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## **Epilepsy Awareness Month** Shine a Light on Epilepsy

This March, let's unite in support of the 30,000 individuals living with epilepsy in Southern Alberta. Together, we can make a meaningful impact. Wear purple, light up spaces, and be part of the movement!



Purple Day

**Light up the Night in Violet Vibes!** Light up your homes,
offices, and public spaces in
purple to show your solidarity.

#### Dress in Grape Glory! Show your support by wearing purple clothing or accessories on

March 26th.



**Spark a Purple Revolution!** Be a part of the change! Donate or start a fundraiser.





epilepsycalgary.com

Share your purple moments using **#postyourpurple** 



#### MANY OTHER PACKAGES AVAILABLE!

## **BATHROOM RENOVATION SALE**

#### SUPREME ULTIMATE

- Remove all old materials from bathroom and job site
- · Supply & install new acrylic soaker tub
- · Supply & install new toilet with soft close seat
- · Supply & install new Delta pressure balance taps
- Supply & install new showerhead & diverter spout
- · Supply & install new mold-resistant board
- · Supply & install new tile to ceiling

ABSOLUTELY NO HIDDEN COSTS

Some restrictions may apply. Reg: \$15,679

- · Supply & install one corner caddy & soap dish
- · Supply & install new subfloor
- · Installation of new tile flooring
- Supply & install new vanity
- Supply & install new granite or quartz countertops with undermount sink
- · Supply & install new Delta vanity tops
- Supply & install new drain system & pop-up stopper

SALE \$11,679

Limited Supplies

#### TUB TO SHOWER CONVERSION

- Remove all old materials from bathroom and job site
- Supply & install one custom shower stall 60" x 30"
- Supply & install new water resistant board
- · Tile Schluter base
- · Supply & install new tile to ceiling

- · Supply & install custom shower doors
- Supply & install new Delta pressure balance taps
- Supply & install new toilet with soft close seat
- Supply & install one corner caddy with soap dish

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Community Garden	Emma Sauriol
Nominating	Doug Lamb

## Evanston Board Meetings

are held on the first Tuesday of every month.

All community members are welcome and encouraged to contribute.





#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Is it springtime yet? Whether you are heading away for spring break or staying local, enjoy the days of longer daylight and hopefully warmer temperatures!

#### Wine Tasting - March 15

Did you miss our first wine tasting event in October? This time it will be held on a Saturday at Wine & Beyond Sage Hill. There will be wines from around the world and every participant will have their own individual boxed charcuterie. Contact board@eccacalgary.com for details and to register. This is an 18+ event.

#### Help Us Decide

We are hard at work planning our 2025 events and want to know what you would like to see as a community event or addition to the Community Park (115 Evanston Drive). Last year we introduced wine tasting, a BBQ, a learn to skate event, a book library, pergola and lights for night skating just to name a few. We are looking for new ideas where we can engage with you. Please email board@ eccacalgary.com with your votes for the following:

- (1) Paint day/night; (2) Pub night; (3) Games day/night;
- (4) Date night; (5) Yoga at the park; (6) Music at the park;
- (7) Build a community garden; (8) Other.

Please note that a community centre and or splash park are not realistic at this time.

#### **Annual General Meeting**

The ECCA Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held in April. Come find out what we are doing to make Evanston a vibrant, safe, and fun community of 21,000 residents. The AGM is another opportunity to meet your fellow Evanston residents, ask questions about what the ECCA does and find out how you can help. Please RSVP to president@eccacalgary.com if you wish to attend.



#### Springtime Soccer

The ECCA has teamed up with SoccerTech for the 2025 soccer season. Please contact info@soccertech.ca for more information including registration details.

#### **Business Outreach**

We are fortunate to have supportive businesses in our community that have helped with our events and fundraisers. Without them, we would not be able to put on a varied program for everyone throughout the year. The support includes sponsorships, donations, and even providing space for our Board to meet each month. In return, we feature a business spotlight on our Facebook page. Please email board@eccacalgary.com if you would like to get involved and to be featured.

#### Join Your Association

To help support the ECCA please visit the Evanston Creekside Community Association webpage at https://www.eccacalgary.com/register/ to purchase a \$20 membership. If you are interested in volunteering, send us an email at president@eccacalgary.com. We are always looking for enthusiastic people to help!

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### **Safety Message**

March tends to be the coldest and snowiest month of the year and the heaviest. Help your neighbours out with their sidewalk. Take breaks and do not strain yourself. Dress in layers and stay hydrated. Keep sidewalks clear as we transition to the spring freeze/thaw season. Ice cleats are a great addition to your footwear for added traction. And please stay away from our community storm ponds because they are dangerous and unstable.



#### **GAMES & PUZZLES**

### **Guess the Toy!**

- 1. This fashion doll, created by Ruth Handler, made her debut at the American Toy Fair on March 9, 1959.
- This toy originates from the Swahili word "kujenga" which means "to build".
- 3. This was the first toy ever advertised on television, featuring parts that could be stuck into a fruit or vegetable.
- 4. Max Park holds the record for solving this 3D combination puzzle toy at 3.13 seconds.
- 5. This stretchy, bouncy, moldable toy was used aboard Apollo 8 to help secure tools and equipment in zero gravity.
- 6. This toy was named after Theodore Roosevelt who famously refused to shoot a captured animal during a hunting trip in 1902.





#### YOUR CITY OF CALGARY

#### Earth Hour 2025

by The City of Calgary

Calgary Unplugged is an annual family-friendly Earth Hour event. Join us for music, entertainment, and learn about environmental actions you can take in your community. Bring along some personal LED lighting and dance to the DJ when the lights go down for the Earth Hour party!

Location: Central Library (800 3 Street SE)

Date: Saturday, March 22Time: 7:00 to 9:30 pm

play games, or enjoy hobbies.

You can still participate in Earth Hour if you can't make it to the event! Reduce your impact by turning off nonessential lights, "unplug" from electronics at 8:30 pm, and take this time to reconnect with people,

Share your participation in Earth Hour on social media with #EarthHour and #EarthHourYYC.

Calgary Unplugged is hosted by The Arusha Centre, with support from The City of Calgary and community agencies.



#### SAFE AND SOUND

#### **Burns and Scalds**

by Alberta Health Services

Each year Emergency Medical Services respond to emergencies involving young children who have sustained severe burns or scalds. These incidents often occur inside the child's own home. Common causes include a child accidentally tipping hot liquids onto themselves, touching hot surfaces such as stoves, or making contact with electrical outlets. Fortunately, incidents such as these can be avoided by taking preventative measures.

#### **Degrees of Burn**

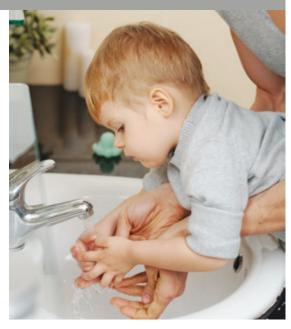
- 1°: Affects only the top layers of the skin; appears red like a sun burn; discomfort is generally tolerable.
- 2°: Deeper and much more painful than 1° burns; broken skin or blisters commonly develop.
- 3°: Severe. The deepest layers of skin and tissue are injured; may appear charred or leathery.

#### **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.
- Keep children away from areas where appliances are in use (kettles, irons, hot stoves).

If you require immediate medical attention, call 911.



Birthday Sunflowers

On Vincent van Gogh's 134th birthday, March 30, 1987, his painting "Sunflowers" sold for a whopping £22.5 million! Talk about a priceless birthday tribute. Van Gogh, born in 1853 in Groot-Zundert, Netherlands, never saw fame in his lifetime, but his art now blooms in value like his beloved sunflowers.



## Evanston Real Estate Update

Last 12 Months Evanston MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

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	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price				
January 2025	\$619,900	\$595,000				
December 2024	\$599,900	\$593,250				
November 2024	\$669,900	\$673,000				
October 2024	\$539,900	\$535,000				
September 2024	\$650,000	\$648,500				
August 2024	\$510,000	\$505,500				
July 2024	\$649,900	\$661,100				
June 2024	\$649,900	\$645,000				
May 2024	\$599,900	\$645,000				
April 2024	\$620,000	\$649,000				
March 2024	\$609,500	\$630,700				
February 2024	\$649,949.50	\$655,000				

## Last 12 Months Evanston MLS Real Estate Number of Listings Update

	No. New Properties	No. Properties Sold				
January 2025	25	21				
December 2024	12	22				
November 2024	21	17				
October 2024	20	23				
September 2024	28	19				
August 2024	23	21				
July 2024	37	31				
June 2024	30	33				
May 2024	45	31				
April 2024	32	31				
March 2024	32	34				
February 2024	27	22				

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

#### YOUR CITY OF CALGARY

## Find Your Next Job at the Youth Hiring Fair – March 27

by The City of Calgary

Mark your calendars! The Youth Employment Centre (YEC) is excited to announce the return of the Youth Hiring Fair on Thursday, March 27 at the Big Four Building from 1:30 to 6:00 pm. If you're between the ages of 15 and 24, this event is your opportunity to meet with 80 employers ready to hire for part-time, full-time, permanent, or seasonal positions.

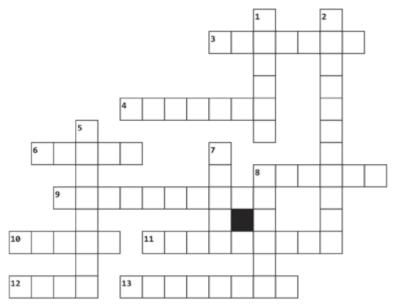
Whether you're starting your job search or advancing your career, the Youth Hiring Fair is the place to be. You'll have the chance to connect directly with employers from various industries offering diverse opportunities for all skill levels.

Before the event, be sure to visit the Youth Employment Centre at 315 – 10 Ave SE to receive free assistance with resume building and interview preparation. Our expert employment counsellors are available to help you build confidence and ensure you're ready to make a strong impression on potential employers.

Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity to secure your next job. Visit calgary.ca/yechiring for more details!



## March Crossword



#### Across

- 3. Known as the "Fight of the Century", on March 8, 1971, Muhammad Ali's 31-fight winning streak was ended by Joe in Madison Square Garden.
- 4. Nathan \_\_\_\_\_ was born on March 27, 1971, in Edmonton, Alberta, and is best known for his role as Captain Malcolm on Firefly.
- 's album The Dark Side of the Moon was released on March 1, 1973, and stayed on the Billboard Top 200 album charts for 741 weeks!
- 8. A \_\_\_\_\_ Life, an emotional novel following the lives of four friends and written by Hanya Yanagihara, was first published on March 10, 2015.
- 9. This pale-blue gemstone is one of March's birthstones.
- 10. On March 26, 1953, Dr. Jonas Salk successfully tested a vaccine for this disease that has affected notable individuals such as Frida Kahlo, Franklin D. Roosevelt, Joni Mitchell, and Neil Young in the past.
- 11. Known for her roles in Schitt's Creek, Home Alone, and Beetlejuice, \_\_\_\_\_ O'Hara was born on March 4, 1954, in Toronto, Ontario.
- 12. The month of March is named after this Roman god of war.

13. This iconic film about a giant ape causing chaos in New York City first premiered on March 2, 1933, at Radio City Music Hall.

#### Down

- 1. Daylight \_\_\_\_\_ Time will start on Sunday, March 9 this year.
- 2. This national park with geothermal features spanning across Wyoming, Montana, and Idaho became the first national park in the world on March 1, 1872.
- 5. Daffodils and \_\_\_\_\_ are the official birth flowers of March.
- 7. March is officially \_\_\_\_\_ Heritage Month in Canada and celebrates the history and impact of individuals, past and present, from the country nicknamed the "Emerald Isle".
- 8. On March 2, 2024, \_\_\_\_\_ James made NBA history by becoming the first player to score 40,000 career points.





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In 2025 Justin Trudeau will step down as Prime Minister. This comes on the heels of a fall parliamentary session featuring virtually no government legislation, government scandals like the "Green Slush Fund", a chaotic tabling of the Fall Economic statement, and the resignation or firing of nine Liberal cabinet ministers.

The Prime Minister also announced the prorogation of Parliament until March 24. This means that all bills in progress (except Private Members' bills), are terminated, all Parliamentary committees cease to exist, and no meetings or votes in Parliament can occur – depriving MPs of the tools to hold the government to account.

The Government must pass new spending authorization before the end of March for the government to continue operating. There must be a voteforthis spending, and it must occur within days of the scheduled resumption of Parliament. Such votes are "confidence votes." I will vote non-confidence in the government. The other opposition Parties have publicly committed to voting non-confidence. If they are true to their word, the government will be defeated, and an election will be called.

In the community, I spoke at the Silver Springs Community Association AGM which was wellattended. Also, congratulations to the Rockland Park Homeowners Association on the Lodge and Park opening.

I regularly meet with constituents who would like to discuss national policy and events. Feedback from Calgarians is very important to me. If you would like to share your thoughts with me on national issues, please feel welcome to contact me through my Calgary office.

It remains my honour to represent you at the House of Commons as your Member of Parliament.





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Spring is on the horizon, and with it comes fresh opportunities for growth and connection in Ward 2. This month, we're sharing tips on how to be a good neighbour and information to help you keep safe during the season ahead.

#### How To Be a Good Neighbour This Season

Being a good neighbour means practicing a little extra thoughtfulness during the season. Always avoid parking in front of other people's driveways or blocking sidewalks—this ensures everyone can access their homes and navigate safely. Stick to sidewalks and pathways rather than cutting across your neighbours' lawns. Clean up after your pets and clear your sidewalk promptly after a snowfall to help everyone get around, especially kids, seniors, and those with mobility challenges. Keep garbage and recycling bins off walkways to avoid creating obstacles and be sure to put your garbage in your own bin. And if you see a neighbour struggling with snow removal, lending a hand is a small gesture that can go a long way to make their day a little brighter. Calgary weather can be challenging, but with a little courtesy, we can make it easier and more enjoyable for everyone.

#### **Help Prevent Break-Ins**

Keeping your neighbourhood safe starts with a few proactive steps to prevent break-ins and carjackings. Always lock your doors and windows, even when you're home and ensure your garage is secure. Avoid leaving cash and valuables in plain sight inside your car, and park in well-lit areas or garages when possible. Install motion-sensor lights or cameras to deter would-be thieves and foster a sense of vigilance among neighbours. Most importantly, report any crimes in progress to 9-1-1, or report non-emergencies to Calgary Police at 403-266-1234. Working together can create a safer community for everyone.





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Happy St. Patrick's Day!

Alberta's government is taking action to grow the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund to at least \$250 billion by 2050. To help achieve this, the Heritage Fund Opportunities Corporation has been created to govern and grow all Heritage Fund assets. The new corporation will strengthen partnerships with global sovereign wealth funds, thereby unlocking access to new opportunities. The new corporation will be assisted in its work by a world-class board of directors that will strengthen the governance of Heritage Fund assets and support investment decisions independent from government.

Alberta's government is a proud supporter of the arts, and through the Alberta Foundation for the Arts (AFA), will continue to support artists and art organizations across the province. So far, this fiscal year, Alberta's government has provided \$21.2 million in grant funding for 304 arts-based organizations and 422 individual artists, with more funding to be approved before the fiscal year is over. This represents a 40% increase in the number of grants provided compared to this time in 2023. The arts play a significant role in enhancing the quality of life for Albertans, fostering positive health and well-being, supporting economic development, and preserving and sharing our unique culture and history.

Once again Alberta's tourism sector garners recognition for its industry-leading innovation and dedication to excellence. Several Albertans and Albertan businesses were nominated and won Canadian Tourism Awards for outstanding success, innovation, and leadership in Canada's tourism industry. The accolades highlight Alberta as a top-tier tourism destination and recognize the outstanding Albertans that elevate the province's reputation nationally and internationally. As an advocate for Canada's tourism sector, the Tourism Industry Association of Canada presents the Canadian Tourism Awards annually.

Thank you to my constituents for your support as I carry out my duties as your MLA.

## **BUSINESS** CLASSIFIEDS

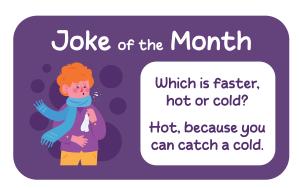
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