop-In Zone. The exhibit will feature a collection of artifacts and recorded oral histories with iconic Albertans. More info www.nmc.ca

January 5 - February 2 High Performance Rodeo multiple venues: Offering all types of theatre over the course of almost a month, the High Performance Rodeo can feel as exciting as its namesake if you are trying to fit all the great performances in from this annually jam-packed schedule. To keep up-to-the-minute informed check the Facebook page www.facebook.com/HPRodeo or more info and tickets www.hprodeo.ca

January 29 Bridal Fantasy at the Telus Convention Centre Brides can expect to see a dramatic fashion show and theatrical production featuring the latest trends in flowers, tuxedos, gowns, destination wear, hair and make-up. Brides have the opportunity to win over \$75,000 in prizes and the chance to win the Fantasy Wedding Package - Including prizes from all of the sponsors. More info www.bridalfantasy.com

NOVEMBER 25, 2016 - JANUARY 8, 2017 ZOO LIGHTS AT THE CALGARY ZOO

6:00 pm - 9:00 pm everyday, experience over 1.5 million lights, 200 displays, crackling fire pits, steamy hot chocolate and four fun-filled activity zones (with many new additions!), transforming the Zoo into a magical winter wonderland. More info www.calgaryzoo.com



EVERY SATURDAY IN JANUARY CRAFT BEER TOURS BY CALGARY BEER TOURS

The Calgary Craft Beer Tour is all about spirited craftsmanship but more importantly it's about the delicious, refreshing beverages produced through the creativity of locals brewers. Experience the city's good-natured, welcoming breweries, including tastings at Village Brewery, CRAFT Beer Market, The Dandy Brewing Company, Tool Shed Brewing Company and Last Best Brewing and Distilling. More info www.calgarybeertours.beer/tours/



JANUARY 6 - JANUARY 8 THE MOTORCYCLE SHOW AT BMO CENTRE

Featuring brands like Vespa, BMW, Victory, Harley Davidson and many more, this exhibition is sure to blow your hair back. Regular admission is \$15 and kids under 5 get in free. More info www.calgarymotorcycleshow.ca



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Seniors Fitness Program at Braeside

The goal of this program is to help older adults maintain physical function, mobility, strength and balance. Classes are led by a certified older adult fitness instructor and consist of warm up, cardiovascular, muscle strength, flexibility and relaxation exercises. Individuals go at their own speed, participating in sitting and standing exercises using a variety of equipment including balls, exercise bands and light weights. This is a drop in program - no registration is required however class participation may be limited to the first 40 who attend. There is a minimal charge of \$2.00 per class. There are two classes per week: Tuesdays from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. and Fridays from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.



Good Home Needed

We have an organ at the Community Centre that we would like to give to someone who would enjoy playing it. For details, please call the Community Office at (403) 253-4232.

ACTING PRESIDENT'S REPORT

One hundred and sixty-five children and their parents and grandparents certainly enjoyed the Halloween Spooktacular. We had a great turn out for this event and want to thank the volunteers for many hours setting up and taking down & running a program under the able direction of Linda Krebs and Kim Price. We also would like to thank our Calgary Fire Department for their visit. Great to see the alarm system works! The children thought it was great for the Firemen to be here. They took time to chat with the children which was really great for the children.

We hope that you took time November 11 to remember those who gave their lives so that we could live our lives to the fullest.

Our last Board meeting of 2016 will be Tuesday, December 13. Our office closes for Christmas at noon on Friday December 23, re-opening Thursday, December 29 at 9:00 a.m. We close at noon on Friday December 30 to welcome in 2017, re-opening Tuesday January 3, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.

Merry Christmas to all and the very best for the New Year 2017.

Joan Byers, A/President

COMMUNITY COORDINATOR

Community Office Hours:

Mondays, Tuesdays, Fridays, 9:00 – 3:30
 Wednesdays, Closed
 Thursdays, 9:00 – 4:30
 Closed for Lunch 12:00 – 1:00

Kindly note that the Community Centre office will be closed December 24 - 29 for Christmas and December 31, January 1, January 2. Re-opening January 3, 2017. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all!

*Linda Krebs
 Community Coordinator BCA*



MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THESE UPCOMING EVENTS

2016
 December 13 Board Meeting

2017
 Watch for 2017 events in upcoming issues!

Need more info? Call the Community Office at 403-253-4232.

WEEKLY PROGRAMS AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE

Art Classes for Kids	Fridays from 4:30 – 6:00	(403) 236-9819
Braeside Karate Club	Thursday evenings at 6:30	(403) 232-0228
Chinese Calligraphy	Wednesday evenings at 7:00	(403) 568-0248
Elm Dog Obedience School	Tuesday evenings, times vary	(403) 281-7937
Foundation Baptist Church	Wednesday evenings at 7:00	
	Sundays at 10:00, 11:00, 6:00	(403) 251-5920
Moms and Tots Drop In	Mondays at 10:00 – 11:30	(403) 660-9656
Seniors Fitness	Tuesdays from 10:00 – 11:00	(403) 253-4232
	Fridays from 9:00 – 10:00	
Pathfinders	19thpathfinders@gmail.com	
Queens & Jacks Square	Monday evenings at 7:00,	
Dance Club	2nd and 4th Friday evenings	
	From 7:30 – 10:00	(403) 251-6228
Southwest Seniors	Thursdays from 10:00 – 2:00	(403) 246-3763
Sparks		(403) 225-1175
Stained Glass Classes	Thursdays evenings at 6:00	(403) 589-2973
Tai Chi	Wednesday evenings at 7:00	(403) 240-4566

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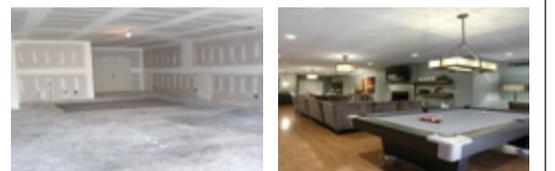
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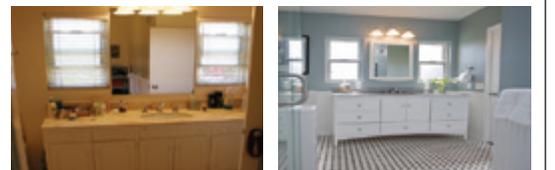
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Treasurer Needed

We are looking for someone to fill the volunteer position as Treasurer. We need an honest, organized individual with a strong financial background who can commit to six to ten hours per month. Duties would include, but are not limited to, overseeing day to day financial administration, signing authority on community accounts, serving on Executive Committee, attending monthly Board meetings, preparing financials for yearly audit, tax and GST submissions. If you would like more information, kindly call Joan Byers at 403-253-4232.

Smile... You could be on camera!

Security cameras are installed at the Community Centre. They are set up to monitor activity around the building, rink area and dumpster. This will enable us to identify those who choose to vandalize or paint graffiti on our building or deposit personal garbage in the Community Centre dumpster and allow us to take action.

BRAESIDE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday, January 17, 2017, 7:00 p.m.
Braeside Community Centre (Lower Hall)

Come out and join us - your vote counts!

Have you considered taking a position on the Board?

Positions currently available: Treasurer, Youth Director, Director at Large.

If you are interested in any of these positions, please call the Community Centre office at (403) 253-4232 for more information.



December in Fish Creek

Looking for an Amazing Gift this Holiday Season?

The Dedication Gift Donation Program is a Great Way to Support the Sustainability of Fish Creek Provincial Park! Support the Friends of Fish Creek by making a donation in the name of someone who enjoys Fish Creek Provincial Park! The Recipient will receive a certificate containing their name, the amount of the donation and the name of the donor, and you will receive a valuable tax receipt.

For more information or to donate visit www.friendsoffishcreek.org/ffc-donate

Show Your Support for Fish Creek - Renew Your Membership or Become a Member!

Members are the foundation of our Society and share our vision of a sustainable Fish Creek Provincial Park that improves the quality of life for present and future generations. We had 869 members in the 2015 - 16 year, and we thank all of you for your support. We encourage you to renew your commitment to Fish Creek Provincial Park for the October 1, 2016 – September 30, 2017 season.

Friends' membership benefits include discounts on courses like the popular Autumn, Winter and Spring Birding Courses, a subscription to our newsletter *Voice of the Friends*, regular notifications about programs and events happening year-round in Fish Creek Provincial

Park and admission to educational Fish Creek Speaker Series presentations.

We hope that you and your family have enjoyed some of the community-focused activities we help organize here in Fish Creek Provincial Park, such as Parks Day & Creekfest, A Taste of Autumn, the Fish Creek Community Fair and the Wellness Showcase. Minibus tours focused on nature, photography and history allow more people to experience this park.

Popular Wellness sessions, like full moon meditation, yoga, Qi Gong and painting provide new and innovative ways to bring people together and celebrate nature. Please visit www.friendsoffishcreek.org/friends-of-fish-creek-membership-signup to renew your membership or complete and mail in the form below. We thank you for your continued support and look forward to seeing you in the park.

12 Week Winter Birding Course starts Monday, Jan. 9, 2017

Learn about the variety of bird species in Fish Creek Provincial Park and other natural areas within Calgary through the Friends of Fish Creek Provincial Park Society's Winter Birding Course. In the winter months, birds are much easier to see since the deciduous trees have shed their leaves, there are fewer species present and they often occur in flocks. "In fact, there may well be more individual birds within Calgary during the winter than in the summer months," said lifelong naturalist Gus Yaki, who, along with other experienced birding instructors, conducts these outings as a fundraiser for the Friends of Fish Creek.

Choose to come on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays or Thursdays at 9:15am, Saturdays at 9:00am, or on Sundays at 9:00am or 1:15pm. Reserve early as each group size is limited to 12 participants.

For more info or to register visit www.friendsoffishcreek.org/programs/birding-course

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SKATING SEASON IS HERE

We are seeking individuals interested in helping out with flooding and cleaning the ice rink. If you enjoy skating with your family and can donate a few hours a week, please call the Community Office at (403) 253-4232.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Nov 27 Church Worship, 11:00 Evening Fellowship 6:00	Nov 28 Before and After School Care Moms and Tots UH 10:00 Queens and Jacks UH 7:00	Nov 29 Before and After School Care Seniors Fitness 10:00	Nov 30 Before and After School Care Tai Chi UH 7:00 Church 7:00	1 Before and After School Care Southwest Seniors UH 10:00 Karate UH 6:30	2 Before and After School Care Seniors Fitness 9:30 Canadian Rabbit Hopping Club 7:00	3 <i>Private Function</i>
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18 Church Worship, 11:00 Evening Fellowship 6:00	19 Child Care Winter Camp <i>Private Function in Evening</i>	20 Child Care Winter Camp Seniors Fitness 10:00	21 Child Care Winter Camp Tai Chi UH 7:00 Church 7:00	22 Child Care Winter Camp Southwest Seniors UH 10:00 Karate UH 6:30	23 Child Care Winter Camp Seniors Fitness 9:30 <i>Private Function in Evening</i>	24  Christmas Eve
25  Christmas Day	 BOXING DAY DECEMBER 26	27 Child Care Winter Camp	28 Child Care Winter Camp Church 7:00	29 Child Care Winter Camp	30 Child Care Winter Camp	31  New Year's Eve
	Jan 2 Centre Closed	Jan 3 Before and After School Care	Jan 4 Before and After School Care Tai Chi UH 7:00 Church 7:00	Jan 5 Before and After School Care Southwest Seniors UH 10:00 Karate UH 6:30	Jan 6 Before and After School Care Canadian Rabbit Hopping Club 7:00	<i>Private Function</i>



Winter Driving Fuel-Efficiency Tips

With its cold winds, long nights, and merciless snows, winter can be an ordeal for both you and your car. But beyond all the extra windshield washer fluid and maintenance your ride will need, your fuel budget will likely see the biggest bump — gas use can spike by over 25 percent, adding more to an already-too-large chunk of your budget.

This is because the cold winter air puts more aerodynamic drag on your vehicle and your engine has to work harder to plow through all that snow and slush. But you can fight back with a few surprisingly simple tricks:

1. Chill out and go easy. Aggressive driving uses much more gas than you'd expect. Speeding up and slowing down suddenly makes your engine work harder than it should, so take it smooth and steady behind the wheel to see some savings.
2. Plan ahead. Beyond driving more gently in general, you can cut down on gas use with some simple planning. By keeping a careful eye on traffic ahead and keeping your speed down, you can save yourself the painful start-stopping that drives up your gas use, and still arrive on time. Working to curb those bad habits can save you time at the pump and aggravation on the road. And whenever possible, plan your route ahead of time using radio traffic alerts or a smartphone app that

helps you avoid any gas-guzzling jams.

3. Don't idle to start up. Are you using a remote starter or starting your engine then running back inside to let your vehicle warm up? Don't fall for the driveway-idle trap — not only does it suck up gas and increase emissions, idling for more than 30 seconds doesn't give any extra benefit. All you need to do to warm up your car is to drive it gently for a few minutes. You'll be warmed up and on your way in no time.
4. Keep an eye on your tires. Tire pressure changes with air temperature, so check your tires at least once a month to make sure they're inflated correctly. Driving on tires that are under-inflated by as little as 8 psi can cut their life by more than 10,000 km and drive up your gas use to boot.
5. Use a block heater. Block heaters warm up your car's engine before you start and can cut down on gas use dramatically by eliminating the need for you to warm up the engine at all. Use a timer on the block heater for added convenience; just set it to turn on about 2 hours before you need to drive, and you're off to the races with a pre-warmed engine, gas in your tank, and money in your pocket.

Find more information online at vehicles.gc.ca.
www.newscanada.com



With so many items on your to-do and to-buy lists, the season of cheer can quickly become the season of overwhelming stress. Use these easy steps to enjoyably and efficiently check everything off your lists in no time.

1. Reduce clutter. On your tables — when guests visit, you'll have much more room for glasses and plates of sweet treats. In your fridge — purge the old food and condiments to make room for the incoming platters of party trays and leftovers. In the front closet — make room for the impending influx of shoes and coats.
2. Ready your music system. Make sure your CD collection is good to go and your iPod or laptop has adequate playlists that can get you through any type of holiday get-together, from spontaneous drinks to all-night dinner parties.
3. Hang the decorations and lights. There's nothing like hanging holiday lights to get you in the spirit. This small

afternoon task makes a big visual impact on guests. Consider lighting up the inside of your house, too — lights on garlands and in flower vases add a nice touch to any room.

4. Take a little time for yourself. Use it to de-stress and prepare for upcoming party plans. Pick up a Denver Hayes ugly Christmas sweater kit available at Mark's and blow all of your friends away with your awesome DIY skills. This means your sweater is custom made, so you won't be caught in a 'who-wore-it-best' (or worst) competition.
5. Cook up a storm (preferably during a storm). Dedicate a Sunday to baking your favourite holiday treats and freeze them once you're done. This way, you'll be prepared for the upcoming school parties, office cookie exchanges, and potlucks. You'll also keep any impulsive snacking at bay because they're not sitting on the counter.

www.newscanada.com

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Braeside Community

VALID SEPTEMBER 1, 2016 – AUGUST 31, 2017

FAMILY INFORMATION:

Adults (First and Last Name): _____

Children (First and Last Name): _____

Address: _____, Calgary Postal Code: _____

Phone No: _____ Email: _____

MEMBERSHIP TYPE AVAILABLE: (Please indicate which membership type you are purchasing)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> \$25.00 Resident Family Up to 2 adults with or without children | <input type="checkbox"/> \$15.00 Associate Live and hold a current membership in another community |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$25.00 Non-Resident Family Up to 2 adults with or without children | <input type="checkbox"/> \$18.75 Senior Family Up to two adults with or without children |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$15.00 Single Adult (18+) No dependant children living at the same address | <input type="checkbox"/> \$11.25 Single Senior No dependant children living at the same address |

***PLEASE NOTE: THERE IS A \$50.00 CHARGE FOR ALL NSF CHEQUES.**

The Braeside Community Association holds many successful functions each year thanks to the tremendous help of our volunteers. If you would like to become involved, please indicate below where you would be interested in volunteering.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Board Member | <input type="checkbox"/> Winterfest | <input type="checkbox"/> Casino | <input type="checkbox"/> Rink Maintenance | <input type="checkbox"/> Parade |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Children's Events | <input type="checkbox"/> Stampede Breakfast | <input type="checkbox"/> Recycling Event | <input type="checkbox"/> Movie in the Park | <input type="checkbox"/> Trunk Sale |

Submit completed form and cheque to: 11024 Braeside Drive S. W., Calgary, T2W 6G5

Membership cards will be mailed to you. Please ensure mailing information is complete and accurate.

Important: Privacy Legislation Community Association Members/Residents: The Personal Information Protection Act became law in Alberta on Jan. 1, 2004. I understand that my personal information will be kept **CONFIDENTIAL** by the Braeside Community Association. I also acknowledge that my personal information may be used/disclosed **ONLY** in certain circumstances to establish, administer and maintain membership lists, program/sports registrations, government reporting, emergency contacts, or legal and regulatory requirements. I hereby consent to such use and disclosure for these limited purposes until such time as I may revoke my consent in writing.

Signed: _____ Dated: _____

Membership Number (Assigned by Community Office): _____ Date Card(s) Mailed: _____



YOU'RE INVITED!

Join the Southwest
55+ CLUB

Enjoy coffee, fun, fellowship, and dancing to a live band every Thursday morning!

Singles and couples, dancers and non-dancers are all welcome to this community group.

Drop by – we're looking forward to meeting you!

Braeside Community Centre
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This Holiday give the gift of food to a family living in
South West Calgary

The Southwest Communities Resource Centre is
accepting grocery gift cards for local families who are
requiring a little extra support over the holidays.

Consider making a charitable donation to swcrc.ca and
help us make a difference in the lives of your neighbours.

Please visit our website or drop by our office in the
Oakridge Co-op Plaza.
www.swcrc.ca
403 238-9222 (Ext. 222)

A charitable receipt will be provided to all cards with
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**Wishing you and your family all the best over the
holiday season**

From the staff and volunteers at SWCRC.



TRIVIA GREENERY

Holly, Ivy and other greenery, such
as Mistletoe, were originally used
in pre-Christian times to help
celebrate the Winter Solstice
Festival and ward off evil
spirits and to celebrate
new growth.

HANUKKAH

In 2016, Hanukkah from in the evening of Saturday,
December 24th until the evening of Sunday,
January 1st. During Hanukkah, on each of the eight
nights, a candle is lit in a special menorah
(candelabra) called a 'hanukkiyah'.



**Braeside
Moms and Tots**

Nursery Rhyme Song and Movement

Come and sing nursery rhyme favourites with your little
ones. Starting September, Mondays from 10:00 to 11:30
a.m. at Braeside Community Centre. \$3.00 per family.

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volved, please contact Kirsten at 403-660-9656. This is a
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Beekeeping in Alberta, Canada

Sarah Scrase

Our recent trip to Canada saw us visiting the Calgary Beekeepers 'Beer and Bees' evening, held every month at a Royal Canadian Legion Club. Approximately 20 people attended, among whom we met Burt, (the President), Walter, who has kept bees since 1952, Divor, a beekeeper of 20+ years and Paola and Alvis, beginners. We learned many things as we enjoyed the company and conversation, made all the more enjoyable by the excellent beer.

In the early 1600's when the early European settlers came the New World, they brought the precious honeybee with them, thus introducing the species *Apis mellifera* to North America. The Native Americans already knew how to boil maple sap into the sweet maple syrup, but the settlers brought bees and made honey to provide sweetness in their new lives. Once introduced into North America, beekeeping became a well established and expanded practice. The first recorded use of honeybees in Canada was in the 1820's in Quebec, and from here it spread to Ontario in the 1830's.

Alberta is now the largest producer of honey in Canada, exporting to the USA and China. Commercial beekeepers such as Nixon's or Scandia keep their bees near Canola oil fields. This forage (much like our Oil Seed Rape) makes a 'set' honey which is usually mixed with Clover honey to make a softer and more flavoursome result. Hobby beekeepers, known as 'Back

Yard Beekeepers' have a limited selection but plentiful supply of dandelion, clover and other wild and garden flowers such as Golden Rod. Further north blueberries and Saskatoon's are cultivated but generally fruit does not grow well in the Alberta soil and climate.

The dense forests and open plains provide a short season from March to September. Unlike the UK humidity is low, sunshine is abundant and snow can fall anytime from September to March. Temperatures can dip to -30C while a warm 'Chinook' winter wind may raise it to +10C in just a few hours. This challenging climate resulted in 1950's and 60's beekeepers culling their stock at the season's end. In spring they would begin anew with honeybees imported from the USA. However strict new border controls halted this along with the culling.

Now colonies are over wintered, hives are wrapped up in October against the cold, entrances reduced and the bees left alone until March. Two full brood boxes of stores are required to see the colony through these months. New Queens with 3lb of worker bees are imported mainly from New Zealand, with fewer coming from Italy. I was informed that Queen Failure has been a feature over the last couple of years and varroa is treated once or twice a year. Swarming and late swarms are not uncommon.

Pests include skunks which reach up and scratch at the hive entrance until the bees come out to see what is going on. The skunk then sucks up the bees like eating pieces of pasta. A spiked mat is used to deter these creatures. Bears also pose a problem especially in spring when the hungry females emerge from their dens with cubs. Despite putting up an electrified fence, one member lost two hives to mamma bears! Spring feeding with syrup is needed until the dandelions show after which the colony finds enough to survive. Honey yield varies much as in the UK, according to the weather and available forage.

There are beekeeping clubs in all the major cities of Alberta: Edmonton, Calgary and Red Deer. As recently as three years ago Calgary had almost 30 members and now boasts over 200! City Hall allows some beekeepers to leave hives on tower rooftops as long as the swarms are collected. Home and Ranch owners are willing to pay beekeepers to keep hives on their land; the direct opposite of our situation in the UK.

It seems that beekeepers throughout the western world face similar problems and dilemmas while one fact remains clear: All of us share a keen fascination and love for these most amazing of creatures.

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Gardening by the phases of the moon

December 7 First Quarter (waxing)

Moonlight is strong, encouraging leaf growth. It is a good time for planting, especially two days before the full moon. Take cuttings from plants you wish to propagate. Fertilize as close to the full moon as possible.

December 13 Full Moon (waning)

As the moon wanes, the energy is drawing down. Strong gravitational pull but moonlight is decreasing putting energy into the roots.

December 20 Last Quarter (waning)

Decreased gravitational pull and moonlight. A resting period. Take cuttings from plants you wish to propagate. Dry herbs, flowers and fruit. If you want to control growth or encourage rooting, perform the necessary activities during the waning moon.

December 28 New Moon (waxing)

Increasing moonlight, lunar gravity pulls water up encouraging plant growth and proliferation. Grafting, transplanting, re-potting, and watering. Gather herbs used for essential oils. Oil content is more concentrated at this time.



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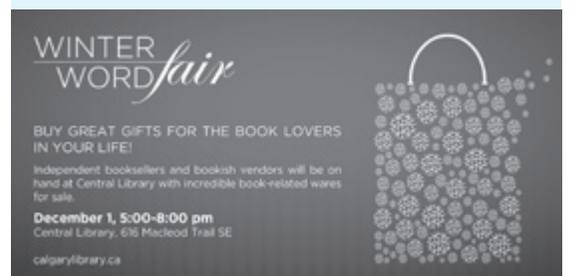
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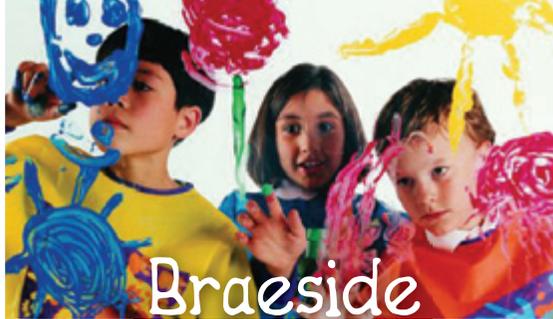
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Happy Holidays Dear Constituents!

Peace to you, your family, friends, and loved ones during this special holiday season. I have been in session throughout this time with many opportunities to speak to various bills and motions. My participation in the house can be watched on a timely basis on my Facebook page as all video clips are posted there. Along with the session activities, I was happy to attend various community Halloween parties, Remembrance Day ceremonies and other community engagements to meet with you in-person, and stay engaged. Also, I was delighted to be at the opening of the Anderson Pedestrian Overpass between Cedarbrae and Woodlands that is 100% funded by Alberta's government. It is a great initiative to connect our communities. Based on the recent inquiries I have been receiving on the SW Ring Road, I am excited to include an overview on the matter. For further details, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Southwest Ring Road: The project reached a financial close on September 13, 2016. The Mountain View Partners consortium was selected as the proponent. The contract is worth \$1.42 billion in 2016 dollars, to be paid over the 35-year term of the contract. The preliminary work is underway with a targeted opening date in Fall 2021. It is an excellent project to diversify Alberta's economy and create jobs. The completion of 101 kilometers of the ring road is an investment in the long-term safe and efficient movement of goods & people in and around Calgary. It will provide improved market access across Calgary, the province, Canada and to foreign ports. The government's objective is to complete this important project in a safe and environmentally sustainable way.

Alberta's government is working closely with the Tsu T'ina Nation, partnering with them on initial work and will continue to build a collaborative working relationship in the future. Measures for environmental mitigation are being taken into account and further discussions with stakeholders will occur in the near

future. Until now, the Elbow River and Fish Creek crossings have been changed to strike a balance between safety, operations, environmental impact and cost. Based on the feedback from residents and some environmental groups, the bridges over the Elbow River upstream of Weaselhead Park were lengthened and the new bridge over Fish Creek was lengthened to match the existing bridge. Environmental specialists have identified potential impacts to Weaselhead Park and have recommended mitigation with steps to minimize those impacts.

The government will be working closely with the contractor to ensure all permits are established and environmental concerns addressed.

Also, our government is investing more than \$7 billion in our provincial highway network to help put Albertans back to work, connect communities, and improve safety/travel on our highways.

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IN & AROUND CALGARY

December at the Southland Leisure Centre

NEW Fitness Frolic! Monday, December 12: Come out to a fun festive fitness class. Goodies and door prizes! Admission is free with a donation to the food bank. Water classes 8 – 9 a.m. and 9:15 – 10:15 a.m. Dryland class 9:15 – 10:15 a.m. Social open 9:15 – 11:45 a.m.

New Years Eve Family Event: Play, swim, jump, splash and slide into 2017! Bring the whole family for tons of fun. Come for arts/crafts, games, obstacle courses, bouncy house and our “take a selfie” photo booth! Then join us in the waterpark where there will be a DJ pumping out the tunes as families enjoy the wave pool, slides, hot tub and safari splash! Stay until the very end to enjoy our pool party countdown! All ages and adult.
Saturday, December 31. Regular admission. Drop-in, 4:30 - 6:00 p.m. - Games in Lobby, 5:30 - 8:30 p.m. - Pool Party.

Southland ProShop: “Did you know Southland Leisure Centre has a Proshop? We have a great selection of swimsuits for all ages. ProShop sharpens skates using the Blackstone Stealth Skate Sharpening machine, CHECK US Out”. **Come check us out in December when we have our Customer Appreciation Sale entire store on Sale” (everything will have at least 10% off – different discounts for different items).**

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Every Sunday, 8:00 am to noon. Family Swim: It’s a designated family swim time. Come enjoy our waterpark, including a trip or two to the AquaPlay structure. Be prepared to get wet! Adults must be accompanied by a child and all children must be accompanied by an adult. Regular admission applies. Find out more at calgary.ca/leisurecentres.

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Fridays, 7:30 to 10 p.m. Youth Night: Friday nights have taken an active twist! Come with your friends and join us in the Sport Hall for a variety of youth exclusive sports including basketball, badminton, dodgeball, soccer and much more. Weekly planned active activities are also available. If swimming is your thing, admission also includes access to public swim in our waterpark. General youth admission applies. Visit calgary.ca/leisurecentres for more information.



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Braeside Real Estate Update

Last 12 Months Braeside
MLS Real Estate Sale Price Stats

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
October 2016	\$415,000.00	\$395,000.00
September 2016	\$449,500.00	\$441,900.00
August 2016	\$419,900.00	\$411,500.00
July 2016	\$474,850.00	\$465,400.00
June 2016	\$433,200.00	\$421,750.00
May 2016	\$394,900.00	\$383,500.00
April 2016	\$451,750.00	\$440,500.00
March 2016	\$409,900.00	\$403,500.00
February 2016	\$380,000.00	\$375,000.00
January 2016	\$0.00	\$0.00
December 2015	\$424,450.00	\$399,500.00
November 2015	\$439,000.00	\$420,000.00

Last 12 Months Braeside
MLS Real Estate Number of Listings Stats

	No. New Properties	No. Properties Sold
October 2016	2	3
September 2016	6	5
August 2016	3	2
July 2016	3	4
June 2016	6	6
May 2016	8	4
April 2016	7	4
March 2016	3	5
February 2016	6	3
January 2016	2	0
December 2015	1	4
November 2015	5	9

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



McDougall United Church, 8516 Athabasca Street S.E.
(No religious content, non-denominational)

Wednesday mornings, 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.
Next Session: January 4th to March 22nd

Artisans in quilting, knitting, crocheting, card making, as well as a “do-as-you-wish” table meet to learn and practice their art in a community setting. No experience is required. Come and learn from instructors, obtain advice, but mostly enjoy the company of women across the ages, make friends, and have a personal time out!

Registration preferred, but drop in is available, babysitting supplied. Please contact Lori at McDougall United Church 403-252-1620.



Can you help?

There is a group of seniors who enjoy knitting mitts, scarves, toques, and afghans. They donate them to nursing homes and various facilities in need of such items. If you have leftover wool that you no longer need and would like to donate it, kindly drop it off at the Community Centre. For more information, please call the Community office at 403-253-4232.



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Connectivity has been a big theme this year at The City of Calgary. We've heard and learned from many Calgarians on what modes and nodes they use, and what and how they would like to use them. Basically, how folks want to connect with where they live, work and play in our city.

We've discussed the Pedestrian Strategy, the Cycling Strategy, and the Public Transportation Strategy, to name a few. Importantly, we've looked at how these strategies work together to meet the needs of all of Calgary's citizens. This integrated approach – offering a variety of modes of transportation, and nodes to use them – is aimed at creating a more successful transportation system for Calgary. One that is inclusive and accessible for persons of all abilities and ages.

At the end of October, in Ward 11, we celebrated the grand opening of two projects that improve connectivity between communities for pedestrians, cyclists and motorists. The Anderson Pedestrian Bridge was built in advance of the Calgary South West Ring Road construction. Eliminating at-grade crossing is safer for those on foot, and results in less stop and go for drivers. The Flanders Avenue Interchange is a unique interchange design, allowing traffic to flow, while also accommodating the needs of pedestrians and cyclists. The rebuild of the previous bridge was much needed in order to accommodate the growth of the Currie Barracks development, and the campus redevelopment of Mount Royal University.

The City is currently conducting a study on the 50th Avenue SW Greenway Corridor and building the 61st Avenue SW Greenway Corridor and Pedestrian Bridge, two projects that factor in the integration of pedestrians, cyclists and motorists to major destinations like one of our beautiful parks or shopping centres. The SW Transitway BRT will amplify our public transportation network, and connect underserved communities in the SW via optimal transit routes. I put forward the motion arising to build a Pedestrian Overpass at 14th Street and 90th Avenue SW to better connect communities east of 14th Street to Glenmore Landing amenities and the reservoir. All of these projects are in Ward 11 alone! Other city-wide studies, centred on connectivity, include Crowchild Trail, Deerfoot Trail and the Green Line LRT engagement.

Connectivity is the quality, state and capability we have of being connected to each other, within our communities,

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Deadline – 1st of each month for the next month's publication
Contact news@great-news.ca

- ◆ Free announcements: lost/found, household items for sale, wanted, garage sale, student/senior services, etc.
- ◆ Forty word limit

BABYSITTING SERVICES: 14 year old with first aid and babysitting course will babysit in SW area. Kaitlyn 403-830-2084.

VACATION PETSITTING SERVICES! 14-year-old girl, under part-time supervision of her mom, will feed your pets while you are gone. Bring in mail, water plants, take in some caged animals to our home. \$15 per house visit in Bayview, Pumphill, Oakridge, Palliser and Braeside. \$10 per day at our home. Karen 403-870-9366

BRAIN GAMES

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and across our city. We still have a lot of work to do in making our city accessible for all, but we are well on our way.

In the spirit of connecting, be sure to subscribe to your Ward 11 Updates at www.ward11calgary.ca. I wish you a Merry Christmas and a great Holiday season!

Happy Holidays!



provide protection for your tree and presents.

4. **Holiday baking? Yes please!** Looking for a great way to amuse younger houseguests AND include your pet on

the fun? Bake and decorate delicious dog cookies with pet-friendly ingredients like cheese powder, yogurt 'icing', flax seed and carob chips. Need a recipe? Email humane.education@calgaryhumane.ca and we'll be happy to share our favorites!

5. **Put Santa's cookies on the mantle, not the floor!**

To keep your pet from getting a lump of coal (or a pricey vet visit) for Christmas, store Santa's cookies and other holiday goodies up and away from curious noses. Better yet? Keep a bowl of approved treats on hand for houseguests that want to share the holiday cheer.

6. **Spend some quality time together!** Holidays are a busy time, but they are also a great chance to spend some quality time with your pet. Bundle up Fido and head out to check out the holiday light displays or curl up on the couch with Fluffy to enjoy your favourite festive film.

7. **Give your pet a space of their own.** When houseguests come calling some pets may prefer to sneak off for some relaxation. Providing a 'safe haven' in your house is as easy as placing a comfy bed and some of your pet's favorite items in a room that company will not be spending time in.

8. **Spread some holiday cheer!** Drop by the shelter to find the 'purr-fect' gift at our Pet Gear Store or drop off a pet toy for our "Stuff a Pooch Pad campaign". We're all decked out for the holidays and we would love to hear from you!

From all of us at Calgary Humane Society, have a safe and happy holiday season!

Happy Holidays from Calgary Humane Society!

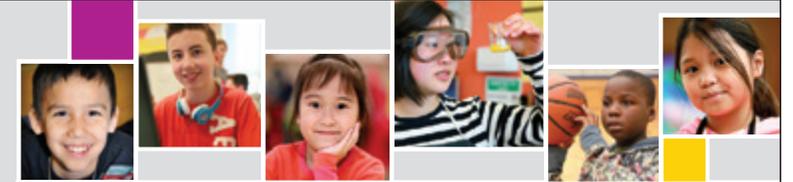
December is always a time filled with a lot of festivity at the shelter and we hope you are enjoying your own holiday traditions at home. As always, we are starting out the season with our Christmas Party for the Animals, a free family event, on December 3, 2016. All December long we will also be collecting treats and toys for the shelter pets to enjoy on Christmas morning, as part of our "Stuff a Pooch Pad" campaign. At Calgary Humane Society we believe that every pet should have a special festive season, so with that in mind we are bringing you our top suggestions on how to make the holidays fun and safe for you and your pet!

1. **Distract Fido with special treats!** Having family and friends join you for a meal is a fantastic holiday tradition, and with a little creativity your pet can also join the dinner fun. Freezing hard rubber "Kong" toys stuffed with soft food is not only a delicious indulgence, it can also distract Fido while you enjoy dinner in peace!

2. **Choose "Fluffy friendly" wrapping and decorations!** Many pets, especially cats, love to investigate holiday décor. Put plastic or metal decorations towards the bottom of the tree and consider skipping ribbons and tinsel as these could be dangerous if swallowed. If you have a wrapping paper scraps left over you can create a fun diversion for your feline friend by hiding a treat or two inside a crumpled paper ball.

3. **Secure the tree!** If you have pets (or small children) visiting your house over the holiday season you can safeguard your 'silent night' by securing your tree to the wall. A strategically placed pet exercise pen can also

dialogue)))



Learn About the Future Use of Learning Space at Area V Schools

Join us as we present the proposed changes for the future use of learning space at some Area V schools. Come review this proposal, which was developed from feedback gathered in 2016.

date | January 18, 2017
time | 5:00 – 8:00 p.m.
location | Nickle School
2500 Lake Bonavista Drive S.E.

To learn more about what we've heard so far, visit cbe.ab.ca/dialogue



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Single Family homes in Braeside:

5 active listings - average list price \$512,740 with 86 days on market
10 sold listings since August 1 - average sale price \$426,340 with 35 days on market

Condo/Townhouses in Braeside:

9 active listings - average list price \$245,254 with 41 days on market
10 sold listing since August 1 - average sale price \$259,100 with 64 days on market

Apartments:

6 active listings - average \$204,233 with 609 days on market
3 sold listings since August 1 - sale price \$176,667 with 31 days on market

(Statistics based on CREB MLS System listings as at November 1, 2016)

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