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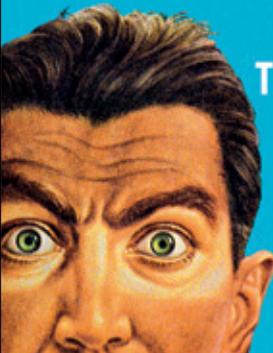


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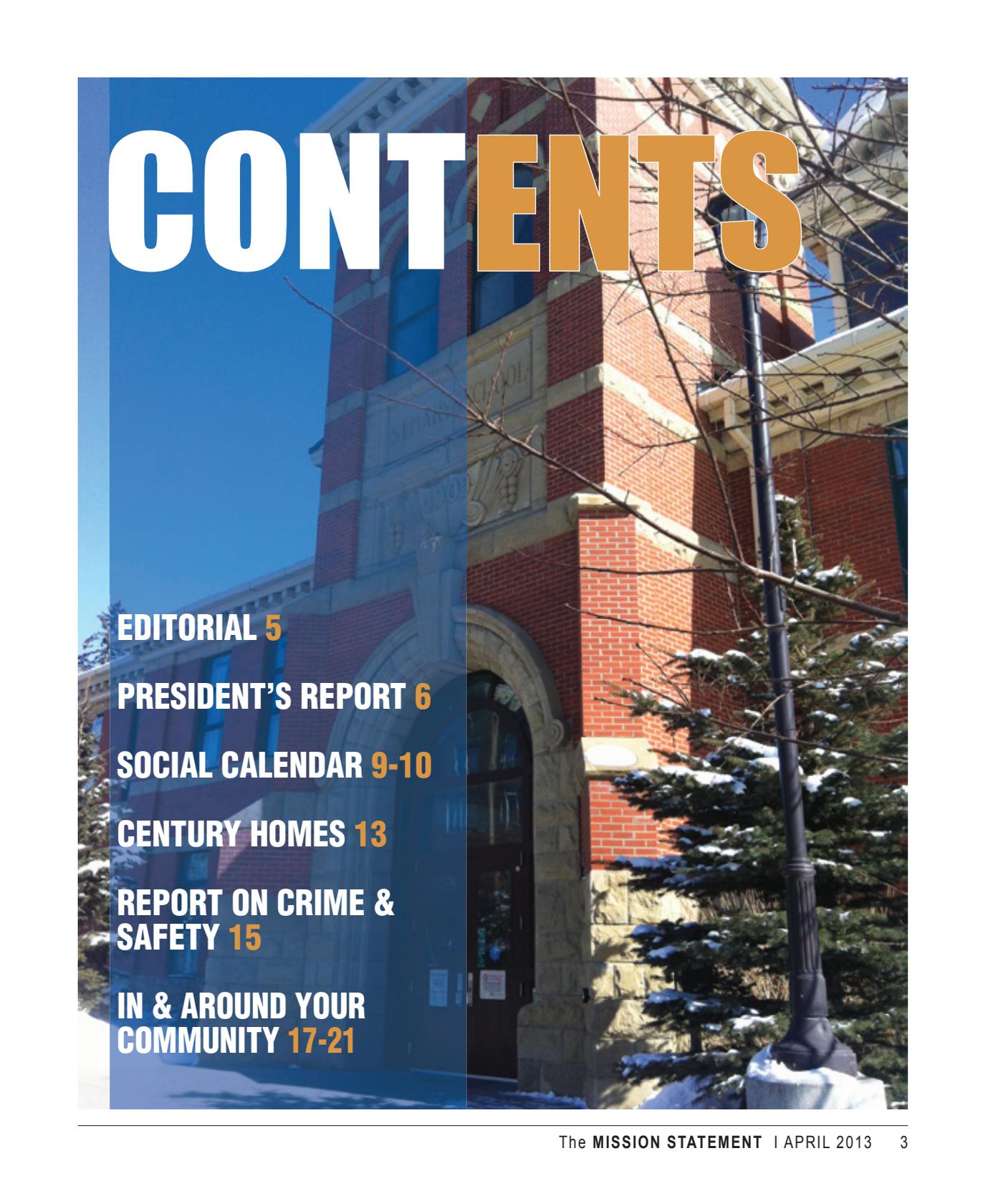


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**Editorial
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EDITORIAL

by Sarah Hbeichi

The community Association has been so busy. It would be impossible to list here all that we have done these past 2 months. But I do want to highlight that in February the Social Director Corinne Ofstie with the help of board members Jan Pugh (Vice President) and Bob Lang (President) managed to put together an amazing event officially known as our Annual Winter Social. It was previously called the Winter Formal but the name was changed so as not to construe the intent of the event which is to come as you are, have fun, eat, drink, and of course, DANCE! I tried to capture a few photos throughout the night but they just did not do the ambiance any justice. Let me describe it to you. The Community Hall had a romantic feel. The lighting was spectacular, dimmed, and candle-lit. The food was fresh and tasty with platters of sushi, veggies, sandwiches, dips, and cheese spread out covering two tables. On a third table, desserts of pastries galore, yum. On a fourth table, baskets of goodies, art, bottles of wine, gift certificates, and other such prizes for the raffle. And if you are not sorry you missed it yet, the wine and beer was pouring without halt (thanks to bartenders Jeff and Brendan). But the main reason I wanted to describe the event was to voice my absolute delight with The Ad Hoc Band. For those of you not familiar, this band is incredible, made up of "a diverse group of talented singers & musicians, whose goal is to raise awareness for people and organizations in need (www.adhocband.com)." I mean just how amazing is that?! Not to mention how much fun they were! The music did not quit and some of us were up on our feet the whole time, dancing and singing along. Please consider the Ad Hoc Band for your next community function.

Finally spring is here! Enjoy this issue.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

from MLA Calgary Buffalo Kent Hehr



I would like to congratulate the Cliff Bungalow-Mission Community Association for hosting a successful Winter Social. It was a fantastic event and it was clear a great deal of work went into the planning and execution. Thank you to all of the volunteers, the board of directors, and to all in attendance for making the Winter Social such a wonderful event.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

By Bob Lang

Winter Social was Great

The Winter Social held on February 23 was great. It was our third annual and it gets better every year. The band that performed was called the Ad Hoc Band and was made up of 12 musicians. They were the winners of the 2012 Calgary Rock for Dimes (March for Dimes) Battle of the Bands and I can see why. They had everyone tapping their toes and many people shaking their booty on the dance floor. I hear they are keen to come back to our community again so a big thanks to The Ad Hoc Band, we would love to have you return some time. The Community Association will be making a donation on their behalf to a local charity (For more information on the Ad Hoc band visit www.adhocband.com). The event also featured lots of great food, liquid refreshments and a fun raffle with many items donated by local merchants (see list elsewhere). Thank you to all who helped with the event, particularly Corinne Ofstie, our Social Director, and Jan Pugh, our Vice President.

When Cliff Bungalow School closed down and the Community Centre started

I became President of the Community Association Board for the first time at a meeting on October 26, 1987, and at that same meeting, we reviewed concept plans for an addition to the Cliff Bungalow School. Basically, it was a mirror image addition to the back of the building that would serve as both a gymnasium for the school and a hall for the community association (see drawing). However, we were to soon face a change in these plans. Subsequently, there was a School Parent meeting held on November 12th 1987, where the Calgary Board of Education informed the parents that due to falling enrolment, they were considering closing the school.



After hearing this, I joined the committee that would be involved with issues such as, choosing the designated school for our community (the public school that Cliff Bungalow-Mission children would attend after the Cliff Bungalow School closed), associated lunch programs, and bussing. It was unusual for a person who did not have a child attending the school to be part of such a committee but one of the reasons I joined was that I was concerned about the future use of the building. The building was more than a school; it was a key part of the community.

During the process, I helped facilitate a discussion on choosing a designated school and we ended up with two; Rideau School and Connaught School. In return for agreeing to close Cliff Bungalow School one year earlier than legislation would normally allow we got those two schools designated, got the lunch program and got bussing from the former (Cliff Bungalow school). We also got to lease a portion of the Cliff Bungalow School for use as our Community Centre.

On June 25, 1988, we bid adieu to our community school in an event called "A Fond Farewell ... A New Beginning" (see photo). On September 1st, 1988, we took possession of our space and started renovations to make two classrooms into the community hall. We celebrated the 10th anniversary of our community association and the grand opening of our new community centre on November 19, 1988. We had an 18 piece big band to boot. Ticket prices were \$2 for members and \$3 for non-members. We still had the School's florescent lights at that time but no one minded as it was indeed a new beginning. The community centre hall has changed but our vision then for this facility is still bang on. It has served us well over the years as the hub of community life in Cliff Bungalow-Mission.



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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

**Please see Social report for further details*

April

The events listed below will be held at the Cliff Bungalow–Mission Community Centre located at 2201 Cliff Street S.W. unless otherwise noted

Book Club

April 14, afternoon, Amaluna Show, Cirque du Soleil – Calgary
May 5, 6:00 pm.

Potlucks

Second Sunday of each month at 6:00 p.m.;
April 14

May 5 (date changed to avoid conflict with Mother's Day)

Film Nights

Fourth Sunday of each month at 6:30 p.m.;
April 28

Jazz Concert Series

First Wednesday of the month; Doors open at 7:30 p.m.; performance starts at 8:00 p.m.

April 3: Hammond style jazz with the Derek Stoll Trio

May 1: An evening with vocalist Johanna Sillanpaa

Séries FRANGLO-FUNdraising Series 2013

May 11

Lilac Festival

May 26

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APRIL

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Newsletter Deadline	2	3 Jazz Concert	4	5	6
7	8	9	10 Development Committee Meeting	11	12	13
14 Potluck Book Club	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24 Board Meeting	25	26	27
28 Film Night	29	30				

MAY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Jazz Concert Newsletter Deadline	2	3	4
5 Book Club Potluck	6 Heritage Committee Meeting	7	8 Development Committee meeting	9	10	11 Series Franglo
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22 Board Meeting	23	24	25
26 Lilac Festival	27	28	29	30	31	

THE CLIFF BUNGALOW-MISSION SOCIAL CALENDAR

Meet your neighbours, and have some fun in your community! Check out the Community Events calendar for further details



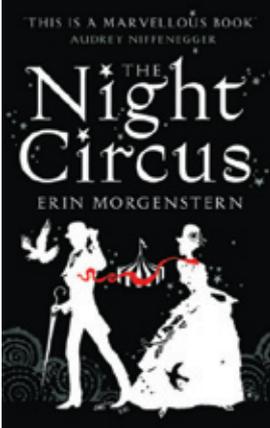
Community Potluck

Cliff Bungalow-Mission Community Association hosts a monthly community potluck on the second Sunday of month at 6:00 p.m. down at the Community Hall. Bring a dish to share, your own plate, cutlery and mug and join in on a meal with your neighbors and friends.

April Potluck
Sunday, April 14
6:00 p.m.

May Potluck
Sunday, May 5, 2013
6:00 p.m.

Normally we host the Community Potlucks on the second Sunday of the month but in May this conflicts with Mother's Day. So for May we have moved our community potluck to May 5th! The May potluck will also feature a special presentation and community discussion. Stay tuned to the May newsletter for details!



Book Club

Cliff Bungalow-Mission Community Association's Book Club is reading *The Night Circus*, by Erin Morenstem for the month of April and will hold their Book Club event April 14. The Book Club event associated with this book will be to see Amaluna by Cirque du Soleil!

For the latest from the Book Club, visit their blog at latest scoop: <http://readers-on-the-run.blog.ca/>

APRIL
Sunday, April 14th (afternoon)
Book: *The Night Circus*, Erin Morenstem
Location: Cirque du Soleil - Calgary
Event: Amaluna Show

MAY
Date/Time: To be confirmed
Book: *Random Passage*, Bernice Morgan

Location: CBMA Community Center
Event: *Random Passage* Film

Jazz Concert Series

In partnership with Jan Mulder and other amazing musicians from the Mount Royal University Jazz Faculty, the Cliff Bungalow-Mission Community Association hosts a monthly Jazz night at the Community Hall normally on the first Wednesday of every month from September to June. This is a very popular event showcasing the premier Jazz talent in Calgary. Doors open 7:30 pm, Jazz 8 pm. Tickets may be purchased at the door: \$10 for CBMCA members, \$15 non-members. This event also features \$1 coffee, tea, pop and water as well as a cash bar.

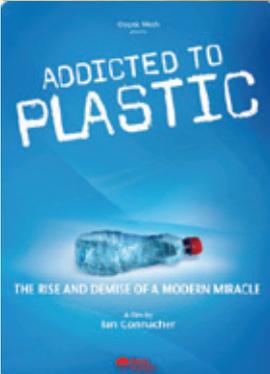
April 3 2013
7:30 p.m.

May 1, 2013
7:30 p.m.

Film Night

Cliff Bungalow-Mission Community Association hosts a film night on the Last Sunday of each month at 7:00 p.m at the Community Hall. This is a free community event open to everyone. Each month we feature a documentary and post film discussion. CBMCA works hard to enrich our community discussions by inviting key note speakers, discussion moderators and other guests to out film nights to contribute to our post film discussion

April 2013 film
Addicted to Plastic
Addicted to Plastic is a documentary focusing on the worldwide production and environmental effects of plastic. The host takes a 2-year trip around the world to give us a better understanding of the life cycle of plastic.
It's probably fair to say that we all believe



THE CLIFF BUNGALOW-MISSION SOCIAL CALENDAR CONT'D

buying goods (pencils, food, electronics, etc.) with less packaging is a good thing, and when we separate our trash and drop the plastic rubbish into the blue box for the morning pickup, it all gets recycled, and we can feel confident we've done our part for the environment.

The development of degradable plastics is a good thing, but a lot of what we use – new trash as well as old – has penetrated some very disturbing levels of the food chain and the ecosystem, and the makes the case that all is not well in our world via a simple boat trip to the North Pacific Central Gyre, aka the Eastern Garbage patch, where air pressure and rotating water currents swirl and push all kinds of floating trash to the water's surface.

Director: Ian Connacher

Stay up to date with CBMCA at <http://cliffbungalowmission.com/>, on Facebook and Twitter. Stay tuned!

April Film Night
April 28, 2013
Addicted to Plastic
7:00pm

May Film Night
Cancelled – Lilac Festival!

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EXCELLENT MEETING SPACE AVAILABLE

by Martin Bober

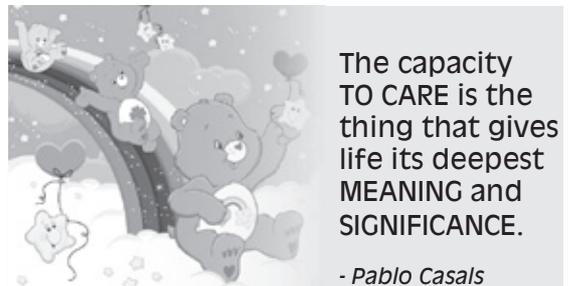
Taken from an issue of *The Mission Statement* in 2002

Our smoke and alcohol free Community Association space is available to suitable groups for meetings, seminars and celebrations at modest rentals, evenings and weekends.

The space features two bright and airy interconnected rooms of 750 sq. ft. each. One has carpet, a small kitchen and serving bar, and a brick feature wall. The other has a hardwood floor. Both have large walls of windows and high ceilings. The facility comes complete with tables and chairs.

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- Pablo Casals



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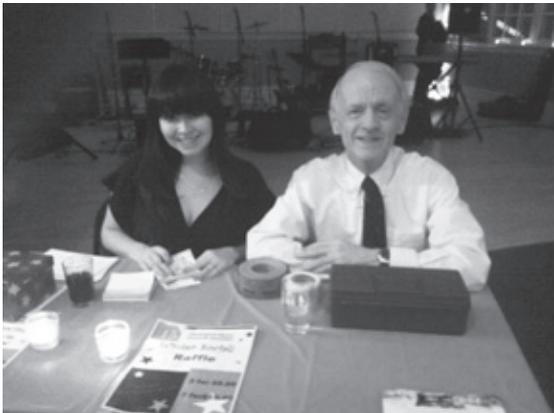
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French Spoken Here!

by Marilyn Williams

Aldermen Pincott and Chabot presenting to Council (top); happy supporters in the audience (lower left); Eglise Ste. Famille (lower right).



It was a wonderful moment at City Hall at the February 25, council meeting when City Council passed a motion to support the Mission-Rouleauville working group's nomination for the settlement of Mission-Rouleauville to be recognized as an event of national historic significance. Not only did the motion pass, but it passed in style. To the surprise and delight of many of us present, much of the discussion around this agenda item was in perfect French! While in Calgary we can boast that 80-90,000 individuals speak French (around 8% of the population), our council was well ahead of this statistic, with 4 of 15 members - over 25% - speaking fluently.

Alderman Pincott put forward the motion, with versions in Canada's two official languages, and stressed the

importance of recognizing Alberta's francophone history. He reminded council that Mission is a district we "should celebrate and not forget". Alderman Pootmans supported the motion, emphasizing the importance of recognizing cultural heritage in Calgary, a brand new city. Our brief history means the history that we do have is precious.

Alderman Chabot, who both co-signed and seconded the motion, was also very supportive. He recalled that following his move to Calgary in 1971, despite the fact he was living in the Forest Lawn and Marlborough areas, he went to church in Cliff Bungalow at Eglise Ste. Famille, the French-speaking parish catholic church. Although many French-speaking friends of his family lived in our neighbourhood, it was not until recently he learned about the significant contributions which many residents of this district made to the city.

Mayor Nenshi, also a co-signer, expressed his pleasure at the motion going forward. He commented that he was always surprised at how many people in the city do not know why the Mission district is named the Mission district. Although Alderman Mar (was not able to be present, he had also co-signed the motion. Needless to say the motion passed with flying colours. With passionate proponents and only one dissenting vote, it was by far the least contentious item on the day's agenda.



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Century Homes Calgary yard flag are provided free of charge, though donations are welcome.

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DEVELOPMENT WATCH

by Rick Williams

Sustainability Principles for Land Use and Mobility

From Federation of Calgary Communities Guide to the Planning Process:

In 2007 City Council approved 11 sustainability principles for Land Use & Mobility as the overarching direction for a new Integrated Land Use and Mobility Plan (the Municipal Development Plan). Council also approved the use of the sustainability principles as guiding principles for major land use and transportation studies and decisions until the new plan is completed.

Plans to be informed by these principles include inter-municipal development plans, transportation network plans, regional policy plans, area structure plans, area redevelopment plans, major outline plans and major development permits.

Principle 1 - Create a range of housing opportunities and choices

Principle 2 - Create walkable environments

Principle 3 - Foster distinctive, attractive communities with a strong sense of place

Principle 4 - Provide a variety of transportation options

Principle 5 - Preserve open space, agricultural land, natural beauty and critical environmental areas

Principle 6 - Mix land use by having homes, businesses, schools and recreational opportunities in closer proximity.

Principle 7 - Strategically direct and manage redevelopment opportunities within existing areas

Principle 8 - Support compact development

Principle 9 - Connect people, goods and services locally, regionally and globally.

Principle 10 - Provide transportation services in a safe, effective, affordable and efficient manner that ensures reasonable accessibility to all areas of the city for all citizens.

Principle 11 - Utilize green infrastructure and buildings.

Some links Community residents may find useful:

Calgary Land Use Bylaw 1P2007

<http://lub.calgary.ca/>

Cliff Bungalow Area Redevelopment Plan:

<http://www.calgary.ca/pda/lupp/documents/publications/cliff-bungalow-arp.pdf?noredirect=1>

Mission Area Redevelopment Plan:

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in & around your community

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Bicycle Helmet Safety

Bicycle crashes are the leading cause of brain injury in school-aged children. Most injuries occur when a cyclist suffers a fall, strikes a stationary object, or collides with another cyclist or pedestrian. Remember – it is the law in Alberta that cyclists under the age of 18 must wear a helmet (and highly recommended for all ages). Helmets should be CSA approved and worn during recreational activities such as skateboarding, in-line skating, or cycling.

Getting informed

- Wearing a helmet while cycling can prevent a serious injury or save a life.
- Brain injuries can cause permanent disability or death.
- Reduce your risk by always wearing your helmet.
- Replace any helmet that has been involved in a crash, even if it appears undamaged.

Getting started

- Allow children to assist when buying their helmet. Cyclists who choose their own helmet are more likely to wear them.
- Start the habit early. Young children learning to ride tricycles need to wear helmets.
- Parents must lead by example: always wear your own helmet when cycling

REPORT ON CRIME & SAFETY

by Mike Foster, CBMCA Crime and Safety Director

It's hard to believe that the first quarter of 2013 has already passed and we're in Q2. I hope everyone is having a safe, happy and rewarding early spring.

Just to update you on the activities of CBMCA Crime and Safety to date:

- There has been a transition in the Calgary Police Community Liaison Officer from Constable Nadia Pateron, to Constable Sheldon Sinclair. Sheldon has been briefed and is enthused to work with the Association on matters of mutual concern, taking the torch from Nadia and running with it
- A detailed statistical analysis of community crime and traffic concerns/complaints, and other public safety/quality of life issues, is being conducted, so as to better inform the work of the Crime and Safety directorship
- We're applying to the 'Building Safe Communities' Project of the Federation of Calgary Communities for inclusion in their 2013 pilot project, which is designed to encourage community engagement in developing residents-driven best practises in crime prevention and safety
- Community stakeholders and stakeholder groups, such as the 4th Street BRZ and Alderman John Mar's office, have been contacted for the purpose of establishing a working group on community crime and safety issues

Getting the right fit

- Take the time to properly fit and adjust your helmet to ensure maximum protection in case of a crash.
- When worn properly, helmets should fit level, not tilted up or down over the forehead.
- Helmets should feel snug, but not too tight. To test the fit, the helmet should not fall off when you shake your head from side to side while the straps are unfastened.
- Adjust the chin straps to form a "Y" below and slightly forward from the ears.
- Only one finger should be able to fit under the chin strap when it is fastened.
- Do not forget to use the sizing pads included with the helmet. They will help improve the overall fit and comfort.

- a CBMCA crime and safety public forum is being planned, as well as a Safety Day event including participation from ChildFind Canada and St. John Ambulance, among many others.

Simply looking at the statistical analysis provided on crimemap.calgarypolice.ca for the last three months, one can see that while we're not crime-ridden, we're not crime-free either. Becoming completely crime-free is unrealistic, as we don't live in a vacuum or surrounded by moats and castle walls...but it's a worthwhile objective to try and attain. Imagine how much better our community could be, if all of us stepped up to the plate and helped out in some small way?

Isn't that the hallmark of a community that's truly worth living in?

"All that is necessary for the triumph of evil is that good men do nothing." (Edmund Burke)

E-mail Mike at cbmca.crime@gmail.com

LAUGH A LITTLE!

Since light travels faster than sound, some people appear bright until you hear them speak.

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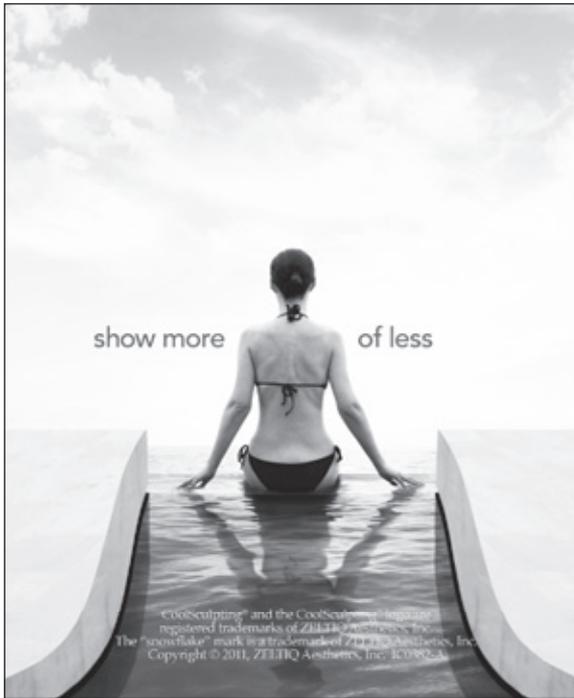
Writing in the Works Spring 2013

Readings from new works by Ken Cameron, Lori Hahnel, Steve Passey, Inge Trueman and Roberta Rees, emceed by Susan Calder.

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Animal & Bylaw Services reminds Calgarians to avoid illegally placing temporary signs

With the arrival of spring, Animal & Bylaw Services would like to remind Calgarians to consult the rules for posting temporary signs before placing them along city streets or in other public areas.

Complaints about temporary signs advertising everything from landscaping to garage sales tend to increase as the weather warms up. If illegally placed, they can cause a public safety concern by impeding the visibility of motorists and pedestrians. They can even cause traffic hazards.

Since May 2012, bylaw officers have taken down over 7,500 illegal signs.

There are proper areas and methods of legally placing signs. To be legal, the bylaw states that temporary signs must be:

- At least 30 metres away from an intersection.
- At least 10 metres away from a crosswalk.
- Two metres from the curb or edge of the road.

It is illegal to place signs:

- On a traffic island, centre median, or if the placement creates a potential traffic or pedestrian hazard.
- On a street light pole, traffic control device, fire hydrant, Plus 15 bridge or sound attenuation wall.
- By permanently affixing them or supporting them with string, rope, wire or metal stakes or if the placement causes damage to municipal property.
- That are larger than 0.6 square metres or 2X3 feet in size.

Calgarians are also reminded to be respectful and ensure that they are not placing signs on private property.

Temporary signs must list the name, address and phone number of the owner and date the sign was placed. The sign cannot be displayed for longer than 14 consecutive days or for more than 24 hours after the advertised event has ended.

Officers can impound any signs found in breach of the bylaw with a \$100 fine per sign. The Temporary Signs on Highways Bylaw 29M97 also includes a list of roadways where signs are prohibited or restricted. To read the bylaw, visit calgary.ca/bylawservices.

3 Key Tips for How to Spot and Avoid Phishing and Vishing Scams

The word phishing comes from the analogy that Internet scammers are using email lures to “fish” for passwords and financial data from the sea of Internet users. Phishing is the creation of email messages and web pages that are replicas of existing, legitimate sites and businesses. These web sites and emails are used to trick users into submitting personal, financial or password data. You could be asked for information such as credit card numbers, bank account information, social insurance numbers and passwords. The goal of criminals using brand spoofing is to lead you to believe that a request for information is coming from a legitimate company. In reality, it’s an attempt to collect your information for the purpose of committing fraud.

With vishing, criminals ask you place a phone call instead of asking you to click on links that direct you to a malicious website. When you call, a recording will ask for personal information like a credit card number. Criminals will then recognize any telephone keystrokes you type in, thus receiving your information. Do not use a phone number provided in an email. Use a phone number that you have independently found (like from your bank or credit card provider) instead.

1. Protect your computer with anti-virus software, spyware filters, email filters and firewall programs which are updated regularly.
2. Do not reply to any email that requests your personal information.
3. Look for misspelled words.

This information was taken from a pamphlet created by the Calgary Police Service and AMA.

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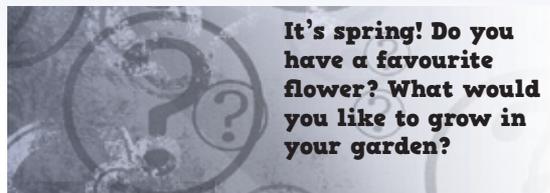
Spring cleaning? Donate, Volunteer, Shop

Need some help with your spring cleaning? You may not find anybody to help you wash windows, but if spring cleaning your bookshelves is on the to-do list, why not donate your high quality, pre-loved books to the 11th annual CBC Calgary Reads Book Sale, held May 10-12? It's the perfect way to ensure that those books you enjoyed so much (but just don't have room for anymore) find their way into a good home. At the same time, you'll be helping struggling young readers find the joy of literacy.

You can drop off gently-read books at the Calgary Curling Club (720 - 3 St NW) on April 27-28 (9am- 4pm), April 29-May 3 (9am-8pm) and May 4-5 (9am-4pm). Books are also gratefully accepted at the Calgary Food Bank

(5000 - 11 St SE, Warehouse door 3) from April 29-May 3 (8:30am-6:30pm). Please do not donate encyclopaedias, textbooks, Harlequin Romances, Readers' Digest, book tapes or magazines.

Have you heard about the special perks that CBC Calgary Reads Book Sale volunteers enjoy? Sure, there's the warm fuzzy feeling that comes with helping out a good cause, and the fun and camaraderie that happens behind the scenes at the book sale, but there is also a special Volunteer Appreciation event on May 8, featuring Calgary's Poet Laureate Kris Demeanor and the comic a-capella group HeebieJeebees. The book sale offers a variety of volunteer opportunities, including collection, sorting, set-up and sale. It's also a great way for your group to get out, help out and have some fun.



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- 1 Light rain
- 5 Slang term for U.S. \$10 bill
- 8 Broadway musical brothers George and Ira
- 9 April showers bring these in May
- 10 Former Governor General & flavoured tea blend (2 words)
- 13 Prime Minister featured on Canadian \$5 bill (2 words)
- 16 Romeo's surname
- 17 Spring flower festival in Ottawa
- 18 World's driest desert

DOWN

- 2 The best medicine
- 3 World's largest ocean
- 4 Found in Canadian Badlands
- 6 "Provence of the Caribbean" (2 words)
- 7 Male cats are Toms, female cats are _____
- 8 _____ Mean Time
- 11 Licorice stick
- 12 Tuxedo bird
- 13 Peanuts bird
- 14 British term for two weeks
- 15 A "bald" bird

BRAIN GAMES

Across 1.drtzzle 5.sawbuck 8.Gershwin 9.flowers 10.Earl Grey 13.Wilfrid Laurier 16.Montague 17.Tulip 18.Atacama
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The time leading up to the release of Premier Redford's budget has got me concerned about the future of one of our most important social institutions, the education of our children. Alberta's projected budget deficit grew from a shortfall of \$886 million to between \$3.5-4 billion dollars. As a result, the future of one of our cornerstone social institutions will be inevitably impacted for the worse. During the last election, the Premier made some significant promises with regard to education. One of which was a three year funding model that was intended to be predictable and sustainable. Based on the province's current fiscal dilemma, the government is undoubtedly going to have to break this promise. Unfortunately, this can have significant impacts. It means that because of a lack of government foresight or an ability to have a fiscal structure that allows for both predictable and sustainable funding and saving for the future, our kids future will be dimmed by cuts.

We can expect fewer teachers, larger class sizes, and even more limited before and after school programs. Alberta's public education system has already suffered setbacks with the province having approximately 450 to 650 fewer teachers than it had in the system just 3 years ago. Fewer teachers in the system results in larger class sizes; moreover, there is a sizable body of research that indicates that larger class sizes reduces a student's performance. Additionally, the Minister has also pushed back another campaign promise by at least a year, the promise of full-day kindergarten. Under current conditions, these problems will certainly be exacerbated. The sad thing is it doesn't need to be this way. We cannot continue funding our core programs on the volatile price of oil but, by public contributions to our social well-being. My nephews, your children, and grandchildren will be affected by the decisions we make today. Education is certainly a social priority and is truly an investment in the future of our province.

On a different note, I would like to congratulate the Cliff Bungalow-Mission Community Association for hosting a successful Winter Social. It was a fantastic event and it was clear a great deal of work went into the planning and execution. Thank you to all of the volunteers, the board of directors, and to all in attendance for making the Winter Social such a wonderful event.



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Spring Yard Waste Drop-off at City Landfills

Between April 19 and June 2, residents can take yard waste like leaves, branches or plants to any City of Calgary landfill for composting, free of charge. The material will be composted at the landfill sites. This is a great way to recycle a natural resource into a useful product.

The yard waste should be loose or in paper yard waste bags. If your load contains items other than yard waste, you may be charged. For more information and landfill locations and hours, visit www.calgary.ca/waste or contact 311.

The Mayors Environment Expo

Although it does not happen until June, the 2013 Mayor's Environment Expo has been in the planning for quite some time. The Expo is a fun educational interactive event for youth, aimed at creating environmental stewards for Calgary. Its goal is to engage and empower youth to practice and promote sustainability, shaping tomorrow's leaders with environmental education.

Over the three days (June 4-6), the Expo will host seventy-five workshops and performances that teach about geocaching, water conservation, composting worms, eco-friendly art, rehabilitating animals, and more. Additionally, with over fifty exhibits to explore, you will learn about initiatives taken by The City of Calgary and local organizations that help expand actions in support of a healthier community.

You can also celebrate with the Showcase Schools who will be sharing their environmental projects and highlighting what they have learned.

- The Expo is Calgary's premier event in celebration of National Environment Week. There is a call for early participation in the follow areas relating to the Mayor's Environment Expo:
 - The Jack Leslie Youth Environment Grant is accepting applications.
 - Youth Photography Contest kicks off March 01.
 - Registration for workshops opens March 04.
 - Showcase Schools have embarked on their projects (We have a webpage dedicated to their projects; however it will not be updated till Mid April.)
 - Register for a workshop
- To find out more about the above and for more information about the Expo, visit www.calgary.ca/mee or call 3-1-1.

If I can be of assistance on any matter of a civic nature, please do not hesitate to contact my office by phone 403-268-2430, fax 403-268-3823 or at www.calgary.ca/ward8.

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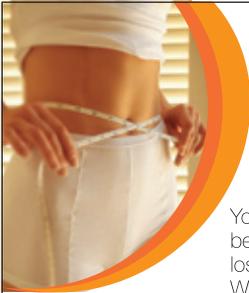
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