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## **Community Office Hours**

Monday 1:00 - 9:00 pm Tuesday to Friday 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm Closed on statutory and civic holidays

#### **Community Office Staff**

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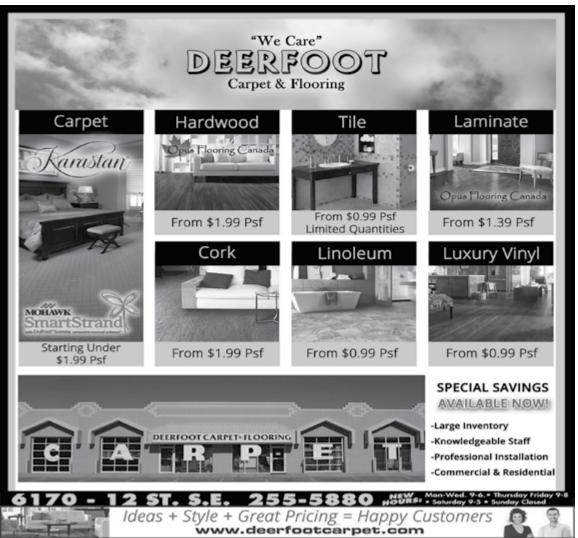
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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Cec Jahrig - President

his is a bit of a strange President's Report this month. In order to be in the February Chronicle, it has to be submitted by the 15<sup>th</sup> of January.

Therefore we will not have the results of the January 26<sup>th</sup> Special Membership Meeting election. There are three results that can come out of this election. The first result is that Darlynn Linn and I could be re-elected as 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President and President of the Woodcreek Community Association.

The second option is that if the voting members decide we have not acted in the best interest of the community as a whole then our opponents could be elected giving the WCA two new individuals in the executive positions.

This whole issue has pointed out that our Association Bylaws need to be amended. The third result would be that no one is elected to these important leadership positions. Our bylaws state that if you have served two or more terms in the same position on the executive, you must receive a two thirds majority to be re-elected. The opponents must receive a simple majority. This brings up the scenario that if Darlynn and I receive 50 to 66 percent, then no one is elected and the two positions will remain vacant till the next Annual General Meeting. Obviously our bylaws need work. We have completely reviewed the bylaws and have amendments which should be processed before the next AGM.

If this happens to be my last President's report, I want to sincerely thank all of those who have volunteered at our community events and activities. With your efforts and the many hours put in, we have made this a much better community and have seen our membership grow from 241 in 2010 to over 1170 this year, and we still have seven months to increase that number.

We have a great staff at the community centre and an active Board. I look forward to additional improvements to the community facilities and continued growth in our membership.

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#### WOODCREEK SENIORS MOMEN'

Meetings are held the first and third TUESDAYS of the month at 9:30am at the Woodcreek Community Centre, 1991 Woodview Drive SW

- All seniors 55+ meet for **Bridge** at 1:00pm at the hall every Tuesday
- Knitting and crocheting group meet at 1:00pm every Monday
- We welcome all seniors in our community to join us twice a month for fellowship and fun

Please come and join us and give us some suggestions/ ideas that you would like to do for entertainment.

Last month we had line-dancing and that was fun...

If you have any questions or inquiries please call as follows...

Sheila Jahrig at 403-251-1436 & or/ Denise Freeborn at 403-238-0278 or email: freeborn@telus.net.



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Woodcreek Community Association, 1991 Woodview Drive SW. Monday 3:00 - 3:45 Wednesday 1:00 - 1:45

#### Registration required.

To register or for more information call 403-955-1554 or 403-863-7708



The Woodcreek Seniors knitting group is knitting/crocheting projects for the 6th annual Woodcreek Craft sale which is scheduled for **November 5, 2016**. We are looking for unused knitting yarn and wool for various projects which will be sold at our fall sale. Thank you for any donation to our group and projects.

Yarn and wool donations can be left at the WCA office during office hours. Office hours are: Monday 1-9:00 pm, Tuesday to Friday 1-5:00 pm. The knitting group meets MONDAY afternoon 1-3 pm in the main hall of the community centre. Please do not leave bags outside by the WCA door.



## **New Year's Eve Recap**

The Woodcreek Community Association brought in the New Year with another sensational party ... "The Hollywood Creek Red Carpet Affair".

We had many guests from our own community, other communities and even other provinces. Word really gets around that WCA knows how to throw a party and how to bring, not just a community together, but a country.

We were greatly entertained by our DJ, Glenn Mitchell and his daughter, Alexia. Those two certainly know how to get our booties shakin', and when our feet are too sore, we just chair dance and sing along instead.

As we were having a Hollywood themed party, we added a bonus ... "Elvis"! No, he is not dead. At least he was not on Dec 31.

To ensure we did not run out of dancing energy, our palates were tantalized by a new Red Seal Chef, who lives in our own community, Matthew Isakeit. We were thrilled at the outpouring of kudos that Matthew received.

Many of our guests were also treated to some fantastic door prizes that were donated by the organizers of the event, by local businesses, and members. We always appreciate their support to the WCA events.

A special shout out to the volunteers; Bartenders: Tom & Stephen, Bussers: Brandon & Adam, Door Ladies: Louise & Diane and, of course, the decorating, de-decorating & clean-up crews.





For those of you who could make it, we thank you, and sincerely hope you were entertained.

For those who could not make it, there is always another event around the corner that we hope you will attend.

We wish you all a happy and healthy 2016.

Nora Ward NYE Coordinator



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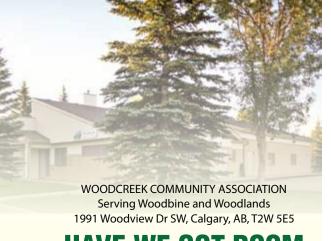
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## WHAT IS **WOODCREEK?**

If you ask people in our area where they live, they say Woodlands or Woodbine. So where does Woodcreek come from? A little history lesson will give you the answer.

Woodlands was established in 1976 and Woodbine 4 years later in 1980. The Woodlands Community Association was incorporated on May 21, 1980, and two years later the Woodbine Community Association was registered on October 19, 1982. In order to better serve the needs of the area, the Woodlands and Woodbine Communities amalgamated on January 29, 1992 and the Community Association name was changed to Woodcreek Community Association and represents the 15,399 residents of both communities. In 1987 a Community Centre building (approximately 1000 sq. Ft.) was built at 1991 Woodview Drive S. W. In 2010 we added a 2500 sq. ft. addition with a full basement. We now have a facility that can better serve the needs of the community and provide a venue for meetings, banquets, dances, birthday parties, you name it. A portion of the basement area provides storage for our community groups.

So when you hear the name WOODCREEK think both of the communities.

A further point is that Woodcreek does have two properties. Our main location is the Community Centre in Woodlands. We also have a Woodbine location on Woodborough Road where we have tennis courts, pickle ball courts, basketball hoop, skating rink, a skate board park and a full basketball court. These are all part of the Woodcreek Community Association.

#### **FISH CREEK SPORTS ASSOCIATION**

After many years of great service to the Woodcreek Community, the Fish Creek Sports Association has been dissolved and sports in the Community will now be handled by the WCA. Many thanks to the great volunteers who have served over the years. The sports scene has changed and sports are now organized on a club or quadrant basis.





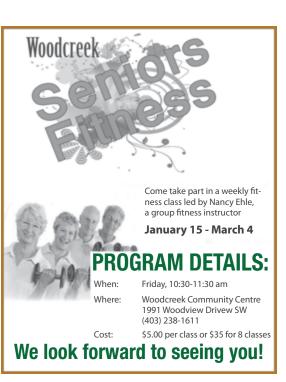


#### Woodcreek Community Association Membership Advantages

- Members receive discounted rates on hall rentals. Call Linda / Lorraine at 403-238-1611.
- Members receive a 20% discount on cost of Trico Centre Membership.
- Members receive FREE Community Announcements in the Woodcreek Chronicle
- Members receive FREE recycling at Community Clean Up held each spring and fall.
- Members receive discounts on tickets for special events such as Pub Night, Wine & Cheese, Oktoberfest, Ice Breaker Dance, Children's Christmas Party and more
- Members receive discounts at participating neighbourhood stores.
- Members have FREE use of tennis and pickle ball courts at our Woodbine location, as well as ice rinks at both Woodlands and Woodbine locations.
- Members are eligible to attend the Knitting Group and/or Seniors Group meetings.
- Members can influence the work of the community association and "give back to their community" though serving as a volunteer on the Woodcreek CA Board.
- Members also qualify as Fish Creek Sports Association members.
- . Members in good standing have a vote at both WCA and FCSA annual general meetings.
- Members benefit indirectly membership fees help support free community events such as Family Fun Day and Pancake Breakfast, as well as the
  cost of running the community centre, hockey and pleasure rinks in Woodlands and Woodbine, and tennis and pickle ball courts in Woodbine.
- Members demonstrate a sense of community pride and stay informed and have a greater community connection.
- Easy Options to purchase a membership at Woodbine Cleaners, Fishman's Personal Care Cleaners, Crispy Crust Pizzeria and the Woodcreek Community Centre during office hours OR on-line at: https://www.compusim.com/woodcreek/membership.
- You can call the community centre at 403-238-1611 and give your credit card number for membership.
- Alternately, you can send the form below with a cheque or money order to the Woodcreek Community Association at 1991 Woodview Drive SW, Calgary, AB T2W 5E5.

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No resident will be refused membership for financial reasons. Please call the office for a confidential discussion of your membership.



# Neighbour to Neighbour

We would like to try a new feature starting this month. We are calling it Neighbour to Neighbour.

We all have surplus items around the house that we don't use. The idea is that if you are looking for some particular item, we would like you to list it in this column, and we may have someone who reads the Chronicle come up with what you are looking for.

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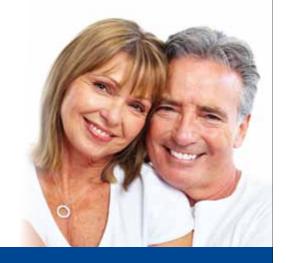
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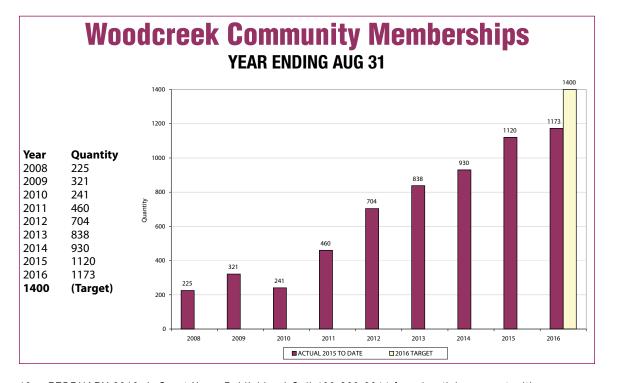
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Ballroom and Latin Dance	Dima Levita (Levita Dance)	403 613 5070
Beavers	Tim Tratch	403 251 4878
Boot Camp	Christine Shudra (Step into Fitness)	403 815 4016
Bulldogs Football	Bill Monks	403 620 4366
Calgary Woodcreek Lions Club	Dennis Belanger	403 660 1201
Classy Heels Dance School	Janina	587 707 0753
Fish Creek Soccer	Jim Flintoff	403 875 8941
Friday Prayers for Muslims	Dr. Mahmood	403 708 1055
Gateway Victory Church	Pastors Rowan and Mara Fraser	403 816 1684
Gentle Yoga	Dionne Cohen	403 669 9365
Karate for Children/Adults	Hermann Pirela	403 880 0992
Knitting Group	Anne Bundgaard	403 281 2571
Mima and Cello Music School	Mima Jovanovic	403 399 2255
Move N Mingle	Alberta Health Services	403 955 1554 / 403 863 7708
Scouts / Venturers	Tim Tratch	403 251 4878
Seniors Bridge/Cards	Wendy Mackenzie	587 350 5415
Seniors Fitness	Nancy Ehle	403 354 4905
Seniors Group	Sheila Jahrig June Logan	403 251 1436 403 238 4916
Silk Road Dance	Abu Maliya (Maliya)	403 510 9059
Tai Chi	Christine Tao	403 208 3564
The Truth About Cancer – Documentary Series	Lorraine Clifford	403 605 9216
Woodcreek Group of Alcoholics Anonymous	Steve Molloy	403 999 1711
Woodcreek Racquet Club	WCA Office	403 238 1611
Zumba Fitness	Ana Utrilla	403 630 5756

## PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES AT THE WOODCREEK COMMUNITY CENTRE

Program/Activity	Day and Time	Schedule may be subject to change	
Gateway Victory Church	Sunday, 10:30 a.m.	Ongoing	
Friday Prayers for Muslims	Friday, 1:45 p.m. Khutaba/2 p.m. Prayers	Ongoing	
Seniors Group	First and third Tues of month	9:30 – 11:30 a.m.	
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Seniors Bridge/Cards Group	Tuesday, 1 – 4 p.m.	Ongoing	
Knitting Group	Monday, 1 – 4 p.m.	Ongoing	
WCA Board Meeting	First Tues of month, 7:15 – 9 p.m.	Ongoing	
Beavers	Wednesday, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.	Ongoing	
Deavers	wednesday, 0.30 – 8.30 p.m.	No meeting Feb 17	
Cubs and Scouts Sock Dunnet Theatre	Friday, 6 – 9 p.m.	Feb 19	
Cubs and Scouts Sock Puppet Theatre			
Cub Car Nights	Monday, 6:15 – 8:15 p.m.	Feb 29, Mar 7	
Scouts	Second Tues of month, 7 – 9:30 p.m.	Ongoing	
Karate for Children (Hermann)	Tues, Wed and Thurs, 5:30 – 6:15 p.m.	Ongoing	
Karate for Adults (Hermann))	Tues, Wed and Thurs, 6:20 – 7:30 p.m.	Ongoing	
Silk Road Dance (Maliya)	Monday, 4:15 – 5 p.m. (Preschool)	Ongoing	
	Monday, 5 – 6 p.m. (Children)	No class Feb 15	
	Monday, 6 – 7:15 p.m. (Adults)		
Ballroom Dance for Adults (Joanne)	Monday, 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	Jan 4 – Feb 29	
		No class Feb 15	
Ballroom and Latin Dance (Dima)	Friday, 6 – 9:30 p.m.	Ongoing	
(For adults and children)			
Mima and Cello Music School	Monday to Thursday, 5:30 – 8 p.m.	Ongoing No class Feb 15	
Mima and Cello Music School	Tuesday and Thursday	Oct – Jun	
(Kinder 3 – 6 years)	10 – 11:30 a.m.		
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Mima and Cello Music School – Children's Choir	Saturday, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.	Ongoing	
		No class Feb 13	
Tai Chi (Christine Tao)	Monday, 10– 11 a.m.	Jan 11 – Mar 7	
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Move N Mingle	Monday, 3 – 3:45 p.m.	Ongoing	
C:	Wednesday, 1 – 1:45 p.m.	No class Feb 15	
Seniors Fitness (Nancy)	Friday, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.	Jan 15 – Mar 4	
Boot Camp (Christine)	Saturday, 8 – 8:45 a.m.	Jan 30 – Mar 12	
- 1 - 1		No class Feb 13	
Zumba Fitness (Ana)	Saturday, 9 – 10 a.m.	Jan 9 – Mar 12	
Calgary Woodcreek Lions Club	Second & fourth Mon of month, 7 – 9 p.m.	Ongoing	
Woodcreek Group of Alcoholics Anonymous	Thursday, 7 – 8 p.m.	Ongoing	
Bus Rapid Transit Meeting	Tuesday, 7 – 9 p.m.	Feb 23	
Calgary Weekend Market	Saturday, 11 a.m 4 p.m.	Feb 20	
The Truth About Cancer – Documentary Series	Sunday, 2 – 4 p.m. (Re-scheduled)	Jan 31 – Mar 27	

For more information please contact the Woodcreek Community Centre at 403-238-1611.

### WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND YOUR COMMUNITY

#### UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE WOODCREEK COMMUNITY CENTR

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	Tai Chi 10 – 11 a.m. Knitting Group 1 – 3 p.m. Move N Mingle 3 – 3:45 p.m. Silk Road Dance for Preschool (Maliya) 4:15 – 5 p.m. Silk Road Dance for Children (Maliya) 5 – 6 p.m. Mima and Cello Music School 5:30 p.m. – 8 p.m. Silk Road Dance for Adults (Maliya) 6 – 7:15 p.m. Ballroom Dance for Adults (Joanne) 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.	Seniors Group 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.  Mima and Cello Music School (Kinder 3 – 6 yrs) 10 – 11:30 a.m. /12:30 – 2 p.m. Gentle Yoga (Dionne) 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. Seniors Bridge/Cards Group 1 – 4 p.m. Mima and Cello Music School 5:30 p.m. – 8 p.m. Karate for Children (Hermann) 5:30 – 6:15 p.m. Karate for Adults (Hermann) 6:20 – 7:30 p.m. WCA Board Meeting 7:15 – 9 p.m.	Move N Mingle 1 – 1:45 p.m.  Mima and Cello Music School 5:30 p.m. – 8 p.m.  Karate for Children (Hermann) 5:30 – 6:15 p.m.  Karate for Adults (Hermann) 6:20 – 7:30 p.m.  Beavers 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.	Mima and Cello Music School (Kinder 3 – 6 yrs) 10 – 11:30 a.m. /12:30 – 2 p.m. Gentle Yoga (Dionne) 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. Mima and Cello Music School 5:30 p.m. – 8 p.m. Karate for Children (Hermann) 5:30 – 6:15 p.m. Karate for Adults (Hermann) 6:20 – 7:30 p.m. Woodcreek Group AA Meeting 7 – 8 p.m.	Seniors Fitness (Nancy) 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. Friday Prayers for Muslims, Khutaba 1:20 p.m. / Prayer 1:30 p.m. Ballroom and Latin Dance for Adults/Children (Dima) 6 – 9:30 p.m.	Boot Camp (Christine) 8 — 8:45 a.m. Zumba Fitness (Ana) 910 a.m. Mima and Cello Music School — Children's Choir 3:30 — 4:30 p.m.
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Next meetings in February are Monday February 8 & 22 At 7 pm --- come join us

We are continuing to be an active club working in our community. Anyone is welcome to come to our meetings – If you require more info. Please call Lion Dennis Belanger 403 660 1201 or email us at: info@calgary woodcreeklions.ca.

People continue to ask:

What & Who Are Lions -- Very Good Questions Lions Clubs International is the world's largest service club organization with 1.4 million members in more than 46,000 clubs worldwide— If you have more questions about the Lions send us a quick email at: info@calgary woodcreeklions.ca.

#### **FUTURE EVENTS**

Car Rallye – Fun & More Fun

Our Club Continues Our 4th Year of Helping Out at the Blood Donor Clinics in South Calgary Community Complex

#### We Are Looking At Different Ways to Fund-Raise For/ In Our Community

IDEAS? – Email Dennis Belanger info@calgarywoodcreeklions.ca



Aztec emperor Montezuma drank 50 golden goblets of hot chocolate every day. It was thick, dyed red and flavored with chili peppers.

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We are open Monday- Friday from 9A.M. – 7 P.M. We are closed on Saturdays, Sundays and statutory holidays.



# Upcoming Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Meeting

Join us for our Southwest Transitway public information session from 7 to 9 p.m. on Tuesday, February 23, 2016 at the Woodcreek Community Hall located at 1991 Woodview Drive SW!

The session is aimed at answering questions you may have about the project. The Project Team will be on hand to discuss various aspects of the Southwest Transitway and the new station planned for Woodbine.

#### What is the SW Transitway?

The Southwest Transitway project will bring a new Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) service to Southwest Calgary, improving transit service and providing more travel alternatives for the area. The new southwest BRT will run from Downtown Calgary to Woodbine and provide direct transit connections to major destinations such as Glenmore Landing, Heritage Park, Rockyview Hospital, Mount Royal University, Lincoln Park, Currie Barracks, Marda Loop and the Southland Leisure Centre.

All station construction will be contained within Cityowned road right-of-way. No community parks or community facilities will be affected. BRT buses will operate in traffic the way they do today except for construction of the 2 new Transitway lanes on 14 Street S.W. No other major changes are planned to the road system. Stations will be larger than regular bus stops, but will be scaled to fit within a community context. They are intended to serve the local neighbourhoods, and will not include any Park and Ride facilities.

For more information, please visit www.calgary.ca/swtransitway or call 311.





#### **BADEN POWELL'S BIRTHDAY FEBRUARY 22**

On behalf of the Woodcreek Scout Group we would like to extend a very big thank you to our newly retired Group Commisioner, Jason Wudkovich for all his hard work and dedication on making our organization what is is today. We all appreciate you very much and your boots will be hard to fill. Another huge thank you goes out to Tanya Wudkovich as our retiring secretary. We hope you both have many happy memories with our organization and you both will be truly missed.

Our new Group Commissioner is Tim Tratch. He can be reached at (403) 251-4878 with any questions you may have about our Groups activities. Thank you very much Tim for filling this position.

As you can see with the heading of this article, it is Robert Baden Powells birthday in February. Scouting organizations all over the world will be celebrating him in some way. Who is Baden Powell you may be asking? Well, he is celebrated as the father and founder of the Scouting movement.

Baden Powell was born in 1857, his father died when he was 3 and his mother was left to bring up their large family of 10. Baden Powell and his brothers had to make up their own fun and games that were based on learning about the outdoors, building boats and going on long journeys together all the while learning to look after themselves. When he was in school he studied acting, singing, cadet corps and art. He loved to study and track animals and birds. Baden Powell was encouraged to write his Army Exams and he surprised everyone by placing 2nd out of 700 candidates and as a result was commissioned as a sub-lieutenant in the 13th Hussars. He quickly moved up the ranks and trained men using competitions and games and taught them how to track and live in the wild. He wrote a book at that time called "Aids to Scouting" which is the book that became the bases of the Scouting movement of today. On his return to England, he was surprised that boys were buying copies of the book and forming themselves into groups and were calling themselves "Boy Scouts" and were practicing the scouting ideas in his book. He decided to rewrite his book to make it more user friendly for young people and called it "Scouting for Boys". In 1907 he ran a camp for a group of boys on Brownsea Island. His 'guinea pigs' were 20 boys from all walks of life. They were divided into patrols with an older boy in charge of the others. At the camp they had fun swimming, stalking animals, hiking and all kinds of fun games and sitting around nightly campfires listening to the many stories BP had to tell. After this camp BP finished his book and in 1908 it was published. He never expected that boys from all across the country would be buying the book and forming themselves into Scout Troops and were asking adults to lead them. BP was still in the Army at that time but they had to give him an office so that he could answer the hundreds of letters that he was receiving from boys telling him about their adventures. By the end of 1908 Scouting had spread to Ireland, Australia, Canada, New Zealand and South Africa. In 1909 he was knighted by King Edward VII for his outstanding military career and especially for founding Scouting. He died in Kenya in 1941. On his gravestone the badges of the Scouts and Guides is carved along with "Robert Baden-Powell, Chief Scout of the World". The scouting program became co-ed in 1998.

The Woodcreek Scout Group will be celebrating Baden-Powell day on February 24th with dinner and awards. We will be showing videos on Baden-Powell to the kids so that they learn how important he was.

In January our kids had a very busy schedule. The Beavers had a games night and made toilet paper bats, they built a bird feeder, there was an investiture of new beavers and they built pencil holders. The cubs had a paper airplane making night, a Heritage Park Sleepover, and a safe knife skills night. The scouts had a badge night, skating/hike event, Hockey and a Billiards night. If this type of program seems like something your child would enjoy please call our Group Commissioner Tim Tratch for more info at (403) 251-4878.

A big thank you goes out to everyone who donated bottles to us for our most recent bottle drive. This fund raiser is very important to us and we would very much appreciate it if you could save your bottles for our group if you feel the work we do with the youth in this community is valued.

A wonderful thank you goes out to our own Woodcreek Community Association and our local Lions Club for their ongoing kind support.

## IN & AROUND

#### **Woodbine School**

February may be the shortest month of the year, but Woodbine school is packing a lot in!

Mission Impossible is back! From February 2<sup>nd</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> the school gym will become an indoor playground. With the Mission Impossible theme song playing in the background, students will get the chance to balance, climb and race their way through the many obstacles and challenges of this popular event.

Grade 2 students have a busy week from Feb. 15th-19th. On Wednesday Feb. 18th they will be hearing from special guest speakers, followed the next day by a visit from members of the Young People's Theater. This week will also see our Grade 4 students putting on their assembly, which will run Thursday Feb. 18th at 9:00 am.

Please note that the Teacher's Convention will run February 11th and 12th, so there will be no school either day. Our school council meeting will be Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 in the school library. Please join us for that – no commitment required!

#### St. Jude School

The staff and students are invited to our Shrove Tuesday pancake breakfast hosted by the School Council on February 9th. In February the whole school community will enjoy a trip to the Orchestra at Mount Royal University, the grade six students will be involved in their Confirmation retreat, grade three's go to the Hall of Fame. We end the month with our annual crazy sock and sock hop day as well!

The school will be closed for Teachers Convention the February 11-12th, Family Day February 15th and PD day Feb 16th.

Save the Date for our annual Ladies Night Out Wine and Cheese Fundraiser at St. Jude. We hope to see you on April 8th from 7-9pm. Tickets are \$20 and you can reserve yours by emailing stjudesc@gmail.com.

Bottle donations are greatly appreciated and can be dropped off by the flag pole on Friday, February 26. Thank you for your support!



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This is another community service we are trying to provide.

WCA Babysitters Register			
First Name	Age	Phone Number	Course
Michaela	13	587-352-0028	C
Joel	14	403-251-9825	C
Ari	14	403-921-6272	C
Fiona	13	403-251-3838	C
Neshama	14	587-352-0028	C
Julie	14	587-435-9277	C
Henry	15	403-719-8282	C
Deia	15	403-921-6272	C
Lilly	15	403-719-8282	C
Marissa	16	403-251-7663	C
Grace	14	587-888-2423	C
Sharon	42	587-350-0172	No
Anna	66	587-707-9999	C
Tenisha	12	403-454-3472	C
Natalie	20	403-238-0803	C
Kiara	11	403-281-0908	C
Carson	11	403-238-1527	C
Brooke-Lynn	14	403-281-6899	No
Robyn	37	587-438-4442	No
Alexia	12	587-439-6842	C
Jyotsna	55	403-802-1938	No
Hailey	16	403-620-0609	C

#### **WCA Tai Chi Program**



NEW SESSION 10 – 11 a.m. Monday, Jan 11 - Mar 7

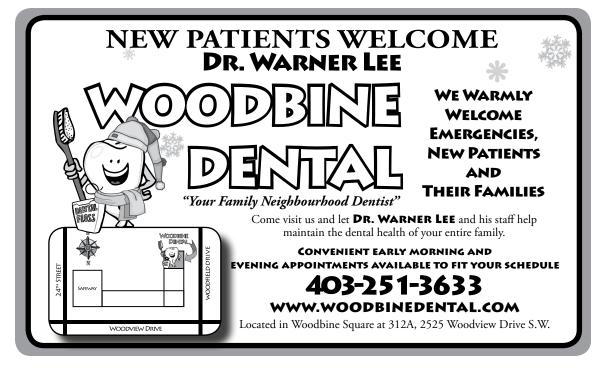
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(No Class Feb 15)

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\$5 per class or \$35 for 8 classes

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As neighbours, volunteers, supporters, colleagues and friends we invite you to attend this free workshop the morning of Saturday, February 6, 2016.

Having a proper, up-to-date will is important for everyone. This workshop will help you understand the reasons why to have a will; what happens if you don't have a will; what to consider when making your will; the legal issues that affect wills; how to prepare a will, plus how to select an Executor. In addition, you will understand the Enduring Power of Attorney and how to ensure that your Personal Directives are followed.

This is a valuable presentation and will be beneficial to everyone.

Please accept our invitation to this free presentation. It is important that everyone pre-registers.

Jonathan Ng, Estate Lawyer, will cover all the essentials about sound planning to ensure your wishes are fulfilled and you optimize what you do with your estate (otherwise, the government decides for you).

What: WILL POWER: Wills and Estate Planning 101+

**When:** Saturday, February 6, 2016

**Time:** 9:15 to 11:45 a.m.

Where: Social Room of Hull Campus

2266 Woodpark Avenue S.W.

**Cost:** There is no charge.

**Registration:** https://helping.hullservices.ca/event-wills

If you have any questions, please contact Lou at louzag@ hullservices.ca

If you are interested but unavailable, please let us know and we will send you notifications of our future Wills Workshops.

Hope to see you February 6!

Thank you,

Lou

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#### Woodcreek Real Estate Update

Last 12 Months WOODBINE
MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
December 2015	\$391,566	\$379,833
November 2015	\$623,330	\$583,600
October 2015	\$449,799	\$435,357
September 2015	\$504,900	\$494,700
August 2015	\$514,133	\$495,813
July 2015	\$454,580	\$446,786
June 2015	\$552,900	\$542,444
May 2015	\$487,660	\$479,150
April 2015	\$563,003	\$551,473
March 2015	\$527,813	\$512,728
February 2015	\$627,933	\$607,250
January 2015	\$449,400	\$434,000

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

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#### SW Bus Rapid Transitway (BRT)

When my Council colleagues approved the SW BRT, we made a commitment to invest heavily into the future mobility needs of Calgarians. Mayor Nenshi appointed me to the RouteAhead Steering Committee, and over two years, we oversaw an aggressive public engagement with citizens.

When I ran in the 2013 Election, the top priorities in my platform were:

- Implement the RouteAhead 30 year long-term transit plan to provide more timely service and increase capacity on our bus network and LRT system. See RouteAhead at www.CalgaryTransit.com/plans-projects/plans)
- Partner with the federal and provincial governments and the private sector to acquire the \$12Billion needed to fund the plan.

Council also adopted the Investing in Mobility Transportation 10-year Capital Plan in 2014. This put into play the funding required to proceed along with commitments from the other orders of government.

The SW BRT is projected to operate a service that will be comparable in reliability and commute time with the C-Train. This will provide residents in Ward 13 and our SW communities with an attractive and more direct alternative to not only the downtown core, but Mount Royal University, Glenmore Landing, Heritage Park, and the future Currie Barracks development. All without having to make multiple transfers. The project itself has a total budget of \$40 million. The BRT grid system in Calgary is much cheaper and takes less time to implement than the years required to construct LRT lines.

The BRT service will include the construction of new bus stations, which will provide residents with heated waiting facilities for those cold day commutes, real-time travel information, and improved lighting and commuter amenities. Buses are expected to run every 10 minutes during peak hours, and every 20 minutes during off-peak hours.

Two new dedicated bus-only lanes will be constructed on 14 Street SW between Southland Drive and 75 Avenue SW. This will allow buses to bypass traffic and maintain a reliable and efficient service, while staying within the existing right of way. No private property or park space will be affected. The existing pedestrian bridge at 75 Avenue SW and 14 Street SW will be restructured to accommodate the new bus lanes.

There will be many opportunities over the coming months to continue to meet and consult with Ward 13 residents as we have done in the past. We have held several workshops and engagement opportunities hosted by myself and City staff last fall. I look forward to continuing to hear your feedback and work with our communities as we finalize the functional design and minimize the impact on communities.

To keep informed on the facts and updated details, please visit www.Calgary.ca/SWTransitway and view the official SW Transitway FAQ at www.Calgary.ca/Transportation/TI/ Documents/Transit-projects/sw-transitway/sw-transitwayfaq-jan2015.pdf.





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Thank you and congratulations to our intrepid organizers/board of directors and participants/winners in the annual Everareen Christmas Light Competition: you are inspiration to community members in Calgary and right across Alberta!

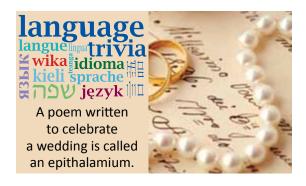
Events that dominated the closing weeks of the last legislative session included the first Alberta NDP budget, the release of the government's climate change plan, the debate on Bill 6, and more. The Budget included many initiatives of grave concern to virtually all of the Albertans that I have spoken with: expenditures of almost \$50 billion and a budgeted deficit of over \$6 billion are the highest in history! Another big concern is the total depletion of the Contingency Account--from \$8.3 billion in June, to absolutely nothing--by the end of next year. On top of all of that, for the first time in a generation, the government will be borrowing to finance day-to-day operations--with no plan to pay it back. In this province, we know that low oil prices create significant challenges for the treasury--and we have seen these downturns before--but as Albertans face job losses and income reductions in record numbers, the NDP is making no effort to restrain its own expenditures. People outside Alberta are taking notice: our prized credit rating has been downgraded from its hard earned AAA rating.

Additionally, the Climate Change Plan (which was released with great fanfare just before the Paris Climate Conference) announced another monumental surprise for Albertans: a \$3 billion carbon tax! I support measures such as capping emissions from the oil sands and limiting methane releases (initiatives that were already underway, by the way); but we need the rest of the world to pull its weight too; and in the meantime, the carbon tax (and accelerated phase-out of coal-fired power plants) will have major detrimental effects on Alberta families. The estimates of the cost of the carbon tax to the average Alberta family is in the neighbourhood of \$1000/year; and yet, there was no warning of this before the election!

The controversy over Bill 6 has been well documented: even the NDP admit that it was poorly drafted, hastily announced, and dreadfully communicated. It caused anger and frustration that stretched across the Alberta: farmers and ranchers were incensed by the sheer arrogance of a government that refused to listen to their concerns or to give clear answers to their legitimate guestions. Our caucus proposed four amendments that would have dramatically improved the legislation, and each was voted down by the NDP--without a single dissenting vote. We introduced and supported motions to refer the Bill to Committee and delay the Bill's passage—at least until proper consultation had occurred--but the NDP used its majority to invoke closure...and pushed the legislation through anyway.

As critic (advocate) for Aboriginal relations, I have been asking hard questions of the government on its declared plans to forge a new relationship with First Nations, Metis, and Inuit Albertans. I asked the Premier why there was not one single specific commitment in the throne speech regarding either the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People--or the Truth and Reconciliation Report--and interestingly enough, less than a week later, she apologized on behalf of Albertans for the government not taking a stand on the residential school system. I have continued to highlight the absence of relationship building--including the lack of Aboriginal membership on the Premier's Council on Economic Development--and there is much more to do.

My PC MLA colleagues and I will continue to demand that the government respect your hard earned tax dollars. We will push them to protect the jobs of Albertans, while committing to effective, robust, and transparent consultation, as they implement all sorts of new legislation. I am honoured to stand up for all Albertans—especially the citizens of Calgary-Lougheed--and if you have any ideas and/or reguire any assistance, please contact me. In the meantime, despite these difficult times, I hope that 2016 will be a great year for you!



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Average DOM:

Average Size: 1772.3 sq. ft.

#### **Active Listings** As of January 11, 2016

**Total Actives Listings:** 29

\$269,800 - \$1,199,900 Price Range:

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