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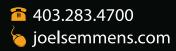
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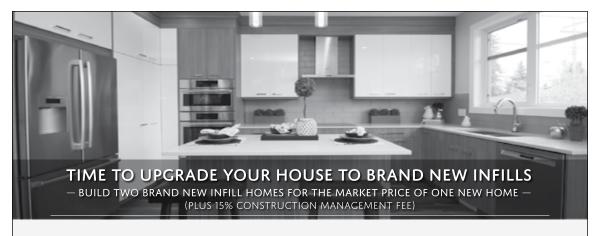


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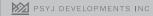


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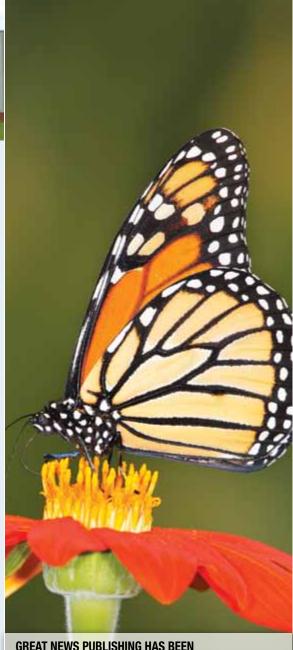
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# **Board Meetings**

Board Meetings are held at 7pm on the second Thursday of each month in the Community Hall meeting room. Resident's are welcome and encouraged to attend. To include an item on the agenda, please contact the Board at least two weeks prior to the meeting.

#### **Contact the HHBH Community Association at:**

Mailing Address: Box 65086, RPO North Hill Calgary, AB T2N 4T6 Phone: 282-6634 (voice mail) (checked 1 - 2 times per week)

Email: admin@hh-bh.ca

**Beacon Submissions to:** Beacon Editor – email: Beacon@hh-bh.ca Deadline for submissions for next issue: First of the month

Boardroom/Gym Bookings: bookings@hh-bh.ca

Website: www.hh-bh.ca

**Boardroom/Gym 1922 – 14 Avenue N.W.**Parking is west of the Louise Riley Library, accessed via the library driveway.Hall/Gym is located NE of our parking lot, just across the soccer field.

The HHBH Gym and Boardroom schedule can be viewed online at www.hh-bh.ca.



Community Board Meetings Second Thursday of the month at 7 pm in the Community Boardroom. **All are invited!** To be on the agenda, please contact admin@ hh-bh.ca, at least 2 weeks in advance. Please note there are no Board Meetings in July or August. **Next Meeting: September 8** 

# Come Celebrate the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Summer Solstice Party

Saturday June 18, 2016 Green Park 5:30 to 10:30 pm

#### **Stampede Breakfast**

Saturday July 16 - Green Park - 9 to 11 am. Save the Date! Everyone is invited to our famous Community Wide Stampede Breakfast! Tell your friends and bring your neighbors!

Help is needed for setup, cleanup, serving, flipping pancakes. If you can volunteer, call Carol 403-284-5851

#### **Community Cleanup / Fall Party**

Saturday, September 17, 2016 - 9 am to 2pm and Party 6 to 9 pm. To Volunteer contact Patricia - events@ hh-bh.ca

#### **Family Open Gym Night**

Fridays 6:30 – 8 pm Community Gym

#### **HH-BH Playschool Calendar of Events:**

**UPCOMING JUNE: Year is Done & Summer Fun!** 

- June 1 & 2nd: Backwards day!
- June 10th: Year End Celebration (evening)
- June 16th & 17th: Father's Day Pancake Breakfast
- June 21 & 22nd: Last Day of Classes
- June 22: Last classroom cleaning
- June 23 & 24: Teacher take down days

#### **HHBH Gym Drop-in Programs**

Badminton: Tuesday – Friday 9:00 am – 12:00 pm Pickleball: Tuesday – Wednesday - 1:00 pm – 3:30 pm Rates: \$4 per person, \$3 for seniors (55+)

#### **Memberships:**

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# PRESIDENT'S **MESSAGE**

Hello everyone;

As I write this message today in early May, I am listening to the terrible news about the devastating fires in Fort McMurray. It's hard to believe that such a tragedy is happening when I look out my window and see the beauty of spring all around, and make my plans for another ordinary day here in Calgary. Such a contrast certainly helps put life into perspective and highlights that what may seem monumental in our lives is really small compared to what issues and changes other people are going through.

One change that is happening in our community is the running of the community kindergarten. After more than 55 years of being offered as a cooperative program run under the umbrella of our community association, kindergarten will now be part of the Calgary Board of Education and join the rest of the Briar Hill Elementary School under its auspices.

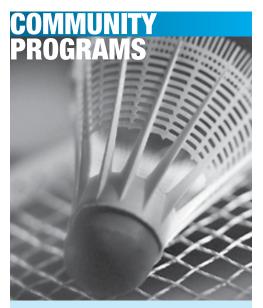
Reading through the historic files and hearing from the many people who made this kindergarten so successful, I am amazed at the commitment and hard work that community members have shown. And the vision in seeing the importance of early education! Thank you! The community kindergarten played an important role in the school as a whole and of course in educating our children when there weren't good alternatives.

Although much less dramatic than a fire, our society has changed over the years and this affects our lives in many ways. Running a community kindergarten has become more difficult, or perhaps I should say, difficult in new ways that are much harder to overcome. And in the meantime, the value of kindergarten as the first step in a child's education has been recognized as a public education priority. There is now a good alternative program for kindergarten that will be offered in our community school.

Please check our website for details on when there will be a community party in the near future to celebrate the kindergarten program and all that has been accomplished over its long and successful tenure. And let's look forward to the new opportunities that are now on the horizon.

I wish you all a happy summer and many hours spending time with family and friends. May any changes that you encounter be good ones.

Laura



## FREE - Drop-in Soccer Skills Training -

All AGES!

Saturdays 11:00 to 1:00 outdoors at the Fire hall Field.

Everyone is invited to come out every Saturday during the outdoor soccer season for FREE soccer skills sessions provided by TripleMeg. See you there!

#### **Youth Badminton**

Youth Badminton Program Ages 12 - 17 Information at www.hh-bh.ca Badminton@hh-bh.ca

## **Family Open Gym Night**

Fridays 6:30 – 8 pm Community Gym

**HH-BH Playschool \*ONLINE\* Registration** is \*OPEN\*

There are still spots available for Fall 2016 For information or to register visit

http://www.hhbhplayschool.com hhbhplayschool@gmail.com

For the Latest News and Events, please visit our HH-BH Community Association website at www.hh-bh.ca for more information

Have an idea for a great community program or event? Send your enquiry or idea to vp@hh-bh.ca

# **LETTER FROM THE**

Dear HH-BH Community Members and Kindergarten families.

At the monthly HH-BH Community Association meeting held on Thursday, April 14, 2016, a motion was passed regarding the HH-BH Community Kindergarten. The Community Association board of directors agreed to discontinue the relationship with the HH-BH Community Kindergarten as an ancillary group effective August 31, 2016.

This decision was made only after careful assessment and collaboration with a variety of experts, community members and volunteers. Including:

- Families of the kindergarten, current, past and future
- Staff of the HH-BH kindergarten
- · Lawyer specializing in governance
- Federation of Calgary Communities
- City of Calgary
- Calgary Board of Education
- Insurance provider for the HHBH Community Associa-
- Members of the community
- Ministry of Alberta Education

In doing so, we recognize the kindergarten has been both a source of community cohesiveness and pride - a special legacy within our small community. We applaud all volunteers who took the time to build and run a community kindergarten program in order to save Briar Hill School. Their work provided the community with a kindergarten program in a time when public education did not. This fact does not go unrecognized or unappreciated. We are proud to represent such an engaged and well informed community membership.

However, the administrative, legal, and volunteer burden on today's families has become increasingly unreasonable. Throughout the years, various safeguards have been put in place to effectively manage the kindergarten operations, but the realities of our increasingly litigious society and need to adhere to strict government requirements, demands more - much more than volunteer parents and board members can or should manage.

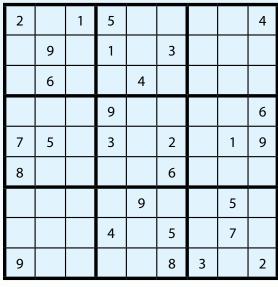
Therefore, the community association is pleased to announce the Calgary Board of Education wishes to operate a kindergarten program within the Briar Hill School beginning in September 2016. We will continue to provide further information to the kindergarten families regarding registration and programming as it becomes available to us. For the remainder of this school year, please be assured it is the Community Association's highest priority to represent and govern the current community kindergarten in compliance with the expectations of Alberta Education and the Alberta Societies Act.

Further questions or concerns can be directed to the HH-BH Community Association Education Directors at education@hh-bh.ca.

Sincerely,

Jill Letal & Jill Hadland, Education Directors Hounsfield Heights - Briar Hill Community Association

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Parking Lot - West of Louise Riley Library at the corner of 19 St. and 14 Ave. NW

(Enter the library parking lot, and then follow the drive ground the north side of the library)

# Community Clean Up is a Great Opportunity to:

**Dispose of large items**: The City of Calgary Waste & Recycling Services sponsors a unique community program by providing 3 packer trucks, one only for organic and yard waste. Residents can bring unwanted household goods (things that might otherwise fill your basement, yard, street or alley) to the pick-up site.

Recycle: We will also have electronic recycling, scrap metal.

**Exchange**: There will be a 'Give and Take' section where you can leave or take anything that may still be of some use. (We can only take items in the 'Give and Take' until 1:00 – please no dealers this is a community service only).

Clean: Our green spaces – there will be teams of volunteers tidying up as many local green spaces as we can get to.

Contribute: To our community by volunteering to help organize, man booths or clean up.

**Celebrate**: The Community Fall Party will follow that evening from 6 to 9 pm at the Community Gym so bring your friends and neighbors; Everyone is Invited.

#### What to leave at home (Items not accepted):

Tires \* Household chemicals \* Propane Tanks \* Large-scale Furniture \* Paint \* Fridges \* Freezers \* Microwaves \* Liquids \* Car seats \*Stuffed animals \* Household batteries

This event takes many dedicated volunteers. If you can volunteer or join our committee please contact Patricia at events@hh-bh.ca or call (587)0703-9739.

Visit www.hh-bh.ca to keep updated on this event and accepted / not accepted items



# Vulnerable People Workshops

In early May, the HH-BH Community Association Board held the first 1.5 hour workshop. If you are interested in attending a 1.5 hour workshop in the future please contact admin@hh-bh.ca for the next workshop: date TBA.

## **Engaging Vulnerable People: an Education Initiative**

The Centre City has historically been the focal point for delivering programs and services to vulnerable and marginalized Calgarians, particularly those experiencing homelessness due to poverty, mental health and addiction issues.

People living and working in the Centre City have expressed an interest in better understanding vulnerable and marginalized Calgarians who live downtown. Social service agencies, business organizations, The City of Calgary and Calgary Police Service are partnering to provide workshops to respond to this interest.

#### About the workshops

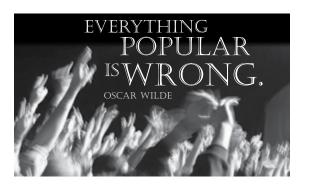
Workshops provide participants with:

- accurate information about Calgary's homeless population.
- sensitivity skills for relating to persons experiencing homelessness,
- safety and non-violent crisis intervention techniques to increase confidence, and
- increased knowledge of available community resources to contact the appropriate agency when help or advice is needed.



# CBE Kindergarten Program at Briar Hill Elementary School Fall 2016

The Calgary Board of Education will be opening a Kindergarten Program at Briar Hill School beginning in September 2016. Information regarding registration is available at the school between 8:00 – 4:00 Monday to Friday or by going on line to http://schools.cbe.ab.ca/b205/. If you have previously registered your child in the community program that formerly operated at the school, and want to attend Briar Hill School, you must register your child with the Calgary Board of Education. If you would like to speak to Pat Loewen, Principal, please contact her at 403-777-6140.





**Protecting your Property** 

Prepared by Constable Kastamonitis
Community Resource Office, District #3

Over the last several months thieves have targeted detached garages throughout northwest communities. They didn't have to do much more than just walk right in; as the majority of the pedestrian doors were left unlocked. Once inside, they focused on stealing high end bicycles, sporting goods, power tools as well as personal items left in unlocked vehicles parked inside.

Protecting your Property is quite easy and inexpensive. First, lock your doors to your detached garage or shed with good quality locks. Remove personal valuables from within your vehicle and lock the doors which in most cases also activates an alarm, or use an anti-theft device.

It is important to put valuables out of sight and securing them in hard to access areas. I also recommend that a record be kept of valuable items with pertinent information such as: make, model, serial numbers along with photographs.

The Calgary Police Service would like to remind you to be vigilant and to report any suspicious individuals or activities through the non-emergency line 403-266-1234. Always call 9-1-1 to report a crime in progress.

If possible, obtain a physical description, including clothing, along with a direction of travel of any suspicious individuals, as this information is crucial to responding police officers.

You may also report crime anonymously by calling CrimeStoppers at 1-800-222-8477.

## Sign up for the HUB

In support of community engagement efforts, **The Hub Messaging System** is a community automated notification system that delivers vital information to residents and business owners within the City of Calgary.

The Hub Messaging System utilizes sophisticated software by strategically sending information to a selected geographic area made possible through a community member sign-up webpage. Messages will be prepared and delivered by the Calgary Police Service through email, voice, and text messaging. Message types and user delivery profiles can be tailored to meet the needs

and preferences for each registered community member. Community members can choose to change their profile or unsubscribe at any time.

### Types of messages

The Hub Messaging System transmits messages using landline and cellular telephone options. The registration page enables community members to create a user profile which will specify the message types that the community member wishes to receive and restrict the types that are not desired. E-Alert will send informative messages ranging from city events to safety notifications and emergency incidents. The following are examples of message types that are delivered:

- Community events
- Information alerts
- Existing Amber alerts
- Missing persons
- Emergency incidents
- Neighbourhood crime alerts
- Threats to school safety
- Public warnings
- Crime prevention information

#### Registration

Residents and business owners within the city of Calgary who wish to enroll in The Hub Messaging System can register by completing an online form or at their local police district office.



# **Sears Plume Update**

Clifton Associates Remedial Action Plan-Mall and Hounsfield Heights Area CG2430.1

### **Executive Summary**

Pursuant to the submission of the Updated 2014 Site Management Plan (11 July 2014), Sears Canada Inc. (Sears) has committed to the implementation of additional remedial efforts in order to address the dissolved phase petroleum hydrocarbon (PHC) plume associated with the former Service Center located at the North Hill Mall property, Calgary, Alberta.

In a letter dated 22 December 2015, Alberta Environment and Parks (AEP) requested that Sears provide a Remedial Action Plan (RAP) by the end of the first quarter of 2016. The RAP is expected to address the entire Site (North Hill Mall and the community of Hounsfield Heights), and is to include the following information:

- Remediation methods proposed/selected:
- Location of the remedial efforts:
- When the remedial efforts will be implemented;
- Remedial efforts effectiveness for site-specific conditions; and,
- Proposed monitoring for remedial effectiveness.

The RAP was completed in accordance with the principles and practices outlined in the AEP Contaminated Sites Policy Framework dated 31 October 2014 and the draft Alberta Environmental Site Assessment Standard dated July 2013.

The scope of work for the RAP included completing the following tasks:

- Reviewing of the historic environmental reports regarding contamination;
- Discussing the applicable regulatory criteria that



may affect the implementation of the RAP;

- Evaluating the potential pathways through which the contamination may affect the Site; and,
- Presenting the RAP to address on-Site contamination.

The source of the hydrocarbon contaminant plume in the Mall and Hounsfield Heights Areas is the former Sears Service Centre, located at 1614 -14th Avenue NW; now operated under license to Kal-Tire Automotive Centre, which does not engage in retail fuel sales. The location was originally developed as a service station and automotive centre in 1958, owned, and operated by Sears. Some underground storage tanks (USTs) were replaced in 1984, and in October 1995, fuel storage and dispensing facilities at the gas bar were decommissioned.

There have historically been many environmental reports and investigations completed with respect to the Site. The Updated SMP (2014) for the Hounsfield Heights area as well as the Subsurface Investigation - Mall and Hounsfield Heights Area (2016) report provides a summary of all previous environmental work completed, and indicate that hydrocarbon contamination is still present.

Currently, there are two on-going remedial efforts being undertaken at the Site. First, the use of the Dual Phase Vapor Extraction (DPVE) system and secondly, bi-weekly active bailing. The original purpose of the DPVE was to remove, to the extent practicable, the LPH present on-Site. Since the implementation of the DPVE system. LPH has not been observed in any of the monitoring wells. However, during the past year of activities, the DPVE was purposely shut down, and since then, the LPH returned in one the monitoring wells which is believed to be associated with the rebounding of the water table. Since the LPH detection within the monitoring well. Clifton has completed weekly, then bi-weekly, active bailing of that well and also re-started the DPVE system. Clifton recommends that the DPVE system and active bailing program continue until the LPH is no longer present. Once the LPH is no longer observed, Clifton recommends that the continued operation of the DPVE system be assessed to determine if it is still required.

# **Sears Plume**

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In addition to the continued use of the DPVE system and the active bailing program, Clifton is proposing the application of PlumeStopTM, an in-situ bioremediation method. PlumeStopTM is a Liquid Activated Carbon system with enhanced biodegradation created by Regenesis Remediation Services.

The proposed PlumeStopTM application will involve an injection along 11 th Avenue NW, with a co-application of ORC-Advanced (and oxygen release compound) up-gradient of the area of highest benzene concentrations to minimize breakthrough. Breakthrough can occur if concentrations are too high, reducing the effectiveness of the activated carbon thereby allowing contaminants to flow through the biomatrix without being fully absorbed and subsequently degraded. Approximately 72 injections points spaced approximately 2.4 meters (8 feet) apart will be placed along 11th Avenue NW to address the advance of the PHC plume. Approximately 79 application points at 1.5-meter spacing will be placed up-gradient of the PlumeStopTM application zone to apply ORC-Advanced. It is anticipated that the full scale application along 11 th Avenue will begin at the end of June 2016 and will take approximately 20 days to complete. A design verification test was completed in March 2016 to confirm the remedial design assumptions.

Clifton has identified two areas of potential future application of PlumeStopTM in the Mall and Hounsfield Heights Areas: 14th Avenue NW and 10th Avenue NW. The expected limits of application are 16A Street NW and 15th Street NW for the application along 14th Avenue NW and from 16th Street NW to 15th Street NW for the application along 10th Avenue NW. The application on the north side of 14th Avenue NW, adjacent to the Bentall and Sears property, is intended to treat and aid in the prevention of any further migration of PHCs from the source. The application along 10th Avenue NW is intended to be placed as a contingency to aid in the prevention of the plume from migrating beyond this point.

Clifton is planning on completing a Design Verification Test (DVT) in each of these areas in 2016 in order to determine the remedial design requirements.



# CALGARY

# The scoop on dog poop

With 150 public off-leash areas and over 100,000 dogs in our city, it's clear Calgarians love their canine companions. What isn't to love is the stinky situation left behind when owners don't pick up after their pets.

Cleaning up your dog's waste helps keep our yards, parks and off-leash areas safe and healthy, and is part of being a responsible pet owner.

Here are five facts you may not know about doggy doodoo:

- 1. It's classified as a hazardous pollutant. It's in the same category as toxic chemicals!
- 2. It's crawling with E. coli and often contains roundworm larvae which, if ingested by humans or dogs, can lead to brain, eye and other organ damage.
- 3. It's not a good fertilizer. Its high nutrient content is toxic to lawns and will create "hot spots" causing the grass to burn and discolour.
- 4. It doesn't absorb into the soil, so the risk of spreading its harmful effects can linger for years!
- 5. It attracts mice, coyotes and other wildlife that consider it a delicious snack.

Keeping our city pet-waste free is easy, if we all do our part. Always carry pet waste bags with you when you walk your dog, and pick up and properly dispose of your pet's waste as soon as possible.

To learn more about the importance of picking up after your pet, join us at a P.U.P.P.Y. (Pick Up Pooch's Poo Yourself) event near you. Visit calgary.ca/puppy for details.

# IN & AROUND CALGARY

# YOUR CITY SECTION!

Check out these important updates from The City of Calgary

Celebrate the contribution of Calgary seniors during Seniors' Week: June 6 - 12. Visit calgary.ca/seniorsweek for events in your community.	calgary.ca/seniorsweek
Neighbour Day (June 18) is an opportunity for neighbours to come together to celebrate our strong community spirit.	calgary.ca/neighbour day
Stuck on Deerfoot? Share your challenges and recommendations to make this road better at one of our open houses or online.	calgary.ca/ deerfoot
Planning on doing some yard renovations this summer? Be sure to visit calgary.ca/homeimprovement.	calgary.ca/ homeimprovement
Join with other Calgarians on June 23 to celebrate the Chief David Crowchild Memorial Awards. Learn more by searching Chief David Crowchild on calgary.ca.	Search Chief David Crowchild on calgary.ca
Bring the family to Canada's largest man-made wetland on Sunday, June 19 from 1 to 3 p.m. for free activities and entertainment at The City of Calgary's Park Fest!	calgary.ca/parksevents
Floods, snowstorms, fires, power outages, telecommunication failures — these are just some of the natural, technological and human-induced events that Calgary needs to be prepared for, according to the recent Status of Emergency Preparedness report from the	calgary.ca/cema
Calgary Emergency Management Agency (CEMA)	

#### Stay connected to the City of Calgary

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# Register the kids for a summer nature adventure

Looking for activities to keep the kids entertained this summer? Send them on a nature adventure!

The City of Calgary's nature day camps will keep them busy as bees exploring cool critters, discovering plant power and spotting fabulous flyers. These action-packed adventures, involving hands-on activities and outdoor play, encourage children to explore and experience the natural world in a whole new way.

Nature camps run for one week and are offered July and August at the Inglewood Bird Sanctuary. Half-day camps are available for children four and five years old. These bite-sized adventures include daily nature walks, games and crafts. Full-day camps, designed for children ages six to 12, include in-depth investigations and nature explorations focused on specific themes, including wetland wonders, nature's engineers and the food we eat.

Worried about child care? We have you covered. Before- and after-camp care is available for \$25 per timeslot.

Visit calgary.ca/parksguide or call 403-268-3800 to register.

# COMMUNITY business of the month

## **Morpheus Theatre**

Hounsfield Heights - Briar Hill Community

would like to take this opportunity to introduce you to Calgary's affordable presenter of quality Community Theatre – Morpheus Theatre. Morpheus Theatre is a local Community Theatre company that is proud to have our office and rehearsal space located on the lower level of the Parkdale Community Centre since 2011. We have been presenting "Shows Worth Seeing" at the Pumphouse Theatre since 1995. Our season normally includes: a comedy in September; a family-friendly holiday show in December; a contemporary play in February; and a Gilbert & Sullivan Operetta in April/May.

We are pleased to announce our amazing, fun and entertaining 22nd Season!

Run For Your Wife, September 23 – October 1, 2016

It's a Wonderful Life, December 2 – 17, 2016

Skin Flick, February 3 - 18, 2017

Iolanthe, April 28 - May 13, 2017

Season tickets are now on sale and provide a significant discount on our already reasonable ticket prices!

Our shows are produced, directed, designed and acted entirely by volunteers. Morpheus Theatre has many opportunities for nearby residents to get involved in the arts. Whether your interest lies in acting on stage, volunteering backstage, or watching the action from the audience, community theatre has a role for you.

**Auditions** – All of our shows have open auditions. Between June and November we put out audition calls for our four mainstage productions. For those new to theatre, a role in the ensemble is a great start.

**Backstage** – From finding properties, to sewing costumes, and from styling hair and make-up, to moving sets, we are always looking for new volunteers.

**Ushering** – Want to see a show for FREE? We recruit volunteer ushers for each of our productions - no experience necessary. Have a little extra time? Volunteer for 4 or more performances during a run as a lead usher!

**Fundraisers** – As a non-profit charity, we also have the occasional fundraiser that requires volunteers, such as our annual book sale.

Morpheus Theatre offers programs based on the works of Gilbert & Sullivan, whose popular Victorian operettas have held interest around the world for over a century.

**G&S JR Theatre School** – this Saturday morning program lets youth ages 9 to 17 participate in rehearsing and performing an operetta. Classes include professional instruction in Acting and Voice, with the program culminating in a performance on the set of our mainstage production.

**Morpheus G&S Singers Community Chorus** - a non-auditioned group that gathers together Sunday evenings to learn and sing the wonderful songs from the operas of Gilbert and Sullivan.

We also offer other community services, such as workshops, space rental and ticketing.

**One-Day Workshops** - throughout the year, we run open workshops on acting, directing and technical theatre.

**Space Rental** - flexible rehearsal studios, audition, office and meeting space for the arts community. Our space has been used for rehearsals, auditions, workshops, music lessons, recitals, drama/dance/yoga class and more.

**Ticketing Services** - Morpheus Theatre is pleased to offer our box office services to Community Theatre companies and other organizations requiring online event ticketing, telephone box office services or pre-printed tickets, all at an affordable price.



## **MEMBERSHIPS**

Your annual membership is good through July 31, 2016 and entitles you and your family to participate in a variety of different community programs and activities. The cost is only \$20 annually per family/household or \$10 for seniors, including GST. Simply fill out this form & mail it in.

HOUNSFIELD HEIGHTS - BRIAR HILL COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION				
	MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION	n 2015-16		
Family Name(s):				
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First Name - Children:				
Address:		Postal Code:		
Home Phone:				
Email:				
Would you like to receive the announcements by email?	newsletter and other yes	□ no □		
I would be interested in volunteering for:  Membership #				
☐ Land Use	☐ Membership Drive	Valid through July 31, 2016		
☐ Green Space/Reforestatio	n ☐ Children's Programs	Annual membership (including GST) is :		
☐ Fundraising	☐ Seniors' Programs	☐ \$20 per household		
☐ Facilities/Ice Rink	☐ Sports Programs	☐ \$10 for seniors		
☐ Communications/Newslett	er			
☐ Other		Paid by: cash □ cheque □		
Send cheques payable to <b>Hounsfield Heights-Briar Hill Community Association</b> Box 65086 RPO North Hill, Calgary AB T2N 4T6				
Association's collection and use	of that information for the purposes of	orm you are consenting to HH-BH Community of providing you a membership in the community of the Association		



Hounsfield Heights/Briar Hill Real Estate Update Last 12 Months Hounsfield Heights/Briar Hill MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price		
April 2016	\$579,950.00	\$562,000.00		
March 2016	\$0.00	\$0.00		
February 2016	\$2,199,000.00	\$2,100,000.00		
January 2016	\$0.00	\$0.00		
December 2015	\$0.00	\$0.00		
November 2015	\$0.00	\$0.00		
October 2015	\$2,799,900.00	\$2,500,000.00		
September 2015	\$1,475,000.00	\$1,415,000.00		
August 2015	\$619,800.00	\$596,000.00		
July 2015	\$982,500.00	\$982,500.00		
June 2015	\$759,500.00	\$737,000.00		
May 2015	\$549,900.00	\$530,000.00		

Last 12 Months Hounsfield Heights/Briar Hill MLS Real Estate Number of Listings Update

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

To view the specific SOLD Listings that comprise the above MLS averages please visit

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# IN & AROUND CALGARY

# Celebrate Seniors Week June 6-12

Seniors make a huge difference in the lives of Calgarians. Celebrate Calgary's seniors this June by attending one of the many community events hosted around Calgary.

There is so much to learn from the members of Calgary's senior community. They have participated in the building and history of our city and continue to impact the lives of those around them. Whether it is sharing their time by volunteering or their love by helping family and friends, Calgary's seniors are integral members of our society. Treat the seniors in your life to a special occasion this June 6 through 12. Learn more by visiting, calgary.ca/seniorsweek.



months after expiry date of the membership.

The Association will not sell, barter or lease membership lists or information. We may retain this information until nine

# IN & AROUND CALGARY

# **Property Tax Assistance Program**

Property Tax Assistance Program: Help is available. The City of Calgary may provide a grant/credit of the increase in residential property taxes from 2015 to 2016.

To be eligible, the applicant must:

- Experience an increase in property taxes from 2015 to 2016.
- Live in the principal residence for a minimum of one year.
- Own no other property.
- Must meet low income guidelines of the Fair Entry Program. Visit **calgary.ca/FairEntry** or call 311.
- Provide an acceptable proof of household income for all members 18 years of age and older. Visit calgary.ca/FairEntry or call 311.
- Apply for the grant/credit by Dec. 1, 2016. Visit calgary.ca/FairEntry or call 311.
- Even if you are not eligible for the Property Tax Assistance Program, we may be able to help you access other community resources.

**Please note:** Even though an application has been made to the Property Tax Assistance Program, all property taxes must be paid in full by the due date, June 30, 2016, to avoid a seven per cent penalty.

For more information, or to apply, please contact 311 or visit **calgary.ca/FairEntry**.

# **Crowchild Trail Study –**Project Team Visit -June 18

The project team will be in attendance at our Summer Solstice Party on June 18 to mingle and discuss the Crowchild Trail Study with our residents. The City is working hard to promote awareness of the project, answer questions and direct members of the community to the project website to provide their feedback and input towards the project. Please visit the project library at www.calgary.ca/Crowchild.



# Thinking about a yard improvement project?

Garages, decks, fences and even driveway widening are just some of

the projects that often require a permit.

"Before you pay for materials, hire a contractor, or do it yourself, we encourage you to visit calgary.ca/home improvement or get in touch with us here at The City," says Jamie Fandrich,

Planning Services Technician at The City of Calgary, Fandrich is part of the team that helps Calgarians understand Alberta's safety codes and City bylaws on the phone and in person at the Municipal Building. The latest resource Fandrich's team uses to educate Calgarians on development and building regulations is the webpage calgary. ca/homeimprovement, which allows anyone interested in doing a renovation to browse popular home renovation topics for bylaw and permit information, property and land designation, drawings and forms they will need to complete their home renovation.

"It can sometimes be difficult to understand when you need a permit and what City bylaws might impact your project – we're here to help guide you through the process," Fandrich says.

Planning, development, licence or permit question?

Visit Calgary.ca/homeimprovement or call and visit Planning Services.

### **Planning Services**

Monday through Friday (closed holidays)

8 a.m. - 4:15 p.m.

Call centre: 403-268-5311

Permit counter: 3rd Floor Municipal building, 800

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# IN & AROUND CALGARY

# **Construction Zone Safety**

Imagine having to look both ways before walking down the hallway to your next meeting. Picture yourself having to constantly look back while working on that report at your desk. Envision a workplace where there is a risk of getting seriously injured each time you get up to discuss your work with a colleague. This is reality for those who are working on our city roads.

Keep an eye out for construction zones and obey the posted speed limits. While workers may not always be present, there may be unseen dangers such as uneven roadway or veering lanes. The City would like to remind all of those using the roads that when we watch out for each other, and show patience and courtesy, road work can be completed safely and efficiently.

For more information on construction zone safety, visit calgary.ca/constructionzonesafety.

For information on road closures and detours, visit calgary. ca/trafficinfo.

# BRAIN GAMES

# MAN SUDOKU

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8	4	9	7	1	6	2	3	5
3	7	4	2	9	1	6	5	8
6	8	2	4	3	5	9	7	1
9	1	5	6	7	8	3	4	2



# Made by Momma has some BIG news to share with the community!

Join us for our FIRST ANNUAL NEIGHBOUR DAY BLOCK PARTY to celebrate the launch of our two latest initiatives: The Happy Birthday Project and a Free Little Library! Come see what we are all about, what we do and how you can be a part of the village that supports families in need.



WHEN

Saturday, June 18th, 2016 Time: 11:30am to 1:30pm



**MBM Resource Centre 66 21st Street NW** – parking along Westmount Road and Bowness Road

Enjoy delicious pizza from the Avatara Food Truck, our very own delectably decadent Made by Momma bake sale and a refreshing lemonade stand! Bouncy houses, face painting, music and much more!



For more info visit: www.madebymomma.org

# News from the Friends of Nose Hill

Calgary: City of Animals, this year's U. of C. community forum, brought together Canadian scholars in history, animal studies, and geography to explore the roles that animals play. The fur trade, cattle ranching, and the Stampede are part of our history. So too is our relationship with animals and it is interesting to adopt that perspective about our shared spaces, as well as the city's past, present, and future.

We categorize urban animals in different ways, as wild and domestic, livestock, companions, and entertainers. Have you thought of how your interaction with animals shapes Calgary and traces were left on geography, and identity? Consider the routes animals take and the places where they live. We can learn more about viewing the city as an ecosystem, that includes animal life, and see/be humans as "one animal" among many in the urban environment.

Shelley Alexander, a lead in the Candid Conservation Science Lab, made a study of human-wildlife conflict, especially wolves and coyotes, both in the field and using a geographical information system (GIS). Sean Kheraj is co-editor at niche-canada.org of Nature's Past: Canadian Environmental History Podcast. Susan Nance, who studies entertainment, communication, performance, and historical animal life, is associated with animal welfare. For information you can go to: www.facebook.com/CalgaryInstitute.

You can become a Parks volunteer and help take care of natural areas, off-leash areas, parks, green spaces, playgrounds, pathways, trees; conduct research; and provide park users with interpretive experiences. Individuals commit six shifts per season. For example at Nose Hill Park, you will greet visitors; offer information; present "biofacts"; lead interpretive activities; and promote Parks programs.

If you are looking for a volunteer project for your company or group, join the Parks Environmental Team

on a green initiative project, such as invasive species (weed) pulls, painting projects, playground renewals, and more.

Volunteers of all backgrounds, abilities, and experience are invited to contribute. Once accepted, volunteers receive orientation, training, and support. To apply, call 311 or email: parksvolunteer@calgary.ca.

Don't forget there will be public cleanups of Nose Hill on June 18 and July 30 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Meet at the Edgemont Parking lot (Edgemont Blvd. and Shaganappi Tr. NW) These are P.U.P.P.Y. events with Parks staff and volunteers who help park users pick up.



The Namib Desert's darkling beetle is the inspiration for a new idea to turn morning fog into droplets of water and will have the ability to provide enough water per day for survival of Namib Desert people. The beetle's body has little bumps that repel

water, sending the droplets down his back into his mouth.

Discovery Magazine



### The Million Question Challenge!

## What is a puppy? How many dogs are there in the world? What would happen if dogs grew wings and could fly?

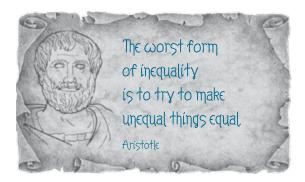
Calgary Public Library has a new summer learning initiative for school-aged kids called The Million Question Challenge! Kids will ask a million questions this summer, sparking curiosity and wonder. These questions can be about anything and everything – we hope that the questions will be personal and meaningful to each child, and will spur them on to finding some answers, too.

The kid who asks the most number of questions this summer will win a \$250 Toys R Us gift card and get to be the Kid Executive Officer (KEO) of the Library for a day!

We have a ton of fun reading activities this summer, too! Kids from 0-12 can join the TD Summer Reading Club again this year, and read to win prizes. Teens can participate in this summer's Youth Read. Get ready to read & win all summer long! Visit calgarylibrary.ca for details.

Adults can find great summer reads in both the We Recommend collections and the Your Year of Reading guides, available at your community library.





# **BUSINESS CLASSIFIEDS**

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**HOME BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY:** Clinicair is the leading provider of Indoor Air Quality and Medical Grade Duct Cleaning services in Canada. We are looking for a dealer in Calgary to represent our growing company. We offer a royalty free business. Clinicair supplies you with the latest technology, and training. Call Craig: 1-416-277-6067.

**NEIGHBOURHOOD CONFLICT?** Community Mediation Calgary Society (CMCS) is a no cost mediation and conflict coaching service that can help you resolve problems and restore peace! We help neighbours be neighbours again! www.community mediation.ca, 403-269-2707.

**THE GUTTER DOCTOR:** We install, repair and clean eavestroughs, and downspouts. Fascia, soffit, drip-edge, siding, roofing, cladding. Over 15,000 happy customers since 2003! Insured and guaranteed work with references. We take pride in doing a good job. A+ rated BBB Member. www. gutterdoctor.ca 403-714-0711.

## **JULY 8 TO 17 CALGARY STAMPEDE**

Each year, more than one million visitors from across North America and around the world come to Calgary to experience the heart-stopping action of the world's richest Rodeo, featuring bull riding, barrel racing, and more. www.calgarystampede.com



## **JULY 21 TO 23 MILKY WAY NIGHTS**

The Rothney Astrophysical Observatory is open to the public for night sky viewings for three nights this month. During this time of the summer, conditions are ideal for viewing distant galaxies, nebula and other planets, www.ucalgarv.ca



## **JULY 30 SLIDE THE CITY**

That bright green, 1,000-foot-long slip-and-slide will return to 10th Street N.W. at the end of July. Choose to slide down once or multiple times. www. slidethecity.com



# YOUR COMMUNITY/CITY EVENTS AT A GLANCE...

- July 1 to September 4 Legends of Rock N Roll: Buddy Holly, Tom Jones, Neil Diamond and Elvis Presley perform classics like Delilah, Blue Suede Shoes and many more. www.stagewestcalgary.com
- July 17 Park Day and Creekfest: This annual event is a celebration of Alberta's natural areas. The whole family is invited to come to the park to learn how to protect our watersheds and respect the provincial park. www. friendsoffishcreek.org
- July 19 to 24 Newsies: This high-energy musical is based on the true events of the 1899 Newsboys Strike. The show centres around a group of struggling "newsies." www.calgary.broadway.com
- July 21 to 24 Calgary Folk Music Festival: This year is the 37th annual Calgary Folk Music Festival. Expect more than 70 different artists from around the world to perform on the various stages at Prince's Island Park. www.calgaryfolkfest.com
- July 22 to 24 Fiestaval Latin Festival: This free, familyfriendly festival is a multicultural celebration of Latin American culture. www.fiestaval.ca
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- July 25 to 31 Calgary International Blues Festival: This year marks the 12th annual Calgary Bluesfest. It's a full week of celebrating the best of blues music, with workshops, concerts and special events. www. calgarybluesfest.com
- July 30 Making a Murderer's Dean Strang and Jerry **Buting:** The two defense lawyers are stopping in Calgary as part of their A Conversation on Justice tour. The two will do a Q&A session, discuss the Steven Avery case and talk about what it means in broader terms, too.
- July 30 Inglewood Sunfest: This neighbourhood street festival includes activities that appeal to Calgarians of all ages. Expect live music, plenty of street performers, a Show and Shine and activities for the kids. www. inglewoodsunfest.ca

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# MLA, CALGARY MOUNTAIN VIEW

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Greetings constituents of Calgary Mountain View:

I'm pleased to have the opportunity to share information and upcoming events with you via a monthly column here in the *Hillhurst Sunnyside Voice*.

Thank you to everyone who came out to join me for a few events recently, including the annual Calgary Pathway and River Cleanup—which took place in May at Tom Campbell's Hill Pathway in Bridgeland—and my March 23 town hall event on *Strengthening Our Provincial School Nutrition Policy*.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

On June 9th all constituents are invited to attend my free talk, *Valuing Mental Health*, which will summarize findings of the Alberta Mental Health Review Committee; audience Q & A will follow. This talk will be held at the Hillhurst-Sunnyside Community Association, 1320 – 5 Ave NW, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Preceding this presentation—from 6:15 to 6:45 p.m.—my Constituency Association Board will host a brief Annual General Meeting, at which everyone is welcome.

The annual Calgary Mountain View Stampede Breakfast will be held **Saturday, July 9, from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m.** at the Hillhurst-Sunnyside Community Association. As always, this breakfast is free for all to attend, and guests are encouraged to please bring their own dishes to help cut down on waste. Donations to the Calgary Food Bank will be gratefully accepted, and community groups will be on-hand to provide information about their services. Join us for food, fun and music the first Saturday of Stampede 2016!

Our annual Stampede breakfast is only made possible through the support of our wonderful volunteers; if you'd like to volunteer with us this year, please email Layne at calgary.mountainview@assembly.ab.ca.

A special thank you to the *Hillhurst Sunnyside Voice* for sharing regular updates on news, upcoming events, and more. I value your active involvement in our healthy political development and welcome the opportunity to discuss your interests and concerns.

All the best!



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#### The Development Levy: Next Steps

In February 2016, The City implemented new levies for development in both new and existing communities, marking a turning point in Calgary's approach to managing and paying for growth. As I shared in your March newsletter, the development levies are the outcome of The City and the development industry working together on an agreement for how to cover the full cost of growth.

So what has changed? Previously, The City covered the costs of major infrastructure upgrades like new wastewater treatment plants for greenfield development, which effectively amounted to a "sprawl subsidy". With the new agreement now in place, developers will pay for the full cost of critical municipal infrastructure.

I have been working to achieve fair development levies since before I was elected to City Council, and while the new levies are a major accomplishment, the work is not yet done. The ultimate goal is for the levy to help fund public realm and facility improvements in established neighbourhoods that are experiencing significant redevelopment.

How can the levy help? When property is redeveloped for higher density, The City collects an increase in property taxes. We call this phenomenon "uplift". The City plans to capture a portion of this uplift for reinvestment in local amenities and public realm improvements for neighbourhoods going through change.

Common examples of improvements could be upgraded sidewalks and lighting, preservation of heritage buildings, new or refurbished parks and green spaces, or renovations to recreation and community centres.

The City is just starting to research the process for identifying amounts available for community reinvestment projects. As we move into this important next phase, it is critical that we involve Calgarians. We want to tap into local knowledge to determine opportunities that can enrich your neighbourhoods. To that end, I brought together Ward 7 community associations and City staff to start thinking about what types of reinvestment they would like to see as their communities experience redevelopment. The needs and goals of each community will likely be different, and we will look to your community associations to help identify areas of improvement that matter to you.

There will be much more to come on this topic, so to stay up-to-date on this and other Ward 7 issues, please sign up for my email newsletter: ward07@calgary.ca.



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