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SOUTHWOOD COMMUNITY **ASSOCIATION SUPPORTERS**

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PLEASE SUPPORT **OUR SCA FRIENDS**

The businesses above have supported the efforts of the SWCA Board, Through their financial and/or material donations, they have encouraged Southwood residents to become members and to participate in community events. Help support these corporate members by keeping your business local.



Hall Rentals

Looking for a space to hold your next function or weekly/monthly meeting? The Southwood Community Hall is the perfect spot for birthdays/anniversaries, seminars/ workshops, book clubs, day camps & playgroups, fitness classes and more! Discounted rental fees for community members! For more info, visit our website at www. southwoodconnects.ca or call Lola at 403-474-3845.

HELP END DIABETES

Diabetes is a complex disease with many causes and no known cure. In Alberta, an estimated 303,000 people have been diagnosed with diabetes and a further 600,000 live with prediabetes.

With your support, the Canadian Diabetes Association (CDA) can improve lives and make it possible to fund leading-edge research and innovative educational programs; send kids with type 1 diabetes to the CDA's D-Camps; and provide Albertans with access to programs, services and resources to manage their disease and live well.





HOW CAN YOU HELP?



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HOLD A FUNDRAISING EVENT

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Text "Diabetes" to 587-600-6088 or honour someone online at diabetes.ca/donate.

This is your community newsletter with a mission to keep Southwood residents connected and involved in community life. The volunteer efforts of contributors and distributors ensure its success. This newsletter is printed monthly and is distributed without charge to all residents of Southwood.

Please check out our website, which contains useful information for you to access at SouthwoodConnects.ca.

Newsletter Submissions

We welcome articles and letters from our readers. All submissions must be accompanied by a name and telephone number. Articles should be between 200 and 550 words and can be submitted to the Newsletter Editor.

We reserve the right to edit articles for appropriate content or length. Photographs of community events are also greatly appreciated. Editorial deadline is the 5th of the month prior to publication.

Calendar Submissions

We want to make our newsletter and calendar as complete as possible, to include all community events and programs. If we missed yours, please contact the Newsletter Editor.

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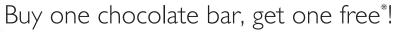


Vehicle theft is an ongoing concern within the city of Calgary, Each year, as the weather cools, the Calgary Police Service receives an increase in stolen vehicle thefts. targeting unlocked vehicles left running (warming up). With this in mind, please consider:

What can you do to prevent vehicle theft?

- Do not leave a vehicle running with the keys in the ignition for any length of time, even with the doors locked.
- Never hide a second key in or around the vehicle.
- Always close the windows, lock the doors and pocket the kev.
- Park in well-lit and well-traveled areas.
- Take valuables with you or hide them out of sight.
- Use anti- theft measures such as a steering wheel lock, a vehicle immobilizer system or an alarm system.
- · Consider installing a remote starter if you need to warm up your vehicle in the morning.
- Report suspicious activity. If you see suspicious people in or around motor vehicles, call 9-1-1.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Seems that the months are flving by! We just celebrated Halloween with the Halloween Howler at the hall. It was a mild night so numbers were a little less than previous years. Thank

you to all volunteers who helped to decorate the hall and entertain the children and parents. And again, our thanks to Rob, who organized the event.

We will be holding a Volunteer Thank You get together in November. I hope all of you who have come out to volunteer at our various events and casinos will be joining us. Thank you to Rick for organizing this event.

You can buy your membership online at Southwoodconnects.ca/Memberships. Our membership year has changed by the ratification of the vote to submit the bylaw amendment to March 01 to February 28/29 each year. This has been submitted to Alberta Registries. If you are purchasing through Trico, we will honor their system. Call or email Ellen for information regarding renewals.

It seems that Christmas is coming so much faster this year. Or, are we just so busy that time flies? So this is the time to say Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to all of you from all of us.

The meeting in December will be held on December 15th at 7.00pm; to take into account the Christmas holiday week. We usually enjoy some refreshments and snacks, so feel free to join us!

Kind regards,

Vivien Jonathan.

"An effective health and safety nanagement system can help prevent A Safety Management System (SMS) is all about managing the safety interaction you have with your workers. It's an overall strategy to help you communicate information on hazards and best practices in your workplace so you can develop a stronger, lasting culture of safety within all stakeholders in your organization.

PROGRAMS REPORT

programs@southwoodconnects.ca





Winter Festival

January 7th, 2017 from 2pm to 5pm at the **Community Hall and Rink**

An afternoon of skating, face painting, sleigh rides, petting zoo, activities and crafts! It will be another fun winter afternoon out on the rinks and inside the community hall!

The Kid Sport Skate Shack will be on location again. This enables those of you who don't own skates, or perhaps have never tried skating, to borrow skates and have some fun out on the ice.

Halloween Howler

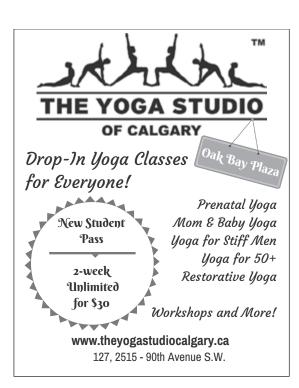
It was nice to see a number of families pop into the community hall on Halloween night. It was a pleasant Monday evening and we had about 125 children visit the hall. We had treats, popcorn, hot chocolate, juice, crafts and games for our visitors to enjoy. I hope you had a fun Halloween evening, whether handing out candy at home or out walking the neighbourhood. Thank you to all the volunteers that made this event possible, by popping popcorn, helping decorate, handing out candy, and more.

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27 October 2016

TO: Southwood Community Association Board FROM: Office of Councillor Brian Pincott, Ward 11 SUBJECT: October Ward 11 Update for Southwood

Community Specific:

• Planning and Development meeting for Presidents and Development officers will be on November 3rd from 7-9 pm at **PBP Community Hall**

Monthly 311 Report Summary

- Top five 311 service requests for Southwood in September:
- o AS Animal Licence Request for New / Renewal
- o Roads Traffic or Pedestrian Light Repair
- o Roads Streetlight Maintenance
- o WATS Sewage Back-up
- o CT Employee Conduct

Ward Wide Items

- The Anderson pedestrian bridge grand opening is on October 29th. Meet on Cedardale Crescent SW at 9:00 am and walk across the bridge into Woodbine where speeches will be held on Woodbrook Way SW. This is a family (dogs included!) friendly event, and light refreshments will be provided.
- Crowchild Trail-Flanders Avenue Interchange The construction on the Crowchild Trail-Flanders Avenue Interchange is on track to open to traffic on November 1st. The grand opening event will be held on Saturday, October 29th at 11:30am on the bridge for you to explore by foot and bike. Landscaping and final finishing work will begin in spring 2017, with all interchange construction complete in summer 2017.
- Crowchild Trail Study Fall Update The City is now in Phase 5: Concept Selection and Recommendation of their study looking at Crowchild 1 Trail between 24th Avenue NW and 17th Avenue SW. Although this portion does not pass directly through Ward 11, Crowchild Trail is an important commuter road to other parts of the city

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Southwood Real Estate Update

Last 12 Months Southwood MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
October 2016	\$429,900.00	\$430,000.00
September 2016	\$459,950.00	\$449,250.00
August 2016	\$466,950.00	\$461,000.00
July 2016	\$412,062.00	\$410,000.00
June 2016	\$425,000.00	\$408,000.00
May 2016	\$449,900.00	\$445,000.00
April 2016	\$442,400.00	\$416,750.00
March 2016	\$449,900.00	\$425,000.00
February 2016	\$519,900.00	\$505,000.00
January 2016	\$464,900.00	\$452,500.00
December 2015	\$439,850.00	\$425,750.00
November 2015	\$499,000.00	\$486,000.00

Last 12 Months Southwood MLS Real Estate Number of Listings Update

	No. New Properties	No. Properties Sold
October 2016	5	3
September 2016	6	8
August 2016	7	6
July 2016	6	6
June 2016	10	9
May 2016	6	7
April 2016	3	4
March 2016	8	1
February 2016	3	3
January 2016	5	2
December 2015	2	6
November 2015	4	3

To view the specific SOLD Listings that comprise the above MLS averages please visit southwood.great-news.ca





311 Service Requests Volume by Community

Service Requests created between 2016/10/01 and 2016/10/31 **SOUTHWOOD**

SR Type Name SR Count

CT - Employee Conduct 17 WATS - Sewage Back-up 12

AS - Animal Licence - Request for New / Renewal 11

Roads - Streetlight Maintenance 10 WRS - Waste - Residential 9

CBS Inspection - Electrical 8

Bylaw - Long Grass - Weeds Infraction 7 Bylaw - Material on Public Property 7

Bylaw - Temporary Signs Infraction on City Property 7

CT - CTrain Stations 6

Finance - TIPP Agreement Request 6

Roads - Backlane Maintenance 6 After Hours Transit - General Concerns 5

AS - Animal Licence - Concerns on Existina 5

CBS Inspection - Commercial or Multi-Family 5

CBS Inspection - Furnace Replacement

CT - Bus Route or Bus Schedule 5

Parks - Tree Concern - WAM 5

WATS - Sewer Maintenance 5 WRS - Program - Green Cart 5

CBS Inspection - Gas 4

CT - Bus or CTrain Vehicle Maintenance

Finance - Property Tax Account Inquiry

Roads - Dead Animal Pick-Up 4

Roads - Debris on Backlane/Sidewalk/ BV 4

Roads - Roadway Maintenance 4

Roads - Signs - Missing - Damaged 4

WATS - Water Off-On Appointment 4 Bylaw - Property Maintenance Concerns 3

CBS - RIM - Property Research 3

CFD - Inspection - Business Licence 3

CNS - Subsidized Programs - Fair Entry 3

CT - CTrain Schedule 3

CT - Transit Safety / Public Etiquette 3 Parks - Garbage - WAM 3

WATS - Water Meter Issues 3

Animal / Bylaw - Information Request 2 AS - Animal Noise 2

AS - Lost and Found Animal 2Type Name SR Count

CBS Inspection - Plumbing 2 CBS Inspection - Residential Improvement Project - RIP 2

CFD - Fire Code Hazard Complaint 2 Corporate - Graffiti Concerns 2

Parks - Employee Complaint - Compliment 2

Roads - Debris on Street/Roadway 2 Roads - Employee Complaint - Compliment 2

Roads - Sidewalk - Curb and Gutter Repair 2

WATS - Catch Basin Concerns 2

WATS - Service and Main Valve Issues 2

WATS - Urgent Water Reconnect 2 AS - Animal Chase - Threat 1

AS - Human Injury 1

Bylaw - Noise Concerns 1

CAI - Line / Wire Concern 1 CBS Concern - Building Without a

Permit 1 CBS Concern - Electrical 1

CBS - Emergency Electrical Reconnection 1

CFD - Inquiries & Concerns 1

CFD - Safety Training 1

CNS - Senior Services Home Maintenance 1

Compliance - Business Licence Concern

Compliance - Taxi or Limousine Concern 1

CT - Advertising and Communications 1 CT - Park and Ride Lot - LRT or Bus 1 Customer Service & Communications -

General Concerns 1

Finance - Business Tax Inquiry 1

Finance - Corporate Billing and eBill Inquiry 1

Law - Corporate Security 1

Law - Risk Management and Claims 1

Parks - Amenities - WAM 1

Parks - Community Inquiry 1 Parks - General Concerns 1

Parks - Lighting Concern - WAM 1

Roads - Backlane Paving Petitions and Inquiries 1

Roads - Detour Questions or Concerns 1 Roads - Detour Urgent (Safety) Con-

Roads Permits - Requests and Inquiries

Roads - Signs - Parking 1

Roads - Streetlight Damage 1

Roads - Traffic or Pedestrian Light Repair 1

Roads - Traffic Signal Timing Concern 1

SR Type Name SR Count

WATS - Catch Basin OWAM - INT 1

WATS - Emergency Water Temporary

WATS - Water Consumption Appointment 1

WATS - Watermain Break or Leak 1

WRS - Employee - Complaint Compliment 1

WRS - Programs 1

WRS - Recycling - Depots 1

WRS - Waste - Commercial 1

Sum: 269

Top 10 Service Requests by Community SOUTHWOOD

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Bylaw - Material on Public Property 7

Bylaw - Temporary Signs Infraction on City Property 7

CT - CTrain Stations 6

Finance - TIPP Agreement Request 6 Roads - Backlane Maintenance 6

Sum: 106

Note: Service request statistics include **Business Unit work**

entered into the CSR system, but do not reflect all work or

activity of Business Units

Source: Customer Service Request (CSR) System

IN & AROUND

St. Gerard French Immersion School

1204 96th Avenue SW

In November and following through into December, we welcomed our Artist in Residence for the 2016-2017 school year. David Stockton is an accomplished musician, storyteller and speaker. Working with the students, he inspires our children to weave their imaginations and experiences into powerful storytelling.

Upcoming Dates:

December 2nd: Parent Teacher Interviews (No School) December 7th and 15th: Artist in Residence Jeff Stockton December 15th: Winter Celebration of Learning (evening). All are Welcome to attend.

December 22nd: Last Day of Classes

January 9th: First Day Back

While our school is part of the Separate School Board, all families are welcome. Ouestions? Please visit us at http://www.cssd.ab.ca/stgerard/ or contact us at 403 500 2028 or michelle.taylor@cssd.ab.ca

SOUTHWOOD **BUSINESS MEMBERS**

We thank the following businesses for their ongoing support of the Southwood Community Association.

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- Apple Dental Group
- Psychology Plus
- Great News Publishing
- Kimberly Hull, CPM

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THE LEARNING TREE PRE-SCHOOL



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Guides BLACKFOOT DISTRICT

Ho! Ho! Ho! And mistletoe!

It's that very festive time of year and Girl Guide chocolaty mint cookies are perfect for the season! There are units still selling cookies so keep an eye out at local retail locations for our yummy mint cookies.

November was a busy time for all our units with enrolments, cookie selling and Remembrance Day activities. In December all our units will be busy celebrating the festive season and wishing everyone 'Peace on Earth".

SPARK units went to the library, will be clay painting, attending Zoolights, having a holiday PJ party and making "Socks of Hope" for the DI Centre.

BROWNIE units are camping, learning basic first aid, visiting the fire hall and attending Zoolights.

GUIDE units are attending Zoolights, working on different service projects such as visiting a seniors home & making craft kits for various agencies and learning first aid.

PATHFINDER & RANGER units are busy gift wrapping for the Cerebral Palsy Association, attending Calgary Area Ranger camp, fusing glass sun-catchers, holding a bottle drive and volunteering at Zoolights.

Guiding is a great place to grow lasting friendships and experience new opportunities. Why not give us a try! Registration is ongoing and January is a great time of year to join a unit and have some fun.

If you have any questions regarding Guiding or registration please contact Calgary Area Girl Guides at ggcinfo@calgarygirlguides. com or call 403-283-8348.

Girl Greatness Starts Here!

HAPPY HOLIDAYS











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	SATURDAY	8am-1pm - (P) - Air Cadets do Southwood Newsletter Distribution		16 9-2pm Chakra Therapy 17 Southwood Community Cleanup 10 am-4 pm Calgary Weekend Market (Vendor Market)	9 am-5 pm Chakra Therapy (Chateau)	
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Please take a moment to use one of the following payment options to purchase or renew your Membership

- 1. Go to Southwoodconnects.ca/Memberships to purchase your membership online.
- 2. Complete the form below and drop it off or mail it to the community association with a cheque payable to Southwood Community Association (11 Sackville Dr SW Calgary, Alberta T2W 0W3)

Southwood Community Association MEMBERSHIP

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Family Name:	First Nam	ne:	
Address:			Postal Code
Email:	(Used only by S	CA to s	end occasional emails about community issues & events)
Phone #:	Cell	#:	
SCA Family Membership	\$30		
SCA Seniors Membership	\$20		
Donation to the Community	(Tax receipt	Yes	No)
nterested in Volunteering?	YES		NO

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A charitable receipt will be provided to all cards with activation receipt.

Wishing you and your family all the best over the holiday season

From the staff and volunteers at SWCRC.





Southland Leisure Centre

NEW Fitness Frolic! Monday, Dec 12

Come out to a fun festive fitness class. Goodies and door prizes! Admission is free with a donation to the food bank.

- Water classes 8 9 am and 9:15 10:15 am
- Dryland class 9:15 10:15 am
- Social open 9:15 11:45 am

New Years Eve Family Event

Play, swim, jump, splash and slide into 2017! Bring the whole family for tons of fun. Come for arts/ crafts, games, obstacle courses, bouncy house and our "take a selfie" photo booth! Then join us in the waterpark where there will be a DJ pumping out the tunes as families enjoy the wave pool, slides, hot tub and safari splash! Stay until the very end to enjoy our pool party countdown!

Southland Leisure Centre Age: All Ages and Adult

Dec 31 Sat Regular Admission Drop-In

> 04:30 pm- 06:00 pm Games in Lobby 05:30 pm- 08:30 pm

Pool Party

Southland ProShop

"Did you know Southland Leisure Centre has a Proshop? We have a great selection of swimsuits for all ages. Proshop sharpens skates using the Blackstone Stealth Skate Sharpening machine, CHECK US Out"

Come check us out in December when we have our Customer Appreciation Sale entire store on Sale" (everything will have at least 10% off - different discounts for different items)

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.

Drop-in Badminton and Basketball, Soccer 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.

Babysitting Room at Southland Leisure Centre

Treat yourself to some 'me time' to workout or take a class. No bookings required for our Babysitting Room. Reasonable rates for a well deserved break!

Calgary AfterSchool 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.

Fridays, 7:30 to 10 p.m. Youth Night at Southland **Leisure Centre** – Friday nights have taken an active twist! Come with your friends and join us in the Sport Hall for a variety of youth exclusive sports including basketball, badminton, dodgeball, soccer and much more. Weekly planned active activities are also available. If swimming is your thing, admission also includes access to public swim in our waterpark. General youth admission applies.



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Xmas Volunteers

Canada Post volunteers donate over 200,000 hours of their time each year to help Santa respond to every letter that arrives on his doorstep.



Residents of partnered communities' pay 20% less for memberships than those who reside outside partnered communities. Phone: 403-278-7542 or see www.tricocentre.ca to find out more.

December at Trico Centre

Trico Centre for Family Wellness is a non-profit, community-owned and operated recreation facility. Our memberships are affordable and our programs are family-friendly. With a membership, you can work out in the fitness centre, take more than 70-drop-in fitness classes a week, use the gymnasium, swim, skate, or play shinny, plus you get 20% off our fun, active registered programs.

Residents of communities partnered with Trico Centre (yours!) pay 20% less for a Trico Centre membership with presentation of a community association membership or payment of the Community Support Fee (which is sent to your community association.)

Wellness Access Program/Helping Others

- December can be a strenuous time on the budget. The Trico Cares program offers **fee assistance** for memberships and admissions. Plus, we have partnered with organizations that offer fee assistance for programs (Canadian Tire Jumpstart, KidzFirst, KidsSport.) See www. tricocentre.ca for details.
- For the fifth year, Trico Centre invites you to help those less fortunate in Calgary by dropping off items for Inn from the Cold. List of needed items available at Trico Centre and on our website. Drop off items until Thursday, December 15.

Register for Winter Programs

 Winter program registration begins November 15 and 15th for members and November 16 for general public.
 Swimming, skating, sports, creative, dance, gymnastics, adult fitness, winter break day camps.

Student Holiday Passes

- Students, want to stay active over the holiday break? Trico Centre offers student holiday passes: Post-Secondary Students (18-24yrs), valid between November 7 and December 31, \$56; Youth Students (12-17 yrs) valid between November 14 and December 31, \$32; High School Student January Exam Stress Release Pass, January 1-31 just \$22.
- Gift of Health give the gift of health this season. Gift a friend or loved one with a 10-Visist Pass or a Trico Centre Membership. See Guest Services for details.



Adults, Older Adults

- Adult fitness in December: Candlelight Christmas Yoga: Treat yourself to a relaxing yoga class before the celebration begins December 23, 10:30am 12pm, Ride on New Year's Eve: Get a jump start on your New Year's goals with this invigorating spin class, December 31, 12 1:30pm.
- More than 70 drop-in fitness classes every week including aquafitness in our newly refurbished pool.
 Free for members, drop-in fee for non-members. See the Drop-In Fitness schedule at www.tricocentre.ca under the Schedules tab or pick up a copy at Guest Services.
- Bones and Balance, Chair Yoga, and Balance Builders: Fall Prevention Program for Older Adults: These multiweek registered programs start in January – registration is open now.

Families, Children & Youth

- Family Skate with Santa come join Santa for a seasonal craft session, leisure skate to festive music, hot chocolate, and cookies. Saturday, December 17, skate from 10am-12:30pm, other activities 12:15-2pm. Member family \$15, non-member family \$20.
- Holiday Drop-In Day Camps. Join camp for a full or half day, whatever works for you and your family. Pre-register due to limited spaces. 6-12 yrs, December 19-23, 26-30, and January 2-6. See Program Guide or www. tricocentre for details.
- Winter Break Swim Lessons. Trico Centre is offering Winter Break swim lessons from December 19-23 and 27-30. See Program Guide or www.tricocentre.ca for details.

Trico Centre is located at 11150 Bonaventure Drive SE. Residents of partnered communities' pay 20% less for memberships than those who reside outside partnered communities. Phone: 403-278-7542 or see www.tricocentre.ca to find out more.



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Happy Holidays Dear Constituents!

Peace to you, your family, friends, and loved ones during this special holiday season. I have been in session throughout this time with many opportunities to speak to various bills and motions. My participation in the house can be watched on a timely basis on my Facebook page as all video clips are posted there. Along with the session activities, I was happy to attend various community Halloween parties, Remembrance Day ceremonies and other community engagements to meet with you in-person, and stay engaged. Also, I was delighted to be at the opening of the Anderson Pedestrian Overpass between Cedarbrae and Woodlands that is 100% funded by Alberta's government. It is a great initiative to connect our communities. Based on the recent inquiries I have been receiving on the SW Ring Road, I am excited to include an overview on the matter. For further details, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Southwest Ring Road: The project reached a financial close on September 13, 2016. The Mountain View Partners consortium was selected as the proponent. The contract is worth \$1.42 billion in 2016 dollars, to be paid over the 35-year term of the contract. The preliminary work is underway with a targeted opening date in Fall 2021. It is an excellent project to diversify Alberta's economy and create jobs. The completion of 101 kilometers of the ring road is an investment in the long-term safe and efficient movement of goods & people in and around Calgary. It will provide improved market access across Calgary, the province, Canada and to foreign ports. The government's objective is to complete this important project in a safe and environmentally sustainable way.

Alberta's government is working closely with the Tsuu T'ina Nation, partnering with them on initial work and will continue to build a collaborative working relationship in the future. Measures for environmental mitigation are being taken into account and further discussions with stakeholders will occur in the near



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Dear Friends and Neighbours,

Season's Greetings and Happy Holidays!

I would like to wish you all a wonderful holiday season with family and friends, spending time and celebrating with those you hold dear.

As is in the spirit of this season, Calgarians are known to have generous hearts during the holidays and throughout the year. If you are looking for a nearby location to drop off non-perishable food items, our office will be accepting donations until December 14th, 2016. The Food Bank's wish list items this year are; canned soup, fruit juice, macaroni and cheese, canned green veggies, canned tomatoes, canned fruit, rice, pasta, pasta sauce, canned fish or meat, peanut butter, baby formula, diapers, and baby food.

As we look back on 2016, I am happy to say that our Gov~continued on page 23~

future. Until now, the Elbow River and Fish Creek crossings have been changed to strike a balance between safety, operations, environmental impact and cost. Based on the feedback from residents and some environmental groups, the bridges over the Elbow River upstream of Weaselhead Park were lengthened and the new bridge over Fish Creek was lengthened to match the existing bridge. Environmental specialists have identified potential impacts to Weaselhead Park and have recommended mitigation with steps to minimize those impacts.

The government will be working closely with the contractor to ensure all permits are established and environmental concerns addressed.

Also, our government is investing more than \$7 billion in our provincial highway network to help put Albertans back to work, connect communities, and improve safety/travel on our highways.

Mark Your Calendar: Meet Your MLA for some holiday cheer at the Constituency Office of Calgary-Glenmore on December 09th, 2016 from 4:00pm to 6:00pm.



With so many items on your to-do and to-buy lists, the season of cheer can quickly become the season of overwhelming stress. Use these easy steps to enjoyably and efficiently check everything off your lists in no time.

- 1. Reduce clutter. On your tables when guests visit, you'll have much more room for glasses and plates of sweet treats. In your fridge — purge the old food and condiments to make room for the incoming platters of party trays and leftovers. In the front closet — make room for the impending influx of shoes and coats.
- 2. Ready your music system. Make sure your CD collection is good to go and your iPod or laptop has adequate playlists that can get you through any type of holiday get-together, from spontaneous drinks to allnight dinner parties.
- 3. Hang the decorations and lights. There's nothing like hanging holiday lights to get you in the spirit. This small

afternoon task makes a big visual impact on guests. Consider lighting up the inside of your house, too lights on garlands and in flower vases add a nice touch to any room.

4. Take a little time for yourself. Use it to de-stress and prepare for upcoming party plans. Pick up a Denver Hayes ugly Christmas sweater kit available at Mark's and blow all of your friends away with your awesome DIY skills. This means your sweater is custom made, so yowu won't be caught in a 'who-wore-it-best' (or worst) competition.

5. Cook up a storm (preferably during a storm). Dedicate a Sunday to baking your favourite holiday treats and freeze them once you're done. This way, you'll be prepared for the upcoming school parties, office cookie exchanges, and potlucks. You'll also keep any impulsive snacking at bay because they're not sitting on the counter.

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Connectivity has been a big theme this year at The City of Calgary. We've heard and learned from many Calgarians on what modes and nodes they use, and what and how they would like to use them. Basically, how folks want to connect with where they live, work and play in our city.

We've discussed the Pedestrian Strategy, the Cycling Strategy, and the Public Transportation Strategy, to name a few. Importantly, we've looked at how these strategies work together to meet the needs of all of Calgary's citizens. This integrated approach – offering a variety of modes of transportation, and nodes to use them - is aimed at creating a more successful transportation system for Calgary. One that is inclusive and accessible for persons of all abilities and ages.

At the end of October, in Ward 11, we celebrated the grand opening of two projects that improve connectivity between communities for pedestrians, cyclists and motorists. The Anderson Pedestrian Bridge was built in advance of the Calgary South West Ring Road construction. Eliminating at-grade crossing is safer for those on foot, and results in less stop and go for drivers. The Flanders Avenue Interchange is a unique interchange design, allowing traffic to flow, while also accommodating the needs of pedestrians and cyclists. The rebuild of the previous bridge was much needed in order to accommodate the growth of the Currie Barracks development, and the campus redevelopment of Mount Royal University.

The City is currently conducting a study on the 50th Avenue SW Greenway Corridor and building the 61st Avenue SW Greenway Corridor and Pedestrian Bridge, two projects that factor in the integration of pedestrians, cyclists and motorists to major destinations like one of our beautiful parks or shopping centres. The SW Transitway BRT will amplify our public transportation network, and connect underserved communities in the SW via optimal transit routes. I put forward the motion arising to build a Pedestrian Overpass at 14th Street and 90th Avenue SW to better connect communities east of 14th Street to Glenmore Landing amenities and the res-

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ernment has invested into 243 school projects to ensure that students have quality educational facilities that are close to their homes. If you would like to watch the progress of these various schools you can find the details at https://projects.alberta.ca/

It has been wonderful to speak to students at many different schools in Calgary-Acadia over the past couple months, and I look forward to more opportunities to talk with students about their goals. Hearing from the next generation of Albertans continues to inspire me. I am pleased that this government is committed to environmentally conscientious initiatives to help keep our local surroundings green and healthy for generations to come.

Thank you to my committed volunteers and supporters for joining me in door-knocking over the fall season, we received a lot of positive response from community members. Many of the questions we received were questions around supports for seniors, as well as information on job creation, and grants available to small businesses. If you require any information on these or other issues – please do not hesitate to contact my office.

I have been honoured to represent the interests of the residents of Calgary-Acadia, and always welcome your ideas for our Alberta.

My staff and I are here to help and hear your feedback. If you need assistance accessing government programs, want some support for a community event or initiative or just want to say "Hi," you can reach us by email at Calgary. Acadia@assembly.ab.ca, by phoning 403-640-1363 or visiting #10, 8318 Fairmount Dr SE. We are open Mondays 10:00AM-3:00PM and Tuesday – Friday 10:00AM-4:00PM.

ervoir. All of these projects are in Ward 11 alone! Other city-wide studies, centred on connectivity, include Crowchild Trail, Deerfoot Trail and the Green Line LRT engagement.

Connectivity is the quality, state and capability we have of being connected to each other, within our communities, and across our city. We still have a lot of work to do in making our city accessible for all, but we are well on our way.

In the spirit of connecting, be sure to subscribe to your Ward 11 Updates at www.ward11calgary.ca. I wish you a Merry Christmas and a great Holiday season!



McDougall United Church, 8516 Athabasca Street S.E. (No religious content, non-denominational)

Artisans in quilting, knitting, crocheting, card making, as well as a "do-as-you-wish" table meet to learn and practice their art in a community setting. No experience is required. Come and learn from instructors, obtain advice, but mostly enjoy the company of women across the ages, make friends, and have a personal time out!

Wednesday mornings, 9:00 – 11:00 a.m., next session September 7 – November 30.

Registration preferred, but drop in is available, babysitting supplied. Please contact Lori at McDougall United Church 403-252-1620.

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In Spain, December 28th is 'Día de los santos inocentes' or 'Day of the Innocent Saints' and is very like April Fools Day in Canada and US. People try to trick each other into believing silly stories and jokes. Newspapers and TV stations also run silly stories.

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Learn About the Future Use of Learning Space at Area V Schools

Join us as we present the proposed changes for the future use of learning space at some Area V schools. Come review this proposal, which was developed from feedback gathered in 2016.

date | January 18, 2017 time | 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. location | Nickle School

2500 Lake Bonavista Drive S.E.

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To learn more about what we've heard so far, visit **cbe.ab.ca/dialogue**



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Christmas Day Service and Dinner

December 25, 2016

TIME: 1 PM

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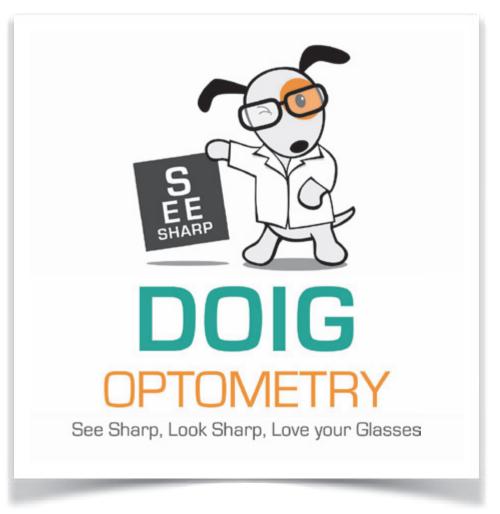
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