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Calgary HEALTH LINK 24/7	811
Calgary Police – Non Emergency	403-266-1234
Calgary Women’s Emergency Shelter	403-234-7233
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Kids Help Line	1-800-668-6868
Child Safe Canada	403-202-5900
Distress/Crisis Line	403-266-4357
ENMAX – Power Trouble	403-514-6100
Poison Centre - Alberta	1-800-332-1414
HOSPITALS / URGENT CARE	
Alberta Children’s Hospital	403-955-7211
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Rockyview General Hospital	403-943-3000
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South Health Campus	403-956-1111
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SeniorConnect	403-266-6200
Calgary Kerby Elder Abuse Line	403-705-3250
Alberta One-Call Corporation	1-800-242-3447
City of Calgary	311
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Community Mediation Calgary Society	403-269-2707
RNR Lockworks Ltd.	403-479-6161
Road Conditions – Calgary	511
Weather Information	511
Gamblers Anonymous	403-237-0654



EDITOR'S CORNER

Hello Everyone,

I hope you are enjoying your summer and staying cool as much as possible! If you need some inspiration for how to beat the heat and have a bit of fun, have a look in this edition of The Post to see our Lincoln Park Liaison Roni's cool idea for some outdoor fun!

I have a couple of important announcements:

First of all, save the date: the Annual General Meeting of the Rutland Park Community Association is coming up this Fall. Plan ahead to join us on Tuesday, November 21. You can get involved by attending the meeting, learning what positions are available, and maybe even signing up to take on a new volunteer role! We have a great council, and always have room to welcome some new faces to the table. It's a really good way to get involved in your community, meet a few people, and help steer the planning of community events and initiatives.

Secondly, I've learned that the Girl Guides of the Westglen District are growing in leaps and bounds. Many girls are registering to take part in the venerable organization, which provides opportunities to participate in camps and a wide range of activities, and to make new friends! Often, new Canadians really enjoy the opportunity to become immersed in the local culture and language.

In order to continue growing, the Westglen District Girl Guides need parent volunteers. Joining up as an adult is a great way to support the growth of this organization and create more opportunities for the girls in our community. See calgarygirlguides.com for more information.

Have a great August!

Dan

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



I have taken over as interim President, but we would love to have a volunteer that could join our Board as President. Depending on your time commitments, you could chair our 2 hour monthly meeting and monitor and respond to emails, or you could also get involved in a number of initiatives both around our communities and around the City—we appreciate whatever time you have to give!

If you don't feel that you are able to take on the position of President, we would also appreciate your participation around community initiatives such as resiliency, engagement and communication, building safe communities, our annual clean up, and social activities. You can join the Board, join/head up a committee, volunteer at events, or contribute to our newsletter— many hands make light work, and many minds make what we do more meaningful. Please join us where you can!

Leanne Ellis
Acting President

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

CHILD SCIENTISTS WANTED! Ch.I.L.D. Research Group at the University of Calgary requires kids under 14 years to participate in fun game-like projects to help us understand how children develop language and social understanding. If interested call (403) 220-4955, email child@ucalgary.ca, or visit <https://psyc.ucalgary.ca/child/>

RELIVE CALGARY'S VIBRANT HISTORY: with Chinook Country Historical Society during the 27th annual Historic Calgary Week. From July 28th- Aug 11th get to know people's stories while visiting historic sites in the Calgary area.

RUTLAND PARK COMMUNITY HALL RENTALS

3130 - 40 Avenue SW,
Calgary, AB, T3E 6W9

Rental rates for the Rutland Park Community hall have been revised for all bookings made after February 29.

The new rate structure is:
Hourly Rate: \$50/hour
Admin and Cleaning Fee: \$75/rental

A four hour minimum rental is required on Friday, Saturday and Sundays.

If you are interested in renting the hall or would like more information on any of the classes running at the hall, please contact Lizzel Krueger at hallrentals@rutlandparkcommunity.com.

Visit the Community Association website to see what our beautiful hall looks like: www.rutlandparkcommunity.com/hall-rentals/

Contact Lizzel at 403-246-8318.



For all the latest news, events, updates and community activity, please join us on Facebook. Search for Rutland Park Community Association. You'll immediately recognize us with our logo.



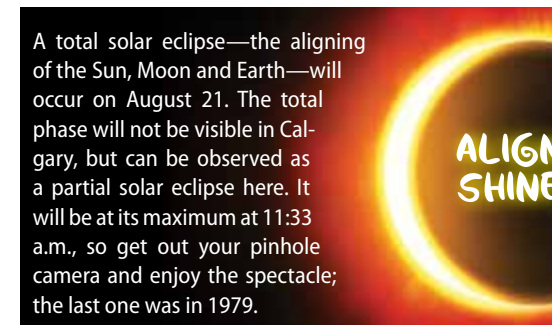
RPCA BOARD

Visit our website for the latest information
<http://www.rutlandparkcommunity.com>

Board meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM, everyone is welcome

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Police Resource Officer	S. Gallant s.gallant@calgarypolice.ca
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Community Social Worker	Cynthia Lokko Cynthia.lokko@calgary.ca



A total solar eclipse—the aligning of the Sun, Moon and Earth—will occur on August 21. The total phase will not be visible in Calgary, but can be observed as a partial solar eclipse here. It will be at its maximum at 11:33 a.m., so get out your pinhole camera and enjoy the spectacle; the last one was in 1979.



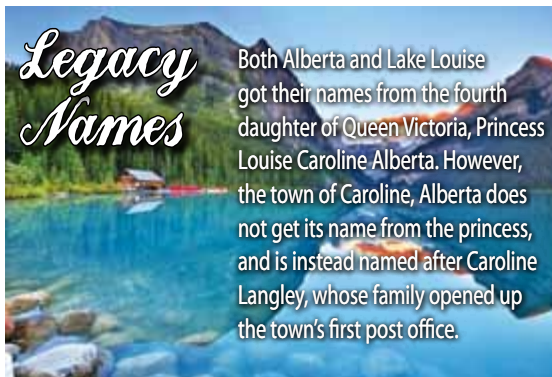
Outdoor home improvement project on your mind?

Planning on building a garage, expanding your deck or maybe installing a hot tub? You might be wondering what permits do I require? How long it will take? Or what bylaw and code considerations do I need to know about?

Before you pay for materials, hire a contractor or do it yourself, let The City help guide you on permitting and inspection requirements. We know the process can be confusing, but we're here to help answer your questions to ensure your project meets Alberta's safety codes and city bylaws.

Visit calgary.ca/myhome for answers regarding our most popular outdoor home improvement projects, or give us a call directly.

Planning Services Centre
403-268-5311
Monday to Friday
8 a.m. – 4:15 p.m.
calgary.ca/myhome



Legacy Names

Both Alberta and Lake Louise got their names from the fourth daughter of Queen Victoria, Princess Louise Caroline Alberta. However, the town of Caroline, Alberta does not get its name from the princess, and is instead named after Caroline Langley, whose family opened up the town's first post office.



Free Drop-In Exercise For Mature Adults

Chartwell Royal Park
4315 Richardson Road SW

We would like to invite community seniors to join the fun exercise programs we offer at Chartwell Royal Park. Come alone or bring a friend! We are looking forward to meeting you.

- Monday (9:30a) – Stretch & Relaxation
- Tuesday (10:30a) – Exerfun
- Wednesday (1:30p) – Gentle Exercise
- Wednesday (2:30p) – Stay Sharp for Fit Minds
- Thursday (10:00a) – Rhythm & Moves
- Friday (10:30a) – Exerfun
- Saturday – no classes
- Sunday (2:30p) – Sit 'n Get Fit

Occasionally, class substitutions or cancellations may occur – please call Amanda at 587-287-3940 to confirm prior to visiting.



RPCA Casino Fundraiser

The Rutland Park Community Association needs volunteers for our casino fundraiser in August. This fundraiser is a major source of support for the RPCA, helping to make possible the many events and activities that the RPCA brings to your community. Volunteers are required for a range of roles, all with one thing in common: no experience is necessary! Please consider supporting us with some of your time so that we can continue to give back to you!

Dates: Thursday, August 17 and Friday, August 18, 2017

Location: Elbow River Casino

Contact info: Gord Leach
gsleach@telusplanet.net
Phone: 403-249-5900



SUMMER SLIP & SLIDE

What's something you can do with 2 rolls of painter's plastic, running water and dish soap? Make a giant slip and slide! (With the help of a hill.)

In Lincoln Park this month, every time there's a great day and it's too hot to stay inside, I will post on the Rutland Park Facebook page that "Family Fun Day, is here once again," along with times it will be running. If you haven't seen this post pop up before on the RCPA Community Facebook page, don't worry, you still have time to come and check it out this month! Just wear shorts and a T-shirt and prepare to get wet and have some FUN!!! Don't forget a towel. Here are some pictures from last year's slip and slide fun.

Roni Sagal
Liaison of Lincoln Park

COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP FORM

Mail or drop off your completed application to:
 Rutland Park Community Association, 3130- 40 Avenue SW, Calgary, AB, T3E 6W9
 or call Shirley at 403-240-4777 or membership@rutlandparkcommunity.com

Select Membership Type:

- Family: 1 year - \$15.00; 3 year - \$36.00
- Single: 1 year - \$5.00; 3 year - \$12.00
- Senior: 1 year - \$5.00; 3 year - \$12.00

Name: _____

Home Address: _____ (please print)

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Payment Enclosed: _____

Be sure to include your email address so we can keep you up to date with community news and events of interest to you.

Your support through membership is critical to Rutland Park Community Association's success in negotiations with the various governments (municipal, provincial and federal) and business entities that your board interacts with on a regular basis.

Thank you for your participation.

Rutland Park Mission and Values:

The results of several brainstorming sessions by the Rutland Park community board were presented at the May 23 Town Hall Meeting. These important statements will be used to guide our work and decisions. Your feedback is welcome!

Our Mission and Values:

Our mission is to engage community residents, advocate on their behalf, foster community spirit, and practice meaningful stewardship while honouring our past.

What your Board Commits to Do:

- I. Engaging and including residents of our community
- II. Addressing community concerns in a transparent fashion
- III. Conducting board business in an ethical and fiscally responsible manner
- IV. Making decisions based on the needs of the community as a whole

- V. Communicating board decisions with one voice
- VI. Following through on the commitments and action plans we undertake

Community Values we will uphold:

- honouring our heritage
- connectedness: bringing people together
- knowing neighbours, cultural hub, social activities
- everybody is given a voice
- slow inner city living
- pride in our community: volunteerism, participation
- safe community where people can have fun
- pleasant surroundings/maintaining green space and excellent community facilities
- pedestrian friendly: easy walking, cars secondary to people
- self contained: close to amenities, community garden, sustainable
- accessible, age friendly
- desirable quality of life: all season activities
- promote accessible recreational activities

Café at Knox

Since about October 2016, every Thursday the doors open at the "Cafe at Knox " from 9 a.m. to noon. I must say that this has been a community success story with the Knox Church, Royal Park Retirement, and Rutland Park providing coffee, tea, and delicious snacks for our guests. Some weeks we even enjoy music and song provided by some very talented entertainers. People have come, made new friendships, and enjoyed themselves. A yoga group meets from 9:30 to 10:30. The cost is only \$5.00 per session. Could it get any better?

Please join us- this coffee shop is for everyone: grannies, grandpas, moms, dads, babies, and all residents. We would love to see you there.

Submitted by Isabell Reznik



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Small Grants of up to \$600 are available to support projects which strengthen connections between residents and make the neighbourhood of **Rutland Park, Lincoln Park & Currie Barracks** an even better place to live!

If you have a project idea or would like to be part of the selection committee, please see the details below.

GOT A GREAT IDEA?

Submit your Community Project today!

Examples of projects that have been funded in other neighbourhoods are:

- Block Parties
- Pedestrian Safety Campaigns
- Community Murals
- Container Gardening Workshops
- Community Clean-Ups
- Neighbourhood Walking Groups
- Babysitting Cooperative start-up costs

Projects need to be for the 2017 calendar year

More details and guidelines provided on the application form.

Application deadline: Applications will be accepted until December 1, 2017

WANT TO JOIN THE TEAM?

Help us with the decision process!

Some requirements of Decision Committee members include, but not limited to:

- Having an interest in the neighbourhoods of Rutland Park, Lincoln Park & Currie Barracks and the residents living here
- Able to work with others
- Free to attend a few meetings to review grants and project updates, as needed
- Attend some community events that have been funded through the initiative

A meeting with the Community Social Worker will be arranged prior to joining the team.

For more information or Grant Applications contact Cynthia Okafor, Community Social Worker at Cynthia.okafor@calgary.ca or call 403-476-7184



Real Estate Update

Last 12 Months RUTLAND PARK MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
June 2017	\$550,000	\$551,000
May 2017	\$644,000	\$625,000
April 2017	\$499,000	\$470,000
March 2017	\$907,450	\$886,750
February 2017	\$699,900	\$663,500
January 2017	\$641,000	\$602,500
December 2016	\$739,900	\$720,000
November 2016	\$569,900	\$555,000
October 2016	\$0	\$0
September 2016	\$0	\$0
August 2016	\$719,900	\$705,000
July 2016	\$0	\$0

Last 12 Months LINCOLN PARK MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
June 2017	\$230,950	\$223,250
May 2017	\$279,900	\$263,500
April 2017	\$274,900	\$270,000
March 2017	\$264,450	\$248,100
February 2017	\$319,450	\$315,000
January 2017	\$295,000	\$290,000
December 2016	\$259,900	\$235,000
November 2016	\$255,000	\$245,000
October 2016	\$174,900	\$170,000
September 2016	\$342,400	\$332,500
August 2016	\$324,988	\$313,000
July 2016	\$334,900	\$326,000

To view more detailed information that comprise the above MLS averages please visit rutland.great-news.ca, lincoln_park.great-news.ca or currie_barracks.great-news.ca

Last 12 Months CURRIE BARRACKS MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
June 2017	\$999,000	\$998,000
May 2017	\$1,090,000	\$1,070,000
April 2017	\$0	\$0
March 2017	\$0	\$0
February 2017	\$0	\$0
January 2017	\$859,900	\$816,500
December 2016	\$0	\$0
November 2016	\$0	\$0
October 2016	\$1,119,000	\$999,999
September 2016	\$0	\$0
August 2016	\$949,800	\$935,000
July 2016	\$0	\$0



Name	Age	Contact	Course
Aly	24	403-797-4793	Yes
Chiara	17	587-585-5652	Yes
Elaura	19	403-471-5051	Yes
Kiera	15	403-922-6067	Yes
Lauren	14	403-975-7197	Yes
Linda	61	587-892-9731	No
Sam	16	403-287-3740	Yes
Samantha	16	403-287-3740	Yes

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EXPLORE LORE

The east coast of Canada was settled by Vikings around the year A.D. 1000. Archaeological evidence of a settlement has been found at L'anse aux Meadows, Newfoundland.



YOUR COMMUNITY/CITY EVENTS AT A GLANCE...

The Market on Stephen Avenue – Tuesdays until Sept. 5, 11 am – 5 pm

Bring your enviro bags and coolers! You'll find up to 60 vendors; from fresh food (produce, breads, pastries, etc) spices, sauces, treats, art, fashion, jewelry and so much more! Found on Stephen Avenue between 1 Street East and 2 Street West. More info: inquiries@dmeinc.ca.

Honens Festival – Various Venues, Sept. 7 – Sept. 10

The award-winning Honens Festival returns for a four-day festival of music with a side of maple syrup! To mark Canada's 150th birthday, this celebration of piano showcases some of the country's brightest classical music stars alongside Honens Laureates through innovative performance projects and dynamic community concerts. More info: honens.com.

Beakerhead – Various Locations, Sept. 13 – Sept. 17

One of the world's most original spectacles of art, science and engineering, will erupt this September when the fourth annual Beakerhead hits Calgary. Look for mechanical creatures, multi-story art installations, famous and soon-to-be famous scientists and inventors, and performances by people and machines. The dose of quirky spectacle will include more than 65 events. More info: beakerhead.com.

Techstock 2017 - 3553 31 Street NW, Sept. 14

This is an annual event hosting 30+ start-up companies and researchers who showcase their innovations to the public. This year they explore how technology and social innovations are making a profound impact on our society and driving change in areas such as sustainability, health, education, gender equality and more. More info: innovatecalgary.com/events/techstock/

Railway Days – Heritage Park, Sept. 23 - 24

There is fun for the whole family at Railway Days! As one of the few sites in North America with two steam locomotives, our trains take centre stage for two days with demonstrations, hands-on activities, and exciting exhibits. More info: heritagepark.ca.

CALGARY PRIDE PARADE
6 AVE. AND 6 ST. SW
SEPTEMBER 3, NOON – 1:30

The signature Calgary Pride Parade is one of the most colourful celebrations of the year!
More info: calgarypride.ca.



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CIRCLE THE WAGONS
3951 TRASIMENE CRESCENT SW
SEPTEMBER 9, 11 AM – 11 PM

This year's traveling carnival of local food, beer, music, art and performers will be proudly hosted at Currie. Currie boasts Canadian Pride, and to help further amplify the celebratory energy from Canada's 150th anniversary. More info: circlthewagons.ca.



YW WALK A MILE IN HER SHOES
STEPHEN AVENUE AND OLYMPIC PLAZA
SEPTEMBER 19

Hundreds of men and women will step onto Stephen Ave. in high heels to show their support for women and children who are victims of family violence. More info: walkamile.ca.



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🌐 www.KentHehrMP.ca

Before I get into this month's newsletter I wanted to make sure you received an invitation to my annual BBQ on September 10th – which will be held at Sunalta Hall (1627 10 Ave SW).

We'll be there from 11 am to 1 pm, flipping burgers and saying hello to our neighbours. If you're interested we also have an RSVP page online on my website at www.KentHehrMP.ca which will give us a heads up if you're attending so my team can plan on how many burgers to prepare.

WHAT: MP Kent Hehr's Summer BBQ
WHERE: Sunalta Hall – 1627—10 Ave SW
WHEN: 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Next, I wanted to talk for a moment today on the subject of infrastructure investment. Our government is committed to investing in flood mitigation, affordable housing, public transportation, and places where communities come together (like community centres or hockey rinks). We were elected on a commitment to invest in infrastructure and these long-term economic generators for communities.

Just as one example, Infrastructure Canada funding to Alberta has received more funds for projects in the last year and a half (a total of \$4.3 billion). This is larger than the last five years **combined**.

You can see all of the projects invested in by Infrastructure Canada online here: <http://www.infrastructure.gc.ca/map-carte/ab-eng.html>

By investing in green infrastructure, we get people home to their families faster, cleaner communities, and more inclusive, affordable cities.

And by investing in affordable housing we can begin to take on the issue of homelessness and poverty – a conversation that the federal government has been noticeable absent in the last ten years.

With our new National Housing Strategy, the \$11.2 billion highlighted in Budget 2017, and the important work we are doing to cut homelessness in half, and take 500,000 families out of housing need, we are well on our way to creating more inclusive communities.

As always, you can contact my office by email at kent.hehr@parl.gc.ca or by phone at 403-244-1880. My office is located at 950 6 Ave SW and my door is always open to you. You can follow my work in Parliament online and sign up for my e-newsletter at www.KentHehrMP.ca.



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Summer is festival season in Calgary! I look forward to spending time in my community attending the many events that make our warm summer days and nights so special.

I hope to see you at **Marda Gras Street Festival** on Sunday, August 13th from 10am to 5pm. Marda Gras is a FREE family-friendly event that attracts over 35,000 visitors from all over Calgary. This year the streets of Marda Loop will celebrate the festival's 33rd year in the community. The festival includes live music, dance and cultural performances, a fun kid's area, unique shopping and lots of great food! Please stop by my booth; I would love to hear what is on your mind. For more information visit <http://www.mardagrass.ca/>.

Calgary Pride Parade takes place on Sunday, September 3rd from noon to 1:30pm. I've been proud to walk in the parade in the past to show my unwavering support for the LGBTQ community and the advocates who continue to work for inclusivity and acceptance. Following the parade, don't forget to visit Pride in the Park. Until 6pm you can enjoy one of Calgary's largest free outdoor cultural celebrations. Set in Prince's Island Park, the event will include live music, a marketplace and activities for all ages. More details can be found at <http://www.calgarypride.ca/>.

This year, in addition to hosting the fireworks competition from August 15th to 26th, **GlobalFest** is hosting a FREE human rights forum from August 8th to 12th at the Calgary Public Library's John Dutton Theatre (616 Macleod Trail SE). This year's topics are focused around UNESCO's Coalition of Municipalities against Racism and Discrimination. Details on the events can be found on GlobalFest's website at <http://www.globalfest.ca/>.

Visiting the Legislature

The Borealis Gallery on the grounds of the Legislature presents a brand-new exhibition.

The Dream We Form By Being Together centres on the theme of reconciliation and emerges from the awareness that art can play a central role in the process.

Drawing from indigenous practices and understandings, the show seeks to rebalance colonial narratives within the much larger story of this place we now call Canada.

The exhibition is a free, non-ticketed event open in the Borealis Gallery until October 1, 2017.

Visit www.assembly.ab.ca/visitorcentre for more details.

I hope to see you at one of the many events taking place in and around Calgary-Elbow. My office will be open throughout the summer. We can be reached at calgary.elbow@assembly.ab.ca or by phone at 403-252-0346.



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I hope you and your families are enjoying the summer months and taking advantage of the many great opportunities we have as Albertans to enjoy the outdoors!

I want to begin by thanking each and every one of you for joining me for my annual Stampede Breakfast on July 9 at the Glenbrook Community Association. It was amazing to see so many from across our community out enjoying the day. A special shout-out to the 40 or so volunteers who came together to serve over 1000 pancakes, sausages, and hash browns to Stampede goers. While were also joined by many New Democrat MLAs and Ministers from across the province - I would like to single out for thanks, my colleague - Jessica Littlewood (MLA for Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville) - for doing such a fine job with the colour commentary during the wiener dog races! Congratulations to the winning hounds!

Summer also means long days and plenty of sunlight. That is why I am proud that our government has launched the first Residential and Commercial Solar Program in Alberta to provide financial rebates to Alberta homeowners, businesses, and non-profits who install solar photovoltaic systems on their homes, businesses, and facilities. For individuals, this program provides a rebate of \$0.75/watt to residential systems, with a maximum grant amount of \$10,000. For more details, I encourage you to visit <http://solar.encycalberta.ca>.

The longer days do not mean an end to the important work of hearing from constituents like you. That is why you will continue to see me at your community events, both large and small. I know my team works very hard to keep me up to date about what is happening across our riding, but it is impossible for us to know all that is going on in every corner of Calgary Currie all the time. So please do not hesitate to contact me if you are hosting an event that you would like me to attend.

In July, Calgary Bow MLA Deborah Drever and I spent an afternoon in the Off-Leash Dog Park in Edworthy where we chatted about \$25 a day daycare and the construction of the new Calgary Cancer Centre and the SW Ring Road. This month I will have a booth at Marda Gras on Sunday, August 13.

I want to hear from you about how our work is making your lives better, one pragmatic step at a time, and I will continue to visit you where you live. To date, I have reached over 50% of Calgary Currie residents and have chatted with hundreds of you on your doorsteps who are pleased with how the Alberta Government has invested, rather than cut, its way to economic recovery. My goal is to have completed this task by the time the legislature reconvenes in the fall - so do keep watch for a visit from your MLA in the days and weeks ahead.

~ Brian

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