# **EWINTON**

BRINGING DE WINTON RESIDENTS TOGETHER



YOUR HERITAGE POINTE AND DE WINTON REALTOR®

AUSTINCOWLEY

403.889.7314

TOWN
RESIDENTIAL



403-607-0316 info@mvpcanada.ca







#### we specialize in

**Stucco Coatings** Stucco Repair

### hassle-free exterior restorations.

Mountain View Painters is a full-service painting company, specializing in elastomeric stucco coatings. We have access to a wide array of top-quality products that are proven to improve the durability and appearance of your property, guaranteed!

#### the leading professionals in:

- **Exterior Painting**
- **Interior Painting**
- Powerwashina
- Colour Consultation ...and much more



**Calgary Owned** and Operated!

mvpcanada.ca

find us on







houzz





### DEWINTON COMMUNITY REAL ESTATE ACTIVITY

		Properties		Median Price	
		Listed	Sold	Listed	Sold
February	25	0	0	\$0	\$0
January	25	0	1	\$2,200,000	\$2,050,000
December	24	0	0	\$0	\$0
November	24	1	1	\$1,000,000	\$1,225,000
October	24	1	1	\$960,000	\$890,000
September	24	0	1	\$1,280,000	\$1,190,000
August	24	0	1	\$1,150,000	\$1,050,000
July	24	0	0	\$0	\$0
June	24	1	0	\$0	\$0
May	24	0	0	\$0	\$0
April	24	2	0	\$0	\$0
March	24	1	0	\$0	\$0

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

# YOUR HOME SOLD GUARANTEED!\*

Call to find out more about our Innovative Consumer Programs

Virtual Tours
Guaranteed Sale Program\*
Trade Up Program\*
Blanket Home Warranty Program\*
Accepting Crypto Currency

Call us to help you navigate through the changing real estate world

Call or Text 403-606-8888 Email len@lentwong.com

\*Guarantee is being offered by Greater Property Group.
Terms and Conditions Apply.







#### **CONTENTS**

- 7 WHAT IS HAPPENING AT THE HALL THIS MONTH?
- 8 **CA NEEDS YOUR HELP**
- 10 RESIDENT PERSPECTIVES: THE ART OF FINDING **WORK: STOP ASKING YOUR INTERVIEWER CLICHÉ OUESTIONS**
- 13 RECIPE: ZUCCHINI SPEARS WITH ZESTY TOMATO SAUCE
- 14 BUSINESS CLASSIFIEDS









#### **SCAN HERE TO VIEW ADDITIONAL DE WINTON CONTENT**

News, Events, & More



Real Estate **Statistics** 





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.

#### **De Winton Community Association**

(Founded 1918 - Alberta Association Member 1962) Box 111, DeWinton, AB, TOL 0X0

Phone: 403-938-2525 | Fax: 403-995-4105 | Email: dwca@platinum.ca | Web: www.dewintonca.com

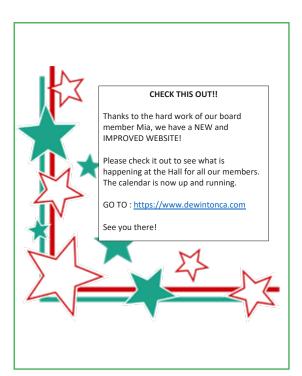
#### 2025 DeWinton Board of Directors

Mike Kosinec	President		
Alan Alger	Vice President		
Donna Fracchia	Secretary		
Shirle Ternan	Treasurer		
Cindy Poole	Facility		
Edith Rabinovitch	Membership		
Mia Staysko	Communication and Media		
Michele Waldner	Communication and Media		
Matt Coveact	On-Site Facility Manager		

#### **About the De Winton Community Association**

We were founded in 1918 and have been an Alberta Association Member since 1962.

Are you new to De Winton? On behalf of our amazing community, please allow us to welcome you and your family. We have a welcoming gift for you, along with some information about our local happenings, activities, and fabulous preschool. Please contact us directly at the Hall by phone or email. Also visit our website and sign up for our newsletter. Once again, welcome!





April is celebrated as Grilled Cheese Month, a perfect time to indulge in a gooey and perfectly toasted sandwich. Why not honour this tasty tradition with your favourite cheesy creation all month long?

# Hello April Stretching - Monday 9:15AM

and Thursday 10:30AM

What is happening at the Hall this month?

( these activities are free to members of the Hall)

Call Matt at our Hall
403-938-2525, email dwca@platinum.ca or
check our website www.dewintonca.com for
further details or questions.

Quilting - Wednesday 9:30 AM - 2:30 PM

Bridge for Fun - Wednesday 1pm to 3pm

Coffee Chat ( every second Monday) April 7th and 21st 1pm - 4pm

Canasta - Monday 6:30pm to 9:30pm

#### LANDSCAPING SPECIALISTS



FOR A FREE ESTIMATE
ON LANDSCAPING

CALL SHAWN 403.651.0424

WWW.ASFCONTRACTING.COM

COMMERCIAL/RESIDENTIAL LAWN MAINTENANCE • PAVING STONE • SOD • RETAINING WALL INSTALL • FENCES • DECKS



#### **SAFE AND SOUND**

#### **Bicycle Helmet Safety**

by Alberta Health Services EMS

Most injuries occur when a cyclist suffers a fall, strikes a stationary object, or collides with another cyclist or pedestrian. It is the law in Alberta that cyclists under the age of 18 must wear a helmet (and recommended for all ages). Helmets should be CSA approved and worn during recreational activities such as skateboarding, in-line skating, and cycling.

#### **Getting Informed**

- Wearing a helmet while cycling can prevent a serious injury or even save a life.
- Brain injuries can cause permanent disability or death.
- Reduce your risk by always wearing your helmet.
- Replace any helmet that has been involved in a crash, even if it appears undamaged.

#### **Getting Started**

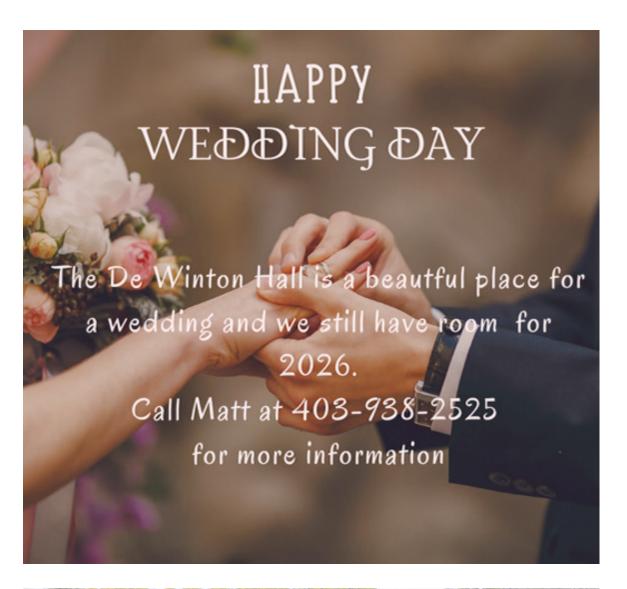
- Allow children to assist when buying their helmet.
   Cyclists who choose their own helmet are more likely to wear them.
- Start the habit early. Young children learning to ride tricycles need to wear helmets.
- Parents must lead by example always wear a helmet when cycling.

#### **Getting the Right Fit**

- Take the time to properly fit and adjust your helmet to ensure maximum protection in case of a crash.
- When worn properly, helmets should fit level, not tilted up, or down over the forehead.
- Helmets should feel snug, but not too tight. To test the fit, the helmet should not fall off when you shake your head from side-to-side while the straps are unfastened.
- Adjust the chin straps to form a "Y" below and slightly forward from the ears.
- Only one finger should be able to fit under the chin strap when it is fastened.
- Do not forget to use the sizing pads included with the helmet. They will help improve the overall fit, comfort, and safety.









#### The Art of Finding Work: Stop Asking Your Interviewer Cliché Ouestions

by Nick Kossovan

Most job search advice is cookie-cutter. The advice you're following is almost certainly the same advice other job seekers follow, making you just another candidate following the same script.

In today's hyper-competitive job market, standing out is critical, a challenge most job seekers struggle with. Instead of relying on generic questions recommended by self-proclaimed career coaches, which often lead to a forgettable interview, ask unique, thought-provoking questions that'll spark engaging conversations and leave a lasting impression.

English philosopher Francis Bacon once said, "A prudent question is one half of wisdom."

The questions you ask convey the following:

- · Your level of interest in the company and the role.
- Contributing to your employer's success is essential.
- · You desire a cultural fit.

Here are the top four questions experts recommend candidates ask; hence, they've become cliché questions you should avoid asking:

#### "What are the key responsibilities of this position?"

Most likely, the job description answers this question. Therefore, asking this question indicates you didn't read the job description. If you require clarification, ask, "How many outbound calls will I be required to make daily?" or "What will be my monthly revenue target?"

#### "What does a typical day look like?"

Although it's important to understand day-to-day expectations, this question tends to elicit vague responses and rarely leads to a deeper conversation. Don't focus on what your day will look like; instead, focus on being clear on the results you need to deliver. Nobody I know has ever been fired for not following a "typical day." However, I know several people who were fired for failing to meet expectations. Before accepting a job offer, ensure you're capable of meeting the employer's expectations.

#### "How would you describe the company culture?"

Asking this question screams, "I read somewhere to ask this question." There are much better ways to research a company's culture, such as speaking to current and former employees, reading online reviews and news articles. Furthermore, since your interviewer works for the company, they're presumably comfortable with the culture. Do you expect your interviewer to give you the brutal truth? "Be careful of Craig; get on his bad side, and he'll make your life miserable." "Bob is close to retirement. I give him lots of slack, which the rest of the team needs to pick up."

Truism: No matter how much due diligence you do, only when you start working for the employer will you experience and, therefore, know their culture firsthand.

#### "What opportunities are there for professional development?"

When asked this question, I immediately think the candidate cares more about gaining than contributing, a showstopper. Managing your career is your responsibility, not your employer's.

Cliché questions don't impress hiring managers, nor will they differentiate you from your competition. To transform your interaction with your interviewer from a Q&A session into a dynamic discussion, ask unique, insightful questions.

Here are my four go-to questions—I have many more—to accomplish this:

### "Describe your management style. How will you manage me?"

This question gives your interviewer the opportunity to talk about themselves, which we all love doing. As well, being in sync with my boss is extremely important to me. The management style of who'll be my boss is a determining factor in whether or not I'll accept the job.

#### "What is the one thing I should never do that'll piss you off and possibly damage our working relationship beyond repair?"

This question also allows me to determine whether I and my to-be boss would be in sync. Sometimes I ask, "What are your pet peeves?"

"When I join the team, what would be the most important contribution you'd want to see from me in the first six months?"

Setting myself up for failure is the last thing I want. As I mentioned, focus on the results you need to produce and timelines. How realistic are the expectations? It's never about the question; it's about what you want to know. It's important to know whether you'll be able to meet or even exceed your new boss's expectations.

#### "If I wanted to sell you on an idea or suggestion, what do you need to know?"

Years ago, a candidate asked me this question. I was impressed he wasn't looking just to put in time; he was looking for how he could be a contributing employee. Every time I ask this question; it leads to an in-depth discussion.

Other questions I've asked:

- "What keeps you up at night?"
- "If you were to leave this company, who would follow?"
- "How do you handle an employee making a mistake?"
- "If you were to give a Ted Talk, what topic would you talk about?"
- "What are three highly valued skills at [company] that I should master to advance?"
- "What are the informal expectations of the role?"
- "What is one misconception people have about you [or the company]?"

Your questions reveal a great deal about your motivations, drive to make a meaningful impact on the business, and a chance to morph the questioning into a conversation. Cliché questions don't lead to meaningful discussions, whereas unique, thought-provoking questions do and, in turn, make you memorable.



### BMAX BROKERS MERGERS & ACQUISITIONS

We specialize in maximizing the sale value of businesses by attracting multiple offers from targeted, qualified buyers.

#### **Services**

- Preparation and Planning
- Valuation Analysis
- Marketing Strategy Development
- Preparation of Marketing Materials
- Target Buyer Identification and Outreach
- Managing the Bid Process
- Negotiation and Deal Structuring
- Due Diligence Management
- Regulatory and Compliance Guidance
- Transaction Closing
- Post-Sale Transition Support

☑ info@bmaxbrokers.com | ७ 403-249-2269



#### **Admiration... Always**

by Cheryl Dunkley

Seventy years fly by fast
Live in the present, not the past.
What's your secret, we have to ask
Joan would say: "at everything you just laugh!"

Joan is a special gal -

A loyal friend through and through. The world would be a better place If this skill was one everybody knew.

Her circle has been busy and wide
Golf, curling, travel, bridge
But, if you need a friend
Joan is right there by your side.

She has tackled many sports,
Always showed up with a smile
If you need love and support,
Joan always goes the extra mile.

A kind word, a compliment, a laugh
She understands what's on your mind.
She listens, has a thought, perhaps an idea new
Joan cares about each and everyone of you!

Happy birthday, dear Joan!

Thank you for being a good friend to all of us.

We are all better for knowing you and could learn from your example.

We have watched you approach life with compassion and intention putting others' need first while making light of your own.





### **Zucchini Spears with Zesty Tomato Sauce**

by Jennifer Puri

Zucchini is a green, oblong squash that is typically served in savoury dishes. It has a mild taste and the smaller to medium-sized zucchinis have the best flavour.

Low in calories but high in fibre, zucchini contains more potassium than a banana. Loaded with vitamins, minerals, and antioxidants, zucchini is good for the digestive system and eye health.

Zucchini can be eaten raw in a salad or with a dip, but it can also be steamed, sautéed, added to breads, muffins, and pancakes, stuffed with rice and meats, or spiralized into zucchini noodles.

Baked zucchini with herbs and parmesan cheese is a quick and easy side dish, as shown in the zucchini spears with zesty tomato sauce recipe below.

**Prep Time:** 20 minutes **Cook Time:** 15 minutes

Servings: 4

#### Ingredients:

- 4 medium-sized zucchinis
- 2 tbsp. olive oil
- 2 tbsp. fresh oregano
- 1 cup finely crushed breadcrumbs
- 1 cup shaved or grated parmesan cheese
- ½ tsp. salt
- 1/2 tsp. ground black pepper
- 1 tsp. red chilli flakes (optional)

#### **Tomato Sauce**

- 1 small can (398 ml) tomato sauce
- 2 cloves garlic, finely chopped
- · 8 cherry tomatoes halved
- 2 tbsp. olive oil
- 2 tbsp. oregano
- 1 tsp. sugar
- Salt and pepper to taste

#### **Directions:**

- 1. Preheat oven to 450 degrees Fahrenheit.
- 2. Rinse the zucchini and pat dry with a paper towel. Place the zucchini on a cutting board, trim the ends off, and then slice into four pieces lengthwise.





- 3. Place the zucchini spears on a foil-lined baking sheet, drizzle with olive oil, and then sprinkle with salt, pepper, and oregano. Next sprinkle the breadcrumbs evenly over the zucchini followed by the parmesan cheese and red chilli flakes if using.
- 4. Place the zucchini on the middle rack of the oven and bake for 12 minutes uncovered. Make sure not to overcook the zucchini as it will turn mushy.
- 5. To make the tomato sauce add olive oil to a small pan over medium heat. Add the chopped garlic and sauté for about a minute, then add the cherry tomatoes and oregano. Sauté for another couple of minutes and then add the tomato sauce, salt, pepper, and the sugar. Simmer until the sauce starts to thicken and then remove from heat.

To serve, place the zucchini spears on a platter and pour some of the tomato sauce over it. Leftover tomato sauce can be stored in the fridge in an airtight container for a couple of days.

Bon Appétit!





ElderDog Canada is a national registered charity whose mission is to assist and support older adults in the care and wellbeing of their dogs.

We have a vibrant presence here in Calgary! Reach out to us if you are a senior in need of dog care support (dog walking, transportation to a groomer/vet clinic), to volunteer with us, or for more information at calgaryldr@elderdog.ca.

- ff facebook.com/elderdogyyc
- @elderdogyyc
- elderdog.ca

Help us provide assistance to people and dogs in need.



Learn more:

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

**NEPTUNE PLUMBING & HEATING LTD:** Qualified journeymen plumbers/gasfitters, very experienced in DeWinton area. Upfront pricing. Reliable, conscientious, fully guaranteed. Mon - Fri 8:00 am - 5:00 pm. 24-hour emergency service, call 403-255-7938. "Showering you with great service."

**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.

**DEWINTON 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.

**LANDSCAPING & WINDOW CLEANING:** Weekly yard care starting at \$39. Decorative mulch, rock, soil and sod installation. Window or gutter cleaning starting at \$109; interior or exterior. Garden beds, stone patios, walkways and rock walls. Deck and fence builds, small concrete jobs and synthetic grass installation. A+ Member of BBB. Licensed and Insured. WCB. 403-265-4769 | YardBustersLandscaping.com.

**K2 BOOKKEEPING:** Are you too busy to keep up with your bookkeeping? Experienced bookkeeper now accepting new clients. Specializing in small to medium-sized businesses. Competitive Rates | Twenty years Experience with QuickBooks and Simply Accounting, GST, Payroll, WCB, Filing, and T4 Filings. Phone Katie 403-870-0737.

**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.

### **BUSINESS CLASSIFIEDS**

PAINTER SERVICING DEWINTON: Experienced Calgary Painter - Transform your space with precision and style! Our professional painting services bring life to your home. Skilled in interior and exterior projects. Affordable rates with top-quality results. Contact Jonathan for a free estimate at 403-561-4338. Your trusted choice for a fresh, vibrant look. www.fivestarpainting.com.

**HERITAGE WEST PLUMBING AND HEATING:** Furnace, boilers, and tankless repairs, servicing and replacements. 5-star Google rating, factory trained plumbers and gasfitters. Competitive prices with quality, 24-hour service! Heritage West, we are one of the best, put us to the test! BBB Accredited. 403-993-0639.

**FENCES AND SHEDS:** Homestead Fencing, established in 1999, builds all types of residential, acreage/farm, and commercial fences. We can custom-build sheds and shelters to your specific requirements. If you're looking for great quality at a great price, give us a call for your free quote! Tyler: 403-852-5394, tyler@homesteadfencing.ca, or visit us at www.homesteadfencing.ca.

**GUTTER DOCTOR:** Home exterior services. We do eavestrough cleaning, repairs, and installation as well as downspouts, fascia, soffit, siding, roofing, cladding, leaf screens, heat cables, window washing and pressure washing. Local business for over 20 years with more than 60,000 happy customers! Licensed, insured, and WCB. A+ rated BBB member. Multi award-winner. Quality work with a warranty! www.gutterdoctor.ca, 403-714-0711.

**ELECTRICIAN FOR HIRE:** Locally owned and operated Network Electric Ltd. offers full electrical services in the DeWinton and surrounding area. Call us for all your electrical needs. Service. Integrity. Quality. Visit our website at www.networkelectricltd.ca, email us at ty@networkelectricltd.ca or call Tyler Leaney at 403-862-3370. "Great rates; Great service."

**PROFESSIONAL LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE:** Peritus Yard Maintenance has several openings and is currently accepting new clients for the 2025 season. Acreage, residential and commercial properties. Please refer to our website to see if we would be a good fit for you. www. peritusyards.ca. Contact us at peritusyards@shaw.ca or 403-680-3124. Thank you for your interest.

**ZANELLA AUTO REPAIR:** Dominic and sons Vincent and Charlie - in business since 1986. 200-258082 16 St. West Foothills. Family owned and operated. Most makes/models worked on. MC, Visa, American Express, and Debit. Licensed Out of Province Inspection Facility. A member of AMVIC. Do business where you live. Call 403-938-7937 for an appointment. www.ZanellaAutoRepair.com.



403-714-0711 gutterdoctor.ca

Home exterior services. We do eavestrough cleaning, repairs, & installation as well as downspouts, fascia, soffit, siding, roofing, cladding, leaf screens, heat cables, power washing & window cleaning. Local business for over 20 years with more than 60,000 happy customers! Licensed, insured, and WCB. A+ rated BBB member. Multi award-winner. Quality work with a warranty!



### The Lake at Heritage Pointe Community

Mark your Calendars

## GARAGE SALE

Saturday, May 31, 2025 - 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. BBQ at Beach House - 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Email: mike@gomike.ca to add your home to the list!

Brought to you by Michael Niemans RE/MAX



403-816-6453 mike@gomike.ca www.gomike.ca RE/MAX Landan Real Estate



### **SOUTH CALGARY DENTAL & ORTHODONTICS**

General services provided by Dr. A. Sharma, Dr. N. Speidel, & Dr. O. Jeha

# **AS OUR NEW PATIE**

LIMITED TIME OFFER, PLEASE CALL FOR DETAILS.



SCAN TO BOOK AN **APPOINTMENT TODAY!** 



**(587) 352-3100** 



