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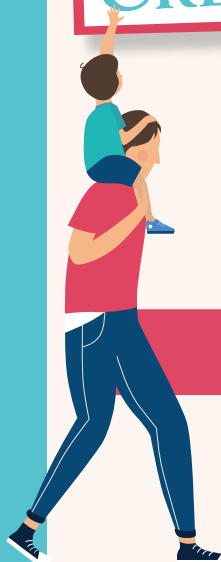
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by Garth Paul Ukrainetz

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- Members of the community association are welcome to attend SCA-sanctioned events throughout the year. Not only will you be able to meet others within Silverado, but you will help build a better sense of community in our neighbourhood.
- Stay connected with what is happening within your community. Members are kept up to date on the developments within and around the community.
- Silverado Community Association is actively looking for volunteers to help out with community events and for board positions. If you are interested in volunteering your time to make Silverado a better community, please send inquiries to silveradoca.ca@gmail.com.
- Silverado Community Association updates can be found on our website at silveradoca.ca.



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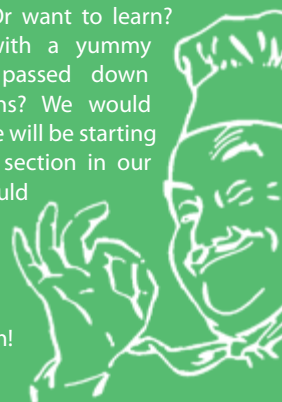
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Do you love to cook? Or want to learn? Have you come up with a yummy recipe? Or had one passed down through the generations? We would love to hear from you! We will be starting a Recipe of the Month section in our newsletter, and would love to include diverse items that represent our community! Please send any submissions to silveradoca.ca@gmail.com!





Curious About 4-H? Calgary's Intro Clubs Offer a Fresh Start This Fall

by Lori Nielsen, Senior Program Coordinator for 4-H Intro Clubs

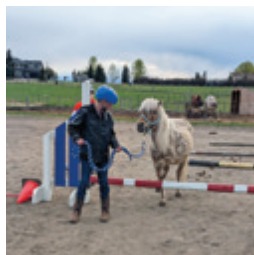
If you've ever wondered what 4-H is all about, or if you've never heard of it, this fall offers the perfect chance to find out.

Last year, more than 100 kids across Calgary discovered 4-H through Intro Clubs, designed to give newcomers a fun, low-commitment introduction to everything 4-H has to offer. From science and agriculture to leadership and life skills, members explore a little bit of everything in a hands-on, supportive setting.

This fall, five Intro Clubs are open for registration across NW and SW Calgary, including daytime options for homeschoolers and evening programs for busy families. Whether your child is curious about animals, the environment, public speaking, or just wants to make new friends, there's something here for them. Our fall workshops include food science, horsemanship, chocolate, and more!

To kick things off, everyone's invited to a free park party at Bowness Park on Sunday, September 14 from 1:00 to 2:30 pm. There'll be games, gelato, and a chance to meet

4-H leaders and families—perfect for anyone thinking about joining. Bring a friend and come find out what all the fun is about! Free registration at <https://4hab.com/member-programs>.



Participants will also have the opportunity to attend a special field trip to U7 Ranch's Ultimate Bullfighting and Equine Experience on September 27—a memorable day exploring ranch life and animals up close.



Try This at Home: DIY Bird Feeder

Want a taste of the hands-on learning 4-H encourages? Make a simple bird feeder with a toilet paper roll, peanut butter, and birdseed. Hang it outside and keep a journal of visiting birds. It's a fun way to build observation skills and connect with nature—just like a real 4-H project!

For more information, contact introclubs@4hab.com.

**9 PM
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☒ CHECKLIST

- 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

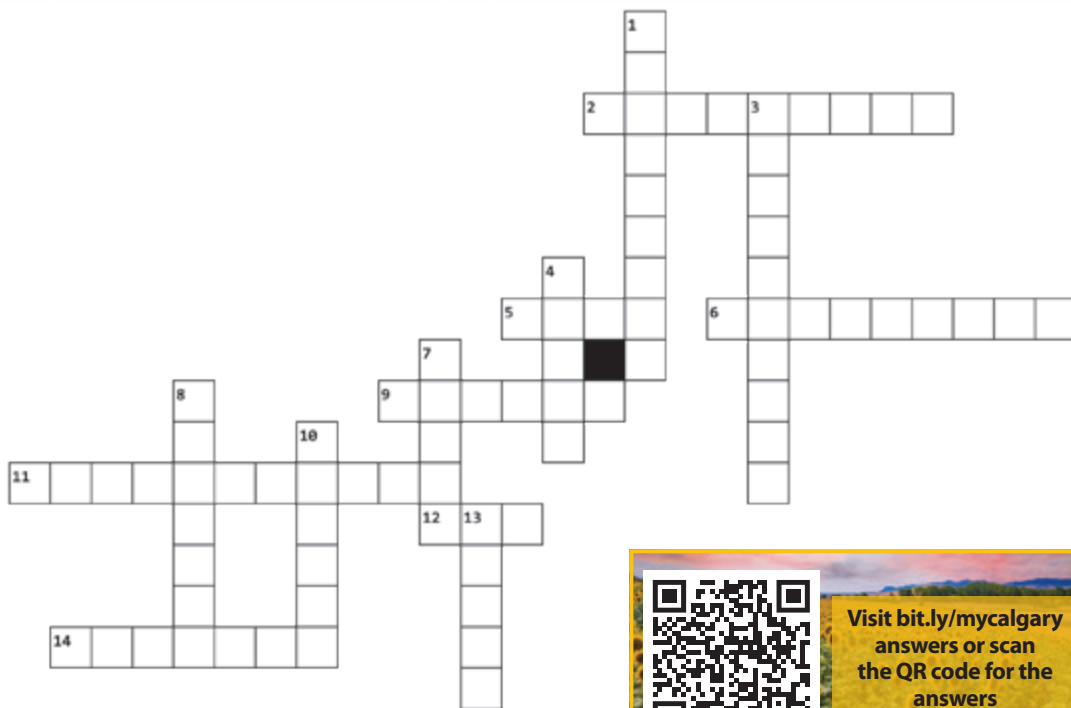
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September Crossword



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2. Ernest _____'s *The Old Man and the Sea* was first published on September 1, 1952.
5. 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.
9. *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.
7. 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.



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| March | 25 | 20 | 13 | \$575,000 | \$585,000 |
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| January | 25 | 21 | 18 | \$594,900 | \$582,500 |
| December | 24 | 8 | 10 | \$592,400 | \$584,500 |
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| October | 24 | 19 | 18 | \$592,450 | \$583,250 |
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On September 25, 1844, the USA were totally stumped when Canada beat them by 23 runs in the first international cricket match. Played at St. George's Cricket Club in New York, it was a totally 'wicket' moment in Canadian sports history!

Understanding Why Some Men Struggle with Emotional Avoidance in Relationships

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

As a relationship counsellor many women ask me: “Why is my partner so emotionally unavailable?” or “Why won’t he open up to me?”. If you’re in a relationship with a man who seems emotionally distant, you’re not alone. Emotional avoidance is incredibly common among men (and women too). While it can feel confusing or painful in a relationship, it’s often rooted in early life experiences and cultural messages, not a lack of love or care.

1. Cultural and Social Conditioning

From a young age, many boys are taught to suppress their feelings. Messages like:

“Don’t cry.” “Man up.” “Be strong.” are often used to discourage boys from expressing emotions like sadness, fear, or vulnerability.

Over time, this social conditioning can lead men to associate emotional expression with weakness or failure. Vulnerability feels unsafe. Many men grow up believing they must always appear “in control,” which means avoiding emotions, both their own and others’.

2. Early Childhood Attachment Patterns

Many emotionally avoidant men learned, early in life, that emotional needs wouldn’t be met. Perhaps their caregivers were:

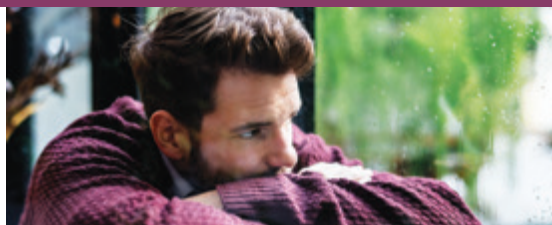
Emotionally distant. Critical or punishing when they expressed feelings. Overwhelmed and unavailable themselves.

As a result, these men developed an avoidant attachment style. They learned to cope by shutting down emotional needs, relying only on themselves, and avoiding dependence on others. In adult relationships, this can look like:

Withdrawing during conflict. Struggling to express affection or emotional presence. Feeling overwhelmed when their partner expresses strong emotions.

3. Fear of Shame and Vulnerability

Opening up emotionally requires risk. For many men,



emotional intimacy feels like stepping into unknown and possibly dangerous territory. They may fear:

Being judged. Saying the wrong thing. Being seen as “not enough”.

To protect themselves from the possibility of shame or rejection, they pull back emotionally. This doesn’t mean they don’t care. It means their nervous system is trying to protect them.

4. Lack of Emotional Awareness or Language

Many men simply haven’t been taught how to identify, name, or communicate their feelings. Emotional intelligence is a skill set, one that needs modelling and practice. Without that early modelling, men may not even recognize what they’re feeling, much less how to express it in a way that feels safe or clear.

This lack of emotional literacy can come across as:

“I don’t know what I’m feeling.” “I’m fine.” (when they’re clearly not). Defensiveness or silence during emotionally charged moments.

5. Modelling and Role Expectations

Most men were raised in environments where male role models modelled emotional detachment or stoicism. If their fathers, uncles, or coaches didn’t show emotional vulnerability—or worse, shamed it—they may not have any roadmap for what emotional availability looks like. In adulthood, many men feel emotionally “lost” and unsure how to engage on a deeper level.

6. Protective Coping from Past Wounds

If a man has experienced trauma, betrayal, or loss in the past, emotional avoidance may be a protective strategy. Avoiding closeness can feel like a way to prevent being hurt again. Unfortunately, what once served as protection can eventually become a barrier to healthy connection.

Book Suggestion: *The New Rules of Marriage: What You Need to Know to Make Love Work* by Terrance Real.

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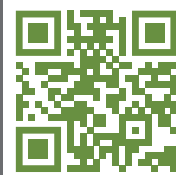
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Back to School Safety

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.

Nutrition to Help Manage Blood Pressure

by Alberta Health Services

Hypertension means there is too much pressure in your blood vessels. Over time, this can damage them and can increase your risk of heart attack and stroke.

Managing high blood pressure may include changing what you eat, managing your body weight, being physically active, limiting alcohol, engaging in relaxation practices, reducing or stopping tobacco use, and can include medication. Your healthcare provider can support you.

This article will focus on which food and nutrition choices may help manage your blood pressure. It includes what to eat more of and what to cut back on.

What To Consume More Of

Vegetables and Fruits: Vegetables and fruits are packed with fibre and nutrients that can help lower blood pressure. People who eat many vegetables and fruit are at lower risk for developing high blood pressure. Fresh, frozen, or canned varieties can all help lower your risk. At meals, try to fill half your plate with vegetables and fruits. Ideas to get more: have a piece of fruit at breakfast or add extra vegetables to wraps, sandwiches, and leftovers at lunch.

Whole Grains: Whole grain foods include all parts of the grain and have important nutrients like fibre, vitamins, and minerals. They include bulgar, buckwheat, oats, cornmeal, wild, or brown rice. If choosing a bread or a cereal, look for “whole” or “100% whole grain” on the package. For example, whole grain or whole rye.

Beans, Peas, and Lentils: Replace meat with beans, peas, or lentils at some meals. Add kidney beans, chickpeas, and lentils to soups, casseroles, salads, and pasta sauce. Try roasted chickpeas or lentils as a crunchy snack.

Foods with Calcium: Try to have at least two servings daily of calcium-rich foods like milk, yogurt, fortified plant-based beverages such as soy, oat, or almond, and salmon or sardines canned with bones.

What To Eat or Drink Less Of

Refined Grains: Refined grains are different than whole grains. Refined grains have parts of the grain removed



when they are being processed, so they have less fibre and sometimes fewer vitamins. Examples of refined grains include white bread, cakes, and other foods made with white flour.

Added Sugar: Added sugar means sugar, syrup, or honey added to food and drinks. It's recommended to limit sugary drinks.

Added Salt, Packaged or Processed Food: Salt contains a mineral called sodium. Your body needs small amounts of sodium to work properly. Most Canadians eat almost two times the sodium they need. The top sources of sodium in the Canadian diet include soup, cheese, breakfast cereals, salty snacks (like chips and pretzels), baked goods like bread and crackers, processed meals like deli meats and sausages, and condiments and dips such as ketchup, soy sauce, and BBQ sauce.

Caffeine: Caffeine is found in coffee and coffee-based drinks, tea, colas, and energy drinks. Limit caffeine to no more than 400 mg a day. This is equal to two to three cups (eight ounces each) or 500 to 750 ml of coffee.

There are many foods that can affect blood pressure. When you start with small changes, improving what you eat and drink seems more manageable—your heart will thank you for it.

You can find more tips on managing blood pressure by visiting ahs.ca/nutritionhandouts and searching “Nutrition and Lifestyle Choices to Manage Blood Pressure”.

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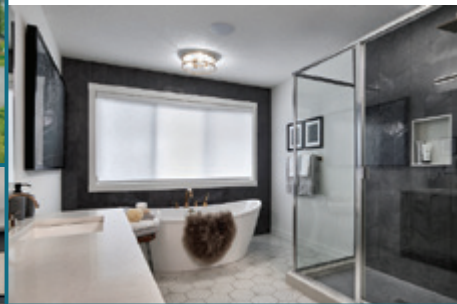


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