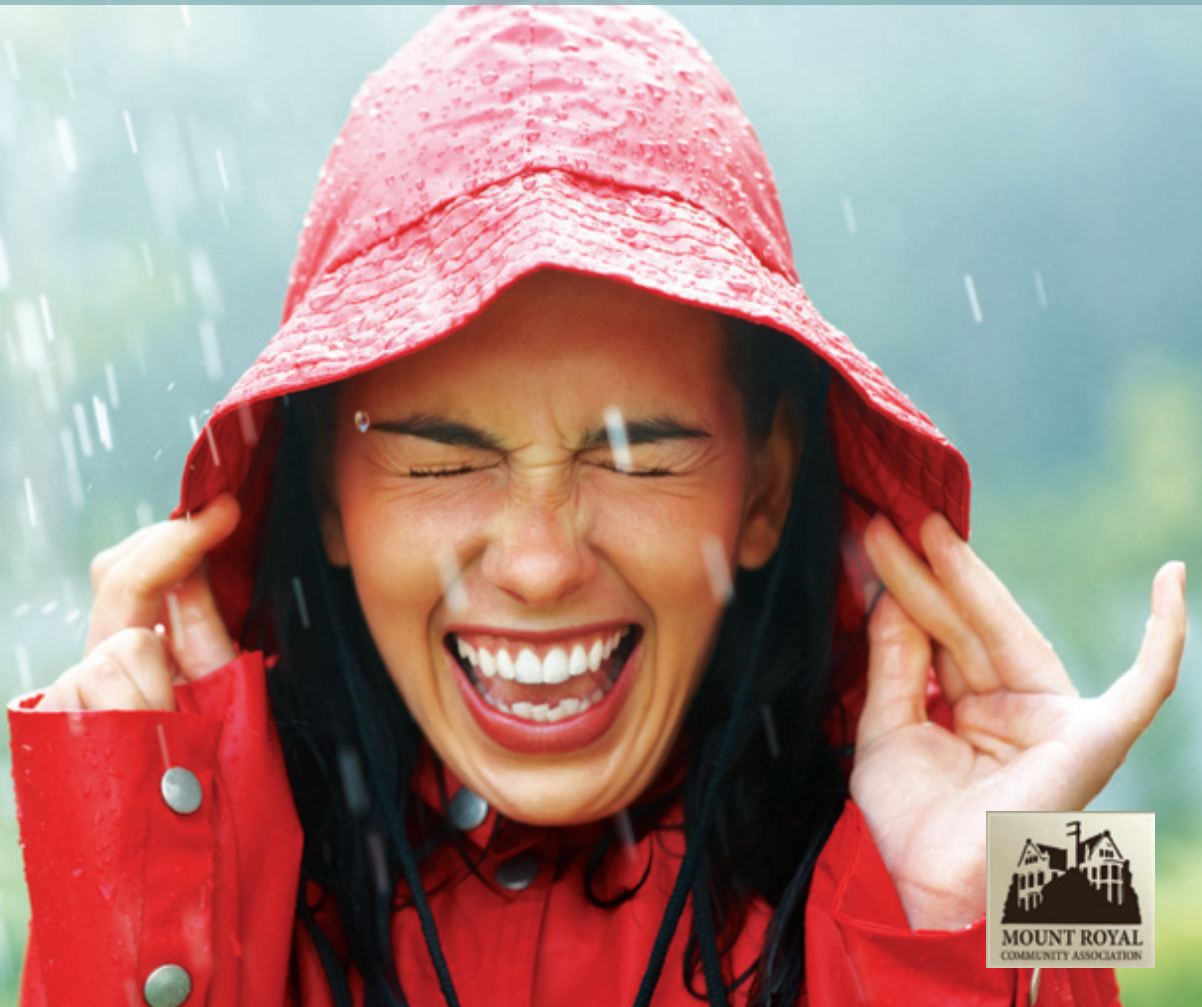


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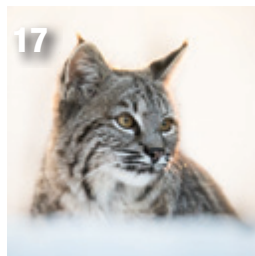


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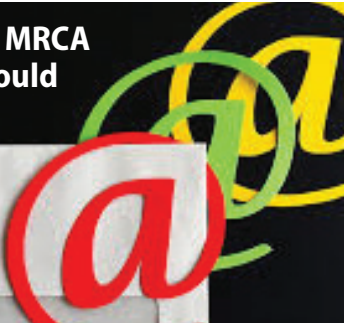
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Yes, new codes are issued each year and the fee is \$20 per year.

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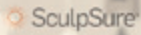
Do I need to book a tennis court?

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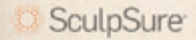
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A few things have changed:

- Illegal marijuana became commonplace. Now legal dope is every place.
- The World Trade centre began construction. 50 years later it's a different hole in the ground...
- The Leafs won the cup for the last time. Um... no change there.
- The first SuperBowl filled a Sunday. The 53rd Superbowl bored a Sunday.
- Trudeau was elected. Trudeau was elected.
- Vietnam raged. Ex-GI's now holiday in Hanoi.

The kids of two former schools: St. Mary's Boys and St. Mary's Girls, are gathering for a GabFest and BBQ on a sunny day in mid-September 2019, 50 years later. If you were there from '66-'69, contact rlucy@createmylegacy.com.

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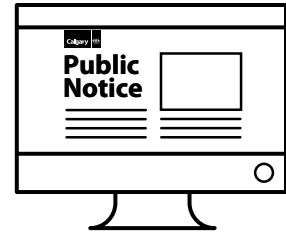
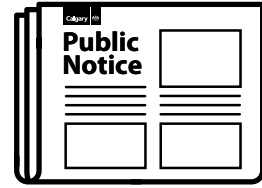
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Dick McDougall, WSET 3, Fine Vintage Certified is a high school calculus teacher and a self-employed sommelier in Calgary.

I Do Not Like Green Eggs and Wine



I do not like them in a moat, I would not eat them with a goat...

Those who have been reading me know from my articles that I like all sorts of wines from all sorts of places but allow me one brief article to vent about something that I do not like. I do not like natural wines. Shame on me for throwing shade on a trendy new thing but after trying at least a dozen times, I just shake my head.

Winemakers have spent a thousand years developing the perfect yeasts so valued that some wineries keep theirs under lock and key, much like sake makers who protect their defin-

ing Koji rice. Suddenly, it becomes trendy to mimic the Ancients and put grapes in a clay amphora, bury it and let the wild yeasts on the grapes' skins go wild without filtering or fining. Are we so bored of drinking the tremendous wines of today?

As a mathematician and scientist, I love a good experiment as much as the next guy, but I would not say, "Hey, let's try leaving the stems and pits in the wine for a little extra bitter flavour and crunchiness!" Rogue yeasts on grape skins are unpredictable and sometimes the worst of them win out which is why only predictable yeasts are used in the best wines.

I recently bought a natural wine made with Sauvignon Blanc and shared it with relatives who I know love that particular varietal. It was cloudy, unfiltered and funky which is definitely not what they were looking for, yet this wine was \$30+ and rated 95 points by a top wine mag.

I will probably get some emails on this, but I leave you with a warning of the Ancients when it comes to the natural wine trend: *caveat emptor*.



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Geraniums

by Barbara Shorrock

Barbara Shorrock has been gardening in Queensland for over 40 years.

All geraniums are perennials—they are just not all perennial in our zone. They belong to the Geraniaceae family and are separated into the genus *Geranium* and the genus *Pelargonium*.

Most gardeners are familiar with the typical bedding plant or potted variety available in garden centres and retail stores everywhere in the spring. We plant them in beds, flower boxes and hanging baskets, and enjoy the blooms from June through September, until we toss them into the composter and plan for next year. These familiar “geraniums” are actually pelargoniums, despite the common geranium label. They grow naturally in some areas of Africa, Saudia Arabia, the Mediterranean, Australia and New Zealand. They like lots of sun, warm to hot temperatures, and a little lime in their soil. Pelargoniums are not frost tolerant but can be kept alive for many years if moved indoors or to a heated greenhouse during winter. The most common varieties we see here are Ivy, Scented, Regals and Zonals.

Zonal pelargoniums are upstanding, erect plants with stiff succulent stems, and fairly rounded leaves. They are most popular in our area and are so named because of the leaf coloration—the zone takes a uniform position around the heart-shaped leaf and is set well inside the leaf margin. The leaf may be green, white or cream, with the zone color contrasting or complementing. Flowers can be single, double or semi-double all clumped into a ball on a single succulent stem. Each individual bloom has 5 petals, although there are exceptions. Colors occur in the warm to hot ranges, from white through all the pinks and peaches to red and burgundy. Sizes include dwarf (max 12 inches in height), miniatures (max 7 inches), and a whole range of others up to shrub size. Gardeners with limited space pinch the branch tips back to encourage compact bushy growth. Easy to grow and maintain with regular watering and warm to hot sunshine, they provide a splash or a carpet of color all summer long.

Regals (most often seen labeled ‘Martha Washington’) have dramatic large flowers with wavy, fringed, pansy or simple shapes. The petals are blotched or streaked with darker col-

ors, providing an endless variety to choose from. I have not found these as hardy to over-winter as the zonals but am determined to keep on trying.

Scented varieties are chosen for the leaves, which come in such scents as rose, mint, citrus, lavender, chocolate, and even Jell-O! Ideally, you should place these plants where their leaves will be brushed in passing, releasing their perfume to be enjoyed.

Ivy-leaved varieties are most popular for hanging baskets, as they have been hybridized to emphasize a trailing habit. They will also climb, if given some help. Forgetting to water or feed can have beneficial results. The stress sometimes changes the pigments in the leaf so that attractive pinks appear in place of greens especially around the edges of the leaves.

True Geraniums are the real perennials here, as many of them are comfortable in Zones 3 and 4. Coming from wild species that have been toughing it out on mountain sides and forest edges, they fit very nicely into our Chinook belt. Commonly referred to as “Cranesbills”, the fruiting body has a long point that looks like its namesake. The flowers are smaller and fewer per group, although maintaining the 5-petals pattern. Colors range from white through purple, with some blues. At the base of each petal is a nectary which produces a sugary nectar. Bees are greatly attracted to these flowers and will flock to your garden if you have geraniums planted. The foliage of wild geraniums is diverse and beautiful. The leaves are mostly divided into five, each of which is much indented. They typically grow in a mound or hummock, or tall, with an open rosette at the base. Useful as a ground cover, they are known to stop weeds in their tracks. They can be naturalized in meadows and woodland gardens and will self-seed in the right conditions. The blooming period is much shorter, (late spring to midsummer) although you can encourage a second show by cutting off all the spent blooms before they set seed. In the meantime, enjoy the leaves and shapes. They can be grown in a sunny bed, or part shade under trees, with more moisture. A lime-type soil (as most of us have here) is welcome.


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January 2019	\$0	\$0
December 2018	\$0	\$0
November 2018	\$1,595,000	\$1,480,000
October 2018	\$2,195,000	\$2,100,000
September 2018	\$2,595,000	\$2,400,000
August 2018	\$2,399,000	\$2,200,000
July 2018	\$1,142,500	\$1,075,000
June 2018	\$1,649,900	\$1,450,000
May 2018	\$2,599,000	\$2,500,000
April 2018	\$525,000	\$525,000

Last 12 Months Mount Royal
 MLS Real Estate Number of Listings Update

	No. New Properties	No. Properties Sold
March 2019	13	4
February 2019	3	1
January 2019	4	0
December 2018	2	0
November 2018	3	1
October 2018	3	4
September 2018	4	2
August 2018	3	6
July 2018	9	3
June 2018	11	4
May 2018	10	1
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Coexisting with Bobcats

by Lisa Dahlseide B.Sc.

With a bobbed tail, Bobcats are small compared to other wild cats. They weigh in around 20lbs. Their front striped legs meet large webbed paws. Whiskers cross a black barred snout with signature black ear tufts. They are strict carnivores hunting small mammals, insects and birds. Little evidence suggests they eat substantial amounts of domestic pets.

If you do not want Bobcats around your property, eliminate shelter options. Areas under your deck or shed provide a good hiding place for Bobcats and prey, remove access to the attractive accommodation. Brush or piles of rubbish encourage small mammal presence inviting predators in for a meal. Feed your pets indoors

and remove bird feeders. However, some welcome the guests.

Bobcats are crepuscular, meaning active at twilight. This behaviour changes seasonally with prey activity increasing in colder months to the day. In urban environments Bobcats often lean towards a nocturnal lifestyle to avoid human interaction.

Bobcats have an average territory ranging up to 5 km². Territorial size fluctuates among individuals depending on prey abundance, mates and denning habitat. Home ranges are also influenced by population densities with smaller territories where there are more Bobcats.

Given their wide range and localized healthy populations, they are not endangered, however they are extirpated, or locally extinct, in many areas across North America. Trapping has led to their disappearance. Here in Alberta, it is prohibited to rehabilitate orphaned or injured bobcats, Fish and Wildlife leave orphaned kittens to starve to death allowing "nature to take its course" with the mother-dependent milk-drinking mammals rarely orphaned from natural circumstances. Bobcats are successfully rehabilitated and released in other jurisdictions.

We are so fortunate to share our community with Bobcats. They have chosen to coexist with us. Bobcats benefit our urban environment bringing balance to our partially paved ecosystem.

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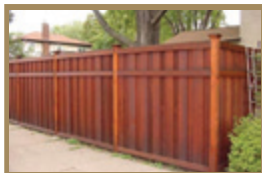


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Most Likely To

May 14, 2019

Event: justREEL FILM SERIES

Film: Most Likely To

Where: River Park Auditorium
 (3818 14a St SW, Calgary, AB T2T 3Y2)

When: Tuesday May 14th, 2019
 at 7:00PM

Cost: FREE

Each year the Marda Loop Justice Film Festival strives to present innovative and meaningful documentaries that encourage Calgarians to take positive action in their communities, this nation, and the world. The film featured in May is a Calgary Police Service (CPS) production.

Synopsis: Children are not born criminals. And one city is making sure of that.

Most Likely To... A look at the Calgary Police Service's approach to youth at-risk crime prevention through intervention, education and most importantly, human connection.

Disruptive. Defiant. Dangerous. Everyone remembers that one kid in their class unanimously voted "most likely to end up behind bars". If we know that kids need help, then why aren't we helping them? *Most Likely To...* follows the lives of Kevin and Timmy, 8 and 18, over the course of a year as they fight for a better life that they were born into. With the help of one of the most progressive police services in Canada, Kevin and Timmy realize that their future doesn't have to be decided by their past.

We hope that we will be able to not only improve our attendance and following, with your assistance, but that we may also inspire Calgarians to change our communities, nation, and world.

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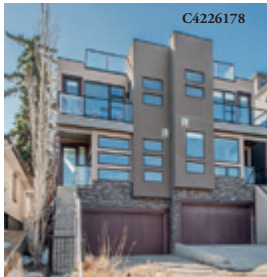
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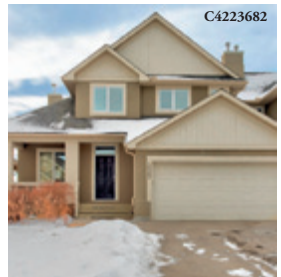
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