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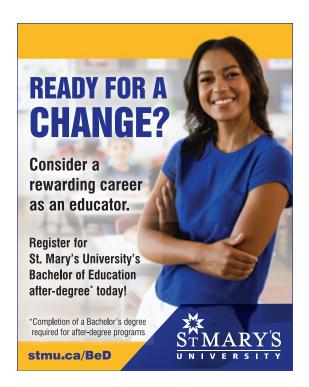
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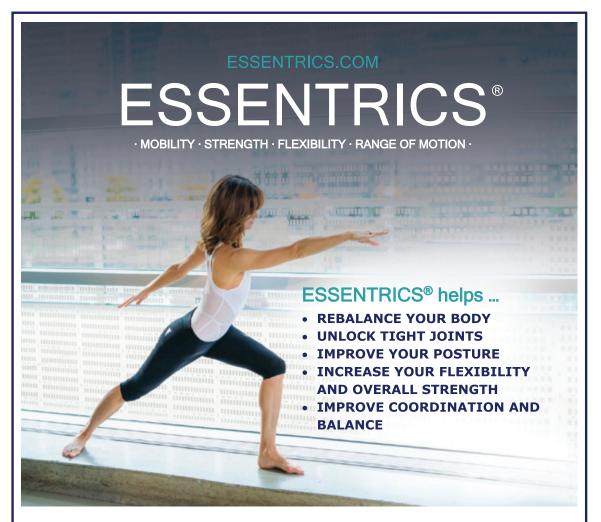
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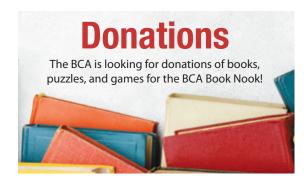
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- Seniors Memberships are \$15
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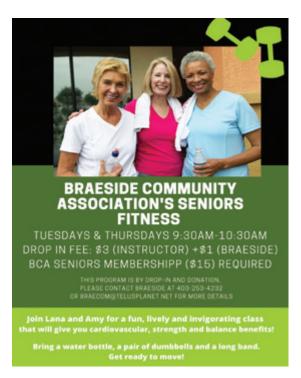


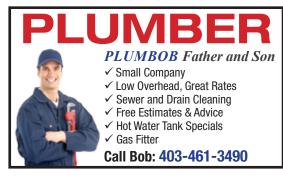
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RESIDENT PERSPECTIVES

Spring Cleaning Your Way to Better Health

by Nina Wilder



March is here and we all know what that means: time for spring cleaning! This time of year is all about hitting that 'refresh' button and tackling the chores

that we have been putting off. But this tradition doesn't have to just be about dusting the blinds and decluttering our garages, it can also be a great opportunity to set our environment up to support healthy habits.

To form new habits, we must make them attractive, easy, and satisfying. We can do this by cleaning and organizing our homes in such a way as to encourage us to do certain behaviours. For example, if we want to increase our activity and aren't interested in going to a gym, we can create a designated activity space in our home. We can clear out a corner or – if you have the luxury – an unused room and make it appealing for activity: set out a music player, hang up motivating images or quotes, and lay out equipment in an organized and accessible way. The more appealing the room is, the more you'll want to use it!

Conversely, to kick a bad habit, we must make it harder to do, unattractive, and unsatisfying. If our goal is to eat less junk food, we can start by reorganizing the kitchen. We can declutter our pantries and fridges of things that tempt us and put them somewhere harder to reach such as that cupboard in the garage, or the freezer downstairs. We can also organize the contents in our fridge so that healthier snacks are more towards the front so they're easier to grab and give us a strong visual reminder to go for those instead. If you find yourself throwing out uneaten vegetables and fruits that have gone bad, stop putting them in the fridge drawer, out of sight!

With a little elbow grease, we can not only make our homes cleaner and more organized, but also conducive to having better health. How's that for a new tradition?

Houseplant Design

by Carolyn Brown. Credits to the Calgary Horticultural Society

Whether you start with your home office, the family room, or the bathroom, create living harmony with the three 'P's of houseplant design: plant, pot, position. For example, plant a bold sansevieria (snake plant) in a solid square pot for impact, utilize a series of similar shaped pots to create flow with say, miniature ferns, or create a planter with varieties of succulents.

Tree-like tropicals like banana and figs bring an element of scale to larger rooms. Have a high ceiling? Climbing philodendron and vines like pothos are a perfect way to create a more intimate space. Do you live in an apartment or basement suite with low light? Try a zebra, snake, or cast iron plant. Choose beautiful pots as these slow growers may be with you for a lifetime!

Typically, the room with highest humidity, such as a bathroom with a window or skylight, is perfect for growing ferns and orchids. Did you know that mirrors will reflect even more light onto your plants? So, go ahead and find cute hanging pots and mini containers to add some 'funk factor' to this small utilitarian space. Have some fun with shape, colour and texture.

How about a string of pearls? Dolphins? Turtles, anyone? These diminutive trailing plants are often referred to as 'plant babies,' adding a touch of whimsy to the kitchen. How about an artillery or candystick plant to spark conversation in the den? Foliage colour can enhance a room or provide contrast within it. Gold, variegated, and deep purple leaves will make a statement or blend in seamlessly.

From big bold leaves to fluffy ferns, incorporating texture adds drama and interest throughout the house. Repeat patterns and plant varieties for a sense of calm and touch of class. Keep these design principles in mind to bring any room to life beautifully.

Fun Fact

The benefits of green leafy plants are proven to boost mood and the wellbeing of humans and animals alike. A natural air freshener, plants help to remove toxins and improve the quality of the air that we all breathe. With proper selection and care, plants bring pleasing aesthetics to any space when given the right environment.

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District Budget Process

by Cathie Williams, Chair, CCSD Board of Trustees

Formed in 1885, the Calgary Catholic School District (CCSD) is the only metro board that serves a large urban centre as well as surrounding smaller cities, communities, and counties. The district's budget process incorporates Calgary Catholic's goals and objectives as expressed in the Board of Trustees' priorities; its mission and vision; as well as the Annual Education Results Report and Three-Year Education Plan

Budget Timeline:

January - The district's yearly budget process begins in January. Initial steps include establishing enrolment estimates for the coming school year.

February - Stakeholders are invited to participate in a broad consultation created with the purpose of seeking input on the resource allocation priorities that the district should focus on. A base budget is then prepared based on the information compiled, as well as the direction arising from board strategic planning, and most importantly, on stipulations outlined in the provincial budget.

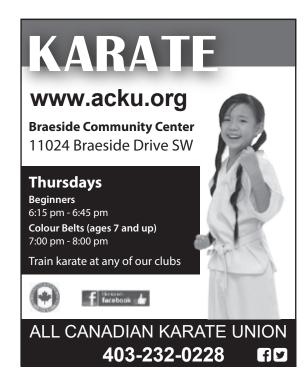
March - School-based staff recruitment is initiated. There are only a few budget decisions that do not directly impact staffing. Approximately 80 percent of district budget expenditures are spent on salary and benefit expenses.

April - A draft budget is presented to senior administration and feedback is included in a revised draft.

May - The revised draft is presented to the Board of Trustees for feedback and the final version is submitted for approval. Once it has been approved by the board, the budget is then submitted to Alberta Education.

Public, separate, and francophone school districts in Alberta are publicly funded. As more than 95 percent of the district's revenue is tied to student enrolment and is dependent upon government funding, the district has little control over how much is received each year. CCSD strives to maintain an accumulated operating surplus sufficient to provide an adequate amount of savings to cover any potential funding shortfalls. At the same time, the district ensures that funds are prudently spent in classrooms to deliver successful student outcomes.

Throughout the process, regular updates are provided to the Board of Trustees. The valuable feedback gathered through stakeholder consultation engagement substantially helps inform the budget priorities for the upcoming school year. As always, the district continues to prioritize student learning through ensuring the availability of quality resources and supports in the classroom.



Featuring Joan Byers

For those who may not know, Joan has been a mainstay in our community for over 30 years as a neighbour and a dedicated community volunteer. In honour of her retirement last year, we would like to acknowledge her contributions.



Joan and her family moved to Braeside in 1980 after leaving the military and set up their home in our wonderful neighbourhood. She was asked to join the Community Board as Secretary a few years later and remained in that role for most of her 30-year tenure. During that time, she also stepped up to assume the responsibility of Acting President when needed and assisted in the office regularly. She was a fountain of knowledge about all things community related and was happy to share her experience with everyone, mentoring many new board members over the years. Joan helped initiate some of our long-standing events, including the Stampede Breakfast. The beautiful mural on our building was also one of her projects and she knew the perfect artist to complete it. In addition to her role at Braeside Community, she and Bob were also devoted volunteers at The Beverly Centre (now AgeCare Glenmore).

We think you'll agree that Joan has been a tremendous asset to our community and elsewhere and we would like to thank her for her many contributions and wish her all the best!

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Orange Vegetables Are Healthy and Delicious

from Alberta Health Services



Canada's Food Guide Plate encourages Canadians to make half their plate vegetables or fruit. One recommendation is to have orange vegetables a few times a week.

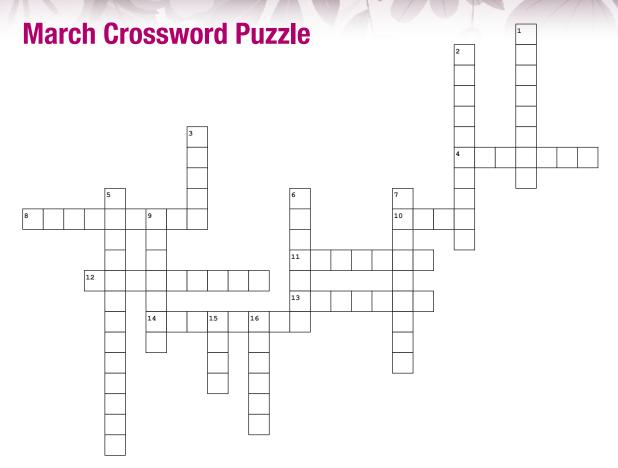
Orange vegetables contain carotenoids. These are plant compounds that that convert into Vitamin A in your body. Vitamin A helps promote healthy vision and helps your eyesight in dark lighting. It also promotes the growth and health of cells in your body, and it helps regulate your immune system.

Orange vegetables that grow in Alberta are carrots, peppers, pumpkins, squash, and even sweet potatoes.

Here are a few ways to add orange vegetables to your meals:

- Choose sweet potato instead of regular potatoes.
- Serve roasted butternut squash.
- Serve sliced carrots or peppers as a snack.
- Roast carrots or peppers as a side dish.
- Add pureed pumpkin to regular mashed potatoes, soups, and sauces. Or add it into muffin or cookie batter when baking. For a fall treat, try it in a smoothie with cinnamon and nutmeg.

For a satisfying fall dish and other health recipes, you may want to try the sweet potato and carrot crisp recipe at ahs.ca/recipes.



Down

- 1. March's birth flower
- 2. This best-selling French-Canadian singer was born on March 30, 1968
- 3. You get pinched if you don't wear this
- 5. Both a dessert and a celebration of mathematics that takes place on March 14
- 6. The saint most popularly associated with March 17
- 7. Popular chocolate and what you might find at the end of a rainbow
- 9. This children's author and cartoonist was born on March 2, 1904
- 15. Roman god of war who shares a name with this month
- 16. On March 25, 1990, Canada took home gold at the Women's World Hockey Championship in this city

Across

- 4. This day signals the start of spring in the northern hemisphere
- 8. Born on March 27, this Calgary-born singer and songwriter is famous for her hit single "Insensitive"
- 10. On March 6, we celebrate this cookie's 111th birthday
- 11. According to ancient Greeks and Romans, this was believed to be a path from the gods
- 12. An important international holiday celebrating gender equality
- 13. Each March, this city's river is dyed green
- 14. Another word for a three-leaf-clover

SCAN THE QR CODE FOR THE ANSWER KEY



Choosing a Meal Delivery Service

from the Better Business Bureau

Meal delivery services give consumers a more convenient way to make home-cooked dinners by delivering fresh, pre-measured ingredients and easy-to-follow recipes to your doorstep. But just like any other service, each company is different.

Pricing, ingredients, and preparation requirements vary greatly between services. You'll need to do some homework to pick the one that best meets your family's needs. If the appeal of a meal delivery subscription is learning new recipes and experimenting with ingredients, you might choose one company. But if your main interest is speed and simplicity, another may be a better fit.

The following tips will help select an ideal meal delivery service for your household:

- Research the delivery service. Ask friends and family, read reviews, and check BBB.org to learn about past customers' experiences.
- Set a budget and check the fine print. Pricing can vary from one company to the next. Make certain the service aligns with your budget. In addition, not all meal delivery services include shipping fees in their pricing – read the fine print.
- Know your skill level. Before committing to a plan, research what kind of cooking techniques you'll need to know. If a company's recipes require searing, roasting, and braising, do you know how? If not, make sure you have the time to learn new techniques.
- Consider ingredient quality. Not all companies offer organic, non-GMO, or free-range meal ingredients. If these are must-haves for your family, make sure the company offers them.
- Determine how much prep work you want. Some companies do more chopping and sauce-making than others. This seemingly small difference can make a big difference in how long each meal takes to make.
- Consider the customer service. If there is ever a problem - a missing recipe card or ingredient, for

- example you want to know that you can count on customer service. Make sure there are clear, easy ways to contact the company, even late in the evening. Read the company's reviews and keep an eye out for any indication that customer service is lacking.
- Check the cancellation policy. Before making a decision to subscribe to meal delivery, understand the cancellation policy. Each company is different and some may have very strict policies.
- · Be careful with personal information. Most food delivery services process payments online. Make sure the company is legitimate before offering up personal information such as financial information and address.
- Review BBB tips for shopping online. Since meal delivery services don't usually have brick and mortar storefronts, consider BBB's tips for smart shopping online.



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Degrees of Burn

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- 3°: Severe: The deepest layers of skin and tissue are injured; may appear charred or leathery.

First Aid for Burns

- Skin may continue to burn if not cooled. Immediately douse burns with large amounts of cold water.
- Cover the burn with a sterile dressing, or at least clean material to protect infection.

- Over the counter medications may be used for pain. Adhere to directions given on the label.
- Seek further medical attention, as required.

Prevention of Burns

- · Check the temperature of your hot water tank. Temperatures as high as 60°C / 140°F will scald a child in just seconds.
- Use placemats instead of tablecloths. Tablecloths can be yanked downward causing hot drinks or food to spill on a child.
- Turn pot handles to the back of the stove and ensure cords from kettles, slow cookers, and other electrical appliances cannot be reached.
- Avoid picking up a child while holding any hot liquids.
- Ensure electrical outlets are made secure by installing commercially available safety devices which prohibit access.
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Properties Median Price Listed Sold Listed Sold January \$218,800 \$232,500 December 22 6 \$509.500 \$520.750 November 22 \$224.950 \$236,500 **October** \$470,000 \$479.900 September 22 \$549,900 15 \$531,000 August 22 10 \$292,400 \$284,500 July 22 13 11 \$335,000 \$335,000 June 22 11 7 \$349,900 \$349,900 May 22 26 27 \$379,900 \$395,000 April 22 26 17 \$319,900 \$333,500 March 22 20 \$319.700 \$335,000 **February** 22 13 \$299,000 \$316,000

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SELLING YOUR HOME? BE PREPARED!

To receive top dollar and ensure a smooth process, it is a good idea to obtain expert real estate advice. Here are a few suggestions to start preparing your home for market in advance:

- 1. Create Space Buyers are usually looking for more space. Consider removing unnecessary furniture and cleaning out your closets, storage rooms, and garage.
- 2. Freshen Up Once you have cleared out any clutter, paint with a neutral colour such as an off-white. This will cover old wall marks and freshen up your home.
- 3. Fix It Up Buyers want to move into a house where all mechanical systems are fully functional. Have your furnace and air conditioning unit serviced and cleaned, plus fix any plumbing leaks.
- 4. First Impressions Be sure that your home looks appealing from the street. In winter, shovel and clean your walks. In summer, cut your law, trim shrubs, and plant some flowers in the beds for colour. Curb appeal is important and you only have one chance to make a good first impression!
- 5. Call us for our expert real estate advice and personalized service.

BRAESIDE Y-T-D MARKET STATISTICS

Single Family Homes:

2 active listings – average list price \$624,500 with 48 days on market
0 sold listings since Jan 1, 2023

Condo/Townhouses/Attached:

O active listings 7 sold listings since Jan 1, 2023 - average sale price \$282,571 with 27 DOM

Apartments:

O active listings 3 sales since Jan 1, 2023 – sale price \$156,000 with 46 DOM







(Statistics based on CREB MLS System listings on February 6, 2023)

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