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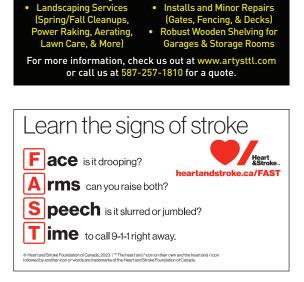






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Everyone is welcome to attend.



GAMES & PUZZLES Guess That Animal!

- 1. Male ______ are the only creatures in the animal kingdom to undergo pregnancy and give birth.
- 2. This tree-hugging marsupial's fingerprints are almost indistinguishable from humans,' which has confused some forensic crime scene investigators.
- 3. This monogamous species mates for life and courts one another by gifting each other pebbles.
- 4. This large rodent is one of the friendliest in the animal kingdom and has been known to befriend crocodiles, monkeys, dogs, and even humans!
- 5.The _______ is the only mammal that can truly fly and not simply glide.
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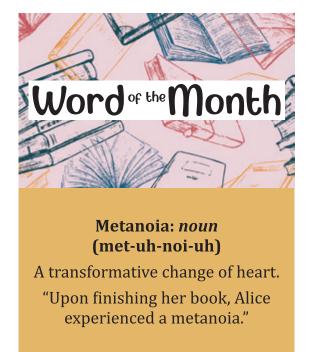
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RUNNER UP PHOTOS









by Anne Burke

What Happened 50 Years Ago to Preserve Nose Hill?

The Calgary Council of Women wanted a legacy. In 1973, the City created the park after a lengthy debate. Council rejected a development application when communities favoured a major natural environment park. "Citizens for Nose Hill" presented a "Citizens' Brief." Then a steering committee produced the "Nose Hill Design Brief."

A rezoning challenge was only one of the obstacles because much of the land was privately owned. It was urgent to preserve it because some was already sold to developers, with a parcel to a homebuilder.

Community leaders and concerned citizens collected over 5,000 signatures on a petition opposing the rezoning. They organized a march along John Laurie Boulevard in defence of Nose Hill. There was even a children's petition, and their voices were heard.

City Council voted against any rezoning. However, the City still needed more time to buy up the land. The Supreme Court of Canada gave Calgary the right to purchase land on Nose Hill at its own pace. The provincial government agreed and declared that the Nose Hill lands be retained as a public open space in perpetuity.





Preserving Pollinators: A Vital Task for a Sustainable Future

Pollinators, including bees, butterflies, birds, bats, and other insects, play a crucial role in our ecosystems and food production. They facilitate the transfer of pollen from male to female flowers, enabling fertilization and the subsequent production of fruits, seeds, and nuts. Unfortunately, pollinators worldwide are facing numerous challenges that threaten their survival. It is our responsibility to protect these essential creatures and safeguard the delicate balance of our natural world.

Pollinators are indispensable to biodiversity and food security. They contribute to the reproduction of nearly 90% offlowering plants and are responsible for pollinating more than 75% of the world's food crops, including fruits, vegetables, nuts, and seeds. Their role in maintaining healthy ecosystems cannot be overstated, as they support the growth of countless plant species and sustain the habitats of numerous animals.

Pollinators are confronted with a range of challenges that jeopardize their populations. Habitat loss due to urbanization, intensive agriculture, and deforestation is a significant threat. Pesticides, including neonicotinoids, can harm pollinators by affecting their navigation, feeding, and reproduction. Climate change disrupts natural patterns and alters flowering times, impacting the synchronization between pollinators and plants. Invasive species, diseases, and parasites also pose risks to pollinator populations.

Protecting Pollinators: Actions and Solutions:

1.Preserve and Create Habitat: Protecting and restoring natural habitats is crucial. Promote the establishment of pollinator-friendly spaces by planting native flowering plants, shrubs, and trees in gardens, parks, and urban areas. These areas serve as food sources and nesting sites for pollinators.

- **2. Reduce Pesticide Use:** Implement integrated pest management practices that minimize the reliance on chemical pesticides. Encourage the use of natural alternatives and eco-friendly pest control methods to protect pollinators while maintaining agricultural productivity.
- **3. Support Organic Agriculture:** Promote organic farming practices that avoid synthetic pesticides and prioritize ecological balance. Organic farms provide healthier habitats for pollinators, reducing their exposure to harmful chemicals.
- 4. Raise Awareness and Education: Educate communities, farmers, and gardeners about the importance of pollinators and the actions they can take to protect them. Encourage the public to create pollinator-friendly gardens, participate in citizen science projects, and support organizations working towards pollinator conservation.
- **5. Collaborate with Local Communities:** Engage local communities, schools, and businesses in pollinator conservation efforts. Foster partnerships with farmers, landowners, and policymakers to implement pollinator-friendly policies and practices.
- 6. Research and Monitoring: Invest in research to better understand the challenges facing pollinators and develop innovative solutions. Monitor pollinator populations to identify trends, assess risks, and inform conservation strategies.

Protecting pollinators is vital for the health and sustainability of our ecosystems, agriculture, and overall well-being. By taking collective action to preserve habitats, reduce pesticide use, promote organic practices, and raise awareness, we can safeguard these invaluable creatures. Together, we can ensure a future where pollinators thrive, biodiversity flourishes, and our food systems remain resilient. Let us embrace our role as stewards of the natural world and prioritize the conservation of pollinators for generations to come.

Back-to-School Safety Tips for Pedestrians and Motorists

from Alberta Health Services



Alberta Health Services EMS would like to remind parents and students of some safety tips as the school year begins again this fall. Pedestrians and motorists both have an important role to play – road safety is a shared responsibility.

Motorists

- Distracted driving carries a \$300 fine and three demerit points in Alberta. Avoid the use of mobile devices or engaging in any other behavior that diverts your attention away from driving.
- Give right-of-way to pedestrians who have activated overhead crossing lights, or who are waiting to cross from a street corner.
- Other than parked cars, it is illegal to pass another vehicle in a school or playground zone during posted hours.

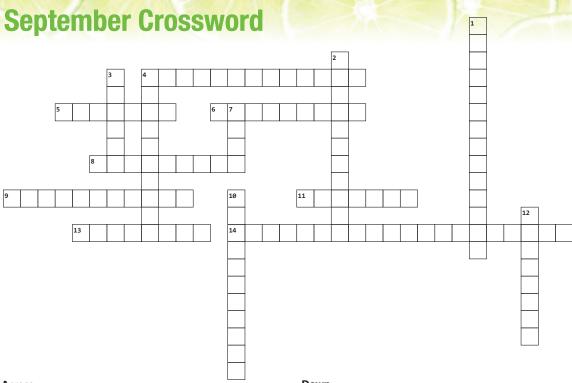
Around School Buses

- Flashing amber lights mean that a bus is slowing down to stop motorists should do so likewise.
- No matter which direction you are coming from, stop when approaching a school bus with activated flashing red lights unless the bus is on the opposite side of a divided highway from you.

 Driver courtesy goes a long way. By simply being alert and cautious when approaching a school bus, you are contributing to school bus safety.

Pedestrians

- Cross only at marked crosswalks or street corners that have clear visibility from all directions.
- Make eye contact with all drivers before crossing the street and keep distractions to a minimum.
- •When activating overhead crossing lights, pause before stepping off the curb to ensure motorists in both directions have come to a complete stop.
- Stay within the crosswalk lines.
- Obey pedestrian lights at intersections. Cross the street only when you see the 'walk' sign and only when all cars have come to a complete stop.
- If you are with young children or pets, hold your child's hand firmly and keep a solid grip on leashes when crossing.
- Remember: children learn by observing. By demonstrating safe crossing habits, you can reduce the chances of your child being involved in a preventable auto/pedestrian collision.



Across

- 4. On September 23, 2023, also known as the and day are approximately the same length.
- 5. On September 1, 1905, this Canadian province was named after Queen Victoria's daughter.
- 6. Published by John Ronald Reuel on September 21, 1937, this novel is a prequel to one of the most popular fantasy series of all time.
- 8. On September 13, 1969, CBS aired this cartoon mystery series, and as a result, this day is known as
- 9. Born on September 21, 1947, this well-known horror author's work has been adapted over 50 times for film.
- 11. Once called the Mayor Daley Marathon, this marathon, which first took place on September 25, 1977, is one of the world's six major marathons, the others being Berlin, Boston, London, New York, and Tokyo.
- 13. This Kyoto-based company was founded by Fusajiro Yamauchi on September 23, 1889, and originally produced handmade Japanese playing cards.
- 14. Published by Gaston Leroux on September 23, 1909, this novel was originally published in segments in a French newspaper called Le Gaulois but has also been adapted into a film and musical.

Down

- 1. Set in the Stone Age, this popular animated family show premiered on September 30, 1960.
- 2. On September 12, 1970, the ___ was the first to launch a robotic probe that brought back rock samples from the Moon to Earth.
- 3. The Battle of the Plains of Abraham, which lasted 15 minutes and took place on a farm, led to the surrender of this city.
- 4. On September 13, 1899, the first ever recorded fatal crash occurred in the United States.
- 7. This iconic Enrique Iglesias song was released on September 3, 2001.
- 10. This coming-of-age novel, set in 19th century Massachusetts and written by Louisa May Alcott, was published on September 30, 1868.
- 12. International _____ Day is observed on the third Saturday of September and is intended to bring awareness to this endangered, ring-tailed mammal.



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Last 12 Months Sandstone MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
July 2023	\$549,900	\$562,500
June 2023	\$534,450	\$567,950
May 2023	\$475,000	\$462,000
April 2023	\$475,000	\$480,000
March 2023	\$380,000	\$367,250
February 2023	\$524,900	\$585,000
January 2023	\$462,499.50	\$467,500
December 2022	\$534,000	\$524,277.50
November 2022	\$409,800	\$406,800
October 2022	\$444,700	\$423,500
September 2022	\$486,400	\$465,000
August 2022	\$549,900	\$517,000

Last 12 Months Sandstone MLS Real Estate Number of Listings Update

	No. New Properties	No. Properties Sold
July 2023	8	9
June 2023	16	18
May 2023	11	7
April 2023	9	7
March 2023	6	7
February 2023	6	2
January 2023	2	4
December 2022	1	2
November 2022	1	5
October 2022	5	8
September 2022	6	4
August 2022	6	9

To view more detailed information that comprise the above MLS averages please visit **sand.mycalgary.com**

MacEwan Real Estate Update

Last 12 Months MacEwan MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
July 2023	\$0	\$0
June 2023	\$534,950	\$562,393
May 2023	\$499,000	\$507,000
April 2023	\$499,950	\$522,500
March 2023	\$449,945	\$490,000
February 2023	\$427,450	\$427,450
January 2023	\$407,450	\$386,000
December 2022	\$599,999	\$599,999
November 2022	\$499,150	\$499,500
October 2022	\$599,900	\$580,000
September 2022	\$504,900	\$492,000
August 2022	\$450,000	\$450,000

Last 12 Months MacEwan
MLS Real Estate Number of Listings Update

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	No. New Properties	No. Properties Sold	
July 2023	3	0	
June 2023	4	10	
May 2023	5	6	
April 2023	12	8	
March 2023	9	6	
February 2023	2	4	
January 2023	5	2	
December 2022	1	3	
November 2022	2	2	
October 2022	3	7	
September 2022	3	2	
August 2022	8	5	

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sandstonemacewan.com/rinkrebuild



What an incredible summer it's been! I've enjoyed meeting residents and being in the community at the wonderful events hosted throughout the ward. Thanks to everyone who stopped by our tent during the Stampede breakfast hosted in Coventry Hills!

North Trail High School Opening

The change of season means that kids are officially back to school. North Trail High School is opening along Harvest Hills Blvd. With many students travelling to the new school, we expect some growing pains with parking and traffic.

To report a concern, scan the QR code to submit via 311 or CPS. If your concern has not been resolved in a timely manner, please follow up with my office.



The opening of North Trail High School also means that there will be some changes to bus service. To view the specific routes and levels of service, visit calgarytransit.com.

Hanson Ranch Wetland Redesign

The City is undertaking work on the constructed wetlands in Hanson Ranch. The City's Water Services department will be hosting public information sessions this month. To read more about the project and the dates of the information sessions, scan the following QR code.



For more information on all things related to Ward 3 or to contact my office directly, visit jasminemian.com.

CRIME STATISTICS

Sandstone Valley Crime Activity was Up in July 2023

The Sandstone Valley community experienced 6 crimes in July 2023, in comparison to 5 crimes the previous month, and 7 crimes in July one year ago. Sandstone Valley experiences an average of 4.1 crimes per month. On an annual basis, Sandstone Valley experienced a total of 49 crimes as of July 2023, which is down 4% in comparison to 51 crimes as of July 2022. To review the full Sandstone Valley Crime report visit sand.mycalgary.com.

MacEwan Glen Crime Activity was Down in July 2023

The MacEwan Glen community experienced 1 crime in July 2023, in comparison to 4 crimes the previous month, and 2 crimes in July one year ago. MacEwan Glen experiences an average of 3.0 crimes per month. On an annual basis, MacEwan Glen experienced a total of 36 crimes as of July 2023, which is up 9% in comparison to 33 crimes as of July 2022. To review the full MacEwan Glen Crime report visit macq.mycalgary.com.

How To Report Crime In Sandstone Valley | MacEwan Glen: Dial 911 for emergencies or crimes in progress. For non-emergencies dial (403) 266-1234. To report a crime anonymously, contact Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (Talk, Type or Text), submit tips online at crimestoppers. ab.ca. or text tttTIPS to 274637.





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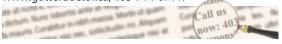
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