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Glamorgan Community Association

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- 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.

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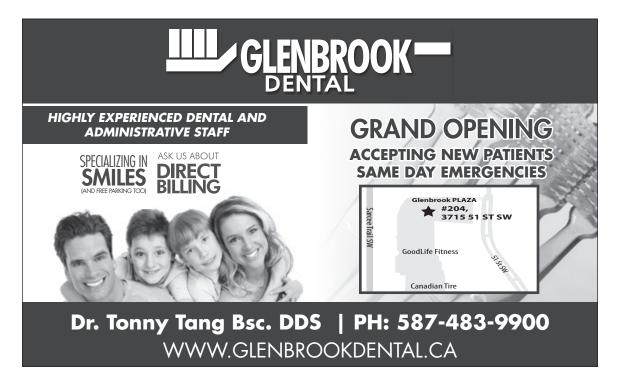
First-time users will need to complete a two-step registration process:

- 1. Create a City of Calgary personal mylD account. Visit calgary.ca/myID to register.
- 2. Link your property assessment to your mvID account.

When you receive your 2016 assessment notice go to Assessment Search at calgary.ca/assessment:

- Login with your myID account and password.
- Enter the roll number and access code displayed on your notice.

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Thank You

The Glamorgan Community Association would like to thank the Seniors Corner Volunteer Committee so much for their time and dedication to the program!





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Important Outdoor Soccer Details:

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- 1 \$50 for Uniform Deposit (Postdated for June 30, 2016)
- 2 Registration fees and Community Membership

Registration and memberships can be paid with cash, cheque, debit, Visa or Mastercard

Please note: U4 to U8 Coaches will receive their \$100 refund by no later than June 15. U10 Coaches will receive their \$200 refund by no later than June 15

Make cheques payable to: Glamorgan Community Assn LATE REGISTRATION FEE: We will be enforcing a late registration fee of \$25 for each late registrant. Sorry no exceptions so please send your registration in by mail if you are unable to attend in person or call the office at (403)246-8218 to make alternate registration arrangements.

Visit our website www.myglamorgan.ca for soccer updates or to register online

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Online Soccer Registration Opens February 1 www.myglamorgan.ca

In-person Registration February 10, 7 to 9pm

We are looking for a 2016 Soccer Coordinator

We Need

An Overall Soccer Coordinator, A U10 Soccer Coordinator And A U6 To U8 Coordinator!



These are fantastic opportunities for a soccer parent to become more involved with the soccer program and their community.

Parents who have previously taken on these roles include Maureen Jones, Melissa Leslie, Shari Channell, Beth Richardson and many more. Each have found these positions to be highly rewarding and an exceptional way to connect with their community!

Training, templates and office support will all be provided. Please contact the office at 403-246-8218 or email info@myglamorgan.com for more information. We have already started the 2016 soccer planning and it is imperative that we are able to fill the above positions.



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Registration Night

Tues, Jan 19, 2016

First Come -

7 pm



Beth Richardson exemplifies all that is inspiring about competitive sport - striving for excellence, teamwork, endurance and the spirit of fairness. She has been an athlete all of her life, and is currently employed as a badminton coach at the Glencoe Club. It was refreshing to hear Beth dispel many of my own stereotypes (from my position as a person who is hopelessly clumsy in any physical endeavour) about coaches and athletes. Far from espousing the "winning is everything" philosophy, Beth believes that her role as coach is "to instil the love of the sport and have it become a passion for life". She states that "what kids are really training for is learning to hit an object with an implement, to develop a sense of sport for life, to be able as an adult to play a pick-up game in whatever sport with your buddies on a Saturday afternoon." Beth loves her work, and calls it a 'fake job', "I get to run around in my sweats – I'm pretty blessed. Passion for sport is a gift I can give (through my coaching)".

Beth was born and raised in Brantford, Ontario, where her parents and several family members still reside. One grandfather had played competitive soccer in Europe and the other had played competitive hockey. Beth played soccer, volleyball, tennis and track through high school, and badminton from the age of 10. After high school, she was invited to Calgary to attend the National Training Centre for badminton. At the same time, she attended the University of Calgary, earning degrees in science and in education. After living with a family in Willow Park for a few years, she purchased a home on 46th Street in Glamorgan. She soon decided this was the community where she wanted to stay and, about four years ago, moved to another home in the community with her husband, Todd LaChance, and children, Jackson, now 10, and Isabelle, now 8 years old. When Beth saw the spacious two-storey home (with its unusual layout for Glamorgan), she "knew it was our house." She was disappointed when it sold before they were able to put an offer on it, but when that deal fell through and the house came back on the market, she knew "it was meant to be." She appreciates that Jackson and Isabelle are able to walk to Glamorgan Elementary School, saying that the program has been "great" for her children. Beth considers our West end location as "incredible - it's close to everything you need". She also feels that there are "not a lot of communities with as strong a community association as ours, with such a variety of activities and programs". Though Beth's husband Todd is also from Southern Ontario, he lived briefly as a teen in Glamis Green and attended AE Cross Junior High School for two years, so moving to Glamorgan was a bit of a homecoming for him. Their current home is ideal for Todd, as he has been able to convert their garage into a bright and practical studio for his profession as a painter.

Beth glossed over her accomplishments in the sport of badminton, which include winning national and junior PanAm championships, reaching the final at the Spanish Open and the semi-final in the Canadian Open. She preferred to talk about the sport itself and the achievements of her young charges. She says that badminton "is a sport that takes in a lot of aspects - there's a lot of strategy, fitness, technical involved. You can never learn everything about the game". She delights in the fact that she is now teaching children of parents she taught when they were children themselves. One of her highlights as a coach has been mentoring a talented player whom she's taught since he was 7 years old, watching his development - "It's been a cool journey" - to the point where he is now ranked the 85th boy in the world for his age. But she returns to her belief that her primary role is to instil the love of sport in her students, whatever their innate ability might be.

Beth feels that it is a "bad idea" to have too much specialization in one sport when children are very young, and credits her parents for introducing her to a variety of activities. "I'm really grateful because my parents put my brother and I in everything. I thought I was going to be a coroner – how random is it that badminton became my career?" Beth is passing along the same philosophy to her children; both her children play badminton and soccer, and participate in the martial art of Aikido with their dad. Isabelle has also played rugby and is in the "fabulous" community Brownie troop.

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Glamorgan Greats cont'd

Beth recounts that she didn't know anyone in Glamorgan when she signed up to assist Shari Channell as a soccer co-ordinator over seven years ago. She had played soccer through school and as an adult, and loved the game. Since then, she has coached teams through all the age levels as Jackson progressed. She is hoping there are enough players next year to form an under-10 girls' team that she would like to coach, but feels it is time for her to step down from co-ordinator duties. The community association is looking for someone to step forward to take on some or all of the co-ordinator role, and Beth stresses the rewards of involvement. "People believe they need to know a lot about soccer, but really it's more about organizing the teams and the administration, and we already have a template to work from. It is invaluable for getting to know (other) parents." She

Another benefit to her involvement in the community is that her children have watched her volunteering and now they volunteer as well. Jackson and Isabelle helped deliver food to those providing assistance during the 2013 flood and volunteered on our Paint the Pavement project and the recent Winterfest. Beth praised the community association for its encouragement and acknowledgement of the volunteer efforts of our younger citizens.

eloquently adds that "it's the way I became part of Glam-

organ, not just living in Glamorgan."

Beth's parents still live in the same house from before she was born, and feels that "when your family has roots, it shapes you. I figure Glamorgan is a good place to set down those roots for my family." Thank you, Beth, for all you do for our children. And if Beth had been a coach in my community when I was a child, I suspect I would not have avoided all sports like the plague!

Please consider volunteering in the soccer program see page XXX for details. Contact Bonnie at the community association, 403-246-8218, if you'd like to learn more about how you can help.

Do you know an individual or organization that you would like to see in this feature? Contact Loretta Biasutti at biasutti@shaw.ca or 403-249-5945 or drop off a suggestion at the community centre. We need your input!

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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.

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.

Well we are about to enter the heart of winter when we

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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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Beginnings are a moment of opportunity. What's important is that first step, and that it is in the right direction. I am looking forward to going back into the Legislature to continue working on your behalf to continue to make Alberta a better place.

In that spirit, the Mental Health Review completed in December offers the opportunity for a fresh start to helping our neighbours and their families suffering with mental illness. Over the months of September and October last year there were more than 2,800 submissions to the public online questionnaire. There were also approximately 400 stakeholders in attendance at dozens of group meetings and presentations throughout the province, including input from First Nation, Métis and Aboriginal people and communities.

The Mental Health Review focus includes increasing access to addiction and mental health services including school-based programs for children and youth, community-based services, and preventative services. Amongst other objectives, the Review also looks at improving the system for managing the complex dealings between referring physicians and specialists or clinics offering specialized healthcare services. I am encouraged by the report and I want to offer my thanks to co-chairs Dr. David Swann, Danielle Larrivee, and Tyler White for their contribution.

In the meantime, many people are suffering. The holidays are often the most stressful time of year for many

people. With all the layoffs in our energy sector, last year was particularly challenging for many of Calgary's families. Mental health is an important issue for me. I was formerly Vice Chair of the Calgary Distress Centre so I am familiar with their incredible services available for Calgarians. The Distress Centre offers confidential. nonjudgmental 24-hour crisis support. When you make a call to Distress Centre, you will always get an answer, an open mind and a caring ear. They can also refer people to a specialized Mobile Response Team, an outreach team of nurses, social workers and psychologists available to the general public to assist during times of crisis or distress. The team works in close contact with the Distress Centre, city hospitals, Calgary Police Service and current supports including counselors, doctors and psychiatrists to provide services to individuals and families living in the Calgary Health Region.

Anyone can call the Distress Centre at any time at 403-266-HELP (4357).

Another new service for Calgarians is 211, a joint initiative of Distress Centre Calgary, the United Way Calgary, and the City of Calgary. It is available to all callers in Calgary and surrounding communities including Chestermere, Cochrane, and High River.

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PARZEN PERSONAL ASSISTANTS: Do you need help organizing, downsizing, re-purposing, recycling, disposal? Need a ride to the airport, bus depot, doctors appointment, shopping? House sitting for insurance purposes. No task too big or small. Give me a call. Kim at 403-651-6295, email kimparzen@gmail. com or facebook/parzenpersonalassistants.

TREES NEED PRUNING, REMOVAL, REPAIR? INSECTS OR DISEASE A PROBLEM? Fall/Winter/Spring (the dormant seasons) are excellent times to have your trees/shrubs serviced by an established (est. 1995), professional tree service. Our goal is to educate and provide practical options. Call - The Yardist Ltd. Tree & Spray Service - 403-242-3332.

NEIGHBOURHOOD CONFLICT? Community Mediation Calgary Society (CMCS) is a no cost mediation and conflict coaching service that can help you resolve problems and restore peace! We help neighbours be neighbours again! www.communitymediation.ca, 403-269-2707.





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Ward 6 residents are proud to live in their neighbourhood, highest in Calgary!

Thank you to the volunteer who floods the rink; thank you to the Scout and Guide leaders for mentoring our youth; thank you to the Community Association board members and volunteers who provide events and programming to create a high quality of life for our neighbours; thank you to our Community Liaison Officers at Calgary Police Service for making our communities safer; thank you to our neighbours, friends, and community leaders for building great communities and improving our quality of life - please keep up the great work! Because of you, 93% of Ward 6 residents are proud to live in their neighbourhood, highest across the City in the 2015 Citizen Satisfaction Survey conducted annually by Ipsos Reid. Citywide, 85% of Calgarians are satisfied with their overall quality of life which reaches 90% among Ward 6 residents. To review the full 2015 Citizen Satisfaction Survey & Research on Calgary's Economy visit www.calgary. ca/citsat.

Infrastructure, traffic and roads remain at the top of the issue agenda, while transit continues to hold second place. Overall, Calgarians think The City should invest more in transit, affordable housing and traffic flow management and transportation planning. Nearly 90% of Ward 6 residents are satisfied with transit service in Calgary, but 60% of 2014 and 2015 Ward 6 survey respondents would like to see more investment in transit. Many Calgarians (75%) think it is a good time for The City to be investing in new projects like roads, public transportation and local facilities. Council unanimously approved an additional \$47.5M in the 2016 Capital Budget that expedites a number of shovel-ready projects that had already secured funding slated for construction in subsequent years. We want to keep moving forward and focus on keeping our communities successful.

As traffic congestion is expected to increase by 10-25% on Sarcee Trail SW with the delay of the West Calgary Ring Road (WCRR), the City is conducting functional studies to enhance travel times and decrease traffic congestion. I am working with Administration and the Provincial Gov-

IN & AROUND CALGARY

Pet Safety—Keep Your Pets Indoors This Winter

Humans are not the only ones who need to keep warm during the winter months. Your pets do too. Although they might be covered in fur, your pet can still fall ill during the colder months or even get frostbite when temperatures drop below freezing. But have no fear, here are a few tips on how to keep your pet warm this winter.

Keep your pet indoors. This is the number one way to keep your pets safe and warm in the winter. For dogs, take shorter walks when the weather is severely cold. A good rule of thumb is to go out with them and when you're ready to come in, chances are your dog is too. If your dog must stay outside, make sure she has proper shelter and a source of fresh water at all times, and make sure her water cannot freeze.

It's important to remember that cold cars can pose a significant risk to your pet's health. Leaving your cat or dog in the car is just as dangerous in winter as in the summer. Limit car travel to only that which is necessary, and don't leave your pet unattended in the vehicle.

If you lose your pet during the winter months, do not delay. Call 3-1-1 to see if Animal Services has picked up your pet. If not, file a lost pet report with Animal Services.

For more information about pet safety please call 3-1-1 or you can visit us on our Facebook page or on Twitter @yycbylaws.

ernment on the timing of the WCRR construction as this will determine funding options and timing of implementation of infrastructure to mitigate downstream impacts. Please visit www.calgary.ca/ward6 for updates.

Councillor Chat with Richard Pootmans

Councillor Chats are an opportunity for you to meet with your Councillor to discuss any issues that are important to you. Please join Richard for an informal conversation on January 16, 2016 from 9:30–11a.m. at Glendale Community Association or February 4, 2016 from 5–7p.m. at Glenbrook Community Association. Please sign up for The Ward 6 Report at www.calgary.ca/ward6connect.



The Importance of **Reporting Crime**

Did you know that a substantial amount of crime isn't reported to police?

There are many reasons that people choose not to report a criminal offence. They may feel that it is too minor in nature or that nothing can or will be done. They may feel that it's not worth the time or effort or that police have more important things to do.

The Calgary Police Service pays close attention to reported crime statistics within communities and across areas of the city. In fact, statistical analysis can be a driving force behind how our Service chooses where and how to deploy resources.

Analysis of reported crime allows police to identify 'hot spots' of activity and also helps to measure and pinpoint emerging crime trends. A lack of accurate data makes identification of these locations difficult and unreliable.

So-called 'minor' crimes such as car-prowling (theft from vehicles), vandalism and other property related crime can be an indicator of a larger problem in a community. An increase in these types of crimes can indicate that an offender has moved into an area, that additional police resources are needed, or that something else has changed within the community. Becoming aware of each of these factors is important for police to move forward in addressing community concerns.

How to report a non-emergency crime

The emergence of technology has made crime reporting much easier and faster, and allows police to obtain an up-to-date glimpse of what is going on in the community.

- Online www.calgarypolice.ca
- By phone 403-266-1234 (police non-emergency line)

• Walk-in to your local District office

If there is an ongoing situation within your community, you also have the option of contacting your area Community Resource Officer (CRO) through your local District office to make them aware.

How else can you help?

- Encourage your family, friends and neighbours to report crime or suspicious activity within your community.
- Be aware of your surroundings. If something or someone seems out of place, there is likely a good reason for this. Report any suspicious behaviour to the police.
- Lock it up! Don't provide offenders with any opportunity secure your vehicle, garage and home (including closing windows when you are away and at night).

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

FOR SALE: Oak Computer desk, 36 inch round glass kitchen table, two heavy duty toaster ovens, 7 inch DVD player, several fans, two high end juice machines, folding armchair in bag, two air purifiers and electric frying pan. Phone 403-255-1955.

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
- February 3 Calgary Flames vs Carolina Hurricanes at the Saddledome 7:30 pm. 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
- February 12 Calgary Hitmen & Red Deer Rebels face off at 7:00 pm at the Saddledome.
 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
- 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
- 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.artscommons.ca
- February 26 Calgary Hitmen vs Royals at the Saddledome 7:00 pm. www.hitmenhockey.com
- February 27 Calgary Flames & Ottawa Senators face off at 8:00 pm at the Saddledome. 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

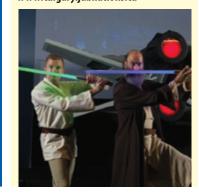
FEBRUARY 16 TO 21 THE WIZARD OF OZ

Join Dorothy, Scarecrow, Tin Man and Lion on a journey down the yellow brick road. This new production of The Wizard of Oz adapts the classic book for the stage and contains the well-loved songs from the Oscar-winning film. www.calqary.broadway.com



FEBRUARY 19 TO APRIL 24 STAR WARZ-A GALACTIC ROCK COMEDY

There are rebels with spaceships, Jedi with lightsabers... there is a princess, a smuggler, and robots, the Evil Darth Vador and singing... yes you heard me... singing of your favourite galactic rock tunes of the 70's and 80's. www.calgary.jubilations.ca





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