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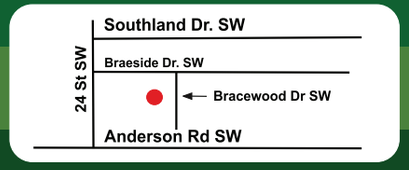

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		1 Quick Fit 8 am - 8 pm Public Skating 3:30-4:30 pm Line Dancing 5:30-8:30 pm	2 Quick Fit 8 am - 8 pm Adult Skate 9:30-10:30 am Parent/Tot Skate 1:30-2:30 pm Yoga with Jane 7:30-8:30 pm	3 Quick Fit 8 am - 8 pm Line Dancing 1-3 pm Public Skating 2:30-4:30 pm	4 Quick Fit 8 am - 4 pm Line Dancing 9:30-11:30 am	5 Quick Fit 8 am - noon
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8:00 am - 4:00 pm Weekdays

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oakridge.echo@gmail.com

Please Join us for the
GRAND OPENING CELEBRATION
of our
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Friday November 11th, 2016
Noon until 2:00pm
Oakridge Community Arena
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Free Family Skating Party
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Come celebrate our new and improved dressing room facilities!

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The Oakridge Community Centre values its staff, volunteers and patrons of the facility. In order to provide a safe and healthy environment, we are a zero-tolerance facility. Abuse or harassment towards volunteers, staff and patrons will not be tolerated.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE

SW Transitway and Oakridge

The Oakridge Community Association has no affiliation with the advocacy group 'ready to engage'; any of their materials that appear in the Oakridge Echo are considered paid advertisements. The Oakridge Community Association Board is interested in working with the City of Calgary to find solutions that are mutually beneficial.

If Oakridge residents would like their concerns heard by the board and brought forward to the city, please email **ringroadoca@gmail.com**.

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The fact is, commission is something you can negotiate with your real estate professional. Some real estate professionals aren't willing to negotiate their commission while others are. That's their right. As a buyer or seller, you have the right to work with someone who charges a commission that you're comfortable with.

Before choosing a real estate professional, you'll likely want to compare the services and fees of a few real estate professionals. These interviews can help you understand the range of commission rates available, and the services provided at the various rates.

Typically, professionals calculate commissions by:
- a percentage of the sale price
- a flat fee or schedule of flat fees
- a fee for service
- a combination including any of these

Goods and Services Tax (GST) applies to real estate fees, as they are a "service."

When you're signing an agreement to work with a real estate professional, make sure you understand the commission arrangements. The service agreement you sign is a legal document and it's binding. If you don't understand something in it or you don't agree with something, don't sign. Seek legal advice or find a different real estate professional to work with.

While some businesses or companies may have specific commission structures, extensive changes within the Canadian real estate industry in recent years means there isn't a standard commission rate.

"Ask Charles" is a monthly question and answer column by Charles Stevenson, Director of Professional Standards with the Real Estate Council of Alberta (RECA). 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.

Oakridge Community
Before & After School Care Program
presents their annual . . .

Christmas Market

Saturday November 12th, 2016
10:00am – 3:00pm

Upper Level
Oakridge Community Centre
9504 Oakfield Drive S. W.
Free Admission

For more information,
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Winter Break Camp

for children ages 5 to12

Monday	December 19, 2016	Elf and Friends
Tuesday	December 20, 2016	Holiday Lights
Wednesday	December 21, 2016	Movie Chinook Centre
Thursday	December 22, 2016	Cookie Factory
Friday	December 23, 2016	Rudolf's Holiday Squad
Monday	December 26, 2016	CLOSED
Tuesday	December 27, 2016	Olaf's Snow Painting
Wednesday	December 28, 2016	Snowflake Busytown
Thursday	December 29, 2016	Roller Skating
Friday	December 30, 2016	Popcorn, Pets, and PJ's

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(lower level) 9504 oakfield drive sw
(403) 238-9322
oakbasc@telus.net

December 19, 20, 22, 23	$45.00/day/child
December 21 (out-trip)	$55.00/day/child
December 27, 28, 30	$45.00/day/child
December 29 (out-trip)	$55.00/day/child

The Oakridge Before and After School Care Program is licensed by the government of Alberta Children and Youth services, as well as accredited by AELCS. The schedule is subject to change due to weather or other unforeseeable conditions.

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02 MOVE	Get active for men's health	Raise funds for men's health while you do something good for your own health	Anytime, anywhere, during the month of Movember
03 HOST	Throw or go to a Movember event	Any excuse for a good time. Events are a great way to have fun and raise funds for men's health	Anytime, anywhere, during the month of Movember

Oakridge Real Estate Update

Last 12 Months Oakridge MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
September 2016	$649,900.00	$629,500.00
August 2016	$624,000.00	$585,000.00
July 2016	$550,000.00	$535,000.00
June 2016	$599,000.00	$597,000.00
May 2016	$0.00	$0.00
April 2016	$569,900.00	$549,900.00
March 2016	$642,300.00	$627,000.00
February 2016	$499,900.00	$500,000.00
January 2016	$506,200.00	$488,500.00
December 2015	$540,000.00	$532,250.00
November 2015	$0.00	$0.00
October 2015	$571,950.00	$562,500.00

Last 12 Months Oakridge MLS Real Estate Number of Listings Update

	No. New Properties	No. Properties Sold
September 2016	17	5
August 2016	6	3
July 2016	5	5
June 2016	8	7
May 2016	8	0
April 2016	1	5
March 2016	5	4
February 2016	5	5
January 2016	9	6
December 2015	2	4
November 2015	8	0
October 2015	6	8

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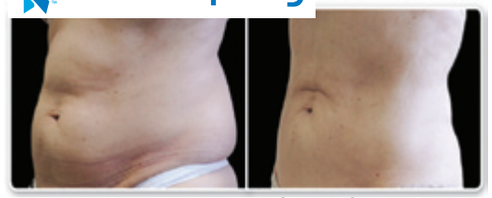

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Madison	13	403-918-6749	Yes
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Skyler	14	403-617-7819	Yes
Will	14	403-460-1300	Yes

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Let's make sure that no one in our communities go hungry this holiday season.

The holiday season is just around the corner and this year the South West Communities Resource Centre (SWCRC) will be helping local families in 28 communities make it through the stressful time of November and December 2016. Our community resource workers often see local families who require food hampers and help others with resources for basic needs; unfortunately the demand for these services are expected to grow in the weeks to come. We understand that the neighbourhoods in South West Calgary are diverse and there are many who continue to thrive, while others are struggling to pay bills, put food on their tables and meet their basic needs. We need the help of ***Neighbours Helping Neighbours.***

This holiday season the SWCRC will focus on the "Celebration of Food" – something that ties families together no matter what your culture is or your family's belief. Food is an extension of all cultures that brings people together and gives us something to share. It encourages conversations. Sadly many families will not have the gift of great food on their plates this year. Budgets for food are the first to slip and food hampers don't provide choice. This year we are asking for YOUR help in providing opportunities for vulnerable families to *purchase their own* groceries.

For six weeks in November and December 2016 we are asking neighbours to **help by purchasing a Grocery Gift card** for us to give to local families who can use your support. Your donation of $50.00 will put fresh produce on the table for a family of four. A donation of $100.00 will provide the dairy and breads with the fresh produce, and 250.00 will allow a family in South West Calgary celebrate a feast with all the trimmings. We ask that you provide a receipt with the card and you will be provided a charitable donation receipt. We are also happy to accept financial contributions which will support many of these families in 2017.

Visit us online at www.swcrc.ca, call the office at 403 238-9222 or drop by our office in the Oakridge Co-Op Plaza.

Thanks for helping to make south west Calgary the best place to live for all residents.

Are you considering treating your yourself to a live Christmas Tree this holiday season?

Please remember the active youth members of your community. Fundraising by the girls and boys in your community supports their exciting adventures in Sparks, Brownies, Guides, Pathfinders and the 148th Scouts.

When: December 1 until sold out
Where: Oakridge Co-op parking lot, behind Boston Pizza
By whom: Oakridge 148th Scouts and Silverbirch District Girl Guides

IN & AROUND CALGARY

Southland Leisure Centre

November 2016 - our program guide is still online and on stands. There are still spots available. www.calgary.ca/recreation)

#GetMovingYYC Week - Join the movement - November 28- December 3, 2016
Winter is a great time to try new things, embrace our winter city and challenge yourself to *get moving!*

Moving more doesn't have to be a huge commitment. Making small changes to your everyday routine can have a huge impact on your health. Make 'moving more' a personal goal, a family activity or a community challenge. Where ever you are, whatever you're doing, there are so many ways to move in Calgary.

From November 28 to December 3, The City of Calgary and its partners are hosting events throughout the city to get Calgarians moving. Events may include Free Skates, Family Obstacle Course, Guided Walks and more!!

National Child's Day - Sunday, November 20 details at nationalchildday.ca

Friday Night dance –November 25 – from 7:15-10pm

Admission to the Party includes a dance lesson (primary movements, rhythmic structure, posture, leading and following),social dance, as well as refreshments. No Partner Required!

Drop-in Climbing and Gymnastics at Southland Leisure Centre
There's so much to do at Southland Leisure Centre! Come have some fun and unique experiences in our rock wall climbing and gymnastics gym drop-in times. All equipment is provided and instructors are present to guide you.

Babysitting Service - NEW
Attend one of our many programs or activities while your child visits our Babysitting room.

No booking required. Space is limited and on a first-come, first-served basis. Parents must remain in the building.

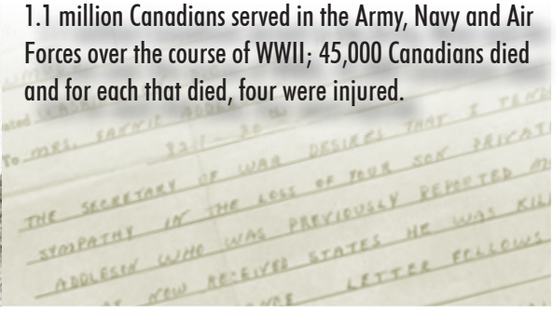
Babysitting Hours
Monday – Thursday 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. and 4 – 8 p.m.
Friday, Saturday and Sunday 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Drop-in Badminton, Soccer and Basketball at Southland Leisure Centre
Please see calgary.ca/recreation or contact 311 for the latest schedules as cancellations may be in effect for special events or holiday hours.

Every Sunday, 8 am to noon. Family Swim at Southland Leisure Centre. It's a designated family swim time. Come enjoy our waterpark, including a trip or two to the AquaPlay structure. Be prepared to get wet! Adults must be accompanied by a child and all children must be accompanied by an adult. Regular admission applies.

Calgary After School at Southland Leisure Centre
A FREE supervised drop-in program for youth ages 11-15 during the school year. Come use the pool on Tuesdays and Fridays, and the Sport Hall and Youth Room are open each day! New activities are always introduced and daily snacks are available. For details, call our centre at 403-648-6550 or online at calgary.ca/leisurecentres or calgary.ca/afterschool.

Cost: Free
Ages: 11 – 15
Day: Start September 19 Monday to Thursday, 3 – 6 p.m. and Fridays, 1 – 5 p.m.



DECEMBER DECEMBER

DECEMBER 10
SLUMBER PARTY AT THE GLENBOW MUSEUM

Celebrating their 50th anniversary, The Glenbow is inviting kids aged 7 – 12 for a rare sleepover and behind the scenes tour of the museum's artefacts. More info www.glenbow.org/programs

NOVEMBER 25 – DECEMBER 24
THE POLAR EXPRESS TRAIN RIDE

Aspen Crossing: Journey to the North Pole on the Polar Express, complete with hot chocolate and cookies served onboard the train. More info www.aspencrossing.showare.com/eventperformances

DECEMBER 23
CHRISTMAS SKATE, NOON – 5 PM.
OLYMPIC OVAL

A fun-filled afternoon at the Olympic oval is sure to cheer any Grinch. Complete with holiday music, you and yours can enjoy a skate together for $2 and a food donation to The Calgary Food Bank.

YOUR COMMUNITY/CITY EVENTS
AT A GLANCE...

Nov. 28 – Dec. 21 It's A Wonderful Life: A Radio Play – Lunchbox Theatre: It's A Wonderful Life is the classic tale of George Bailey, conceived as a live 1940's radio broadcast, a cast of 5 actors will bring this classic holiday story of love and redemption to life on stage! Everyday but Sundays, noon – 1 pm at Lunchbox Theatre. More info www.lunchboxtheatre.com

Dec. 2 – 4 The International Christmas Market at Spruce Meadows: Enjoy the warm atmosphere of this much-celebrated market which boasts 250 vendors with world-imported items, hand-crafted gifts and much more. Fire pits and lively entertainment are sure to keep you in the spirit - just in time for the holidays. For info www.sprucemeadows.com/christmas_market

Nov. 19 – Dec. 18 Once Upon A Christmas – Heritage Park: Take a step back into true holiday enchantment this Christmas with wagon rides, singing carols and even jolly old St. Nick himself. Experience the magic of Christmas past and activities like: gingerbread decorating, Santa's petting zoo, children's crafts and a vintage photo parlour. More info www.heritagepark.ca

Dec. 15, 8 pm A Rockin' Little Christmas – Jack Singer Concert Hall: This upbeat concert will include a range of cheery, seasonal hits includingSanta Baby, Jingle Bell Rock, White Christmas and many other favourites. Joining the Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra for this concert is the Jeans 'N' Classics band and four vocalists. More info www.calgaryphil.com

Nov. 26 – Jan. 8 Lion's Festival of Lights: The Festival of Lights is the largest free drive-by Christmas Lights showcase in Calgary. It's comprised of over 300,000 lights along 14th St NW. Designed by James Alafriz, Creative Intelligence Agency. More info www.lionsfestivaloflights.ca

Dec. 2 - 4, 9 -11, 16 – 18 Market Collective Cheer: Enjoy a market that's perhaps a bit more eclectic this year at Market Collective's Cheer event. With fare like, clothing, chocolate and jewellery on offer, and more unusual vendors with woodworking, paper products and leather work for sale, there is surely something for everyone at this event. Located at The Chinese Cultural Centre. More info www.marketcollective.ca

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Dear Constituents:

As we begin the fall legislature, I want to look back and highlight many satisfying engagement opportunities I had in Calgary Glenmore throughout the summer. First of all, I want to thank everyone who participated in my Telephone Town Hall on September 21, 2016. We had over 1500 call-ins with numerous participants contributing excellent questions. I hope you felt as engaged as I during this new forum for constituency outreach. My goal is to offer diverse ways of staying in touch that work best so we keep working together and strengthening our communities.

It has been an exciting time. I attended the AGMs of SW-CRC as well as many of our community associations along with other important events and board meetings in Calgary-Glenmore. I cherished moments at the 50th anniversary of our Calgary Rowing Club, Filipino Fiesta, Calgary Pride parade, Walk of Hope for Ovarian Cancer, Field of Fame by Alberta Champions and Alberta's Gift to the Nation: the Story of the Colonist car #1205 at Heritage Park, Women of Inspiration Award Ceremony, Making Treaty 7, An Engagement with Seniors at Centennial Calgary Branch 285 Royal Canadian Legion and several citizenship ceremonies. Based on the conversations I had, I would like to provide more feedback to recently asked questions. I hope you find the following helpful. For further inquiries please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Student Aid: Tuition, apprenticeship and material fees, and mandatory non-instructional fees for domestic students remain frozen throughout the 2016/2017 academic year. The government invested a two percent increase to post-secondary institution budgets for 2016. For example, Alberta's government doubled the value of grants targeted to low-income student loan borrowers, eliminating the use of spousal income as an eligibility criteria, expanding eligibility for student loans to apprentices, and increasing living allowances and loan limits. When needed, there are programs in place to help students set up manageable repayment plans that are in sync with their income and family size.

Curriculum Development: Our government's new approach to developing curriculum will span six years and work will be done simultaneously on six subject areas. This will build better connections across subjects and infuse First Nations, Metis and Inuit, as well as Francophone content into all areas of the curriculum. It is anticipated that the development of new curriculum will be completed for Kindergarten to Grade 4 in late 2018, Grades 5 to 8 in late 2019, and high school curriculum will be finished in phases throughout 2020 to 2022. Albertans will have the opportunity to provide feedback on the development of new curriculum before 2017. Specific attention will be given to our Indigenous partners, as we invest funding over six years to ensure they are properly consulted.

Save the date: Season's Greetings Office Open House on Friday, December 9th, 2016 from 4-6PM!

We always welcome your ideas/suggestion for more engagement opportunities with your MLA and therefore, please share your thoughts with us.

IN & AROUND SCHOOLS

Ecole St Gerard

Ecole St Gerard is a French Immersion school located in Haysboro, and is the Catholic French Immersion school designated for your community.

SPARK has BLASTED OFF! Friday, October 28th our Spark program will officially have begun. On our launch date, students participated in "Pound Rock-out Workout Training. Physical education early in the day to stimulate brain function for higher levels of alertness and concentration.

Important Dates for November:

November 3rd: School Council Meeting at 7pm
November 4th: Photo Retakes
November 10th: Remembrance Day Liturgy
November 14th- 18th: Gail Bartel Artist in Residency

UPCOMING: On Thursday, December 1st at 7pm, come join our students in our Celebration of Learning.

A huge thank-you to our School Council for organizing and executing the Harvest Dance. It was a fun opportunity for our students to dress in their costumes and "run through the halls". Our school is lucky to have such a strong parent community.

Bienvenue!

COMMUNITY NOTICES

IMPORTANT NOTE
PARKING LOT SPEED LIMIT

Please be advised that the speed limit in the parking lot of the community centre is 5 km/hour. Our parking lot is very busy at pick-up times for a variety of sports and community programs, many catering to younger children. Often children are excited when leaving the building and may not look before they run into the path of traffic.

Please note that the end of the cement pad is a drop-off/pick-up zone only – unattended vehicles are not allowed. Also, the handicap parking stall is for vehicles that have a handicap parking sticker.

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We've heard many questions and comments on different developments happening within our established communities and thought we'd share some information on The City's Planning System. In an effort to help make The City of Calgary's planning and development process both more accessible and clearer to citizens, The City has created a new online mapping tool: the Planning and Development Map (PD Map). You can find it online by entering 'PD Map' into the search bar at www.calgary.ca.

With the PD Map, you can track, contact and provide comments on Land Use redesignation proposals and large-scale development permits. Anyone can follow the progress of the file from submission through to decision by City Council. PD Maps is currently in its first phase; additional features will be added, such as the ability to comment on smaller Development Permits which are discretionary or are requesting relaxations. Here are PD Maps current features:

- Multiple Search Options
  - Find out what is happening in your community, or in the city. Search by address, community, ward or file number. You can also scroll around the map, apply the Google Maps layer, or roll over a file to highlight the area proposed for development.
- Social Media Sharing
  - Share file information on your social media channels to increase community engagement on a file.
- File Status Tracker
  - Follow the status of the application from initial to final submission by City Council. Learn about the process and at what times comments can be submitted.
- Direct Comments and Feedback
  - Your comments on a file go directly to the file manager or City Clerk's, depending on what stage the application is at.
- Accessible Online and by Mobile
- Plain Language Descriptions

PD Maps is also tied to another innovative Planning System project, the Notice Posting Pilot. You can find it online by entering 'Notice Posting Pilot' into the search bar at www.calgary.ca.The City has redesigned Notice Postings (signs) so they are larger, more visually appealing, have easily understandable project descriptions, and direct citizens to the PD Map.

These complimentary tools are both intended to increase public participation in the application process. Please contact my office for help with this new tool, or to learn about other tools are at your disposal.

Lastly, remember to subscribe to your Ward 11 update at www.ward11calgary.ca to receive timely updates on projects in your community, and city.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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

BABYSITTING SERVICES! 14 year old with first aid and babysitting course will baby sit in SW area. Kaitlyn 403-830-02084.

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

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3323 Palliser Dr - Oakridge - Move in ready 2088 sq ft family home with tons of upgrades including: Updated kitchen with professional appliances & eat up island, hardwood floors throughout upper 2 levels, 3 updated bathrooms including ensuite with double vanity and steam shower, high efficiency furnace, Rennai tankless hot water heater, well maintained cedar shake roof & more! Offering an open concept main floor with kitchen/family room overlooking sunny, private backyard, living room with vaulted ceilings, 3 bedrooms and a den upstairs and large bedroom & rec room on lower level. One of the most updated houses in Oakridge at this price point. MLS#C4072328

4327 5th Ave SW - Wildwood - Brand new 3000sq ft family home facing the park/school yard of Wildwood School. This modern, open concept home offers high end finishings throughout including 10 ft ceilings on the main floor, custom cabinetry, quartz counters, stainless steel appliances, marble tile etc. Complete with 4 bedrooms above grade & one down, 4 bathrooms, tons of living space and a double detached garage. Call for details.

Market Update as of October 11, 2016

Currently on the market there are:

21 Single family homes with median list price of $575,000

15 Condo's with median list price of $219,900

Since September 12, 2016 there have been:

7 Single Family home sales with median sale price of $664,000

2 Condo sales with median sale price of $189,000

We have seen an increase in inventory in Oakridge over the past month across all segments of the market with 36 total listings at time of writing. While there have been some sales in the past month, including one multiple offer sale and 2 homes that sold in less than 2 weeks on the market, we are still seeing houses on the market for longer periods of time to obtain a sale and decreases in sale prices in most price segments. What appears to still be in demand are homes in the $500-$800 range that are move in ready and located on quiet streets.

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