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Word of the Month

Lugubrious: Adjective
(loo-GOO-bree-us)



Looking or sounding
very gloomy and sad.

He droned on in his
lugubrious tone.



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Articles: you try to keep the word count to 300 words maximum. (The longer the article the less chance it will be picked up and published).

Pictures: Cover photos need to be 1MB and 300 dpi.

BEFORE THE BEATLES

John Lennon, Paul McCartney, and George Harrison are well-known for their incredible roles in the English rock band *The Beatles*. But did you know that it wasn't the first band these three talented musicians were in together? First, they were in a band called *The Quarrymen*!



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FOR WARD 14



Hello Ward 14, my name is Devin Elkin and I have had the pleasure of serving Ward 14 as community assistant for the past 10 years as part of Councillor Peter Demong's Ward 14 team. As you know, this spring he announced his intentions to retire from civic politics and I just wanted to thank him for all that he has done.

With that, I am thrilled to let you all know that I will be seeking your endorsement and running for Councillor in Ward 14 in this upcoming civic election. As a born and raised Calgarian, I have always understood the importance of serving your community. As my family has grown, so too has the importance of creating a city that they can call home, or for that matter, want to call home.

Now over the next month, I will be going through the nomination process to become an official candidate for Ward 14, but I wanted to express my intentions and more so introduce myself to those that I haven't met yet.

For more information about me and what I have learned from the 10 years working with Ward 14 constituents, please check out my website at www.devinelkin.com. I am excited to share more over the next few months on how being rooted in community has led me to this decision.

GAMES & PUZZLES

Guess the Canadian Legend!

1. This famous hockey player holds or shares 61 NHL records.
2. This inventor's mom and wife were both deaf.
3. This inspirational man ran for 143 days, beginning in St. John's, Newfoundland.
4. The first band this incredible musician was ever in was called "The Jades".
5. This popular scientist and media personality is best known for hosting *The Nature of Things*.
6. This *Matrix* star is an avid motorcyclist and even co-founded a motorcycle manufacturing company.



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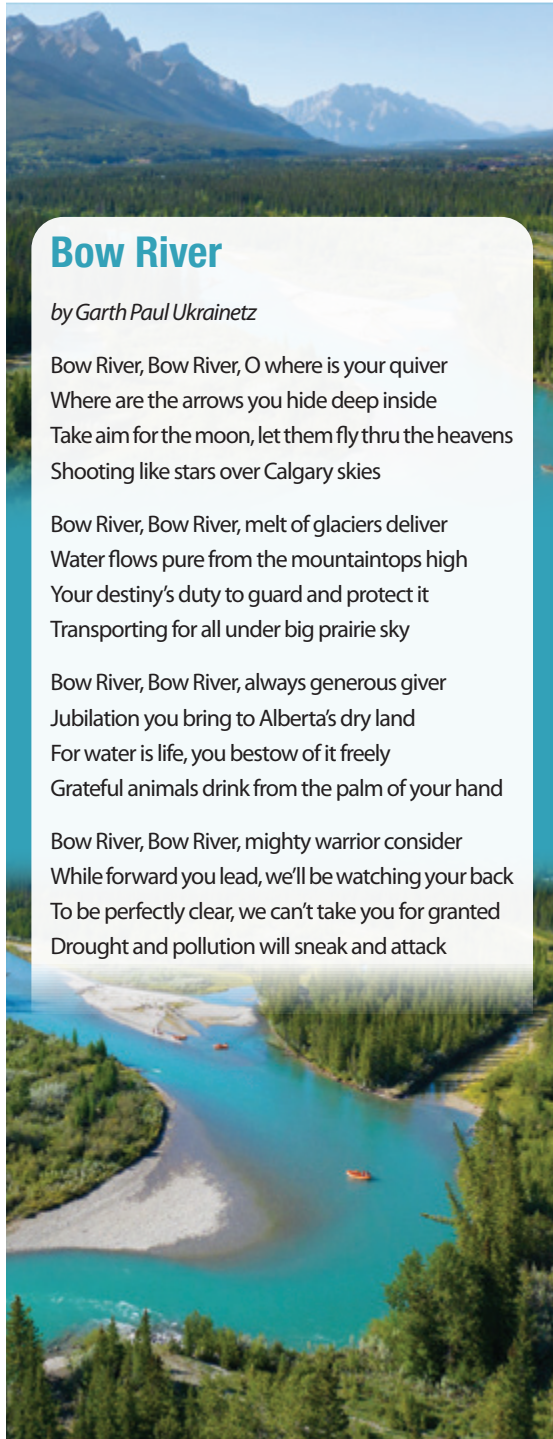
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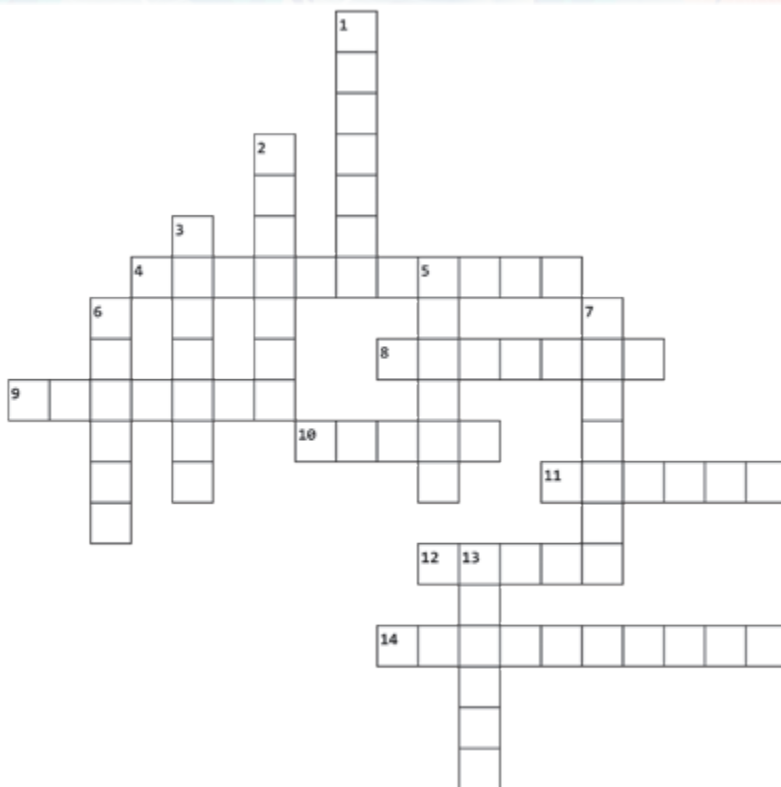
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Your destiny's duty to guard and protect it
Transporting for all under big prairie sky

Bow River, Bow River, always generous giver
Jubilation you bring to Alberta's dry land
For water is life, you bestow of it freely
Grateful animals drink from the palm of your hand

Bow River, Bow River, mighty warrior consider
While forward you lead, we'll be watching your back
To be perfectly clear, we can't take you for granted
Drought and pollution will sneak and attack



July Crossword



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Across

4. Harper Lee's Southern Gothic novel, *To Kill a _____*, was published on July 11, 1960.
8. In July 1930 this South American country hosted the first FIFA World Cup.
9. The revolutionary portable audio player made by Sony launched in July 1979.
10. Gymnast _____ Comăneci scored a perfect ten on July 18, 1976, at the Montreal Olympic Games.
11. The name "Canada" comes from this Huron-Iroquois word for "village".
12. Talented Calgarian Tate _____ celebrates her 22nd birthday on July 1.
14. Lucy Maud _____, author of *Anne of Green Gables*, got married on July 5, 1911, in Park Corner, PEI.

Down

1. On July 30, 1935, this well-known publishing company, named after an Antarctic animal, published their first books.
2. The action thriller *Die Hard* starring Bruce Willis and Alan _____ premiered on July 22, 1988.
3. The popular mobile game, _____ GO, launched in July 2016.
5. Starring Canadian actor Ryan Gosling, this positively pink film premiered on July 9, 2023.
6. Founded by Canadian musician Sarah McLachlan, the first _____ Fair, an all-female music festival, occurred on July 5, 1997.
7. On July 8, 1996, the Spice Girls released this song as their debut single.
13. This North American country made their national anthem official on July 1, 1980.

BBQ Beef Patties on Buns

by Jennifer Puri

Alfalfa can be termed a super food due to its remarkable antioxidant properties. Antioxidants are highly effective against inflammation and may help protect cells from damage.

Alfalfa sprouts are made from germinated alfalfa seeds. These small stringy sprouts are filled with nutrients and are a good source of protein, fibre, vitamins, and minerals.

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Alfalfa sprouts not only add a crunchy texture to any dish but can also make a dish look “gourmet” as shown in the BBQ Beef Patties on Buns recipe below.

Prep Time: 20 minutes

Cook Time: 10 minutes

Servings: 4

Ingredients:

- 1 lb lean ground beef
- ½ cup fine dry breadcrumbs
- ½ tsp. coarsely ground black pepper
- 1 egg
- ⅓ cup barbeque sauce
- 2 tsps. finely chopped parsley
- 4 slices mozzarella cheese
- 4 hamburger buns

Toppings:

- Red onion
- Lettuce leaves
- Mayonnaise
- Mustard
- Alfalfa or radish sprouts

Directions:

1. In a medium size bowl mix together ground beef, egg, breadcrumbs, barbeque sauce, chopped parsley and black pepper until mixture is smooth.



2. Divide the mixture into 4 equal size portions and form balls. Flatten the balls into ¾ inch patties on a cutting board. Use your thumb to create a depression in the centre of each patty which helps to keep them in shape while cooking.
3. Oil the grilling grates and then grill the patties, covered, on medium high heat or until brown on the first side about 5 to 6 minutes.
4. Flip the patties and continue cooking for a few more minutes until desired doneness is reached. Use a meat thermometer to check the internal temperature of the patties aiming for at least 160 degrees Fahrenheit.
5. Top each patty with a slice of mozzarella cheese and allow cheese to melt.
6. Slice buns in half and toast on the grill if desired. Spread a little mayo and mustard followed by lettuce leaves, onion slices, and patties on one half of the buns then top with alfalfa sprouts and remaining half buns. Serve with French or sweet potato fries if desired.

Bon Appétit!

Staying Safe This Summer

by Chima Akuchie



Hello neighbours,

Summer is finally here—and with it comes longer days, park strolls, BBQs, and plenty of sunshine! But as we enjoy this beautiful season together, it's also a great time to think about how we can keep each other safe, especially our kids and seniors.

Stay Cool, Stay Hydrated

Whether you're gardening, heading to the splash park with the little ones, or simply enjoying a walk, remember to drink water often. Calgary's dry heat can sneak up on us quickly! Keep reusable water bottles handy and wear light, breathable clothing.

Look Out for Our Elders and Young Ones

Hot weather and busy sidewalks can be tough on seniors and children. Let's check in on elderly neighbours and keep an eye out for kids biking or playing near roads. A friendly wave or offer to help can go a long way.

Road Safety Matters

More people are out walking, biking, and rolling, so please slow down in residential zones, and remind young ones to use crosswalks and wear helmets.

Fire Safety and BBQs

Backyard fires and cookouts are a summer staple but always be sure to follow city fire bans and keep water nearby. Never leave a fire unattended, and double-check your BBQ is turned off properly.

This season is a time for joy, connection, and community. Let's look out for one another and make this summer not just fun but safe for everyone.

See you around the neighbourhood!



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Yahoo, Calgary Midnapore!

I hope all constituents had a happy and safe Canada Day and that you'll now be heading to the grounds to take in the Greatest Outdoor Show on Earth! Whether it's trying out new and exciting midway food and rides, filling up on pancakes at countless Stampede breakfasts, or enjoying a night at the rodeo, this is a time of year that brings our community together and I hope it will be a memorable Stampede for you.

As this is my first update since the Federal Election, I'd like to thank all those who participated in the democratic process and for the trust you have placed in me to represent you once again in Ottawa. Whether I earned your vote or not, I will always be there to represent you and bring your voice to the floor of the House of Commons.

Across the country, over eight million Canadians voted for change – and for hope. My Conservative colleagues and I will continue to take every opportunity to work with the government to deliver this change and will do our job as His Majesty's Loyal Opposition to hold this government to account.

You can learn more about my work in Ottawa and in the community this summer by following me on my social media @StephanieKusie (Instagram/X) and StephanieKusiePolitician (Facebook).

It remains the honour of my life to serve the good people of Calgary Midnapore in Parliament.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Kusie

MP Calgary Midnapore



What Is a Boundary Really? Understanding the Rules We Set for Ourselves

by Nancy Bergeron, R.Psych | info@nancybergeron.ca

When most of us hear the word boundary, we tend to think of rules we place on other people: “Don’t speak to me like that,” or “You can’t come over without asking first.” But in truth, boundaries aren’t rules for others—they’re rules for ourselves. They define our comfort zone, and they guide our actions when someone crosses a line we’ve drawn.

“A boundary means you are responsible for what’s in your yard, which would be your thoughts, your feelings, your actions, and your opinions,” explains Dana Skaggs, therapist. “And your neighbours also have a right to their thoughts, their feelings, their opinions, and their actions.” In other words, you tend your own garden—and you don’t try to control what someone else grows in theirs.

This is one of the most empowering (and humbling) aspects of boundaries: they remind us that we don’t get to control others. We can’t force people to think like us, behave in ways we prefer, or rescue them from their own beliefs. What we can do is make choices about how we’ll respond when someone acts in ways that don’t feel good to us.

That’s where the real work of boundaries begins. As therapist Laura Vladimirova puts it: “There’s no boundary without internal consequence.” It’s not enough to say, “I don’t want you to come over unannounced anymore.” The assumption might be that the person will simply comply. But what if they don’t? That’s when the boundary is tested—not when it’s spoken, but when it’s ignored. Do we let them in anyway? Ask them to leave and come back later? Decide to spend less time with them moving forward? Our boundary is only as strong as the action we’re willing to take when it’s crossed.

An example of this could be for a romantic relationship. We have a list of behaviours that make us uncomfortable, and we would leave the relationship if those boundaries weren’t respected. In practice, what they demonstrate is this core truth: a boundary includes a limit and a consequence. We are clear on what we would do if our boundaries weren’t respected.



This principle applies just as much in parenting. Parents often think of boundaries as rules for their children: “Put your shoes on before going outside.” But children test rules—that’s what they do. The real boundary isn’t whether the child follows the rule, but how the parent responds when they don’t. Do you put the shoes on for them if they don’t? That’s the boundary in action: your response, not their behaviour.

Another common misunderstanding is that boundary violations should always result in cutting someone off. “Sometimes, with boundaries, we think the most severe consequence is what’s always needed,” says therapist Nedra Tawwab. However, if we ejected every person who crossed a line, we’d be left with very few relationships. Realistically, the first time someone violates a boundary, a reminder may be all that’s needed. The second time, you might take space or limit contact. Only in cases of repeated violations or extreme harm do more permanent consequences become necessary.

Ultimately, boundaries are an act of personal responsibility. They require clarity, consistency, and courage—not control. They aren’t about changing other people. They’re about protecting our own well-being and honouring our own limits, even when others don’t. And that’s where true empowerment lies.

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