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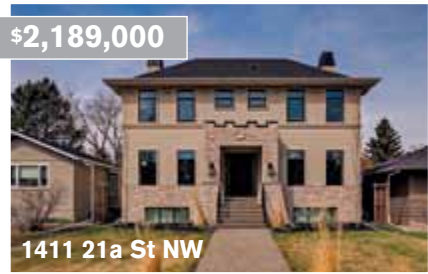
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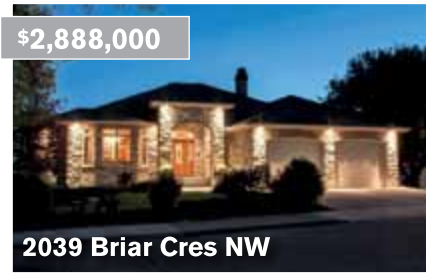
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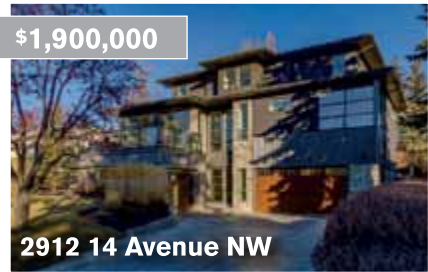
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Community board meetings are held every second Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the HH-BH Community Centre boardroom. All community residents are invited! To be on the agenda, please contact admin at hh-bh.ca at least 2 weeks in advance. Please note there are no board meetings in July or August. Next Meeting: September 14, 2017.

- The HH-BH community association facility enhancement plans are underway. Come and help us plan and create a space that will ensure our facility serves the needs of our community. Meetings are held the third Wednesday of every month at the community boardroom, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. For more information, contact Carol Sandahl: vp@hh-bh.ca

- The 2017 HH-BH Community Clean-up event will take place September 16th from 9 a.m. till 1:00 p.m. We need your help. More information is included in this issue. If you are interested or have any questions, please email events@hh-bh.ca

- A HH-BH community association membership drive will be held in early fall 2017 (date yet to be determined). More information is included in this issue, and updates will be posted on the website as it becomes available.

- Tues/Thurs afternoon spaces at Hounsfield Heights-Briar Hill Playschool are still available. Register online at www.hhbhplayschool.com or send us an email to education@hh-bh.ca.



COMMUNITY PROGRAMS



Youth Badminton

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 Badminton@hh-bh.ca

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

The HH-BH Gym and Boardroom schedule can be viewed at www.hh-bh.ca.

For the latest news, programs and events, please visit our Official HH-BH Community Association website at www.hh-bh.ca.



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

HHBH Community Association Playschool

Space is still available in our Tues/Thurs afternoon class. See hhbhcaplayschool.com for more details!

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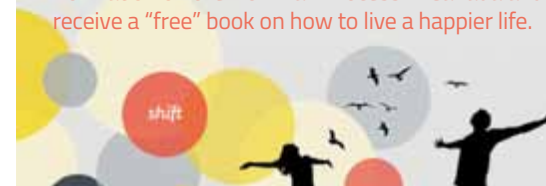
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Hello again friends and neighbours.

It's hard to believe that July is over and August is upon us! But maybe it shouldn't be so surprising when we consider that summer started with a bang, and the busy schedule continued until just recently.

It all began with a community meeting with representatives for the developer Campus Suites Inc. who are planning to build a 28-storey student residence at Banff Trail. Next came our official kick off for summer - the Summer Solstice block party. This was followed soon afterwards by an extraordinary Canada Day and then the Calgary Stampede. I would like to send a big Thank You to Carol Sandahl and her awesome crew of volunteers for another very successful community Stampede Breakfast!

YOUR CITY OF CALGARY

Mail-in ballots for the 2017 Election

In October, Calgarians will vote to elect their Mayor, Councillors and School Board Trustees. Your community is shaped by the outcome of an Election. If you are unable to vote during the Advance Vote or on Election Day due to physical incapacity, being absent from the city, working as an election worker, or volunteering/working on a campaign, you can request a mail-in ballot online by visiting www.electionscalgary.ca, by phone, 403-476-4100 (option 2), in-person or in writing at the Elections & Census Office, 1103 – 55 Avenue NE.

If you request a mail-in ballot, a ballot package with instructions will be mailed to you after Nomination Day (September 18, 2017). A photocopy of an authorized piece of identification must be sent back with the returned ballots. Ballots must be received by the Elections & Census Office no later than 8 p.m. on Election Day (October 16, 2017). For more information on the Election, or to sign-up to receive updates, visit www.electionscalgary.ca.

Our Summer Solstice and Stampede Breakfast are held at Green Park, located on the Briar Hill side of our community. This is a wonderful green space that is accessible to everyone and well used for many activities. But we also have another park that is often overlooked - Lions Park, located along the south side of 14th Ave and stretching between 14th and 19th Streets.

I'm sure that those of you who lived here before the LRT and its Lions Park Station were built have many fond memories of this hidden gem with its meandering trail, big trees, and water feature that included a stream and small pools. Unfortunately, this little park has lost some of its charm recently due to many undesirable activities by non-residents, including drug dealers and addicts who abuse its benches and quiet spaces. The water feature was shut down years ago and several benches have been removed. The playground still stands but parents and city police constables are ever vigilant for garbage and used needles.

Recently, Global News did a feature on Lions Park to outline these problems and to make the public aware that the park is in trouble. Since that time, I have been trying to keep this ball rolling by learning about what resources are available to improve the park and by meeting with City of Calgary Parks representatives. I hope that by the end of summer our community association will have a better idea on what can be done to once again have a park we can enjoy and be proud of. For instance, there is a new Activate YYC program whose tagline is "Walk, Play and Be Neighbourly". Through it we may be able to obtain a grant to improve the walkability of the park. The deadline for grant applications for projects is August 15. More information is included in this issue, and also available at calgarycommunities.com/activateyyc for details.

Rejuvenating our park will take time and effort but the payoff is immeasurable. I am counting on you, dear community residents, to help make it successful. Please contact me at president@hh-bh.ca if you are able to be involved. I would love to see Lions Park become a viable venue for community activities along with Green Park.

Laura

Calgary's community associations are neighbourhood-based volunteer organizations providing social, recreational and educational opportunities to their residents, as well as a sense of belonging and a voice for community life. There are 152 community associations in our city working every day to improve neighbourhood life, with more than 20,000 volunteers donating over 22 million dollars in volunteer service. (Source: Federation of Calgary Communities)

Hounsfield Heights-Briar Hill (HH-BH) is home to some of these exceptional volunteers. Over the next few months, we will be profiling HH-BH community association board members in The Beacon so you can learn more about the people who are working to inspire and support residents in building our community.

HH-BH is also home to a myriad of interesting and accomplished community residents. So, in addition to profiling committed board members, we would love to highlight our community residents. Please forward your suggestions for residents you think we should be profiling along with your contact information to communications@hh-bh.ca.

HH-BH Community Association Board Member Profile: Carol Sandahl

If you've attended a Hounsfield Heights-Briar Hill event in the past decade or more, chances are Carol Sandahl was involved in planning, organizing, and/or leading, which is why she was an obvious (and unanimous) choice for our first profile.

Carol and her husband of 30 years have been residents of HH-BH since 1994, moving into the neighbourhood when she was seven months pregnant. She has been



an active community volunteer since her two sons began attending the Briar Hill playschool, and continued her service as they transitioned through Briar Hill's kindergarten, afterschool programs, and elementary school. Now both sons have graduated from William

Aberhart School; one is studying engineering at the University of Alberta and the other is awaiting final word on his school of choice. Carol has worked hard to ensure her children, along with everyone else's, were able to grow up in a safe, vibrant neighbourhood and were instilled with a strong sense of community service.

Currently, as vice-president of the community association and director of programs, Carol's most visible roles include organizing the annual Summer Solstice, Stampede Breakfast, and Casino events. This year she has taken on the additional tasks of leading the community centre expansion and the community 'rock' restoration projects (located on the SE corner of 19th Street and 14th Avenue).

What's not so visible though is Carol's relentless work behind the scenes as the community association historian (having spent over 12 years in various board roles) and go-to person for almost everything related to the HH-BH community work. Her deep involvement in everything from strategic planning to program development has had a significant impact in a number of areas, such as bringing in the soccer field and adult fitness park.

"It makes me so happy to see people enjoying the soccer field for more than just soccer – but also as a reflective space for reading or meditating, and as a family space for picnics and other outdoor activities," says Carol.

When asked what she values about living in HH-BH, Carol replied, "In addition to great neighbours and the memories of raising my children here, I love that I am within walking distance of anything I need, surrounded by mature trees, and provided with opportunities to make a difference. While our location as an inner-city community provides some complexities, I believe we can address them by working together and that overall, the benefits of living here far outweigh any challenges."

Carol's vision for HH-BH is to see more people become involved in building the momentum required to ensure inviting, safe community spaces for all community residents – children, adults, and seniors, for decades to come.

Hounsfield Height-Briar Hill Membership Drive

A Hounsfield Heights-Briar Hill community association membership drive will be held in early fall 2017 (exact date not yet determined). The purpose of the drive is to provide you with an opportunity to conveniently purchase or renew a membership right at your door, and to get your feedback on what we are doing right/what we could be doing better in our community.

A family membership is only \$20/year (\$10 for seniors), and entitles you to:

- register children in the HH-BH Community Playschool
- register children in indoor and outdoor youth soccer, badminton and other sports programs
- take part in adult badminton, pickleball and other recreation programs
- bring the whole family to the community hall for free Family Gym Nights on Fridays year-round
- vote at HH-BH Community Association Annual General Meetings (ours is coming up in November, by the way – we'd love to see you there!)

In addition, your membership helps support a wide range of activities organized or supported by the community association, including:

- annual Stampede Breakfast • Summer Solstice Block Party
 - annual Community Clean-Up • family-friendly community events in the Fall, Winter and Spring, with entertainment such as the bouncy house, face painting, dunk tank, live music, dancing and FREE food and beverages
 - up-to-date news and event listings on our HH-BH website, Facebook and Twitter. Check it out at hh-bh.ca! • the Beacon delivered to your door Monthly
 - ice maintenance, equipment and supplies for the outdoor rink at Green Park
 - a clean, well-kept and efficient community gym and meeting facility with friendly and helpful staff, employing youth from our community
 - organizing casino fundraisers to keep all this going
 - strategic, business and land-use planning for our community and liaising with the City of Calgary
- You can also purchase or renew your membership online by visiting our website: www.hh-bh.ca or by completing and mailing in the membership form in this newsletter.

Crowchild Trail Study

Update

City Council Approves Final Recommendations

Thank you once again for your participation and feedback throughout the study process.

On May 8, 2017, Council unanimously approved the recommended short-, medium- and long-term plans for Crowchild Trail.

What's next?

Funding for the short-term recommendations was approved by Council April 24, 2017. Construction is anticipated to start in fall 2017. More information is provided below.

The medium- and long-term plans are recommended to be implemented beyond 10 years. The plans are currently not funded within The City's Investing in Mobility Capital Plan. ([http://www.calgary.ca/Transportation/TP/Pages/Planning/Calgary-Transportation-Plan/Transportation-Infrastructure-Investment-Plan-\(TIIP\).aspx](http://www.calgary.ca/Transportation/TP/Pages/Planning/Calgary-Transportation-Plan/Transportation-Infrastructure-Investment-Plan-(TIIP).aspx)) This means we do not expect to acquire private properties, or begin design and construction of the medium-term plan for approximately 10 years. More information is available at calgary.ca/crowchild.

We will be connecting with property owners and businesses that are impacted by the medium-term plan over the next few weeks to provide an update and more information on the future property acquisition process.

If you would like printable copies of the recommended plans, please visit the Phase 6 Project Library. (www.calgary.ca/Transportation/TP/Pages/Projects/Current-Planning-Projects/crowchild-trail-study/Crowchild-Trail-Study.aspx)

Update on the Short-Term Plan

We are currently developing an implementation and construction plan for the projects listed in the short-term plan.

Construction is anticipated to begin in Fall 2017 and take approximately three years to complete. It will occur in several phases, likely beginning with work on the Bow River Bridge.

Traffic and pathway detours, as well as some temporary lane or road closures, are expected during the 2018 and 2019 construction seasons. These closures are necessary to complete the life cycle bridge rehabilitation and the bridge widening, as well as realign the existing ramps along Crowchild Trail.

There are no anticipated impacts to private properties in the short-term plan.

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Update on the Motel Village meeting June 14th, 2017

The meeting began with a presentation by developer Henry Morton, who advised that Campus Suites has built 14,000 beds to date across North America.

Campus Suites' plan for the Motel Village site is to build mixed use residential/retail/commercial. There would be a full-time property manager on site, as well as students who live on site and are employed to assist with the monitoring of the site. It will be a secure, controlled access building. In addition to Campus Suites, the current owner of the land (Royal Wayne) is involved in the development, as well as a REIT (real estate investment trust).

The 28-storey building would be located 100 feet from 16th Avenue with the main level used as restaurant/retail, 2nd and 3rd levels medical/office, and the rest residential. Proposed parking is 135 stalls, which will require a relaxation from current requirements.

The meeting addressed many concerns in the community – construction, parking, traffic and whether this would become a very large low-income housing development. The developer was very clear in his business plan that it is not, and is putting up a high-quality building with amenities that will cater to upper-year students at both SAIT and U of C.

The Developer took questions from members of the community, which are included in the complete version of the Motel Village update posted on the Hounsfield Heights-Briar Hill website (hh-bh.ca). We will continue to post updates on the site as information becomes available.

Cleaning up the 'Hood!

The Hounsfield Heights-Briar Hill community clean-up event is just around the corner.

Did you know that in 2016, 13,840 kg of garbage and organics were collected thanks to the efforts of our volunteers and residents?

We need your help. Volunteers are needed for the clean-up event on September 16th from 9 a.m. till 1:00 p.m. Volunteer shifts are from 9-11 or 11-1, or both.

This annual event brings people from the community together, provides friends and families an opportunity to work together for a good cause, and helps to keep our homes and neighbourhood clean and safe.

If you are interested or have any questions, please email admin@hh-bh.ca.



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Learning Through Life

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The Government of Canada has many programs to support those getting or updating their education. These programs are usually income-tested, meaning that more assistance is available for those who need it and less for those who can afford to fund their own schooling.

While many of the programs, such as Registered Educa-

tion Savings Plans and Canada Student Loan programs are well-known, many other programs exist to assist mature students or those seeking a career in the trades.

As a former electrician, I am a big supporter of those seeking a career in the trades.

The Canada Apprentice Loan will help you complete your apprenticeship in a designated Red Seal trade. With the Canada Apprentice Loan, you can get up to \$4,000 in interest-free loans per period of technical training. You can use the money to help pay for tuition, tools, equipment and living expenses, to cover forgone wages or to help support your family. You will not have to make payments on your Canada Apprentice Loan, and no interest will accumulate until after you complete or leave your apprenticeship training program.

The Apprenticeship Incentive Grant is a taxable cash grant of \$1,000 per year or per level, up to a maximum amount of \$2,000 per person. The Apprenticeship Completion Grant is a one-time taxable cash grant of \$2,000 for registered apprentices who complete their apprenticeship training and obtain their journey person certification. For more information on these programs, please visit www.canada.ca/apprentice or call 1-800-622-6232.

If you are an eligible apprentice, you can also receive up to 55 percent of your weekly average insurable earnings in EI benefits while attending full-time technical training.

Those hiring an apprentice could be eligible for the Apprenticeship Job Creation Tax Credit (AJCTC) which is a non-refundable tax credit equal to 10% of the eligible salaries and wages payable to eligible apprentices. The maximum credit an employer can claim is \$2,000 per year for each eligible apprentice.

Updating your skills and training can be a very rewarding experience. It will unlock new career opportunities and make you more employable in a changing economy. If you are considering returning to school, or want to update your education and skills, you can contact Service Canada at 1-800-622-6232 to find out about the various assistance programs available to you.

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- ◆ Free announcements: lost/found, household items for sale, wanted, garage sale, student/senior services, etc.
- ◆ Forty word limit

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How would you like to help make Hounsfield Heights-Briar Hill more walkable?

Walkability refers to how friendly an area is to walk, and has health, environmental and economic benefits.

Interesting fact: the average resident of a walkable neighborhood weighs 6-10 pounds less than someone who lives in a sprawling neighborhood. So, what makes a neighborhood walkable?

- A centre: whether it's a main street or a public space.
- People: Enough people for businesses to flourish and for public transit to run frequently.
- Mixed income, mixed use: Affordable housing located near businesses.
- Parks and public space: Plenty of public places to gather and play.

- Pedestrian design: Buildings are close to the street; parking lots are relegated to the back.
- Schools and workplaces: Close enough that most residents can walk from their homes.
- Complete streets: Streets designed for bicyclists, pedestrians, and transit.

(www.walkscore.com/walkable-neighborhoods.shtml)

So how can you help make HH-BH more walkable?

The City of Calgary has launched ActivateYYC, a new, one-time program that will provide 150 microgrants – averaging \$750 – to groups and businesses to experiment with local projects and events that motivate Calgarians to walk, play and be neighbourly.

Please forward your thoughts and ideas about how HH-BH could benefit from this program to our president Laura Hunt at president@hh-bh.ca or contact our Executive Director Guy Latour at 403-282-6634.

The first application deadline is August 15, 2017. Projects or events must be completed by March 2019. More information is available at calgarycommunities.com/activateyyc/



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Downtown Economic Summit

The downtown has long been Calgary's economic engine. Across the city, businesses and households depend on the success of our downtown. When the economy of our downtown falters, the financial impacts are felt throughout Calgary.

Until recently, the centre city generated 40% of Calgary's non-residential tax revenue and 25% of city-wide employment. Today, nearly 30% of downtown office space sits empty, and the situation is expected to worsen when construction wraps up on several new office towers.

Between 2016 and 2018, it is estimated that \$7.5 billion in the assessed value of downtown office space will be wiped out. The dramatic change in the downtown economy has knock-on impacts to all Calgarians, not only in a transfer of taxes to businesses outside the core, but also a steep reduction in transit and parking revenues.

To help mitigate the tax shift, Council supported \$45 million in one-time city-wide tax relief for businesses and set a 0% residential property tax increase in 2017. While these are important measures to provide short-term assistance, we need long-term solutions to address the root cause of Calgary's challenges – a struggling downtown economy.

Councillor Woolley and I, with guidance from Calgary Economic Development, initiated a Downtown Economic Summit in early 2017. The Summit brought together some of the most creative problem-solvers in Calgary to generate ideas for a more resilient, resourceful, and diversified downtown. We learned from the experiences of other cities, like Denver and Pittsburgh, on ways to recover from structural recessions.

Calgary Economic Development presented the outcomes of the Summit to Council in June, with information on current economic and real estate challenges, as well as ways to move forward. They showed how the global economy is fundamentally shifting, which has a major impact on the downtown's reliance on a single industry.

The report recommended ways to attract new industries and businesses, promote more residential density

in the core, encourage post-secondary institutions to locate downtown, and improve infrastructure to attract private investment.

To help bring these recommendations to life, Council approved \$10 million as a pilot from The City's reserves to create the Downtown Economic Investment Fund. This money will help The City respond quickly to innovative ideas, encourage and leverage private investment through strategic partnerships, invest in infrastructure, and work toward revitalising our core.

Not all is doom and gloom! The Conference Board of Canada estimates that Calgary's economy will grow by 2.3% in 2017, with 19,000 new jobs added by 2018. This is encouraging and means The City's investment can go even further to help improve our economy and get Calgarians back to work.

To sign up for updates on key community and Ward 7 issues, please visit www.DruhFarrell.ca.



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Hounsfeld Heights/Briar Hill Real Estate Update

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

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
June 2017	\$729,900	\$695,000
May 2017	\$950,000	\$906,000
April 2017	\$1,024,950	\$996,500
March 2017	\$1,320,000	\$1,284,000
February 2017	\$4,699,450	\$4,251,000
January 2017	\$650,000	\$620,000
December 2016	\$907,450	\$851,250
November 2016	\$599,500	\$577,500
October 2016	\$0	\$0
September 2016	\$1,774,950	\$1,845,000
August 2016	\$1,597,450	\$1,575,000
July 2016	\$1,049,900	\$1,040,000

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

	No. New Properties	No. Properties Sold
June 2017	5	1
May 2017	7	5
April 2017	4	2
March 2017	6	4
February 2017	1	2
January 2017	7	1
December 2016	0	4
November 2016	2	2
October 2016	3	0
September 2016	7	2
August 2016	2	4
July 2016	5	3

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