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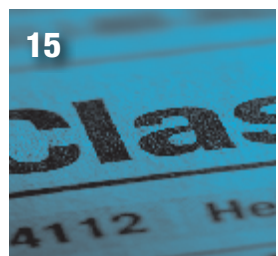
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# GLENDALE TO HOST CHRISTMAS CRAFT SHOW

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# City of Calgary adopts a River Access Strategy

With the growth in population and resulting increase in water sports and recreation, the unfettered access by humans and dogs to our rivers was and is having deleterious consequences on the fishery, riverbanks and water quality. Safety was also threatened as the Calgary Fire Department competed with the public to access emergency launch sites that were never intended for public use and are now gated. Communication has been scarce regarding appropriate access sites, regulations, health advisories (excessive E. Coli counts) and other safety concerns and, information for tourists difficult to find according to Parks.

Hopefully all this will change under a new River Access Strategy adopted by City Council. Upgrading of existing sites, development of new access points, signage, mapping and education were approved in February 2017 to promote safety, environmental protection and user experience. While the bulk of development and implementation is unfunded in the budget cycle ending 2018 the goal is to have 28 access points on the Bow River from West Baker Park, northwest of downtown, to Carsland by 2022.

On the lower Elbow River, 4 hand-launch sites have been approved: upstream of Sandy Beach proper, accessed via the parking lot; north Sandy Beach at the Riverdale Avenue parking lot; Stanley Park; and Stampede Park. Outside of the River Access Strategy it is worth noting that there are 3 off-leash, dog access points identified on the east side of the Elbow River, downstream of the footbridge, where the slope is gradual and access is graveled. Dogs must be leashed upstream of the footbridge and are not allowed water access at Sandy Beach.

The Glenmore Reservoir has 3 approved hand-launch sites.

For a complete listing of existing and proposed new sites go to: <https://tinyurl.com/ycsw5s5h> or [www.calgary.ca](http://www.calgary.ca) and type in "river access".

By the end of 2017 all existing sites should be mapped and signed and priority 1 sites upgraded or constructed. Between 2019 and 2022 we can look forward to the completion of priority 2 sites on the Bow and other initiatives including the development of a river APP, a river ambassador program and continuation of public art.

So, when accessing the river, consult the City's website for current information at: <http://www.calgary.ca/CSPS/Parks/Pages/River-Access.aspx>, keep your heads up for signs and access and egress the rivers only where indicated. The sites have been chosen for your safety and to minimize damage to sensitive riverbanks and fish nesting sites.

Happy recreating!

*Formed in 2004, S2G+ Preservation Society collaborates to enhance the environment and natural history of the lower Elbow River, its valley and contiguous bench lands from the Glenmore Dam to Fort Calgary.*



Ripe cranberries will bounce  
like little rubber balls.





## Blue Cart Recycling Tip of the Month

### Make a difference, one straw at a time

Did you know? Plastic straws and cutlery **can't** be recycled in the blue cart. These small plastic items are too small to be sorted at the recycling facility and end up contaminating the proper recyclables instead.

Here are a few tips to follow:

- Refuse. Unless you actually need a plastic straw or cutlery don't take one.
- Reuse. Wash and reuse plastic straws and cutlery a few times before disposing in the garbage.
- Keep reusable cutlery on hand so you'll always have something to use.

If you're not sure what to do with an item, find the answer on the online search tool at [calgary.ca/whatgoeswhere](http://calgary.ca/whatgoeswhere).

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If your kids are heading back to school this fall, we've got them covered. Free homework help, available through a variety of in-person and online programs, is available at the Library. Here's a sampling:

**School Support** is for students aged 10 to 14. Drop in with your English Language Arts or math assignments to get help from trained volunteers. Visit [calgarylibrary.ca](http://calgarylibrary.ca), click programs, and search 'School Support' to find out where and when the program is offered.

Students in Grade 2 to Grade 12 can access free online tutoring at [calgarylibrary.ca/resource/brainfuse](http://calgarylibrary.ca/resource/brainfuse). Students in Grade 3 to 12 can prepare for tests and final exams, take lessons, and review coursework at [calgarylibrary.ca/resource/solaro](http://calgarylibrary.ca/resource/solaro). Both resources are aligned with the Alberta curriculum.

### 2017 Author in Residence

Calgary Public Library's 2017 Author in Residence is Bruce Hunter, an award-winning writer and poet. Hunter will offer public programs, readings, and individual manuscript consultations, from September 11 to November 24. Whether you're a beginner or established writer, you can meet with Hunter at Central Library. Email [air@calgarylibrary.ca](mailto:air@calgarylibrary.ca) starting August 28 to book an appointment.

### Saddletowne Early Learning Centre

There's a new place to play in Calgary! Step inside the transformed space at the Saddletowne Library and discover the five stages of early learning. Play is a priority at the Library, because it's central to how kids learn and grow. The Saddletowne Early Learning Centre opens mid-September.

Looking for more places to play? Check out the Early Learning Centres at Fish Creek, Shawnessy, Quarry Park, and Village Square Libraries. Central Library hosts *The New Adventures of Engine 23* interactive fire-truck exhibit, and the Forest Lawn Library Nature Playground opened in August. Come play!

# CBE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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September brings new faces to our schools, eager to start the year. Our hallways are once again full of excitement with friends seeing each other after summer break. Our teachers are brimming with new ideas and fun opportunities for learning. The beginning of a school year brings endless opportunities for parents and students alike. While students are joining clubs, activities and sports, families also have the chance to connect with schools and their child's learning.

Whether this is your first September with the CBE, your child's last "Back-to-School" season, or you simply are reminded of your own experiences, September is an exciting time. As this Board completes our term and our city looks forward to a Municipal Election in October, it is a wonderful time to reflect on what we have achieved and plan for a fresh start.

It's also a natural time of year to think about the role we each play in public education. The CBE Board of Trustees, CBE administration, school staff, families, community members and the Government share a common goal – creating a strong school system that supports student success.

Public education plays a critical role in our society. Our students are truly one of the best investments that tax payers make – as successful students become successful citizens who contribute their ideas, passion and economic energy to society in ways that benefit us all.

We believe that learning is a partnership and that the success of our students relies on the energy, thoughts and commitment of everyone in our community. When you share your perspectives and expectations, we are able to learn and improve.

As an elected Board of Trustees, we have had the privilege of meeting with many parents, families, community members and partners over the past four years. We value your voice, and we would like to thank each one of you who contribute to the success of our students and the CBE.

*The CBE Board of Trustees*



## Glendale Real Estate Update

### Last 12 Months Glendale MLS Real Estate Sale Price Stats

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
July 2017	\$574,900	\$567,500
June 2017	\$618,000	\$600,000
May 2017	\$637,450	\$635,000
April 2017	\$587,400	\$561,000
March 2017	\$569,500	\$560,000
February 2017	\$549,500	\$537,000
January 2017	\$517,400	\$504,250
December 2016	\$564,950	\$550,000
November 2016	\$489,900	\$465,000
October 2016	\$519,900	\$514,415
September 2016	\$549,900	\$514,500
August 2016	\$1,287,400	\$1,170,000

### Last 12 Months Glendale MLS Real Estate Number of Listings Stats

	No. New Properties	No. Properties Sold
July 2017	8	5
June 2017	7	9
May 2017	8	6
April 2017	6	2
March 2017	7	2
February 2017	3	3
January 2017	3	4
December 2016	3	4
November 2016	4	3
October 2016	5	5
September 2016	4	1
August 2016	3	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>37</b>

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

## **Autumn Pumpkin Festival – Calgary Corn Maze & Fun Farm, Weekends in October**

Celebrate Autumn each weekend in October at the corn maze, the fun farm and the petting zoo. Endless activities to keep the wee ones occupied and then pick a pumpkin to take home on your way home. Not all activities included in admission price. More info: [calgarycornmaze.com](http://calgarycornmaze.com).

## **The Great Grilled Cheese Cook-off – Jerome's Appliance Gallery, Oct. 1**

Amateur and professional chefs will prepare their very own gourmet grilled cheese recipes in support of Brown Bagging for Calgary's Kids. Your mission is to taste 10 samples and then judge them along with a distinguished panel of judges, with a hand-crafted soda to wash it all down.

## **Piaf! The Show – Arts Commons, Oct. 4**

A powerful and moving celebration of the life and music of the legendary French chanteuse, Edith Piaf. Starring Anne Carrere who has been hailed as "Edith Piaf's legitimate musical heiress," Piaf! The Show has received rave reviews around the globe. More info: [artscommons.ca](http://artscommons.ca).

## **Wordfest – various venues, Oct. 10 – 15**

Wordfest is a not-for-profit organization that hosts year-round literary events featuring the world's best writers at around 70 events in our city. More info: [wordfest.com](http://wordfest.com).

## **Reconciliation Journey: Walking a Path Together – Carriage House Inn, Oct. 12**

This is the second conference planned this year by the Indigenous Advisory Committee through the Enough For All Catalyst Fund. Expect discussions of the organization's work on Reconciliation as they relate to the 94 Calls to Action, as well as special guests, keynote speakers and panel discussions about the exciting work happening across Calgary. More info: [vibrantcalgary.com](http://vibrantcalgary.com).

## **Ghoul's Night Out – Heritage Park, Oct. 26 – 27**

Heritage Park will be transformed into a spooky extravaganza for families with children three to nine. Ghostly encounters, crafts, treats, festive festooning and so much more! Look for more info to come: [heritagepark.ca](http://heritagepark.ca).

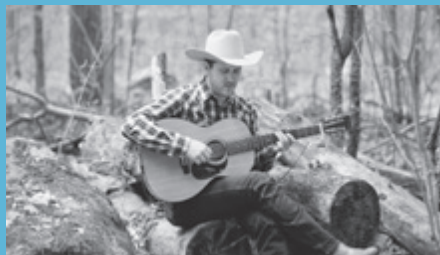
## **HALLOWEENKENDS – CALAWAY PARK SEPT. 9 – OCT. 9**

Enjoy Calaway in full spooky splendour with the Boo Crew, and don't miss: face painting, Thriller dance lessons, scavenger hunts, special guests, family photos and more! There will even be a costume contest on Sept. 16. More info: [calawaypark.com](http://calawaypark.com).



## **ZACHARY LUCKY – GALLERY HOUSE CONCERT SOCIETY, OCT. 2**

Check out this unapologetically old-school country performer. Armed with his husky, baritone voice, he has received comparisons to Gordon Lightfoot and Kris Kristofferson. He sings of Canadian places and people, and puts on a sultry and intimate performance. More info: [galleryhouseconcerts.com](http://galleryhouseconcerts.com).



## **CANADA SOCCER'S TOYOTA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP U-15 CUP - CALGARY SOCCER CENTRE, OCT. 5 – 9**

These championships are the definite amateur soccer event of the year, crowning the country's best community soccer clubs. Over 3,000 participants and spectators from across Canada are estimated to be part of the 2017 U-15 Cup in Calgary this year. More info: [canadasoccer.com](http://canadasoccer.com).



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# Glendale Community Preschool

The Glendale Community Preschool is a program of the Glendale/Glendale Meadows Community Association. The preschool is managed by an Executive and Parent Committees comprised of the families with children in the preschool. We are a Licensed, Non-Profit, Parent-Run Organization with minimal fundraising required.

## 2017-2018 Glendale Community Preschool Programs

Program	Schedule	Age	Monthly Fees
2-Day Morning	Tue & Thu 9:15-11:15am	3	\$150
2-Day Afternoon	Tue & Thur 1:00pm-3:00pm	3 & 4	\$150
3-Day Morning	Mon, Wed, Fri 8:55am-11:25am	4	\$185
3-Day Afternoon	Mon, Wed, Fri 12:45pm-3:15pm	4	\$185
5-Day Program	3-Day Morning or Afternoon plus 2-Day Afternoon	4	\$300

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## Bow Valley Ranch House est. 1896 – Fish Creek Park

The Bow Valley Ranch House and property serve as an excellent reminder of the wealth generated by Calgary's leading pioneer ranchers. The villa-like brick house was erected in 1896 by William Roper Hull, one of Calgary's most prominent citizens. It replaced an earlier log structure which has been built in the 1870s by homesteader John Glenn and which was the first permanent farm in the Bow Valley area. In 1902, Patrick Burns purchased the 4,000-acre ranch, by 1937 other family members operated the ranch and did so until the early 1970s. The house and 1,400 acres of the ranch now form part of the Fish Creek Provincial Park.

The house is a very good example of Queen Anne style. The symmetry of the facade around the central

entranceway creates a strong sense of formality. The highly-articulated hipped roof, with half timbering in its many gables, helps to relieve any bulkiness of the massing. The protruding verandah on the main facade has been enclosed to create two sunrooms. Bay windows protrude on the east and west sides. Architects Rule, Wynn and Rule took great pains to match a 1957 addition with the main building. The interior of the 1896 structure features 11-foot ceilings and original plank floors. The ranch house exhibits very good detail and stylistic features, and is notable for the early use of brick.

The Foreman's House was restored and rehabilitated as "Annie's Cafe" in 1998. The main house was restored and rehabilitated to accommodate a restaurant in 1998-99, including an addition with a kitchen and office.

### Heritage Significance

The site was originally settled in 1873 by John Glenn, a trapper and former gold prospector. Glenn was the first settler in the Calgary area. He built a log house and barns and lived here until 1879. The property was subsequently purchased by the government as an instructional farm for aboriginal peoples. In 1892, William Roper Hull, a successful rancher and businessman, purchased the property. When the original log ranch house burned down, he built the brick, two-storey house, now known as Bow Valley Ranch, at a cost of 12,000 dollars. The structure was finely detailed, with elegant furnishings chosen by Mrs. Hull. In 1902, Patrick Burns, a leading Calgary rancher and meat packer, purchased the property, complete with Mrs. Hull's furnishings. Few modifications were made to the house. Pat Burns was one of the major forces behind the growth of ranching in Alberta. This was an active ranch until 1973.

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## TO-MAY-TO, TO-MAH-TO:



Tomatoes are originally from Central and South America. The name comes from the word *tomatl* in the Aztec Nahuatl language, which translates roughly as "fat thing". While technically a fruit, you don't want to put a tomato in a fruit salad!





# Ask Charles

**My elderly mother passed away at home. We are now selling her home; do we have to disclose that she died in the property?**

Simply put, you are not required to disclose her death to potential buyers.

Sellers are required to disclose certain defects to potential buyers, but a death occurring in a home is not a defect.

When a death occurs in a home, the property may be considered a “stigmatized property.” A stigmatized property is one that has an unfavourable quality that *may* make it less attractive to some buyers. That quality, though, is unrelated to the physical condition or features of the property.

As a seller, you are not required to disclose stigma to potential buyers. Stigmas are different from material latent defects, such as un-remediated hidden flood damage or mould, which sellers *are* required to disclose.

Some stigmas include:

- a suicide or death occurred in the property
- the property was the scene of a major crime
- the address of the property has the wrong numerals
- reports that the property is haunted

Potential buyers’ different values, perceptions, and backgrounds will affect the significance of a potential “stigma”. Some buyers won’t care about a death occurring in the property, while others may be completely put off by it.

Although you are not required to disclose stigma to potential buyers, because some buyers may have concerns about stigmas, those buyers can ask their real estate representative to ask your representative about possible stigmas. You don’t have to answer their questions, but if you choose to, you must do so honestly.

If you decide not to answer, a buyer has to decide if they are comfortable proceeding without an answer. Remember that not answering may turn the buyer off of your property more than simply responding honestly; it will depend on the specific buyer, their particular concerns, background, and perceptions.

*“Ask Charles” is a monthly question and answer column by Charles Stevenson, Director of Professional Standards with the Real Estate Council of Alberta (RECA), [www.reca.ca](http://www.reca.ca). RECA is the independent, non-government agency responsible for the regulation of Alberta’s real estate industry. We license, govern, and set the standards of practice for all real estate, mortgage brokerage, and real estate appraisal professionals in Alberta. To submit a question, email [askcharles@reca.ca](mailto:askcharles@reca.ca).*



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While September means back to school for many, for me it also means that the start of session in October, after a busy summer speaking with Albertans from across our province. It was great to see so many of you at the Marda Gras Street Festival or Edworthy Off Leash Dog Park, two highlights for me. I enjoyed our chats about our government's work building and opening more schools in the Calgary area will ease pressure on Currie classrooms this fall. Many others were thrilled about the construction of the new cancer centre and the SW portion of the Ring Road.

For those students returning to school this fall, I am happy that Premier Rachel Notley has kept our government's promise to fully fund each student, and those studying at Mount Royal University are returning to the world-class Riddell Library and Learning Centre. And while the reduction of school fees has helped make life

more affordable for many families, it also revealed that a friendly review of the Calgary Board of Education's books was needed. I will provide updates as this work proceeds and will continue to convey any concerns to Education Minister David Eggen.

As our economy continues its return to its place as the driver of Canada's economy, we've continued to be conscientious with your tax dollars. We have reigned in spending at Albertans Agencies Boards and Commissions, for example, Guy Kerr, CEO of the Workers' Compensation Board, will earn \$396,720 instead of \$896,206 and Jim Ellis, CEO of the Alberta Energy Regulator, will see his salary drop from \$721,680 to \$396,720. We are reigning in the excesses of the old PC (now the UCP party) governments. We also re-invested \$1.53 billion in revenue generated through the Climate Leadership Plan to build the new Green Line LRT, making this the largest public infrastructure investment in Calgary's history. Your government also held open houses on condo regulations and launched a survey on consumer protection to tackle such issues as household moving services, debt collection, ticket sales and auto repairs with the goal of helping you to protect your pocket books.

The work on my private Members bill is nearing completion. Over the summer I held four more Henson Trust consultations - in Lethbridge, Medicine Hat, Edmonton, and Calgary- where I shared a draft of this legislation with families, self-advocates and various organizations. All this feedback will enhance the final version of the bill that I hope to table when the legislature returns this fall. Thanks to all who attended this second phase of consultations. I believe this bill will make their families' lives better.

Over the next few weeks you will see me in the city streets celebrating Calgary Pride with my New Democrat colleagues. If you or your community are having event - big or small, day or night - I am always happy to attend if I can! So, let me know about them by contacting my office.

## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

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As we celebrate the 150th anniversary of confederation, it is important to reflect on our past. In the Calgary Signal Hill riding, there are several areas with historical significance that I intend to highlight in my monthly report.

Most of us drive by Edworthy Park regularly while others walk the trails, often with their four-legged friends. We all enjoy the views but few realize the park's history.

The area was a nomadic settlement of the Plains Indians who followed the buffalo migration. The varied berries and wildlife made it sustainable for life. The cliffs and ravines were considered ideal sites for buffalo jumps. Evidence remains of the stones from tipi circles on the escarpment and several buffalo bones were uncovered after heavy rains in 1940.

In the 1870s European settlers arrived. Thomas Edworthy arrived among them in Calgary in 1883 from Devonshire, England. He became a squatter on part of the Cochrane Ranche lease and used the land to establish a garden market that supplied produce to homesteaders and railway building crews. There were springs for Edworthy to use for irrigation but the water was cold, so he built a reservoir to warm the water. The grass that supported the buffalo now supported cattle grazing, so the Edworthy homestead was built as both a ranch and market named Shaganappi Ranch.

In later years, he operated sandstone quarries for construction of buildings in Calgary. After a devastating fire, the city passed an ordinance requiring buildings to be built out of more permanent material, which led to Calgary being known as 'Sandstone City'. Edworthy's 'Bow Bank Quarries' supplied the sandstone for many buildings in Calgary that still stand today, such as Fire Hall #2, Central, Balmoral and Victoria Park Schools, and Knox United Church.

In 1894, Tom married Mary Ross, widow of Alexander Ross—Calgary's first resident photographer. Ross photographed the building of the Canadian Pacific Railway as it headed west from Manitoba, and many historic scenes, including the signing of Treaty Number Seven. Mary and Tom Edworthy had two sons, Thomas Percival and George (Sr.). Thomas Edworthy died at 48 from typhoid leaving his wife and sons to operate the businesses and ranch.

In the 1950s, part of the Edworthy land was sold and became the community of Wildwood. The family sold the remaining land, 169 hectares, to the City of Calgary in 1962 for the development of the park which bears his name.

The next time you walk through the park look for remnants of the buffalo jump, the ranch and market or the quarry, all part of the history of this beautiful legacy in the middle of our riding.



## Mongolian Pony Express

The Mongol Empire invented an efficient horse-back mailing system that they called the *Yam*. Six centuries later, the *Yam* system would emerge again to be implemented in America, where it was known as the Pony Express.





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### 2017 Municipal Elections

In the upcoming Municipal elections this Fall, you will be able to vote for your Mayor, Ward 6 Councillor, and School Board Trustees. Election Day is Monday, October 16, or you can choose to cast your ballot during the Advance Vote from October 4 – 11 (excluding Thanksgiving on October 9). There are many ways to vote, so check the website [www.electionscalgary.ca](http://www.electionscalgary.ca) for a complete list of options, including a mail-in ballot this year. Voting station locations will be available online after September 19, 2017, or you can watch the mail for your official Election Guide.

### New for 2017

New ward boundaries will be going into effect for the 2017 Election in order to address an imbalance in the city population distribution across wards. If you are currently in Ward 6, you will remain so. However, the community of Westgate (north of Glendale) and the Trinity Hills/Winsport area (south of 16 Ave NW) will also become part of Ward 6. Visit [www.electionscalgary.ca](http://www.electionscalgary.ca) to check your ward candidate profiles.

### A Personal Message

As many of you many know, I will not be seeking re-election on October 16. This will be my last newsletter update. It has been an absolute privilege and pleasure to serve as the City Councillor for everyone in Ward 6, and I am proud of the collaborative work all of us ac-

complished to make Calgary better each day.

Among many projects, it has been especially meaningful for me working with volunteers, communities, City Administration and The King's Own Calgary Regiment to establish the Battalion Park Remembrance Day ceremony and help it grow into a significant annual community event attended by thousands of people on November 11.

Building an even higher quality of community life for everyone was a priority for me when I ran for office. The quality of our day-to-day lives is the foundation for our success as a city. Without strong neighbourhoods supporting our families, we cannot fully appreciate our City or reach our potential. Furthermore, without a successful community life, we cannot provide support for the quality of work life necessary to drive our economic future.

To help ensure the future of this amazing Ward, I have one parting request. Get involved! Vote on October 16. Volunteer for one of the new candidates. Help out at your neighbourhood block party. Join your community association board and help it grow. Know that we are better together, and you can contribute in meaningful ways that will make a substantial impact. I am very optimistic about our great city and I look forward to supporting all Calgarians and City Council in a variety of ways in the future. Over the past seven years your ideas, suggestions and energy have been vital to sustaining my work. Thank you, residents of Ward 6!

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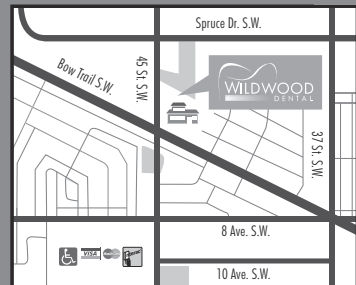


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