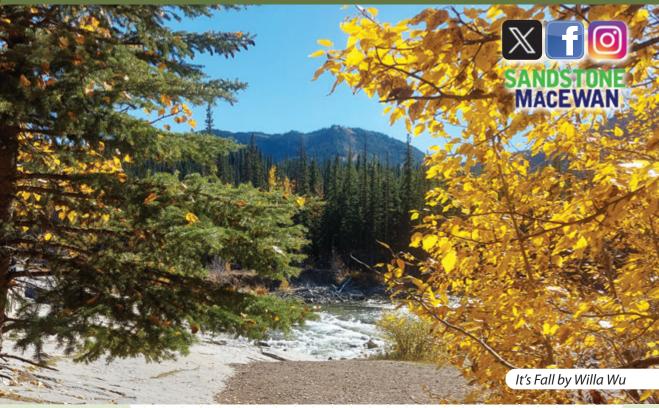
SANDSTONEMACEWAN

THE OFFICIAL SANDSTONE & MACEWAN COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER





GET A HEAD START

PLACE YOUR AD HERE AND PROMOTE YOUR BUSINESS

403-720-0762 | grow@greatnewsmedia.ca



GREAT NEWS MEDIA

LEADERS IN COMMUNITY FOCUSED MARKETING

We make your phone ring.
We bring you more customers.
We grow your sales.

Call 403-720-0762 | grow@greatnewsmedia.ca









SANDSTONE MACEWAN Community Association

SHOW YOUR SUPPORT!

PURCHASE YOUR COMMUNITY MEMBERSHIP TODAY!

Membership Application

Family Name:				
Address:	Postal Code:			
Phone:				
Number of Residents:				
Date:				
May we put you on a list of volunteers? Yes No				
Membership Fees are:				
\$30 per household per year				
Make cheques payable to Sandstone/MacEwan Commun	ity Association			
Mail or deliver to: 300 - 8120 Beddington Blvd. NW, Calgary, AB T3K 2A8 Email: memberships@sandstonemacewan.com	For Office Use Only Date Received: Reg/Assoc Card # Issued: New/Renewal			
Memberships can be purchased	Init: Cash/Cheque			
online at sandstonemacewan.com	Source: Rectified if Assoc:			

YOUR CITY OF CALGARY

What Is Cart Contamination?

by The City of Calgary, Waste and Recycling Services

We talk a lot about putting the right items into your blue, black, and green carts to avoid contamination. But what exactly is contamination?

Contamination is when the wrong items are put in the wrong bins. Sorting your waste into the right carts ensures material ends up at the right facility to be turned into new products or to be disposed of properly.



Most people do a good job with their carts. But the consequences of contamination create real challenges that impact the waste facilities, the health and safety of workers, and increase program costs for Calgarians.

Working together, we can keep our facilities and staff safe while ensuring our waste programs run properly.

Learn more at calgary.ca/contamination.



CONTENTS

- 7 RUNNER UP PHOTOS
- 9 SEPTEMBER CROSSWORD
- 10 RESIDENT PERSPECTIVES: THE ART OF FINDING WORK: JOBSEEKERS NEED TO LEARN TO 'MOVE ON'
- 13 RECIPE: CREAMY BEEF ENCHILADAS
- 15 BUSINESS CLASSIFIEDS









SCAN HERE TO VIEW ADDITIONAL CONTENT: NEWS, EVENTS, CRIME STATS, REAL ESTATE STATS, & MORE

SANDSTONE VALLEY



MACEWAN GLEN O HISTORIAN



Disclaimer: The opinions expressed within any published article, report, or submission reflect those of the author and should not be considered to reflect those of Great News Media or the Community and/or Residents' Association. The information contained in this newsletter is believed to be accurate but is not warranted to be so.

Great News Media and the Community and/or Residents' Association do not endorse any person or persons advertising in this newsletter. Publication of any advertisements should not be considered an endorsement of any goods or services.

SANDSTONE MACEWAN COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

300 - 8120 Beddington Blvd. NW • Calgary, AB T3K 2A8
General Inquiries: info@sandstonemacewan.com
sandstonemacewan.com

EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

President Sue Coatham Vice-President Trevor Bacon Treasurer Sharon Mazurkewich Secretary Willa Wu

DIRECTORS

Director at Large Carolyn Gomez
Director at Large Pinky Nantais
Director at Large Jennifer Bidlake Schroeder
Director at Large Colin May
Director at Large Karen Lessard
Director at Large Yakov Lipkovich

*This list of our SMCA board is available on our website at https://sandstonemacewan.com/contact.

Cst. Bruce Graham

Girl Guides Leslie Jones 403-275-7098
#224 Sandstone Steve Herz 403-262-2871
Community Angela Williams angela.williams@calgary.ca



Calgary Police





bgraham@calgarypolice.ca

SANDSTONE MACEWAN

Community Association

sandstonemacewan.com

Becoming a member is easier than ever!

Visit sandstonemacewan.com/join or use your phone to scan the QR code below - all proceeds go back to supporting our community!



☑ CHECKLIST



- CALGARY
- Remove valuables & garage door openers from vehicles
- Lock vehicles
- Close overhead garage door
- Lock door between garage & house
- Close & lock all external doors
- Ensure windows are shut
- Turn on exterior light



Sandstone/MacEwan Community Association Meetings

are held the second Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm at the Berkshire Citadel-Sandarac Drive NW. Everyone is welcome to attend.

RUNNER UP PHOTOS





It's Fall by Willa Wu



by Anne Burke

Learn how citizens fought to preserve Nose Hill, its history, how it unfolded. The Calgary Local Council of Women recommended that all development of Nose Hill be delayed, until after a major study by the Calgary Planning Commission of city growth. The only existing control was the absence of zoning approval for development and should be delayed, until such time as the City had sufficient funds. Calgary had never expended significant monies for parkland. In its natural state, the only cost for their proposal would be land acquisition, without any capital expenses, facilities, and maintenance.

They believed that Nose Hill is a beautiful natural area. We must preserve prime natural areas to offset urban sprawl and the concrete City Centre. Nose Hill is to Calgary what Citadel Hill is to Halifax; Battlefield's Park to Quebec City; Mount Royal to Montreal; Stanley Park to Vancouver; and Beacon Hill Park to Victoria. Calgary would become the first city in Western Canada to have a natural area of prairie vegetation. Tourists will visit the natural grassland of Nose Hill or view it from the Calgary Tower.

The group proposed that approximately 3,500 acres, bounded on the West by the Sarcee Trail right-of-way, South by the John Laurie Boulevard, East by the existing development adjacent to the escarpments of Nose Hill, and North by the highlands and escarpments of Nose Hill to and beyond 80 Avenue NW, be zoned as Natural Parkland in perpetuity.

The Hill is a dominant geographical feature in Calgary since its southern slopes can be seen from most locations, providing a constant reminder to citizens of the prairie landscape surrounding them which has played such an influential role in our economic and cultural development.

Back to School Safety

by Alberta Health Services



Alberta Health Services EMS would like to remind parents and students of some basic 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

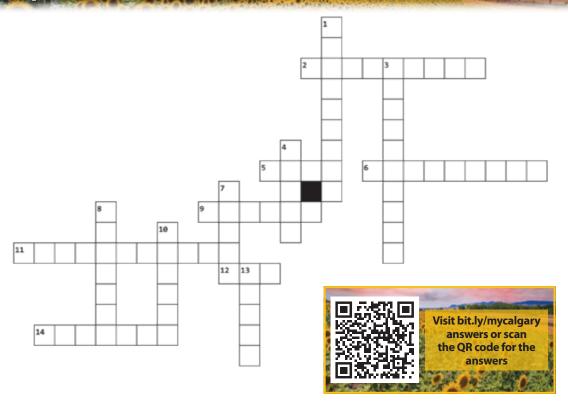
- Flashing amber lights mean a bus is slowing down to stop motorists should do likewise.
- No matter which direction you are coming from, stop when approaching a school bus with activated flashing red lights unless the bus is on the opposite side of a divided highway from you.

 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.

September Crossword



	_		_	_	
-	r	•	n	S	4

- 2. Ernest ______'s *The Old Man and the Sea* was first published on September 1, 1952.
- September's full moon is named after a plant also known as maize.
- 6. In September 1835, Charles Darwin, aboard the *HMS Beagle* arrived at the _______ Islands.
- The ______ Girls, a sitcom about four older women living together in Miami, premiered on September 14, 1985.
- 11. Ice hockey forward, John Tavares, was born on September 20, 1990, in ______, Ontario.
- 12. This "Finger Lickin' Good" fast food restaurant opened its first franchise on September 24, 1952.
- 14. Starring Canadian actor, William _______, *Star Trek* premiered on September 8, 1966.

Down

- 1. The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame opened to the public on September 2, 1995, in ______, Ohio.
- 3. On September 19, 1893, this country became the first to grant all women the right to vote.
- 4. Canadian singer-songwriter Leonard _____ was born on September 21, 1934.
- On September 4, 1888, George Eastman patented a roll-film camera and introduced this now-iconic brand name.
- 8. Canada beat the USA by 23 runs on September 25, 1844, in the first international _____ match.
- 10. On the first Monday of September, _____ Day is observed in Alberta.
- 13. Stars of *Bridget Jones's Diary*, Colin_____ and Hugh Grant, were both born in September 1960, just one day apart.

The Art of Finding Work: Jobseekers Need to Learn to 'Move On'

by Nick Kossovan

Everyone knows ghosting and rejection are inherent parts of job searching. Yet, job seekers waste vast amounts of energy and time lamenting what they can't control. There's a prevalent sense of entitlement that employers owe job seekers, which goes against the universal truth that nobody is owed anything, be it a job, to make a living, or even happiness.

Job searching, regardless of the economic climate, has always required resilience. The key to resilience is having realistic expectations, such as understanding that employers you don't work for don't owe you anything. Having a 'F*ck it!' mindset that empowers you to move on quickly is how you foster resilience.

Ghosted: You didn't get the job. Move on.

- You didn't hear from an employer after submitting your resume: There were candidates with more relevant experience and were a better cultural fit. Move on.
- When a networking attempt fails: A stranger isn't willing to drop everything to help you. Move on.
- Not taking down a job posting: Some people never take down their Christmas decorations. If a job can be left open for a significant amount of time, assume it isn't critical. Do you want a non-critical or non-essential job? Move on.

Thinking about how the hiring process should be won't get you a job.

Getting frustrated and angry at how an employer designed their hiring process won't get you a job.

Getting upset over being ghosted won't get you a job. It wasn't the employer who ghosted you; it was an employee whose behaviour doesn't speak for an entire company.

Life is too short to spend time and energy dwelling on "what could have been" and "whys." This is especially true regarding things out of your control, such as how an employer designs their hiring process or runs their business. The most common false belief I repeatedly see people hold, and which causes much of their

frustrations and anger, is that they can change other people's behaviour—as if it's their place to do so.

While it's natural to feel disheartened, it's crucial to understand that wallowing in the many disappointments you'll experience throughout your job search and believing you can control other people's behaviour hinders your progress.

When you invest your heart and soul into an application only to be met with silence or rejection, it's easy to spiral into self-doubt. Consider why you're giving a hiring manager—a stranger—influence over your self-esteem. Hence why I recommend embracing a 'F*ck it!' mindset as a defence against rejection eroding your confidence.

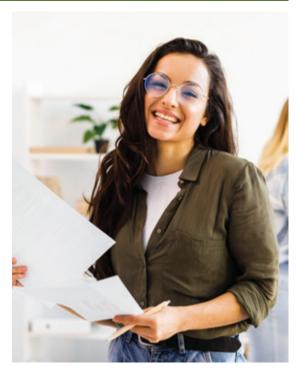
I've been rejected many times, more than I've been accepted. I've learned the hard way, a running theme throughout my life, that if I permit it to do so, repeated rejection triggers a cycle of negative thinking that paralyzes me, regardless of whether I'm searching for work, submitting my writing, or reaching out to someone hoping to form a relationship. Dwelling on past disappointments sabotages future opportunities.

There are many reasons why quickly moving on, as opposed to wallowing, playing the "I'm a victim!" card, getting angry, or venting on LinkedIn and other social media platforms—which is never a good look—benefits your job search.

There's no shortage of opportunities.

In several previous columns, I've mentioned that opportunities are all around you, with one caveat: they're attached to people. In 2024, employers are turning to their employees for referrals since job postings result in avalanches of applications, predominantly from job seekers who spray and pray. This underscores the importance of networking rather than applying to online job listings.

Clinging to rejections, being ghosted, or whatever is frustrating you is wasting mental energy you could be using to speak to people who may be able to refer you to job openings where they work. Starting right now, shift your focus away from past disappointments—forget about them, what's done is done, you can't change the past—and focus on future possibilities aligned with your skills and aspirations and start making



it a point to meet people, because you never know what opportunities they may be attached to.

Much of the hiring process is out of your control.

In the same way that you can't control the behaviour of others, you can't control how an employer hires. Many factors influence hiring decisions, notably internal politics and team dynamics. Instead of internalizing these setbacks, remind yourself of your skills, experiences, and past achievements.

Not quickly moving on is counterproductive.

Dwelling on why you were ghosted or didn't get the job—instances in which you'll never know the actual reason—drains your energy, energy better spent on proactive measures to enhance your candidacy for future roles.

The key to a successful job search is to keep moving forward and stay focused on what you can control, such as optimizing your LinkedIn profile—arguably the most critical tool in a job seeker's arsenal—resume, and expanding your network to take advantage of all the opportunities around you.





Starting Fall SMART

by Recovery Alberta – Community Health Promotion Services

Fall is the time to set goals! Goals help us make positive changes in our day-to-day lives that move us towards our hopes for the future. Goals are like a map – they guide us. They provide us with a sense of ease and comfort knowing we have a plan. Setting them gives us an opportunity to reflect and prioritize what we find most meaningful. Goals that we share and work on with our family, friends or colleagues can also build stronger relationships and closer connections.

Goal setting should not have to be overwhelming, which is why many reframe it and call it "intention" setting. Intention is rooted in our beliefs and values but focuses on present actions rather than far-off outcomes. Whether we set goals or intentions, we need to give ourselves the freedom to change our minds and adjust our goals as we move towards them.

One tool that can support your process in setting goals is using the SMART strategy.

• Specific – What exactly would you like to do? What is your aim?

- Measurable How will you know if you are moving towards your goal? What will you see?
- Achievable Can you act to reach your goal? Is it something you can do?
- Relevant Does this goal have meaning for you?
- Time When would you like to reach this goal?

All parts of our lives can benefit from setting meaningful goals. Here are a few ideas on where you could get started today:

- Attitude (e.g. Being positive, hopeful, and grateful or seeing the good)
- Physical Health (e.g. Being active, eating healthy food, sleeping, and drinking water)
- Relationships (e.g. Spending more time with family and friends)
- Public Service (e.g. Volunteering, helping your community)

Taking the time to write, type, or vocalize our goals, will set the stage for us to reach them! Another important piece is to celebrate our successes along the way. Focus on all that you have done rather than on things you still need to do.

Remember to be kind to yourself. This is a good year to think about what is important and fall gently back into our routines again!

Creamy Beef Enchiladas

by Jennifer Puri

The idea of rolling tortillas around food originated in Aztec times but it was the Spanish Conquistadors who adopted the dish and added new ingredients like cheese, pork, and chicken.

Enchiladas, meaning "to season with chilies", refers to stuffed corn tortillas that have been dipped in a chilli sauce. A traditional Mexican dish, Enchiladas have a unique flavour and are a perfect combination of tortilla, meat, cheese, and sauce.

Smothered in sauce and baked, creamy beef enchiladas are filling and rich, so they are best paired with a simple bean salad or Mexican rice.

Prep Time: 20 minutes **Cook Time:** 30 minutes **Bake Time:** 30 minutes

Servings: 5 to 6 **Ingredients:**

- \bullet 1 ½ lbs lean ground beef
- 1 tbsp. canola oil
- 1/2 cup yellow onion, sliced
- 1 cup cooked and rinsed black beans
- 2 packets (24 gm each) hot and spicy taco seasoning
- 6 large flour tortillas
- 1 ½ tsp. powdered cumin
- 1/4 cup all purpose flour
- 1 can diced green chili peppers
- 1 cup milk
- 2 cups light sour cream
- 1/2 cup low fat Greek yoghurt
- 2 cups Mexican shredded cheese

Directions:

- Heat oil in a medium size pan, add onion and sauté until it turns a light brown. Then add the ground beef and brown about 3 to 4 minutes. Next add the taco seasoning and the black beans and continue to stir for 2 to 3 minutes.
- Add the water and simmer the beef and bean mixture for about 20 minutes or until the liquid has dried up. Remove from heat and allow to cool.





- 3. Preheat oven to 350 degrees Fahrenheit.
- 4. Grease a large, rectangular oven-proof dish with butter. Place the tortillas on a flat surface and divide the cooled meat mixture between the tortillas. Fold tortillas and place them in the baking dish seams side down.
- 5. Prepare the cream sauce by combining the flour, cumin, sour cream, milk, yoghurt, and chilies in a bowl. Then spoon the sauce over the tortillas and sprinkle the cheese over it. Cover with non-stick foil and bake in the oven for 30 to 40 minutes.
- Garnish with chopped tomato, avocado, and coriander leaves, and serve with a salad, salsa, and sour cream if desired.

Bon Appétit!

RESIDENT PERSPECTIVES



Bringing Wildflowers to the Alley

by Paula McGarrigle

There are few things we can control in life, and these days the news cycle can feel overwhelming. But sometimes small things, like planting flowers, can make a difference.

I was inspired by Wildflower Alley in Belfast, a neighbourhood space once known for garbage dumping and vandalism. In 2015, about 40 neighbours came together to repaint fences, and add planters filled with flowers and herbs. Today, the alley has become a vibrant green hub that's sparked over 50 similar projects across Belfast.

After watching a feature on Wildflower Alley on Gardeners' World, I thought: Why not try something similar here?

One brisk April morning, I made a simple poster encouraging neighbours to put out some flowers for the summer. I printed 40 copies and walked around the block, dropping them into mailboxes. I also offered extra empty pots and a few seedlings I had grown from seed.

I felt a bit awkward ringing doorbells and interrupting people's day, but the idea sparked curiosity for some. People asked more about what had been done in Belfast and said they were interested. After the May long weekend, flowers slowly started to appear. One neighbour, who always maintains a lovely plot behind their fence, led the way. Others followed, placing pots and planters around the alley.

Ironically, I was the last to get mine out. I picked up some discounted flowers with bright yellow and purple blooms and arranged them in a few favourite pots. I spent the morning tidying the alley and backyard. But just ten minutes after I placed them out... they were gone.

I was frustrated, but I didn't want to give up. I went back to the drawing board with a new plan. I brought out older, heavier pots that were hard to carry off. I filled them with compost, added some Bachelor Buttons from the front garden, threw in a few wildflower seeds, and reused an abandoned insect hotel. I also reinforced a couple of hanging baskets to make them harder to remove.

Today, we have ten homes participating and more than 20 flowerpots out in the alley. Every time I walk through and see the blooms, some big, some just beginning—I smile.

It's not changing the world, but it is a start. For me, it's a reminder that small acts, done together, can transform shared spaces.

BUSINESS CLASSIFIEDS

For business classified ad rates contact Great News Media at 403-720-0762 or sales@greatnewsmedia.ca

OFFICIAL PLUMBING & HEATING: Small company, low overhead, excellent warranties, and great rates. Specializing in residential service and installs. Services include furnace service and replacement, hot water tank service and replacement, leaks, clogs, gas fitting, and more. Licensed and insured. Why wait? Call today and get it fixed today! Available 24/7, we accept debit/VISA/MasterCard. Call 403-837-4023 or email info@officialplumbingheating. ca; www.official-plumbing-heating.ca.

SANDSTONE MACEWAN MORTGAGE BROKER: Save a bunch of cash! As a Calgary mortgage broker, I have helped your neighbors navigate their purchase, refinance, and renewal options. If you are looking for expert mortgage advice, excellent rates, many options, and better financing, Call Anita at 403-771-8771 | anita@ anitamortgage.ca | Licensed by Avenue Financial.

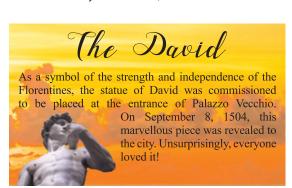
BEN PAUL'S MUSIC: Your personal pianist, musician, and music educator. Offering lessons in piano, cello, theory, and history; piano accompaniment, and live music for weddings and other events. Over 7 years' teaching and 20 years of playing experience. M.Mus & MA. Call 403-437-8267, email benpaulsmusic@gmail.com, or visit www.benpaulsmusic.com.

NEIGHBOURHOOD CONFLICT? Community Mediation Calgary Society (CMCS) is a no-cost mediation and conflict coaching service that can help you resolve problems and restore peace! We help neighbours be neighbours again! www.communitymediation.ca, 403-269-2707.

FALCONER HANDYMAN SERVICES LTD: New decks, fences and repairs. Stucco patching, restucco, foundation parging, interior and exterior painting, flooring, drywall, concrete, landscaping, and renovations. No job is too small. Fully insured. WCB and BBB member. For free estimates, please call Wes at 403-809-3644 or email handyfalconer@gmail.com.

GUTTER DOCTOR! Home exterior service experts. Services include gutter cleaning, repairs, and installations as well as fascia, soffit, siding, roofing, cladding, heat cables, gutter guards, window cleaning, and pressure washing. Local business for over 23 years with more than 70,000 happy customers! Licensed, insured, WCB, A+ BBB member, multi award-winner. Quality work with a warranty! www.gutterdoctor.ca, 403-714-0711.









Samaritan Club of Calgary

Semi-Annual
Super Thrift

Sale

Saturday, September 27

9:00am-1:00pm Hillhurst-Sunnyside Community Centre 1320 - 5th Avenue NW



Get great deals on household goods, clothing & shoes for all, fashion accessories, vintage & boutique items, collectibles, art, books, toys & much more

Celebrating 115 years

of helping

Don't forget to bring your tote bag!

Back by popular demand:

- Concession
- Parcel Pickup

For More Information:

samaritanclub.ca

All proceeds will benefit Calgarians in need (Cash Only)