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THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE CLIFF BUNGALOW - MISSION COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION



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## We value your contributions

The *Mission Statement* exists to facilitate communication among residents of Cliff Bungalow-Mission. We welcome your story ideas, articles, letters, announcements and photos. Submissions may be emailed to cbmca.editor@gmail.com in .doc, .pdf or .jpg formats. You may also mail (or drop off) your submission to us at the UPS Store: 482, 1811 4 Street SW, Calgary T2S 1W2. Please put *Mission Statement* on the envelope and be sure to include your name, address and telephone number.

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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR FEBRUARY

All events are at the Cliff Bungalow – Mission Community Centre (2201 Cliff St SW) unless otherwise noted.

### Jazz Concerts

Featuring talented local artists playing in our historic venue. Discount for CBMCA members.

Wednesday, February 3, 8 pm – Piano Night with Sheldon Zandboer trio

Wednesday, March 2, 8 pm – Vocal jazz night with Wendy Lomnes

### Potlucks

Bring something to share and meet your neighbours. Good food and great conversations.

Next potluck is Sunday, February 7, 6 pm (moved because second Sunday is Valentines Day). March potluck is Sunday, March 6, 6 pm (moved because of March 20 potluck and garden event).

### Movie Nights

Next movie night is Sunday, February 21, 7 pm (moved because last Sunday is Oscars) "The Valley Below". March date is March 20, 7pm. This will be a combined potluck and Cliff Bungalow Community Garden event. Last Sunday is Easter weekend.

### Board Game Nights

Saturday, February 27, 7 pm. Bring your board games and join in for a night of fun and games. Cribbage welcome also. March date is Saturday, March 19, 7 pm.

### Proposed Pocket Park Consultation

There will be a community consultation on February 11 from 6 pm to 8 pm on a proposed pocket park to be located at 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 5A Street SW.

Check out our website regularly for new events and other information not available at time of newsletter publishing.

www.cliffbungalowmission.com

### Deadline for Mission Statement submissions

First of each month prior to month of publication. The Mission Statement is published monthly. E-mail to cbmca.editor@gmail.com.

## CLIFF BUNGALOW- MISSION



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## COMMUNITY POTLUCK DINNER

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## Proposed Pocket Park

Board member Kate Zago has been working for some time on the concept of converting the southwest corner of 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 5A Street SW from an unused urban moonscape into a inviting pocket park. This has taken several years to get to this point because it is a new concept and the City and the Calgary Board of Education needed to be comfortable with the concept. We are now at the point of getting community input on what this pocket park should look like. On Thursday, February 11, 6 pm to 8 pm, there will be community consultation at the Community Centre. So come out and let us know your views. It is an exciting opportunity for something great and it is going to happen in our community.

## Casino June 15 and 16, 2016

Our next casino is on Wednesday, June 15 and Thursday, June 16. Casinos are an important source of funding for us. The funds pay for the majority of our hall expenses, pay for many of our heritage projects such as the entrance signs. Another example is these funds paid for a portion of the creation of and first printing of our history book. There have been many benefits to this community over the years and these projects probably would not have happened if we did not have these funds.

We need your help in this year's two-day casino. There are 38 volunteer position shifts during the two days that need to be filled for us to hold this casino. There are three shifts each day. There is a daytime shift from 11 am to 7 pm. There is an evening shift from 7 pm to a little after close (3 am). And there is a late night shift (Countroom) from 11 pm to a little after close. We can arrange for transportation for you to the casino (Cash Casino at 4040 Blackfoot Trail). You get coffee and soft drinks free. We pay for food and snacks. You do not need to be an experienced casino volunteer as we have two advisors and several of us are experienced and can help you.

Please contact me if you have any questions and to obtain the casino volunteer form. You can e-mail me at [cbmca.president@gmail.com](mailto:cbmca.president@gmail.com) or phone me at 403-229-2762. Even though it seems a long ways in the future, it takes us several months to gather sufficient

volunteers to pull this off. In addition, we need to submit our casino application two months prior to the casino to AGCL. So doing this as soon as possible would make it easier for me to get things ready to submit. I contact you in regards to your specific availability and your preference of what you do.

## Second Printing of the History Book is now available

The second printing of the history book "Cliff Bungalow-Mission, A Heritage Community" is now available. The cost for this high quality book is a just \$30. You can learn more about the history of the community by reading this book and there are lots of references if you want to learn more. It is a beautiful book with lots of historic pictures, maps, etc. You will be proud to display it in your home and will be able to tell visitors about the history of the community. They are great for gifts also. Contact Judith at [cbmca.historybook@gmail.com](mailto:cbmca.historybook@gmail.com) to arrange to pick up a copy. They also will be available at all community events at the community centre.

## Potlucks are Popular

Once a month from September to July, we have a potluck dinner (picnic in July). They have become very popular. There is a wonderful eclectic array of great food and we talk about all sorts of interesting topics. We have candles and soft music to go with the wonderful ambiance of our hall. We get all ages attending. We still have lots of room to set up more tables so why not come to the next potluck being held on Sunday, February 7 at 6 pm. If you are available, we set up at 5 pm. Hope to see you there.



**We invite you to join us at our next community potluck!**

# ENVIRONMENTAL UPDATE

## Committing To Living Greener In 2016

By Lynn MacCallum

Hello, I'm Lynn MacCallum, your new Environmental Director here at Cliff Bungalow - Mission Community Association, having taken over the role from Brendan Baines on November 2015. I am very much looking forward to picking up where Brendan left off - serving this community to the best of my ability, and helping make our association the greenest and most sustainable that it can be. Don't worry, Brendan is still very much involved with the association and will continue to be a big part of the Cliff Bungalow community garden group too, so be sure to say hello when you see him!

I wanted to take this opportunity to let you know about all the things we are working on for 2016, as well as have you get some dates into your calendars. It's going to be an exciting year!

## Cliff Bungalow Community Garden Start Up, Potluck & Movie night!

Booked for 6pm on **Sunday March 20** at the Community Centre, 2201 Cliff St. SW. We will have a draw for extra garden beds (tell your neighbours) outlining the future plans for the garden, a potluck and movie! If you're interested in getting your name into the draw for a garden bed or want more info in general please email me at [cbmca.environment@gmail.com](mailto:cbmca.environment@gmail.com).

## Annual River Clean Up - Early May

Planning has started for this annual event in partnership with the Elton Community Association and Talisman Centre. Thus far, the month of May seems to be the timeframe for this event, so get it into your calendars and stay tuned for confirmed dates in an upcoming newsletter.

## Casino Fundraiser June 15 & 16

The monies raised from this 2 day fundraiser are vital to the CBMCA, and the event cannot be accomplished without the help of volunteers such as you. Please email Bob Lang at [cbca.president@gmail.com](mailto:cbca.president@gmail.com) if you can volunteer.

## Community Clean Up - Saturday September 10

With the help of the City of Calgary, CBMCA is happy

to provide Mission and Cliff Bungalow residents with another Community Clean Up day. Scheduled for Saturday September 10th from 9am to 2pm to be located in the 2101 Cliff Street parking lot, we will have electronics recycling, a donations table, mattress collection, and more. Any clothes or household items in good shape left over at the end of the day will be donated to WINS - the Women In Need Society <http://www.womeninneed.net>. Stay tuned for more details in upcoming newsletters!

Looking forward to greening our community with you!

## Cliff Bungalow-Mission Community Association Presents...



**Bring your favourite board game – and a snack to share!**  
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**Saturday, February 27 @ 7pm**

**Community Hall: 2201 Cliff Street SW**

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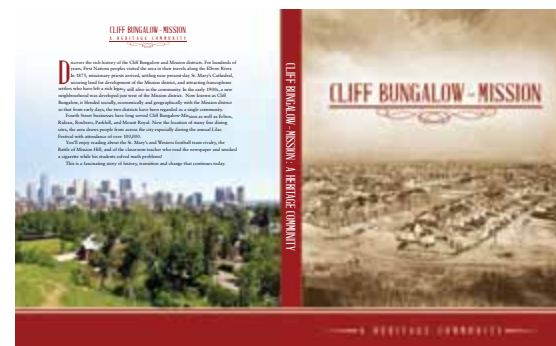
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# Cliff Bungalow – Mission

*a Heritage Community*

## Second Printing Now Available

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Ever notice the empty gravel space occupying the corner of 17th Avenue and 5A Street?

What if we could reclaim this lost space and turn it into a public space for our community and 17th Avenue to enjoy?

Join your neighbours to provide input on the possibilities of this space. There will be kid-friendly activities and yes, there will be snacks!

Stop by between 6pm and 8pm to learn more about the project and provide your input.

Thursday, February 11  
 6:00 - 8:00 pm  
 (drop in any time)

Cliff Bungalow Mission Community Association  
 2201 Cliff Street SW

# MEMBERSHIP AFFINITY PROGRAM

## Use your membership card to save!

Did you know that you can save money by showing your Cliff Bungalow – Mission Community Association membership card at local businesses? The shops and restaurants below offer discounts and special offers to CBMCA members. Just show your card!

**European Bakery:** 515 – 17 Ave SW, 10% of all items

**Expedia Cruise Ship Centres:** 615A – 17 Ave SW; \$50 discount toward a \$1500 travel package

**Famoso Neapolitan Pizzeria:** 105, 2302 – 4 St SW, 15% discount on food (dine-in or take out)

**4<sup>th</sup> Street Liquor and Wine:** 1809 – 4 St SW, 10% of all items

**Lorenzo's Pizza:** 515 – 17 Ave SW, 10% off on pick up orders and 5% off on delivery orders

**Peking Dragon:** 1904 4 St SW, 10% off on dine-in items (excluding combos), 15% off on pick-up items on orders over \$30

**Rideau Pharmacy:** 1801 – 4 St SW, 15% of front store items (excludes prescriptions)

**The Tea Factory:** 1820 – 4 St SW, 10% of all loose lead teas and drinks

**Ten Thousand Villages:** 323 – 17 Ave SW, 15% off

**UPS Store:** 1811 – 4 St SW, 5% off all products and services (excludes Canada Post products)

If you own or manage a business and would like to be a part of this program, contact us at [cbmca.editor@gmail.com](mailto:cbmca.editor@gmail.com). Residents may purchase a membership via the online form on our website or filling out the form contained in this newsletter. To find the form online, go to [www.cliffbungalowmission.com](http://www.cliffbungalowmission.com) and click "Get Involved."

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# Post it!

Let's tell the world about life in Cliff Bungalow-Mission

See something interesting in the 'hood?

Take a photo and post it to **Instagram** (with the hashtag **#cbmca**) or to our **Facebook** page. It can be anything:

- a selfie of you and friends at a 4th Street eatery? **Post it!**
- a cute dog? **Post it!**
- birds at your backyard feeder? **Post it!**

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IN & AROUND  
CALGARY

Federation of Calgary  
Communities wine tasting  
and silent auction

On February 20, the Federation of Calgary Communi- ties is hosting a wine tasting and silent auction at the Riverbend Community Association (19 Rivervalley Drive SE).

Ticket information is available at calgarycommunities. com/events.

Lindsay Park Sports Society  
board of governors  
nominations open

The Lindsay Park Sports Society is seeking nominations for its board of governors. This group oversees the man- agement and operations of the Talisman Centre.

Qualified individuals who are interested in the future of the Talisman Centre are asked to apply before Febru- ary 12, 2016. This is a volunteer position that involves a two-year commitment from April 2016 to April 2018.

LPSS is especially looking for potential governors with expertise in fundraising, public relations, construction management, government relations, and/or an account- ing designation.

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**FREE FILM NIGHT!**

**Sunday  
February 21  
7:00-8:30pm**

Community Hall,  
2201 Cliff Street SW

**THE VALLEY BELOW**

The Valley Below is a multi-narrative drama that chronicles the life of a small town in the badlands of Alberta over the course of one year. The film is shot in Alberta by Calgary-based filmmaker Kyle Thomas of North Country Cinema. The work features local actors and Canadian singer-songwriters.

Cliff Bungalow - Mission Jazz Concert Series Presents...

**The Sheldon Zandboer Trio**  
Andy Ericson - Drums Jason Valleau - Bass



**8:00 PM  
February 3, 2016**

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# Calgary Alpha House Society

by Amanda Weightman

As an inner-city neighborhood, we have many regular residents without proper shelter. Community members have expressed concern about the conditions for these individuals or groups of individuals, the preservation of our natural landscapes where encampments are sometimes constructed, and for the safety or perception of safety for other residents. The Board is working closely with the City of Calgary to address these concerns in a manner that is socially responsible and sensitive to the needs and considerations of all members of our community.

The Calgary Alpha House Society ([www.alphahousecalgary.com](http://www.alphahousecalgary.com)) is one organization that has been identified for support. This non-profit organization is located in the Beltline and includes a shelter, addictions treatment centre, and support to access physical and mental health services, basic necessities, and permanent housing.

Two streams of programming are relevant to our community's concerns:

**The Encampment Team:** The encampment team works 24/7 to locate Calgarians who are rough sleeping, and works to connect them to more permanent shelter. If you come across an encampment or someone sleeping on the street, call **403-805-7388**.

**The DOAP Team** (Downtown Outreach Addictions Partnership): The DOAP Team is a 24/7 alternative and appropriate response to substance abuse issues and public intoxication. If you notice anyone in your community who is in need of immediate support, call **403-998-7388**.

The Encampment Team has been made aware of the encampments behind the Cliff Bungalow - Mission Community Centre and will continue to monitor the area for anyone in need of support. Please do not hesitate to contact the CBMCA Board or Alpha House with any further questions or concerns.

## IN & AROUND SCHOOLS

### Montessori School of Calgary

We, at Montessori School of Calgary, cannot believe that it is February already. This short month is always a busy one!



Our POW, Physical Outdoor Wellness, program has kept our elementary children very busy. They enjoyed a visit to Fountain of Mission Seniors Home as well as a full day of skiing and snowboarding at **Nakiska**. The seniors enjoyed the presentations of learning from the children, as well as the games they played and their singing. The skiing and snowboarding day was AWESOME! After the lessons, children were free to ski in small groups and enjoy a beautiful day in the mountains. This month elementary children will spend two afternoons at the Talisman Centre enjoying a variety of activities including **gymnastics, volleyball and badminton**.

Thanks to Rick Williams and Carter Siebens, our outdoor skating rink is in process. The first few layers are on, and it is looking great. The children will enjoy spending their POW time ice skating at school.

Our staff will be enjoying a variety of professional learning activities during the Teachers' Convention break. Our families will enjoy a five day break to enjoy family time and travel. On February 25 and 26, we will hold our parent guide conferences, before taking that extra day, February 29, to LEAP into March. Happy Valentine's Day!

Lindy Arndt, Head of School, Montessori School of Calgary

KENSINGTON WINE MARKET			
2016 WINTER TASTING SCHEDULE			
Tastings start at 7:00pm unless otherwise indicated			
Glendronach Batch 12 Tasting	Mon Feb 8	Glendronach has quickly become KWM's top selling whisky. Celebrate the release of the Batch 12 vintages with a range tasting featuring whiskies from 1995, 1994, 1990 and 1972.	\$200
American Whiskey	Tue Feb 9	There is more to American whiskey than just Bourbon. Join us as we take you on a journey featuring Tennessee straight wheat, malt, rye and other styles.	\$25
American Wine Festival	Fri Feb 12	It's a Route 66 wine extravaganza of the best of the US. Coast to coast, we'll pop the cork on every major region with a few surprises. Sign up now as tickets are limited.	\$40
Classic Cocktails: Gin	Tue Feb 16	Join us for a deconstruction of gin based cocktails. We'll teach you the basics of the spirit and how to make some flashy gin based drinks to impress your friends.	\$15
Closed Distilleries of Scotland	Thr Feb 18	The whiskies are getting older, rarer and more expensive with every passing year. We're not saying this is the last hurrah... just that as time runs out supplies dwindle and prices go up.	\$200
En Francais! Edition Bordeaux	Tue Feb 23	Join our resident francophone, Christine Parent, for a standup tasting of the best of Bordeaux. Joignez-vous à notre francophone en résidence, Christine Parent, pour une dégustation de vin conviviale, en français! Région à l'honneur: Bordeaux. This tasting will be conducted in French.	\$30
Masi Vintage Amarone Tasting	Tue Mar 1	This tasting will feature cellared Amarone wines from "Vaio Amaron", "Campolongo di Torbe" and "Mazzano" dating back to the 90's including the Masi Angelorum Recioto, an Amarone-like dessert wine.	\$45
What's Next, Beer & Cheese!	Thr Mar 3	Think wine and cheese make the perfect match! Think again! Beer is cheese's true soul mate.	\$10
Speyside Whisky Festival	Thr Mar 10	Most of Scotland's distilleries are found in the watershed of the River Spey. This whisky festival will highlight these drams and the distilleries they come from	\$50
Cabernet Taste Off!	Fri Mar 11	You'll know the grape but not the country. Join us to test your taste geography. Winner (s) takes home a bottle of the class favorite! Stand up format.	\$25
The Rhone Valley: North vs South	Tue Mar 15	The Rhone River is the umbilical cord tying these vastly different growing regions together. Let's travel her breadth to explore the astonishing differences these slopes have to offer.	\$25
Asian Whisky	Thr Mar 17	Icons We'll highlight some world renowned whiskies from Japan, Taiwan and India and try to taste what all the fuss is about.	\$60
Italian Wine Festival	Fri Mar 18	Mama Mia, it's gonna be a feast! The wine, the food, the music....all Italian. Who could resist such an invitation? Tickets strictly limited.	\$40
Master Malt	Tue Mar 22	We pull out all the stops featuring whiskies that are very old, very rare and very pricey. This is a tasting that will never be repeated again.	\$130
Burgundy Bargains	Thr Mar 24	An oxymoron? Maybe not! Burgundy always gets a bad rap on price. Let's see if we can prove the critics wrong. Cheese, of course, from Peasant Cheese, right next door.	\$20
Cheese Please	Fri Mar 25	Bubbles and cheese, who can resist! Crystal McKenzie from Peasant Cheese will pair some of our best with some of her best. Stand up format.	\$40
Classic Cocktails: Whisky	Tue Mar 29	Join us for a deconstruction of whisky based cocktails. We'll teach you the basics of the spirit and how to make some classic whisky cocktails to impress your most sophisticated friends.	\$25
Intro to Craft Beer	Thr Mar 31	This one is for those who stand intimidated in front of the daunting amount of craft beer available. We'll go over some of the brewing process, the histories, and acronyms. All while sampling and exploring the styles!	\$10
Classic Malts	Fri Apr 1	This is our "classic" introduction to the world of single malt Scotch whisky. You'll discover a little history, how it's made and sample six distinct styles.	\$40
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Maddy	18	587-888-7298	Yes
Yena	19	403-479-7911	Yes
Olivia	20	587-889-9043	Yes
Kelsey	20	403-835-6083	Yes
Jamie-Lyn	21	403-892-0176	No
Danita	21	403-990-0205	Yes
Siobhan	22	403-923-9499	No
Michelle	22	403-926-5166	No
Kelsea	23	403-370-7170	Yes
Emily	23	403-999-8525	Yes

Sarah	23	819-679-3059	Yes
Christoph	24	587-998-6172	Yes
Megan	24	403-861-3718	Yes
Blaise	24	587-223-8583	Yes
Alison	24	587-999-1278	Yes
Sydney	24	403-993-5441	Yes
Christina	24	587-855-5074	Yes
Alana	24	587-888-4854	Yes
Josefa	25	587-437-1252	Yes
Jordan	25	403-969-0165	No
Genevieve	25	581-307-6165	Yes
Jordan	25	403-966-1647	No
Chandria	26	587-227-4107	Yes
Camila	27	403-680-0942	No
Catherine	27	514-293-1395	Yes
Heather	29	403-966-5233	Yes
Amber	30	587-438-4789	Yes
Harvinder Kaur	31	587-830-6217	Yes
Michelle	31	403-923-5111	Yes
Carla	32	403-890-9467	Yes
Claire	34	587-894-8849	Yes
Dain	37	403-383-0269	No
Salma	38	403-252-5052	Yes
Maria	45	403-818-0560	No
Jane	50	403-467-3607	Yes
Lynn	64	403-242-0003	Yes
Ann	65	403-669-4495	No

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# A call in time saves hundreds

Calling 311 to report urgent tree-related bylaw infractions

By Marilyn Williams

Last month I wrote about the importance of public street trees and shrubs to our community, and some of the long term, proactive initiatives we are working on to preserve the urban canopy. This article focuses on short-term initiatives – some recent improvements made by Urban Forestry, and what residents can do in situations where there is immediate threat to a street tree.

After our meeting with Urban Forestry last April, they took a proactive approach to some City processes which had the potential for improving outcomes for City trees during development. For example, Urban Forestry is now part of the Development Stream; they work with their partners in Development to ensure that all tree protection guidelines are adhered to. Also, there are future plans to ensure that trees and cultural landscapes on the inventory of heritage resources are flagged during the development process. We are not there yet. There is still work to be done to improve communications to affected residents and the community association regarding advance notification of potential tree removals, and not simply posting a notice on the tree(s). In the meantime, here's how you might get involved.

If you witness a bylaw infraction affecting a tree or shrub, or you believe a healthy tree is about to be cut down in error, call 311 right away! (Although you can also contact 311 via the internet or using a Mobile App, all tree related emergencies must be *called* in.) Contacting 311 ensures that the appropriate person is notified immediately and can respond quickly to your call. The proper documentation will be collected and maintained to ensure the concern is dealt with and reported. The community association, working with the assistance of Urban Forestry and sometimes our councillor, has definitely saved a number of trees through timely call-outs, so please feel free to contact us if you see a problem – but please call 311 first. Of course in some cases the health of a tree necessitates a replacement –

I am referring here to the illegal or improperly authorized removal of a tree.

One might argue that once a tree is lost, Urban Forestry can always replant but replacements can often take several years to be planted and decades to grow. More important, **the benefits offered by a single mature tree can equal those of hundreds of new saplings** (hence the title of this article). I mentioned several of those benefits in my last article; here are some more,

specific to the older trees and their extensive canopy spread:

- They possess gene pools that have proven to be resilient and healthy.
- They promote a long term ecosystem, providing a stable environment for species which cannot thrive or easily reproduce in younger urban forests.
- Their extensive root systems help stabilize the soil and reduce erosion.
- They store large amounts of carbon, both above ground and in their roots.
- They improve air quality by filtering airborne pollutants, and also reduce visual and noise pollution.

So it's definitely worth making that call!

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# CALGARY WILDLIFE



## Tiger in the Sky

Article by Cheryl Bowman  
Photo by Niket Sura

The Great Horned Owl is the most common owl in North and South America. These magnificent birds are most recognized by their 'plumicorns' which resemble horns or cat like ears. These raptors are very adaptable using several different types of hunting skills to capture their prey as well as having a wide variety of prey.

It is this adaptability for hunting that they received their nickname 'Tiger in the Sky'. The Great Horned Owl will dive, wings bent, talons outstretched to silently capture unsuspecting prey, including prey that outweighs the bird itself. They also swoop low along the ground to

grab any variety of smaller prey and interestingly they are known to walk along the ground to capture yet other types of prey.

The Great Horned Owl is a solitary bird except for mating. It is at this time that the smaller male owl will roost close to the nest of the larger female until all the young fledge, and at this time will again leave. The owls do not build their own nests but rather prefer other bird nests.

The most common injury the Calgary Wildlife Rehabilitation Society sees in these raptors are injuries from window strikes or of being hit by a vehicle. Owls that are received with injuries from window strikes have a better chance of rehabilitation. Owls brought in with injuries from a vehicle strike are more difficult to rehabilitate due to broken bones and open fractures.

Should you find an injured Great Horned Owl, please call the Calgary Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre at 403-266-2282 as soon as possible for further instruction. These are powerful birds and must be handled with care, however every moment counts.

If you catch a glimpse of the Great Horned Owl in their natural environment, remain quiet and still and enjoy the wonder of this beautiful Tiger in the Sky.



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Blackfoot District will be hosting a bridging roller skating night for all its members. This is an event sure to be filled with spins and thrills-can you do the Hokie-Pokie on roller skates?

The Spark units will be visiting the fire hall, celebrating Valentine's Day with cupcakes and cards, and learning about Guides from around the world.

The Brownie units will be working on Keys, sleeping over at Telus Spark, celebrating Thinking Day through games, songs, dances and crafts from our sister Guiding countries.

The Guide units will be learning about the 4 World Guiding Centres by participating in activities from Mexico (Our Cabana), India (Sangam), Switzerland (Our Chalet) and England (Pax Lodge) in celebration of Thinking Day.

The Pathfinder, Ranger and Trex units will be prepping for winter camping, snowshoeing, cross country skiing, attending STEM Day at U of C and prepping for the national camp "Guiding Mosaic" being held in Alberta this summer.

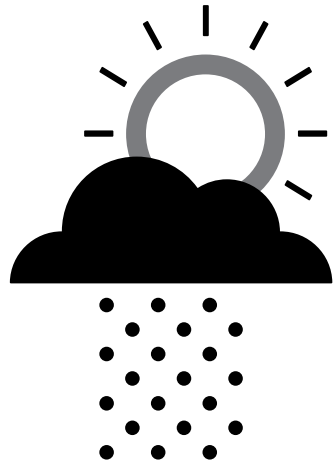
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Last 12 Months Cliff Bungalow

MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
December 2015	\$0	\$0
November 2015	\$649,900	\$650,000
October 2015	\$0	\$0
September 2015	\$0	\$0
August 2015	\$0	\$0
July 2015	\$0	\$0
June 2015	\$649,900	\$650,000
May 2015	\$0	\$0
April 2015	\$0	\$0
March 2015	\$0	\$0
February 2015	\$0	\$0
January 2015	\$0	\$0

## Last 12 Months Mission MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
December 2015	\$274,940	\$262,500
November 2015	\$358,740	\$338,880
October 2015	\$374,933	\$362,500
September 2015	\$330,166	\$319,222
August 2015	\$425,409	\$409,375
July 2015	\$416,971	\$403,805
June 2015	\$892,168	\$875,656
May 2015	\$734,208	\$720,375
April 2015	\$379,238	\$364,876
March 2015	\$382,785	\$373,000
February 2015	\$498,614	\$483,214
January 2015	\$0	\$0

To view the specific SOLD Listings that comprise the above MLS averages please visit [cliff\\_bungalow.great-news.ca](http://cliff_bungalow.great-news.ca) or [mission.great-news.ca](http://mission.great-news.ca)



**MLA CALGARY-BUFFALO**  
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Happy New Year! One of my goals this year as an MLA is to meet with more constituents. I'm on a mission to have coffee with anyone and everyone in Calgary-Buffalo who would like to discuss their thoughts on what's taking place at the Alberta Legislature and at home in our community. The month of January flew by and I was able to engage in discussion at local businesses including Kawa Espresso Bar, Café Beano and Good Earth. I will be heading back into session on February 9, and will be taking into consideration all of the suggestions that have been brought to my attention. If you're interested in sharing some time together, please connect with my constituency office at 403-244-7737.

On Sunday, February 7, I will be attending the annual Eau Claire community skating party on Prince's Island Park - please come join me for hot chocolate, ice-skating on the Lagoon, and winter games. The event is free and begins at 11:00 a.m., skate rentals are available.

In mid-February, I will be touring and meeting with students and staff at Bow Valley College in the heart of Calgary-Buffalo. The College is an integral post-secondary institution that aims to help people fulfill their dreams for a better education and a better career. Since 1965, Bow Valley College has provided opportunities for academic upgrading, careers in Justice including corrections and law enforcement, careers in health and wellness including pharmacy technician, practical nurse, English language learning, and more.

Monday, February 15 is Family Day – a statutory holiday in Alberta first celebrated in 1990. The holiday is intended to allow Albertans to spend time with their families. Lastly, I am very much looking forward to celebrating the Chinese New Year and the year of the monkey throughout the month of February. Kung hei fat choi!





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### Housing and Homelessness

At the end of last year I wrote an article for CBC's "Calgary at a Crossroads", in which I expressed my optimism for our city's future as well as my frustration with how we take care of those less fortunate. I said that we have failed on affordable housing and homelessness. With our shelters full and housing too expensive, people sleep out in the cold every night. It's getting worse, and pretty soon we will be too far behind.

I am determined to do what I can as the Councillor for Ward 8 to turn this around. We will need to build a future from our shared dreams and strengths, not our precedents. We will need to embrace the idea of progress and work our asses off in order to achieve it. But this is no easy feat, and it will require all of us to pitch in. Here's how you can help.

### Volunteer

There are many organizations across Calgary that care for those who don't have a place to stay, and all of them rely on volunteers. It is not only important for us as citizens to help out where we can, but it is personally enriching and rewarding as well. Serve lunches and suppers, teach a child to read, assist with special events. There are a number of groups you can approach, but aside from the obvious four (The Mustard Seed, The Drop-In Centre, Inn from the Cold, and Alpha House) a good start is the Calgary Homeless Foundation's list of all agencies they fund – visit calgaryhomeless.com.

### Donate

Donate your used clothes, purses, backpacks, bedding, curtains, towels and shoes at locations all around Calgary. An easy way to find out where to go is to contact the Alberta Recycling Hotline: call 1-800-463-6326 or visit recycling hotline.ca.

### Make Your Voice Heard

To solve the complex issues of affordable housing and homelessness, we need new energy and fresh ideas. We need you to speak up and speak out, and join the conversation about how we can end homelessness instead of just bandage it day after day, year after year. Write me. Join your community association. Reach out to those who live on the street, or in a shelter, or in affordable housing. Help build inclusive communities and a compassionate city – it all starts with you and your voice.

As always, please don't hesitate to contact me by email (ward08@calgary.ca), phone (403-268-2430) or on my website (www.calgary.ca/ward8). Let's be real. Let's be smart. Let's be bold. Let's tackle these challenges once and for all.

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