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Rain Barrels: Make Every Drop Count

With another dry summer expected this year, we all need to do our part to conserve water and use it wisely. A rain barrel is a great way to do this. You can use what you collect to water your trees, lawn, and garden – even when outdoor water restrictions are in place.

Keeping Storm Drains Clear This Spring

Calgary has about 60,000 storm drains working to capture water and melting snow off sidewalks, streets, and roads.

If it's safe and possible to do, remove debris or snow blocking the drain. Create a channel, if need be, to help water flow.

In communities built after 1990, The City installs devices in the storm drain to control how fast water flows into the system. During and after a rainfall event, these devices allow water to pool on the road (usually in a low spot, called a trap low), until the stormwater system can accept the extra water.

If the storm drain remains submerged for more than 90 minutes or you cannot safely clear ice and snow away, take a photo and submit it via the 3-1-1 app or a web request. Attaching a photo goes a long way in helping our crews respond on a priority basis.

For more information on storm drains and to locate the closest one to you, visit calgary.ca/stormdrains.

Word of the Month

Portmanteau: noun (port-man-toe)

A literary device wherein two words are merged to form a novel word with a distinct meaning.

John was surprised to learn that the word 'motel' is a portmanteau of 'motor' and 'hotel'.

April has arrived which means we're closer to birds returning, trees blooming, and gardening – my personal favourite.

April also means I am back knocking on doors, listening to the needs of the community I serve. Serving the people of Calgary-Edgemont is my passion and my privilege. If you have issues that you'd like me to be aware of, please reach out to my office. I frequently use the letters, emails, and conversations from my constituents when I speak on the floor of the Legislature (with their permission, of course!)

With the release of the 2024 budget, it is apparent that the government's promises to support Albertans' education, healthcare, and affordability needs were campaign promises only. This budget will not deal with the major issues facing the province. My colleagues and I will continue to fight for the needs of Albertans. All Albertans.

I'd like to thank the Community Associations of Edgemont and Ranchlands for collecting supplies for my Period Poverty Drive. The response was impressive, and it warmed my heart. It is crucial to raise awareness of this issue: people should not have to choose between feeding themselves and their families or their personal hygiene. During the worst affordability crisis in memory, we need to take care of each other. In honour of this generous response, and to continue to support the people of Calgary-Edgemont, we are going to make the Period Poverty Drive permanent. Please stop by my office to donate supplies. All the items we collect will be distributed directly to people in our community who need them.

When I am home during breaks from the Legislature, I am available for notary services, to issue a certificate for an important milestone like a birthday or wedding anniversary, or to attend community events to celebrate and support the amazing work happening in Calgary-Edgemont.

I hope to see you out in the community soon.



Edgemont, Evanston, Hamptons, Hidden Valley, Hanson Ranch, Kincora, Nolan Hill, Sherwood, and Sage Hill

Girl Guides of Canada - Pathfinders Program Update!

We are thrilled to share some exciting updates about what the 90th Pathfinders have been up to.

Exploring the World Around Us

Our Pathfinders are embarking on a journey of exploration and discovery! Along with outdoor adventures and community service projects, the girls have attended the Calgary Area STEM Day to get hands-on experience, helped the Sparks with crafts and events, and explored Canadian culture.

Empowering Tomorrow's Leaders

The girls have been working hard to achieve their Canada Cord, which is the highest award they can get in the Pathfinder program. The girls have been planning and leading all the meetings so far this year, which gives them lots of time to figure out how to be good leaders. Two of the girls, who are close to finishing their Canada Cord, will be leading our camp in April to give them practical experience in organizing and running an event. The girls have recently been exploring what feminism means and how it impacts how they understand and interact with the world.

Creativity Unleashed

This year has been filled with artist expression as we have discussed and learned about topics related to nature, Girl Guides, and Canada's history. Almost all the girls have earned their studio badge as art is quickly becoming our favourite way to express ourselves.

Friendship and Fun

Last but certainly not least, so far, we have had so much fun and memorable experiences together, whether that is just from being ourselves or making up funny characters in a skit.



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News from the Friends of Nose Hill

by Anne Burke

The new City Nature YYC website will be online with information on the 2024 challenge (www.citynatureyy.ca). The dates for the event are April 26 to 29. Follow @CityNatureYYC on Instagram. On May 6, local, national, and global results will be announced.

The Nose Hill checklist contains references to reptiles, fungi and lichen, amphibians, insects, shellfish, birds, and mammals. Sightings are in NW Calgary. This website features the chorus frog, the tiger salamander, the terrestrial garter snake, and more. There are 42 birds, among them hawks, blackbirds, sparrows, chickadees, starlings, wrens, geese, eagles, mallards, teals, kestrels, gulls, partridges, grebes, grouse, and vultures. Some other types are the northern flicker, downy woodpecker, and hairy woodpecker. The great horned, long-eared, and short-eared owls all appear in the list.

The May Plant Count is part of the annual May Species Count. The survey runs from May 25 to 31. The focus is on documenting the flowering status of native plant species across Alberta. This project promotes stewardship and appreciation of Alberta's natural areas. As a citizen scientist, you will collect data to be used for conservation. Here are the basics. Enter the location of your plant. Upload a photo. Enter the date of the observation. Add a report about the flowering stage. Choose the appropriate stage from those listed. There are many ID guides and checklists (in print or flipbooks online). Observations can be made manually on a data sheet and then submitted by email or snail mail. You would need to sign up for the mailing list and then receive data sheets and instructions (www.naturealberta.ca/-may-plant-count). If you are submitting observations online you will join the May Plant Count project for the flowering codes to be displayed in the iNaturalist phone app (www.inaturalist.ca/projects/alberta-may-plant-count).

GAMES & PUZZLES

Guess the Invention!

1. This delicious, chocolatey treat was created by mistake by Ruth Graves Wakefield in 1930.
2. This Canadian-born technological invention gave the public a more immersive film experience in theatres.
3. James Naismith, a Canadian-born P.E. instructor invented this indoor team sport in 1891.
4. Hollywood actress Hedy Lamarr famously created a frequency-hopping technology, which would eventually lead to this modern wireless network technology.
5. Canadian artist Joe Shuster co-created this iconic comic book character in 1938.
6. In 1940, Norman Breakey of Toronto created this tool which would save time applying paint.



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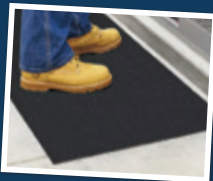
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