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Glamorgan Community Memberships Expire August 31st

Memberships can be purchased at the Glamorgan Community Association office.

4207 41 Avenue SW or mailed with payment to the same address.

Memberships can be purchased online at www.myglamorgan.ca!

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Please choose your desired type and length of membership:						
Membership Type	1 Y	ear	3 Y	ear	5 Year	
Resident Family		\$20		\$50		\$75
Resident Adult		\$10		\$25		\$40
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Associate *		\$20		\$50		\$75

* Choose if you do not reside within the Glamorgan Community Boundaries Please list the member(s) of your household to be included on this membership: A/Y = Adult or Youth

First Name	Last Name	A/Y

Address:	
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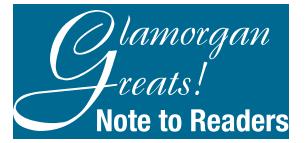
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To all my neighbours:

Through writing the "Glamorgan Greats" column, I have had the privilege of meeting many wonderful Glamorganites, all of them interesting in their own way. I have been trying to represent the diversity of Glamorgan, profiling people of different ages, genders and backgrounds, some new to the community and some long-time residents.

I need your help. I am relying on you to provide me with names of neighbours or friends who I could contact for the column. Or maybe you yourself would be willing? No matter how "ordinary" you think your life is, you would be surprised how your story will resonate with many others. Everyone has something of value to contribute.

Are you a closet writer, who has secretly dreamed of having your words put into print? How about taking a turn at writing a profile?

In the meantime, I will be submitting a column every other month, until I start receiving all your great ideas. I would welcome your feedback on what you like and don't like about this newsletter feature. Thanks in advance for your help.

Loretta Biasutti: Biasutti@shaw.ca 403-249-5945 or drop off your suggestions at the community centre.

A sad farewell to Dave Thomson (profiled as a Glamorgan Great in October 2014), who passed away January 15th. Dave was an original resident in Glamorgan and an active participant on the community association board in years past.



You are invited to our Annual General Meeting Thursday, March 17, 2016 7:00pm, Seminar Room

AGENDA

- Call to order. Introduction of Board Members and Staff
- 2. Adopt Agenda as presented
- 3. Adopt Minutes of March 19, 2015 AGM as presented
- 4. Audited Financial Statements 2015. Presented by Treasurer/ Auditor
- 5. Special Resolution to update By-Laws. Presented by Treasurer
- 6. Questions and comments on board reports
- Board recognition
- Nominations and election of 2016/2017 Board of Directors
- 9. Councilor Pootman's Message
- 10. Question Period

Thank you in advance for attending the AGM and supporting your Community Association.

Please join us after for a St. Paddy's Day wine and cheese social.

See you there!

DID YOU KNOW???

The Glamorgan Community Association Annual General Meeting is coming up on March 17th, and we are looking to add new members to our Board of Directors.

Board Members are asked to attend 10 meetings per year to help keep Glamorgan Vibrant, Caring and Connected.

As well as Board positions we are always looking for volunteers to help out with the many, many events and programs that run out of the community. A few of these are:

- * Bingos and Casinos
- * Rink Maintenance and GlamShack Concession
- * WinterFest
- * Children's Halloween Party
- * Community Clean Up
- * Outdoor Soccer
- * Family Fun Day

If you are interested in any of these opportunities we will be available to provide more information at the AGM. We hope to see you there!!

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Come out and enjoy an afternoon with your neighbours!

Different activities each month:

March 1 Joanna Tschudy from Spruce It Up April 5 Doug Coates - 20 Historic Houses May 3 Francis Wright - Famous 5

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> For more information, contact the Glamorgan Community Association





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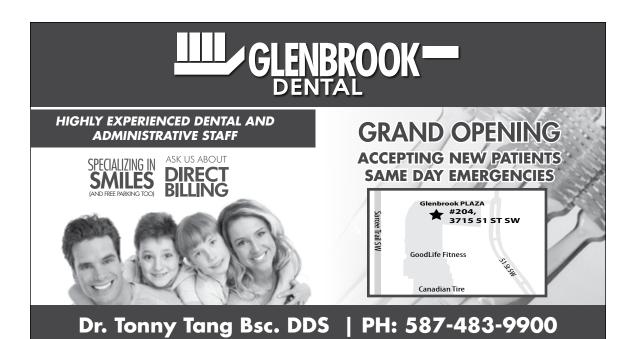
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IN & AROUND

March is Community Association Membership Awareness Month!

Did you know that Mayor Nenshi declares the month of March as Community Association Membership **Awareness Month?**

Did you also know that there are 150 community associations in Calgary that are run by your neighbours? In fact, more than 20,000 volunteers are involved in community associations here in Calgary, making it the LARGEST collective volunteer movement in the city!

Are you a member of your community association? If not, you are missing out on numerous benefits, including sizeable discounts at local businesses. Membership is extremely affordable with most community association memberships averaging under \$30 a vear!

Throughout the month of March we encourage you to "be part of it" and find out what your community association can do for you! It's easy and you may be surprised by the many benefits and options available to you as a resident.

Community associations are run by your neighbours, they bring residents together, they provide endless opportunities right in your backyard, and they act as a voice for your community. Most importantly, these hard-working volunteers are dedicated to making sure your community is a great place to live, work, and play. Purchasing a community association membership is a great way to get involved and show your support for the many ways your neighbours work to ensure you love where you live.

For example, this very community newsletter is just one of the many ways your community association works to keep you informed on events, topics and issues of interest close to home, written and compiled by your neighbours.

So take a minute during March Community Association Membership Awareness Month and find out more about your community association and how you can get involved!

IN & AROUND CALGARY

Relocation of Midnapore Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off

You can take household hazardous waste, such as cleaners, paint and oil, to any of The City's landfill Throw 'n' Go areas or designated fire stations with special storage depots.

Due to construction of the interchange along 162 Avenue and Sun Valley Blvd. S.E. the household hazardous waste drop-off at Midnapore Fire Station 26 will be relocated effective March 1, 2016 to:

Evergreen Fire Station 37

2511 Eversyde Avenue S.W.

The Midnapore household hazardous waste drop-off will remain closed until early 2018.

Other household hazardous waste drop-offs in the south include:

Shepard Landfill - 68 Street and 114 Avenue S.E. Cedarbrae Fire Station 24 - 2607 - 106 Avenue S.W.

Fire stations are open for drop-off seven days a week, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Before you drop off materials, make sure they are stored, labelled and sealed properly. These household hazardous waste materials can pose a danger to our workers, your family, your pets, your neighbourhood and the environment.

For more information, visit calgary.ca/waste.



IN & AROUND CALGARY

READYCALGARY 2016

READYCALGARY is a **FREE** community preparedness program developed by the Calgary Emergency Management Agency (CEMA) for the citizens of Calgary. It has been designed to inform, educate and build resiliency to the impacts of emergencies and disasters. Visit Calgary.ca/REA-DYCALGARY for more information or to register today!

Program Structure:

This course, delivered in a workshop setting facilitated by CEMA, has been purposefully designed to reflect the diverse needs of its participants by dividing course material into two distinct sections:

- Section 1: Covers the fundamentals of emergency management (preparedness, response and recovery) particularly significant for individuals and families. As personal preparedness education and awareness is applicable to all, Section 1 is the foundation of this program.
- Section 2: Further develops on the material in Section 1 to reflect the needs and requirements of a whole community. This section is for individuals interested in further contributing to their neighbourhood and community.

2016 Session Dates:

- Program and registration details, as well as online versions of course materials, can be found at Calgary.ca/ READYCALGARY
- The registration process is available online via 311 or email your preferred dates to CEMATraining@calgary.ca
- Participants must register for both Section 1 and Section 2 to complete the full program. Section 1 must be completed before Section 2, but participants may register for any available sections at their convenience (Sections do not need to be taken in the same month).
- Note that the registration deadline is 7 days prior to the session of choice.

Section 1: March 8 (17:30 - 20:30 at CEMA)

Section 2: March 22 (17:30 - 20:30 at CEMA)

Section 1: April 6 (17:30 - 20:30 at CEMA)

Section 2: April 20 (17:30 - 20:30 at CEMA)

Section 1: September 15 (17:30 - 20:30 at CEMA)

Section 2: September 22 (17:30 - 20:30 at CEMA)

Section 1: October 4 (17:30 - 20:30 at CEMA)

Section 2: October 18 (17:30 - 20:30 at CEMA)

EMS: Burns and Scalds

Alberta Health Services EMS paramedics respond to a number of emergencies where a young child has sustained severe burns, or scalds. These incidents often occur inside the child's own home. Common causes include: a child accidentally tipping hot liquids onto themselves, touching a hot surface, or making contact with an electrical outlet. Fortunately, incidents such as these can be avoided by taking preventative measures.

Degrees of burn

- 1°: Affects only the top layers of the skin; appears red like a sun burn; discomfort is generally tolerable;
- 2°: Deeper and much more painful than 1°burns; broken skin or blisters commonly develop;
- 3°: Severe: the deepest layers of skin and tissue are injured; may appear charred or leathery.

First Aid for burns

- Skin may continue to burn if not aggressively cooled. Immediately douse burns with large amounts of cold water.
- · Cover the burn with a sterile dressing, or any clean material to protect from infection;
- Over the counter medications may be used for pain. Adhere to directions given on the label;
- Seek further medical attention, as required.

Prevention of burns

- Check the temperature of your hot water tank. Temperatures as high as 60°C / 140°F will scald a child in just seconds;
- Use placemats instead of tablecloths. Tablecloths can be yanked downward causing hot drinks, or food to spill on a child;
- Turn pot handles to the back of the stove and ensure cords from kettles, slow cookers, and other electrical appliances cannot be reached;
- Avoid picking up a child while holding any hot liquids;
- Ensure electrical outlets are made secure by installing commercially available safety devices which prohibit access:
- If able, have children avoid the kitchen area while appliances are operational.
- If you require immediate medical attention, call 9-1-1.

YOUR COMMUNITY/CITY EVENTS AT A GLANCE...

- April 1 Taste of Bragg Creek: Taste of Bragg Creek returns for its fourth year and showcases some of the best that local restaurateurs, caterers and food and liquor merchants have to offer. www.tasteofbrag-
- April 6 Video Games Live: Bonus Round!: This concert is a combination of synchronized lights, lasers, video clips and live music from some of the world's most popular games performed by the Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra. www.calgaryphil.com
- April 6 to 17 Canmore Uncorked: This mountain food and drink festival is 12 full days of special setprice menus, cooking classes, progressive dinners and cooking events. www.tourismcanmore.com
- April 11 to 13 Dance at Noon: The junior students in the University of Calgary Dance program's choreography and performance concentration showcase their original compositional work. www.scpa.ucalgary.ca
- April 11 to 17 Calgary Underground Film Festival: The festival has been carefully programmed to include thought-provoking, entertaining and sometimes obscure movies of all genres that defy conventions. www.calgaryundergroundfilm.org
- April 15 to 17 Dreams of Broadway: 26 performers and 31 hit Broadway songs collide in this inaugural production by Imagine Performing Arts! This whirlwind production will have you laughing, crying and dancing in your seat! www.musicandplay.ca
- April 22 to 24 The Adventures of Robin Hood: Unleash your imagination and follow the adventures of a band of brothers looking to rob the rich to help the 24 poor. www.vertigotheatre.com
- April 26 to 29 Annie: The well-loved, family-friendly musical Annie is based on the popular comic strip Little Orphan Annie. It's a feel-good production with the same energy and warmth of the original. www.calgary. broadway.com
- April 28 to May 1 Calgary Comic and Entertainment Expo: For four days, Calgary celebrates science fiction, comic books, film, television, horror, fantasy, pop culture and more. www.calgaryexpo.com

APRIL 8 TO 9 DANCE AT NIGHT:

The senior students in the University of Calgary Dance program's choreography and performance concentration showcase their final presentations of the year. www.scpa.ucalgary.ca



APRIL 10 TO 11 EXTREME PLANET WITH PHOTOGRAPHER **CARSTEN PETER:**

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APRIL 14 THE VIEW FROM BEHIND **BARS - AN EVENING WITH PIPER KERMAN:**

Spend a special evening with Piper Kerman, best-selling author of Orange is the New Black, My Year in Women's Prison and inspiration behind the award-winning Netflix series. www. facebook.com/Elizabeth-Fry-Society-of-Calgary-232422026837022/



GLAMORGAN OUTDOOR SOCCER 2016

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U10	Born in 2006 or 2007	\$300.00	FOR	U-	10	AGE GROU

NEW FEES FOR 2016

U4, U6 & U8 - Fees can be decreased by \$100 by volunteering for one (1) bingo shift U10 - Fees can be decreased by \$200 by volunteering for two (2) bingo shifts

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Important Outdoor Soccer Details:

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Name of Volunteer

- 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

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

registration arrangements.



Suzanne Smith-Demers - Consultant

Once there was just you – now there are two. You've joined with a partner to share your life and love and that's good. As a new couple, here is what you should know about how to equitably manage your finances.

As a married or common law couple, the integration of your financial lives must be fair and match your lifestyle together. It is wise to disclose assets, financial commitments (such as loans) and credit history.

Here's some items to consider that will help start the conversation:

- Who will manage day-to-day finances, who will manage overall financial affairs and how much input does each partner want?
- Should bank accounts, credit cards and investments be merged or remain separate?
- · Do you have a new will? Wills drafted prior to marriage usually become invalid.
- What happens to your mortgage, life insurance and income if either of you dies or becomes unable to

work due to an accident or illness?

· What should go into your domestic contract? Especially if one partner brings significant assets into the relationship and/or if children or past spouses are involved.

Make your decisions with a clear understanding of tax and legal implications and if you are bringing significant assets into the marriage, speak to a family lawyer or mediator about the financial implications and how best to protect your assets.

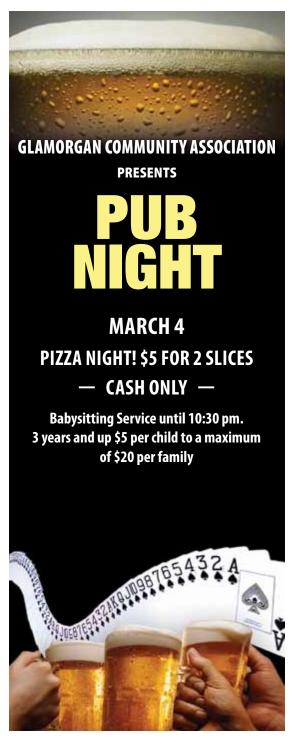
Although couples must file separate individual tax returns, there are many tax-planning strategies that can reduce your total tax bill now and in the future. Take advantage of all your deductions and incomesplitting opportunities.

As a couple, you need a shared financial plan. Your professional advisor can help you build such a plan for a strong financial future together.











Are You Scheduled Or Just Completed Joint Replacement Surgery?

By Penny Hodgson C.H.N. C.T.C.

If your joint has deteriorated to the point of requiring surgery, consider the following:

- 1. Acute Pain from the degraded joint and surgery can disrupt digestion, which can prevent certain nutrients from getting into your system.
- 2. Mineral depletion, caused from the body trying to maintain and even repair the joint on its own, is not usually replenished without the added use of a variety of mineral supplements. Analysis of mineral deficiencies will indicate the appropriate amount of nutrients needed to replenish bone stores and fortify the new joint.
- 3. Chronic pain, worry and stress cause strain on the adrenal glands by keeping your body in a fight or flight response. Nutrients that support the adrenal glands should be taken until all the symptoms of adrenal exhaustion have reduced significantly, or are gone altogether.
- 4. Certain pain relievers, antibiotics and other medications (anaesthetic, relaxants etc.) can further disrupt the digestive process, reduce the level of beneficial bacteria needed for a healthy intestinal tract, thereby interrupting the assimilation process and preventing the uptake or even depleting your body of required nutrients.

Disrupted or reduced digestion means that the nutrients in your food, or supplements, are not being absorbed properly. No matter how healthy you think you are eating, or how many supplements you are taking, until your digestive process is functioning normally your body is not getting the required nutrients for optimal healing.

In some cases, disrupted digestion can lead to other issues like intestinal inflammation and leaky gut syndrome. An imbalanced intestinal system can lead to excessive weight gain, food allergies and intolerances, unexplained aches and pains, fibromyalgia, and chronic fatigue syndrome just to name a few.

Don't forget that doctors and other health care practitioners such as physiotherapists and massage therapists are focused on the task at hand. Nutrition has become a specialized therapy, and proper nutritional guidance requires that a doctor or therapist has studied or specialized in nutritional science.

Along with proper nutrition, the body requires the right amount of exercise in the right way. If you have had joint replacement surgery, seeking the counsel of a physiotherapist to ensure you are performing the required exercises properly is a good idea, even if you exercise regularly. Physiotherapy is usually prescribed by the surgeon to ensure exercises are done properly, so as to not jeopardize the new joint.

In order for muscles to heal properly, good blood circulation is required to deliver the much needed nutrients to the damaged tissue. Massage therapists can help ensure proper circulation and also stimulate lymph flow. which is also an important factor in the healing process.

Emotional health can also be affected by stress resulting from long surgery waiting times, fear of upcoming surgery, fear of pain, and financial strain as a result of having to take time off work. Talking with a trained therapist can help you find your way back to positive emotional wellbeing.

Nurturing your spirit will also help your body heal. Stress and pain can sometimes become so paramount in your day that your usual Spiritual practice gets put aside. In some cases, you might guestion why you have been put through such an ordeal or blame God for your situation. In these cases, seeking help from an elder that shares your beliefs might bring much needed insight into your situation.

Penny Hodgson is certified in Holistic Therapeutic Counseling and Holistic Nutrition

Caring For Your **Elderly Pet**



People are living longer with better health care, nutrition, and overall improved living conditions, and so are our pets. I see pets in their late teens regularly and geriatric medicine is advancing in leaps and bounds. Never dismiss changes in your older pet as "just part of getting old" as these may be changes we can treat. Preserving quality of life for both us and the furry ones should be our objective.

If you can equate one year of aging in a person to seven in a dog, an annual examination for a pet is like you being seen every seven years by your doctor. Annual examinations are imperative and even bi-annual examinations maybe recommended. Veterinarians discuss history, changes in food and water consumption as they examine your pet for masses, aches and pains, and anything that raises concern. This includes rotten painful teeth. Health care starts with the examination.

Diet is the cornerstone of any older pet's health needs. An older pet has a slower metabolism and sleeps more. Don't justify weight gain by saying "but treats are all he enjoys now". An obese pet has difficulty moving, arthritic joints have to work harder, and stress is placed on all organs including the heart, lungs, liver, and kidneys. It's easier if a pet is fit and not wheezing with exertion.

Switch a pet to a geriatric diet around 8 to 10 years of age in cats and small dogs, in large dogs earlier. Specific diets have been formulated for pets suffering from kidney, liver, and heart disease. Some diets are for joints and include products for enhanced mobility. There is even a diet to try and slow the progress of canine dementia.

Unlimited water is imperative in the elderly pet. Kidneys are fragile. If your pet begins to drink and urinate excessively this is an early symptom of many serious, but often treatable, geriatric diseases.

People use physiotherapy or try alternative therapies for aches and pains. These therapies are equally beneficial to our pets. Old bodies get relief with heat packs, massage, range of motion exercises, and physiotherapy. Acupuncture, cranio-sacral therapy, chiropractic medicine, and numerous herbal and homeopathic formulas are used successfully to treat old joints, muscles and bone. To this end remember five or 10 minutes gentle exercise three times daily is preferable to 40 minutes of intense exercise with fragile pets. Like you pets stiffen up and hurt! Older pets have a much reduced tolerance for heat and cold extremes.

Because they don't exercise as much, some older cats and dogs tend to need their nails trimmed more often. Elderly pets find it more difficult to groom and may need more help. Cats may not be able to contort themselves to reach places on their backs and hind end and fur can become matted.

Older pets may become crankier if sore and maybe are more easily startled if their hearing and sight is failing. Try to make allowances, especially where children are involved, don't startle or pounce on elderly pets.

There are many anti-inflammatory and painkillers now on the market for older dogs and cats to reduce pain. Older pets deserve a comfortable and gentle retirement, but if all of your best efforts can no longer maintain your friend in a comfortable state and there are many more sick painful days than not, knowing when to say goodbye is the least selfish thing you will ever do for an old loved companion.

Jennifer L. Scott, D.V.M.

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Building young brains can be as simple as using the 3 Ts!

When it comes to interacting with your baby or young child, there are three easy ways for parents to harness the power of their words to build their children's brains and shape their futures.

Tune In

Notice what your baby or child is focused on and talk about that. Respond when your child communicates ideas, questions and emotions - including when your baby coos or cries.

Talk More

Narrate day-to-day routines, such as diaper changes. Use details: "Let mommy take off your diaper. Oh so wet! And smell it. So stinky!" Or when tooth brushing: "How many teeth do you have now? Let's count them together . . . 1, 2, 3 . . ."

Take Turns

Keep the conversation going. Respond to your child's sounds, gestures and eventually words - and give them time to respond to you. Ask lots of questions that require more than 'yes' or 'no' answers.

Adapted from the book, Thirty Million Words: Building a Child's Brain the 3 Ts are based on research that found children in some households heard 30 million fewer words by age three than children in other homes. These children also heard a smaller variety of words and fewer words of encouragement. This 'word gap' can exist in families of any socioeconomic status but, on average, children from low-income homes may be most at risk of hearing less words.

As a parent, you are your child's first and most important teacher. Using the 3 Ts can help you expose your child to more words. And, children who hear more words are better prepared when they enter school. And, by grade three children who have heard more words at home tend to have bigger vocabularies and are stronger readers.

Other tips include:

If you are bilingual, talk to your child mostly in your

first language – it will be richer. But, also be sure to expose your child to the language of the broader community; here in Western Canada, that's English.

Embrace baby-talk - not made-up words, but a melodic pitch, positive tone, and sing-song rhythm.

Read aloud to your child. Even babies benefit. And, as you child gets older and can read themselves, read aloud to them from books above their own reading level. It introduces new vocabulary and makes these words familiar when they later encounter them in print.

With thanks to: www.thirtymillionwords.org

For resources to help your child develop critical literacy skills and a joy of reading, visit our website. The CBC Calgary / Calgary Reads Big Book Sale, happens May 13 to 15, 2016. This is Calgary Reads signature fundraising event. Find full event details and how to donate books on our website: www.calgaryreads.com.



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My team and I are being asked where the City is in the process of creating a SW Transitway. While we have worked to clarified some of the misinformation in the community before, we hope the questions and answers below will help address further questions and outline the upcoming project path.

Will the SW Transitway be cancelled?

The SW Transitway will be proceeding. Council voted unanimously for the idea in 2011, and now the transportation project team at The City is working on the detailed design phase while addressing questions they have heard. As this project has been approved by City Council all final decisions will be made by the Project Team and their colleagues.

Why not wait for the Ring Road?

While the Ring Road is expected to alleviate some of the traffic issues on 14th street, Glenmore, and Crowchild, it does not address the needs of all. The Ring Road is a provincial highway that is intended to bypass communities and as such does not work for transit. The SW Transitway is very specifically about improving transit for SW communities and increasing transportation options to move people through the city. The two projects, while complementary to one another, address different needs and serve different users.

I keep seeing TOD. What is a TOD?

TOD stands for Transit Oriented Development. It is an urban planning term that means the placement of buildings, walkways, and houses within a community take into consideration the ability of residents and visitors to access transit. This typically means greater density development in the area immediately beside these stations. The goal with TOD is to remove the need to use a private vehicle to connect to transit.

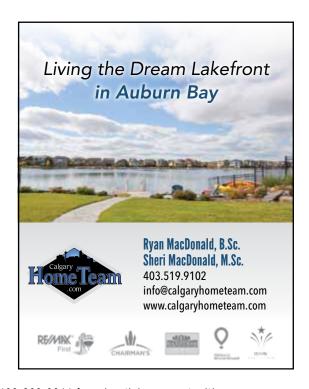
Will the City be doing TOD at the SW Transitway bus stations?

No. The City's TOD policy refers only to the development of City owned land surrounding LRT stations, or at BRT stations where an LRT is planned to be in the future. The SW Transitway is NOT planned as a precursor to an LRT line. The City will not be applying its TOD policy to these stations, nor does the City own large tracts of land in the area.

Brian brought a Notice of Motion to Council last year, regarding Glenmore Landing. What was that all about?

Glenmore Landing sits on privately owned land. While the landowner, Rio-Can, has not submitted any redevelopment applications to the City as of February 1, 2016, they have made it clear that they intend to do so in the future. Brian's Notice of Motion directed the City to work with the landowner as much as possible to avoid excessive construction disruption to the community and enable smart planning decisions to be made by both parties. The Notice of Motion can be found on the Ward 11 website.

If you would like more information, please see www. calgary.ca/swtransitway, and remember to sign up to receive updates from your Ward 11 office at www. calgary.ca/ward11.



<u>IN & AROUND</u>

March is Community Association Membership Awareness Month!

Did you know that Mayor Nenshi declares the month of March as Community Association Membership Awareness Month?

Did you also know that there are 150 community associations in Calgary that are run by your neighbours? In fact, more than 20,000 volunteers are involved in community associations here in Calgary, making it the LARGEST collective volunteer movement in the city!

Are you a member of your community association? If not, you are missing out on numerous benefits, including sizeable discounts at local businesses. Membership is extremely affordable with most community association memberships averaging under \$30 a year!

Throughout the month of March we encourage you to "be part of it" and find out what your community association can do for you! It's easy and you may be surprised by the many benefits and options available to you as a resident.

Community associations are run by your neighbours, they bring residents together, they provide endless opportunities right in your backyard, and they act as a voice for your community. Most importantly, these hard-working volunteers are dedicated to making sure your community is a great place to live, work, and play. Purchasing a community association membership is a great way to get involved and show your support for the many ways your neighbours work to ensure you love where you live.

For example, this very community newsletter is just one of the many ways your community association works to keep you informed on events, topics and issues of interest close to home, written and compiled by your neighbours.

So take a minute during March Community Association Membership Awareness Month and find out more about your community association and how you can get involved!

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MLA CALGARY-ELBOW GREG CLARK

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Dear Neighbour,

At time of writing the government has just released their royalty review. My first reaction is relief that it doesn't appear the government has significantly increased royalties, especially in these very tough times. I'm also glad to see the expert panel has found Albertans have been getting our fair share of resource royalties all along, and I'm optimistic the proposed changes will help keep our province competitive so Albertans can continue to benefit from oil and gas production for generations to come.

My team and I will study the document in detail to ensure there are no unintended consequences of the proposed changes, and as always I welcome your feedback on this or any other topic.

You can read the full royalties report at www.letstalk royalties.ca.

Another topic of interest to many in Calgary-Elbow and beyond is the status of the homes purchased under the Floodway Relocation Program. On January 29, 2016 I joined Minister of Municipal Affairs Danielle Larivee, Mayor Naheed Nenshi and Councillor Gian-Carlo Carra to gather community input about what should be done with the 17 properties purchased under the program. Although many (including me) would like to see at least some of the homes saved and resold immediately, the provincial government believes the liability risk is too great to allow this to happen.

The open house was very well attended and we heard loud and clear that you want the properties put on the market as soon as possible to make our communities whole again, and to recover some of the money spent on the original program. Based on the information presented in the meeting the Province is open to doing just that, but only once flood mitigation is in place. In the meantime the properties will be landscaped and the clear desire of the community is to prevent unauthorized access to these properties until they can be resold.

I will continue working with both the Minister and the City to ensure the integrity of our community is maintained, that safety is a priority and most importantly that the properties are eventually put back on the market. I will also continue to push the provincial government to build the Springbank Dry Dam as quickly as possible. I have asked for an update on the status of the project and the anticipated completion date. I hope to be able to provide that information to you in my next update.

The next Legislative session starts on March 8 with a budget to follow within the month. I'm always interested to hear what you would like me to raise in the Legislature on your behalf. Feel free to contact my office at any time with your ideas, questions or concerns. You can reach us at Calgary.elbow@assembly.ab.ca or 403-252-0346.

Finally, we hope you can join us at our next Constituency Office open house on Saturday, March 19, 2016 from 12:00 - 4:00 PM. Our office is located in the Britannia Plaza on the second floor above Sunterra (the address is #205, 5005 Elbow Drive SW). See you there!

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The House of Commons in Ottawa resumed sitting on January 25th, 2016 and will continue until adjournment on June 23, 2016. Within that time frame, the House generally sits for two weeks followed by a week break for constituency work so I will be back in the riding and available for consultations. Please contact our office if you would like to set up an appointment. We are excited to be 'open for business' after renovations that resulted in a longer than anticipated delay so we appreciate your patience.

With several of my colleagues from the Conservative caucus, I hosted a Pre-Budget Round Table Discussion with Conservative Leader Hon. Rona Ambrose and Hon. Lisa Raitt, Conservative Finance Critic. We invited several industry leaders from in and around southern Alberta. I was very pleased with the diverse representation with CEO's and VP's from the energy sector, agriculture, communication, business, commercial development, Chamber, and finance in attendance, and the honest conversation that occurred during that meeting. Ms. Ambrose, as Opposition leader, took away the very serious messages that were relayed that day and promised that they would be delivered to the federal government. I will be hosting more of these sessions with different themes over the next few months and will be looking for engagement from various stakeholders. Details will be forthcoming in the future.

While the House of Commons sit for this session, I will

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continue to bring the message from Calgary Signal Hill residents that the government needs to continue to focus on jobs, the economy, and growth. The economic situation in Alberta is, and will continue to be, my main priority. I will work to ensure that the Liberal Government understands we need to get our products to the world market. The realization has to be this is not just in the best interest of Alberta but in the best interest for all of Canada.

On January 28th, 2016 the Official Opposition set the Agenda in the House of Commons. We asked all Members of Parliament to express their support for the proposed Energy East Pipeline. This project would not only be good for a struggling industry in Alberta, but one that would provide significant benefits to the Canadian economy. Unfortunately, the other parties chose not to support our motion and this is another indication that they do not understand the seriousness of the economic situation in our province. To view my statement to the House of Commons, please visit my website at www. ronliepert.ca. Please feel free to send me comments with regard to this or other important issues that affect you in Calgary Signal Hill.

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Thus, they have created a helpful and interactive website, www.srcacalgary.ca where you can find information on how to volunteer, donate or simply catch up on related news. If you are interested or just want to find out more check out the website or call 211 and help support settlement and integration of our new neighbours!





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Redevelopment of the Elbow Valley site is important to Silvera for Seniors and Horizon Housing Society. We remain committed to partnering to achieve our common vision for a vibrant, integrated community with a variety of affordable housing options for seniors, families and single individuals. The vision also incorporates links to the neighbourhood and services to support the creation of a community hub for local residents and the community.

As we move forward to refine our plans we will continue to work with Glamorgan residents and area stakeholders at key milestones. In the first half of 2016 we are working with The City on the site servicing plan and we are hopeful we will be in a position to start these service updates this spring and summer. As soon as we have detailed site plans and new building concepts we will organize community meetings to share information. Your early input is helping to inform our evolving plans and we look forward to sharing them with you.

Current information is available on our website at www.silvera.ca. If you have questions, please send them to contact@silvera.ca or call 403-276-9152. You can also find information about Horizon Housing Society at www.horizonhousing.ab.ca

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