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Changes to Green Cart Collection This Fall: What You Need to Know

from the City of Calgary

Starting in November, green cart collection will be once every other week, resuming weekly in the spring. Here's what you need to know:

- **Fill Your Green Cart First:** Leaves, branches, grass, and plants can go directly inside the green cart. If it's full, use paper yard waste bags for extra waste.
- **Extra Yard Waste Bags:** Place them at least 0.5 meters (2 feet) away from your cart. Roll the tops closed to prevent spills, and make sure you can lift the bag with one hand.
- **No Plastic Bags:** They are not allowed in your green cart.

Do You Have Too Much Yard Waste?

You can drop off yard waste free of charge at any landfill from Friday, September 22, 2023, to Saturday, November 4, 2023.

Check your schedule at calgary.ca/collection and sign up for reminders.

Visit calgary.ca/waste/drop-off/yard-waste for more information and make your yard clean-up a breeze!



The Medicinal Condiment

Ketchup is one of the most popular condiments in Canada, with 87% of us having a bottle in our fridge! But did you know that ketchup was once thought to have healing properties? In the 1830s, Dr. John Cook Bennett claimed that it could cure indigestion and jaundice and sold his recipe in pill form. It wasn't until the 50s that such claims turned out to be false.



Unofficial National Food



Some claim that donuts are Canada's 'unofficial national food.' This is probably because we have the highest concentration of donut shops per capita. If that isn't enough, we also consume the most donuts per capita compared to any other country in the world!

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Tuxedo Park Community Association meetings are held on the second Thursday of every month, except July and August (no meetings). Meetings start at 7:00 pm and are being held in person at the community hall. All community residents are welcome to meet some of their neighbours, express their concerns, or sit in and hear what's happening in and around the community. For more information, please email president@tuxedoparkcommunity.ca. For Hall rentals, email hallrentals@tuxedoparkcommunity.ca.



HALLOWEEN IN TRANSYLVANIA

Sighișoara, a medieval Transylvanian town, is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and the birthplace of Vlad Dracul (Vlad the Impaler). Dracul served as inspiration for Bram Stoker's blood-thirsty protagonist in *Dracula*. For historic and literary reasons, this town is a popular Halloween destination, hosting parties and tours of Dracula's castle!

Fall Candle Care: How to Prevent Tunneling

by Evermore Handmade, Local Candle Business



Fall is a popular time for candlelight and cozy nights in, which means dusting off your candle collection. You might notice that some have developed a deep “tunnel” around the wick, making it difficult to light. Tunneling also shortens the life of your candle as only the wax in the centre of the candle will burn down.

Here are a few easy ways to prevent or fix tunneling so you can enjoy your favourite candles this season:

Prevention

When you light a candle for the first time, allow it to burn long enough to melt all the way to the edges of the candle jar. This ensures an even burn for the duration of your candle’s life as wax has a “memory” so to speak. The first burn sets the tone for subsequent burns and will help you get the most burn-time out of your new candle.

If you find that your candles are constantly tunneling, despite letting the wax melt to the edges of the jar, consider buying higher quality candles. Most candles on the market are made of paraffin wax (a toxic byproduct of petroleum) and are more predisposed to tunneling. Higher grade waxes like coconut, soy, or beeswax burn cleaner, longer, and more evenly.

The Fix

If you have an old candle that’s already tunneling, here are two easy ways to fix it:

1. Set your oven to 80°C (176°F) then remove anything flammable from your candle, such as labels or string. Once the oven is hot, place your candle on a baking tray for five minutes. This should heat the entire surface of the wax, making it smooth. With oven mitts, remove the candle and let it cool before lighting it.
2. Wrap aluminum foil around the top of your candle and angle it inwards like a dome. Ensure that the flame is far enough away from the foil and that there is still a hole to vent air. The foil will help the wax to heat up evenly. Keep a careful eye on your candle until the top layer of wax has melted, leaving a smooth surface, then remove the foil.

With these easy steps, you can enjoy your candles this season without any tunneling. If this article helped you, be sure to share it with a friend or loved one!

Tuxedo Park is Getting a Cookbook!

Dating back more than a century, community cookbooks have served to connect residents, fundraise for programs, and capture the culture of a community for future generations. Now is the perfect time to celebrate Tuxedo Park and its residents through a collection of recipes featuring the stories and people behind them. Proceeds from cookbook sales will go towards funding programs for Tuxedo Park residents.

Do you have a recipe you want to share? Please fill out the form below and drop it off or mail it to the Tuxedo Park Community Association at 202 29 Ave NE, Calgary, AB, T2E 2C1. If you have questions or you prefer to email your recipe, please contact Meredith at communications@tuxedoparkcommunity.ca.



Recipe Name: _____ Your Name: _____

Story of this Recipe/Significance (E.g., It was the first thing my father taught me to cook.): _____

Cook Time: _____ Temperature (if applicable): _____ Required Cookware/Utensils: _____

Category (check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Low Cost | <input type="checkbox"/> Gluten Free |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Friendly | <input type="checkbox"/> Dairy Free |
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Ingredients: _____ Directions: _____

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**News from the
Friends of Nose Hill**

by Anne Burke

Exploring Nose Hill: A Hands-On Field Guide by Jill Kirker and Diana Kary was published by Grassroots NW: Environmental Awareness Society; it offers an introduction explaining why people should study Nose Hill Park and “how to” use this guide. There are maps of tours such as the NW Interpretive one and those of Meadowlark Prairie, Many Owls Valley, Wintering Hill, (Buffalo) Rubbing Stone Hill, and Porcupine Valley. After Nose Hill geology and an erratic boulder as part of a glacial lake, there is more about Nose Hill human history.

Check out tepee rings, native stories, the Blackfoot Nation, and exploration and settlement. The six habitats are fescue grasslands, previously cultivated land, shrubs, aspen groves, gravel, and wetlands. Suggested activities are for biodiversity, prairie field study, a mural of the prairie community, a grasslands species and food web, or hands-on weed control. With so many animal types there are also activities related to grouse, raptors, bird migration, ants, grasshoppers, gophers, ground squirrels, and mule deer on the Island Game. Learn more about the food chain, ecosystem, and sampling life in the pond-area wetlands. Studies can lead to other native grass areas of Calgary and designing wildlife corridors. Another important topic that is touched on is the world-wide issue of endangered species and grasslands.

Phase 2 engagement begins in October focusing on Calgary's 20-year plan for how we develop, redevelop, and manage parks. Fall 2023 feedback will be on public park policies. Input is also needed from businesses, agencies, and organizations. A 'What We Heard' report from Phase 2 will be published in winter 2023. Phase 3 engagement will inform a draft plan. By spring 2024, the 'Connect: Calgary's Parks Plan' will be final and then presented to City Council in summer 2024. Have your say at <https://engage.calgary.ca/parks-plan>.



Tuxedo Park Real Estate Update

Last 12 Months Tuxedo Park
MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
August 2023	\$579,850.00	\$590,194.00
July 2023	\$574,000.00	\$552,750.00
June 2023	\$499,400.00	\$500,500.00
May 2023	\$787,400.00	\$773,500.00
April 2023	\$598,800.00	\$580,000.00
March 2023	\$484,900.00	\$501,250.00
February 2023	\$550,000.00	\$535,000.00
January 2023	\$460,000.00	\$455,000.00
December 2022	\$499,000.00	\$480,000.00
November 2022	\$512,000.00	\$494,000.00
October 2022	\$477,450.00	\$470,000.00
September 2022	\$317,400.00	\$317,444.00

Last 12 Months Tuxedo Park
MLS Real Estate Number of Listings Update

	No. New Properties	No. Properties Sold
August 2023	16	14
July 2023	10	12
June 2023	16	18
May 2023	18	14
April 2023	13	15
March 2023	22	10
February 2023	15	7
January 2023	6	7
December 2022	5	7
November 2022	7	8
October 2022	8	8
September 2022	7	4

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

A HALLOWEEN DISGUISE

Halloween costumes have been around for over 2,000 years! This tradition began with the Celtic festival of Samhain, which marked the end of harvest season. It was believed that on October 31, spirits could walk the Earth. To honour the spirits and keep themselves safe by blending in, Celts donned disguises made of animal heads and skin.



Word of the Month

Arcane: *adjective* (aar-kayn)

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"He had an arcane knowledge
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Flame-Proof Your Kitchen: Fire Prevention Week Puts Safety on the Front Burner!

from the City of Calgary

As autumn begins to set in and the cozy scent of comfort foods fills the air, we're reminded of the joys of cooking in our kitchens. With the joy of cooking, it's essential to remember our responsibility for fire safety.

This year, from October 8 to 14, the Calgary Fire Department (CFD) is proud to observe Fire Prevention Week with the theme, "Cooking safety starts with you. Pay attention to fire prevention."

Cooking-related incidents are the leading cause of indoor fires and injuries in Calgary. The CFD urges everyone to prioritize safety in the kitchen.

Never leave cooking unattended and set a timer to remind yourself. If you must leave the kitchen, turn off the burners.

Turn pot handles away from the stove's edge. Keep a lid and oven mitt nearby to smother small grease fires.

Maintain a one-meter "kid- and pet-free zone" around cooking areas. This includes tripping hazards such as toys.

Additional tips and reminders:

- Keep flammable items away from the stovetop.
- Educate children about hot objects to prevent scalding injuries.
- Grill outdoors, away from structures, with a one-metre safety zone for children and pets.
- Use microwave ovens safely; avoid extension cords and open food cautiously.
- Avoid cooking when tired or after consuming alcohol or medication.

Follow these tips to keep your homes and loved ones safe. Together, we can ensure our kitchens remain places of joy and comfort, free from the risk of fires.

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