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*“Thank you to
The Glencoe Club for
publishing the
Elbow Park Gazette!”*

NEW Presidents of EPRA

Lisa Poole and Jane Virtue have been appointed by the Board of Directors to the Elbow Park Residents Association as of June 5, 2018. They have spent the past months familiarizing themselves to the issues residents have identified, developing a Strategic Plan and encouraging others to join them on the Board of Directors.

Presidents Message

by Jane Virtue & Lisa Poole

We are excited to be a part of a strong Board of Directors and we have many strategies that we would like to be able to implement in the next 3 to 5 years. We are not able to accomplish much without the support of residents and we ask that you consider volunteering to help in whatever way will fit for you. Whether you want to take on one of the new Director positions on the Board, sit on one of the new committees or simply help for one time for an hour, we would love to have your help. Please send an email to president@elbowpark.com to indicate your interest. We promise, we will find a job that interests you and fits with your individual schedule.

The strategic plan is long and detailed and includes many actions that we feel will improve an already fantastic community. We have developed a Committee Structure in order to help us accomplish our goals. Consider joining one of the committees as a member. You will find that the focus of the committees is narrow in order to provide reasonable workloads that can fit into a busy lifestyle.

- Communications Committee
- Clubhouse Committee
- Development Committee
- Social Events Committee
- Traffic Committee
- Neighbour Committee
- Beautification Committee
- Safety Committee
- Sports Committee

We are sharing the Presidents role in order to make it more manageable for us. Neither of us would be able to do it alone. This is our philosophy when it comes to asking others to volunteer. We will ask of you only as much as you have to give.

We want to REPRESENT the residents and make decisions that best serve the community of Elbow Park. Please consider joining us!

Best Regards,
Jane Virtue and Lisa Poole.

READERSHIP SURVEY

Great Publishing News is conducting a Community Resident and Community Newsletter Readership survey to get a better idea of resident preferences in Calgary communities. They have promoted this survey in all 83 monthly community newsletters and the response has been very strong. They want to make sure their survey is 'all inclusive' with respect to every community in Calgary.

Please take a moment to take/respond to their 'win an iPad' survey to let them know your thoughts.

www.Ipad.mycalgary.com

Elbow Park's 5th Annual Summer Solstice Party . . .



. . . was celebrated this year on June 16, coinciding with Calgary's Neighbour Day. The event was well attended with residents of our community and their guests of all ages. Harvey the Hound delighted our younger attendees by joining in on some street hockey fun! The Hip Image mobile photo booth was a popular new addition to the festivities, providing guests with photo memories of the event. Mayor Nenshi dropped by the party and addressed everyone under the big top tent, gathering us together for a memorable group photo. Despite an electrical storm that required the event to temporarily shut-down, the party rallied on late into the evening, once it was safe to resume activities in the park! A big thanks is owed to Ellie Siebens for stepping up as chair of the organizing committee this year, which included the collaborative efforts of Denise Volk, Brenda Leeds Binder, Carol Kearl, Kathy Motherwell, Anne Cataford, Cathy Dorrington, Kelli Martin and Tatiana Wagner-Ruygrok. This event would not be possible were it not for the generosity of our sponsors.

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We love helping people in our community!

If you are willing to give our community members a discount,
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Please contact Rachel Coros at gazette@elbowpark.com for more information.

Clubhouse Rental Available:

Children's Birthday Parties

(Up to 3 Hours) \$200

Adult Parties

(Up to 3 Hours) \$300 (Up to 8 Hours) \$400

Please contact SanDee Philpot the Clubhouse Manager at 403-243-1954 or email her at clubchik@telus.net for hourly rates or community outreach programs!

IMPORTANT UPDATE

Community Membership Software

The new membership software will be up and running September 15, 2018.

Anyone who purchases a membership from September 15 until the end of the year will be considered a paid member up until December 31, 2019.

Find the link at: www.elbowpark.com

- Click the link and you will be given step by step instructions will guide you through your account set up.
- You will now be able to select exactly which emails you would like to receive from the EPRA, as well as, decide if you want to receive a paper copy of the Elbow Park Gazette.
- You will also be able to add multiple email addresses to your account, as well as, multiple logins for one family account. Eliminating duplicate accounts.

The membership will run from January 1 to December 31 regardless of purchase date. There will no longer be auto renews, instead you will receive a reminder email that your membership will be expiring. This will prevent duplicate purchases within the same calendar year and eliminate invalid accounts due to credit cards expiring.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact Rachel at membership@elbowpark.com.



**Calgary Board
of Education**

William Reid School



William Reid School

Your French Immersion Option (Kindergarten to grade 4)

William Reid School's enrollment is approximately 310 students. It has a morning and afternoon kindergarten program and Seeds of Spice is an independently owned before and after school program running out of William Reid as well.

The school enjoys a close knit community of parents who are actively engaged.

The school has a brand-new playground, an incredible naturalization area, a music specialist, a Mac platform as well as a math focus. This year will see a new dance residency teaching the grade 1 to 4 students some classical dances as well as an Orienteering residency in May of 2019.

If you have any questions, please contact us at 403-777-6940. Registrations are ongoing for grade 2 to 4 with a lottery system being in place for kindergarten and grade 1.

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Back to School

We hope that everyone has had a restful and enjoyable summer. We are looking forward to our second full school year in our amazing building and we would like to welcome all of our new families who will be joining us. Our enrollment is increasing from last year by about 20 students across all grades, K-6. With more students comes funding for more staff and so we will have some new faces in our staff room. We would like to welcome Mrs. Liane Hutchinson and Mrs. Maxine Bruggencate as additions to our teaching staff, and we will be hiring support staff through September as well.

The first day back for students is on Tuesday, September 4, 2018 at 8:15 a.m. Please join us to socialize on the front lawn for our Muffin Mixer at 8:00 a.m. on our first day.

Our Facility

Over the summer months, there have been a few changes in and around our school. Our increase in student enrolment, specifically with Kindergarten as we have both a morning and afternoon class, has required us to erect walls in our atrium to create a formal classroom. As well, our east field has new sod and so this will allow our Physical Education program to have a dedicated space, allowing us to leave equipment setup outside for PE classes, and students will continue to use the west field for recess and lunch.

Our Learning Community identified an Outdoor Enhancement Project as a need to encourage more free play and outdoor learning opportunities. Our Parent Society wholly supported this and as a result, we had a very successful fundraising campaign in the spring. This included a unique opportunity for families to purchase a tree (for \$250) to revitalize the landscaping that existed prior to the flood of 2013. With the funds raised, we have been able to plant a variety of trees and shrubs that will attract birds, insects and creatures for our students to discover. We will be planting two Amur Cherry trees out front along with some Honey Berry bushes. To provide shade for our outdoor classroom, we selected a variety of trees including pear, larch, pussy willow and dogwood. We also will have poplar trees (propagated from those on Memorial Drive) along Sifton Blvd. to shade our gymnasium. **If you would like to purchase a tree, please contact the school.**

Further to the landscaping project, we also should have a new asphalt compound on the west side of the school for school opening. This is to extend the useable game area for students. There will be room for wall ball, four square, hopscotch, and basketball!





Back to school safety

Alberta Health Services EMS would like to remind parents and students about some road safety tips, as streets become more congested, with the return of the school year. Pedestrians and motorists both have an important role to play – road safety is a shared responsibility.

Motorists

- Avoid talking on cell phones, texting, or 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;
- Remember, it is illegal to pass vehicles - other than those that are parked - in school zones or playground zones, 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 until fully clear of the roadway;
- 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.

We are excited about what's going on at **Christ Church this Fall**

Our Education Team has planned a series on Aging, Death and Dying in which we will explore some of the big questions of life. We live in a society whose popular culture worships youth, yet demographically we are getting older. How can we approach aging, and the reality of our own mortality with grace and dignity? To begin to tackle some of these questions we'll hear from Evie Wallace and Dr. Michael Trew on Medical Assistance in Dying. Evie's late husband was the first person in Alberta to receive medical assistance in dying and she will share about her unique experience, while Dr. Trew will share from the perspective of a medical professional. All are welcome to this presentation as well as the accompanying book study on the theme of spiritual eldering.

Our choir is cooking up some wonderful music. If you have never experienced Evensong, it is a wonderful time to meditate and let beautiful music wash over you. Our November 4 Evensong will be a celebration of All Souls – the day when we remember those we love but see no longer.

In the Spring 2018 edition of the Gazette we put out a call for running shoes for a nearby school. We are happy to say that we exceeded our goal of 100 pairs to help families who can't afford these basics. We have also recently begun a partnership with the Calgary Drop-In Centre making sandwiches to support their bagged lunch program, and have been pleased with the community response to these initiatives. Watch for more ways to be involved in service to the wider Calgary community.

UPCOMING EVENTS OF INTEREST AT CHRIST CHURCH

Sunday, October 21

Christ Church Café

9-10:15 am

featuring Evie Wallace and Dr. Michael Trew
Medical Assistance in Dying

Tuesdays, October 10, 17, 24

Book Group

From Age-ing to Sage-ing:
A revolutionary approach to growing older
by Rabbi Zalman Shachter-Shalomi and Ronald S. Miller

Sunday, September 30

Blessing of the Animals

1 pm

Sunday, September 23

Evensong

4:30 pm

Sunday, November 4

Evensong

4:30 pm

As always, our regular services:

Sundays

8 am – traditional language service

10:30 am – with choir

Wednesdays

11am – Eucharist

5 pm – Meditation

Watch us online

*for more information on these
and other events:*

*christchurchcalgary.org and on
Facebook at Christ Church Calgary*

Elbow Park Toddler Play Group

EVERY FRIDAY MORNING AT THE CLUB HOUSE

**FRIDAYS FROM 9:30 AM TO 11 AM
ELBOW PARK CLUB HOUSE**

Are you a member of the Elbow Park Community Association?

Then you are invited to the Elbow Park Play Group, a special play group for babies and children 5 years of age and under.

Meet at the Elbow Park Clubhouse Fridays between 9:30 - 11 am.

We look forward to seeing you there.



TOY DONATIONS

Please donate toys to the toddler play group! Email elbowtoddler@gmail.com to arrange a drop off or pick up time. We are gratefully accepting any new or used toys that are appropriate for babies and children under the age of 5. Thank you for your support.

If you would like to be on the Elbow Park Toddler Play Group email list, please email elbowtoddler@gmail.com

Yoga

Elbow Park Community Hall

IN THE NEW ADDITION

Tuesdays 10:30 am

with Glenda Morrison

Yoga Association of Alberta

Bachelor of Kinesiology

Contact: glendamorrison@shaw.ca or 403-850-5617

All Levels Welcome



The members of Calgary's *Partners for Safety*: Calgary's Child Magazine, AHS EMS, Calgary Police, Fire, 9-1-1, Bylaw, and Transit would like to remind parents and trick-or-treaters of some Halloween safety tips as October 31st approaches. *Partners for Safety* vehicles will be out patrolling communities on Halloween night to provide a visible safety resource for parents and trick-or-treaters.

Trick-or-Treaters

- Remember: all regular pedestrian rules still apply. Be sure to cross the road at marked crosswalks, or well-lit corners only. It is safest to work your way up one side of the street, and then cross once to the other side.
- Stay away from houses that are not well lit. Do not accept rides from strangers, or enter any home you feel is unsafe.
- Let your parents know where you are going to be at all times (route) and advise them if you will be late returning.

Parents

- Be certain that young trick-or-treaters are accompanied by an adult. Older children should stay in groups.
- Pre-determine boundaries to trick-or-treat within and establish a firm time to return home.
- Advise children not to eat anything until they return home. Dispose of any items that appear to have been tampered with, or that are not properly wrapped.

Costumes

- Choose bright colored costumes that are highly visible. Adding reflective tape to costumes further increases visibility.
- Consider sending your children with a flashlight for additional safety and increased visibility.
- When purchasing, or making costumes, look for materials and accessories that are labeled flame-resistant.
- All costume accessories, such as sticks, rods, or wands, should be soft and flexible, with no sharp edges.
- Consider using hypoallergenic make-up kits instead of masks that may impair breathing, or vision.
- Be sure costumes are loose enough to be worn over warm clothing, but not so long that they become a tripping hazard. Costumes should not be longer than your child's ankles.
- Ensure your child is wearing adequate foot wear that takes into consideration weather conditions and walking.

Creative Community Corner

Original work from the Residents of Elbow Park

11 IDEAS FOR A RAINY DAY

By: Ella Hyman and Ava Peters

We all know that rainy days have their ups and downs. You can wear your PJs all day, but you will eventually get bored and cranky sitting inside. We have prepared some time-passers (we like to call them time-busters!) for you to enjoy.

1. Look for new books

If you are a bookworm, you will enjoy this. We recommend going to Common Sense Media online. It will give you a description of the book and an age recommendation.

2. Create a quote journal

(or any other kind of journal); a diary, calendar, dream journal, time capsule, or one just chock-full of fun stuff.

3. Make a “truth or dare” bin

Cut out strips of paper and write a “truth” or “dare”. (A truth is a question to ask someone that might make them uncomfortable. A dare is a task that might be frightening or weird.) Fold the papers up and put them in the bin. You have created a fun game for you and your most daring friends to play!

How To Play: You’ll need at least two family members or friends to play with you. Next, decide who goes first. Whomever you choose will stick their hand in the bin and pick a strip of paper. They must do the task or answer the question written on the paper. Everyone has three “lives” (a chance to skip your truth or dare). If you don’t want to answer a truth, or do a dare, you can use a “life”. If you get to zero “lives”, you must do all the truths and dares you pull out of the bin. If you cannot answer a truth or do a dare after you hit zero “lives” you are out. Winning The Game: The game ends when one player is left or all the strips are gone from the bin. If one player is left, then that player has won. If all the strips are gone, players count up their strips and whomever has the most wins.

4. Play the one word story game

All players sit in a circle and the youngest goes first. The first person says a word then the next person links a word to the one the first player said. The idea is to create a story by going around in a circle with each person saying only one word on his/her turn. When you get to the end of your story start again. If your story gets too crazy and can’t be understood we recommend restarting so everyone’s on the same page.

5. Create your own play

Write the script; pick costumes, cast the characters and buy makeup. When you’re ready, you can put on a theatre production and make popcorn for the audience!

6. Paint your nails

Pick out your favourite colors of nail polish and give yourself a pedicure! Maybe this won’t appeal to boys, but there are plenty of other things on this list for boys too!

7. Plan your future

Make a poster or presentation about all the things you want to happen when you grow up. Here are some ideas for subjects you might put on your presentation:

- What your career will be.
- What pets you will have and what they will look like,
- What city you will live in,
- What kind of house you will live in,
- You can add anything else you would like !

8. Have a relaxing bath

Add bath bombs; sweet smelling soap, essential oils and turn on relaxing music. Sit back and feel relaxed.

9. Wash your hair

OK, OK. We know this might sound irritating, but if your hair needs to be washed, today is a good day to do it. This way, you won’t miss out on anything fun, like you might do if you did this on a sunny day.

10. Bake

You can make cookies; loaves, banana bread, muffins, cake and cupcakes!

11. Make slime

Yes, this can be messy, but if you make sure to clean it all up after, it should be fine. Here are some (mostly) mess free and completely no Borax recipes made with ingredients that can be found just lying around the house:

- Flour and lotion
- Cornstarch and Water
- Tide and Clear Glue
- And For The More Gifted Slime Creator: Glue, Baking Soda, Water, Shaving Cream, and Contact Lens Solution
- Remember to add food dye to make the slime really pop! Happy Slime Creating

If you don't like any ideas on page 13 you can go to a museum; trampoline park, indoor playground, friends house, the mall, or spa.

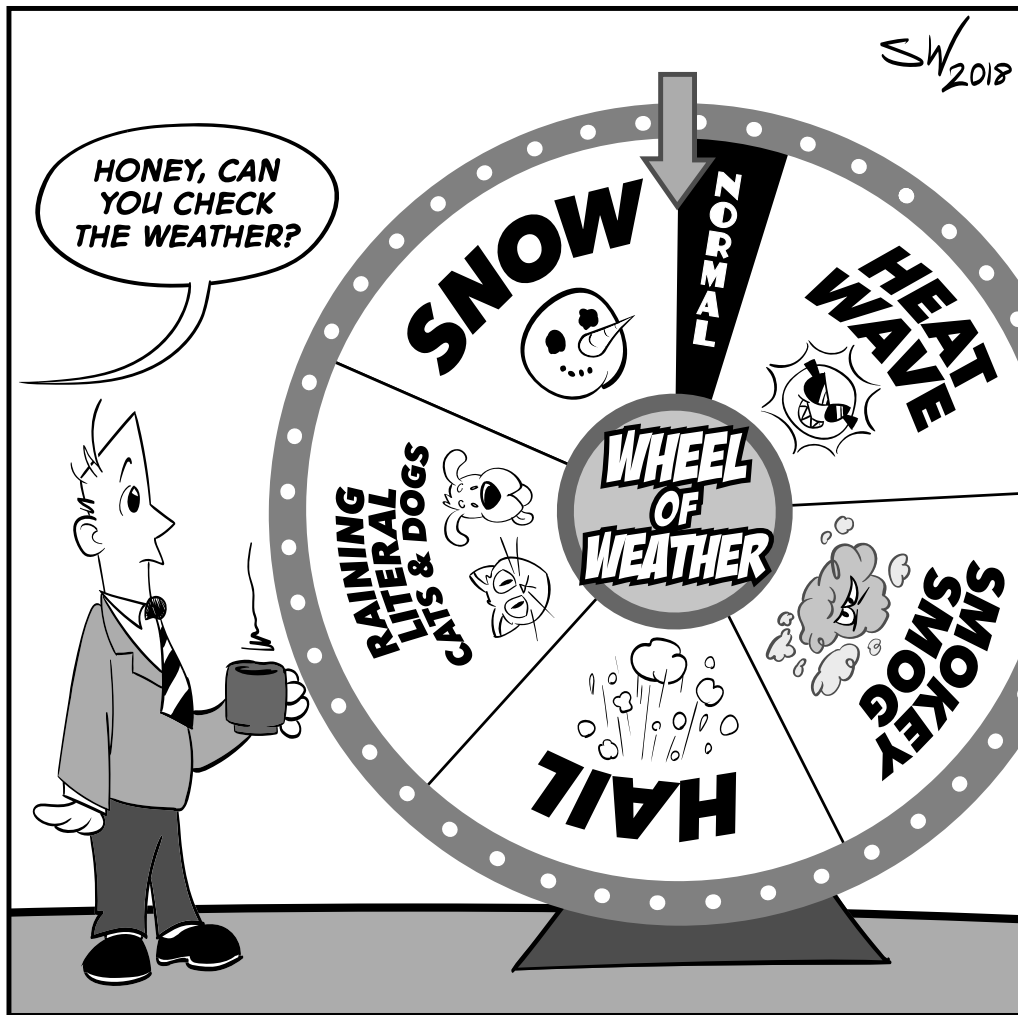
Remember to always take time to splash in the puddles!

That is always good fun!

For more awesome stories; contests, articles, crafts and quizzes, go to www.kidmag.ca, which is our new website for kids aged 7-13. We are launching it September 7, 2018.

COMIC

By Spenser Wain



For more from Spenser, check out: tapas.io/series/Princess-Sign-Here <http://www.instagram.com/swain0042/>

If you or anyone you know loves to write, draw or make puzzles, submit your work to gazette@elbowpark.com! We accept work from all age groups (under 18 will need parent or guardian permission. This is non paying publication. We do not guarantee publication to all submissions.

Kent Hehr

YOUR MEMBER OF
PARLIAMENT FOR

CALGARY CENTRE



SOME HAPPY NEWS ON A PERSONAL NOTE

It is an honour and privilege to represent Calgary's urban centre since 2008 – first as a provincial MLA and now as your federal Liberal MP (Member of Parliament).

I've long said that I'm in this line of work for two reasons: to create good public policy for the long term, and, admittedly selfishly, to share my life with Calgarians.

It seems fitting that through this work, I met my partner Deanna. I'm thrilled to say that in August, Deanna and I got married here in Calgary. We both feel very lucky.

When we first met, Deanna was working at CUPS. As I often collaborated with CUPS on issues near and dear to my heart such as poverty, homelessness, and early childhood development, I started to get to know Deanna. Eventually we went for coffee, starting dating, and now here we are.

I am very thankful for Deanna, and for the wonderful group of family and friends who surround us.

As I can personally attest, politics can be a tough business, but I am so thankful and honoured to do this work and to represent the people of Calgary Centre. Although I have now tied the knot, rest assured that I remain focused on creating good public policy and sharing my life with each and every one of you.

Kent Hehr

Your Member of Parliament for Calgary Centre

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YOU'RE INVITED

Free Community BBQ

with MP Kent Hehr

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

11 am - 1 pm

2201 Cliff Street SW

(Cliff Bungalow Mission Community Hall)

Hope to see you at the BBQ!



Kent and Deanna were married
in Calgary in August.



JEROMY FARKAS

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DEAR FRIENDS,

Welcome back from the summer break! I would like your feedback on some important civic issues.

Construction

Thank-you for taking the time to respond to my survey regarding construction in our communities. I live in Palliser and have been trapped within my own neighbourhood. I heard that most of you are willing to accommodate some growing pains, as long as it's for projects with tangible value and proven benefit. Another major area of concern was emergency response and pedestrian safety. Further, if the City starts something, it should focus on completion rather than moving to other work unfinished. I am advocating hard at City Hall on your behalf for changes and continue to welcome your ideas on how we can improve.

Olympic vote

Calgarians will soon vote on whether or not to host the 2026 Winter Olympic Games. Council recently learned that we must "adjust" essential services in the City to prioritize/support a successful bid. Without massive tax increases, this likely means that essential services will be reduced elsewhere to support the Games. What are your thoughts around cutting essential services to host the Olympics? Considering the recent economic downturn and job losses, and existing deficiencies in services such as snow clearing, I've heard from the majority of you that now is not the time to pursue the Games. After two years of exploring an Olympic bid and spending millions of dollars doing so, we still don't know what hosting would cost. For too long it has been a conversation between politicians and special interests, rather than the everyday Calgarians who will have to pay for it. City Administration has already confirmed that hosting an Olympic Games will cost more than the original \$4.5 billion estimate, since this estimate does not include new infrastructure costs nor does it factor in inflation. We should be setting our city up for the success of Calgarians and for future generations, rather than planning Calgary around a three-week event.

Budget

As City Council heads into four-year budget deliberations, the City is recommending that property taxes be increased by approximately two to three per cent per year. After the fourth year of continuous tax hikes, these new increases would equate to over \$500 per year for the average homeowner. While in the community and knocking on doors, most of you have said that you can't absorb any more taxes or fees. "Increasing taxes" and "reducing services" is a false choice because it ignores the idea of reducing waste and doing more with the same, or more with less, like families, seniors, and small businesses have been forced to.

I hope to see you at this month's Ward 11 Town Hall taking place on Thursday, September 20 (7-8:30 pm) at the Southwood Community Centre – 11 Sackville Drive SW. Everyone welcome!

Respectfully yours,

Jeromy

(Ward 11 Councillor and Palliser resident)

Greg Clark, MLA

Calgary Elbow



UNEMPLOYMENT

Unemployment continues to be a big challenge for many Calgarians. Although we have seen some signs of an economic turnaround, I wasn't surprised to see Calgary's unemployment rate staying stubbornly high at nearly 8%. The city continues to struggle to get back on its feet after the recession, and recent changes by the NDP are not making it easier to start or operate a business in Alberta, which limits job growth in entrepreneurial cities like Calgary.

I have held a number of events to help constituents find their way back into the workforce and have found many people have given up trying to find traditional employment again. Instead, they are looking to start their own small businesses. As a former business owner myself, I know first hand what it's like to struggle to start a business.

Recent changes to Employment Standards, WCB and minimum wage have all made life more challenging for business owners. Let me be clear that some of these changes are positive and are supported by nearly every small business owner I've talked with. This is especially true of changes to bereavement leave and expanded psychological coverage for WCB claimants.

However, the cumulative impact of all of the changes including new banked overtime rules, significant labour relations changes, and the fact there is no WCB rebate in 2018 have hit small businesses hard, just as many are starting to slowly recover from the economic downturn.

Despite these challenges I am confident that Calgarians will innovate our way out of this downturn just like we've always done. Please remember that one way you can help is to support small businesses in your community. I am pleased to host a Small Business Forum on October 2nd at cSpace at 7pm. There will be representatives from WCB, ATB, the City of Calgary licensing/permitting office, a labour lawyer and members of the small business community on our panel. If you are interested in attending, please visit: www.calgaryelbow.ca to register.

FLOOD UPDATE

The regulatory process for the Springbank Off-Stream Reservoir continues to move forward, albeit much more slowly than I would like. The next step in this process will be public hearings. At time of writing there are no dates set, but my office will post details when they are available. If you are not already on my flood email list, please send a note to Calgary.Elbow@assembly.ab.ca and ask to be added.

On a related topic, the provincial government is currently reviewing the Emergency Management Act. In addition to several technical changes, there are changes proposed to "clarify" (in the government's words) that ignoring an evacuation order is in contravention of the Emergency Management Act and those that ignore evacuation orders may be subject to a fine and/or prison time. There is a related change that sets out that first responders are not liable for actions taken, or not taken, in good faith while enforcing evacuation orders.

I have spoken directly with the Minister of Municipal Affairs about these changes and tells me that his intention is not to send in the police to forcibly remove people during a natural disaster, but to limit the liability of first responders should people choose not to evacuate. Despite his assurances I have concerns that the Bill as proposed does more than that, and I will raise this concern when it is debated in the Legislature this fall.

I would also like to hear from you. Please contact my office at (403) 252-0346 or Calgary.Elbow@assembly.ab.ca and we can provide you with more detailed information about the proposed changes, and you can share your thoughts.

ELBOW PARK — CELEBRATE MOVIE IN THE PARK

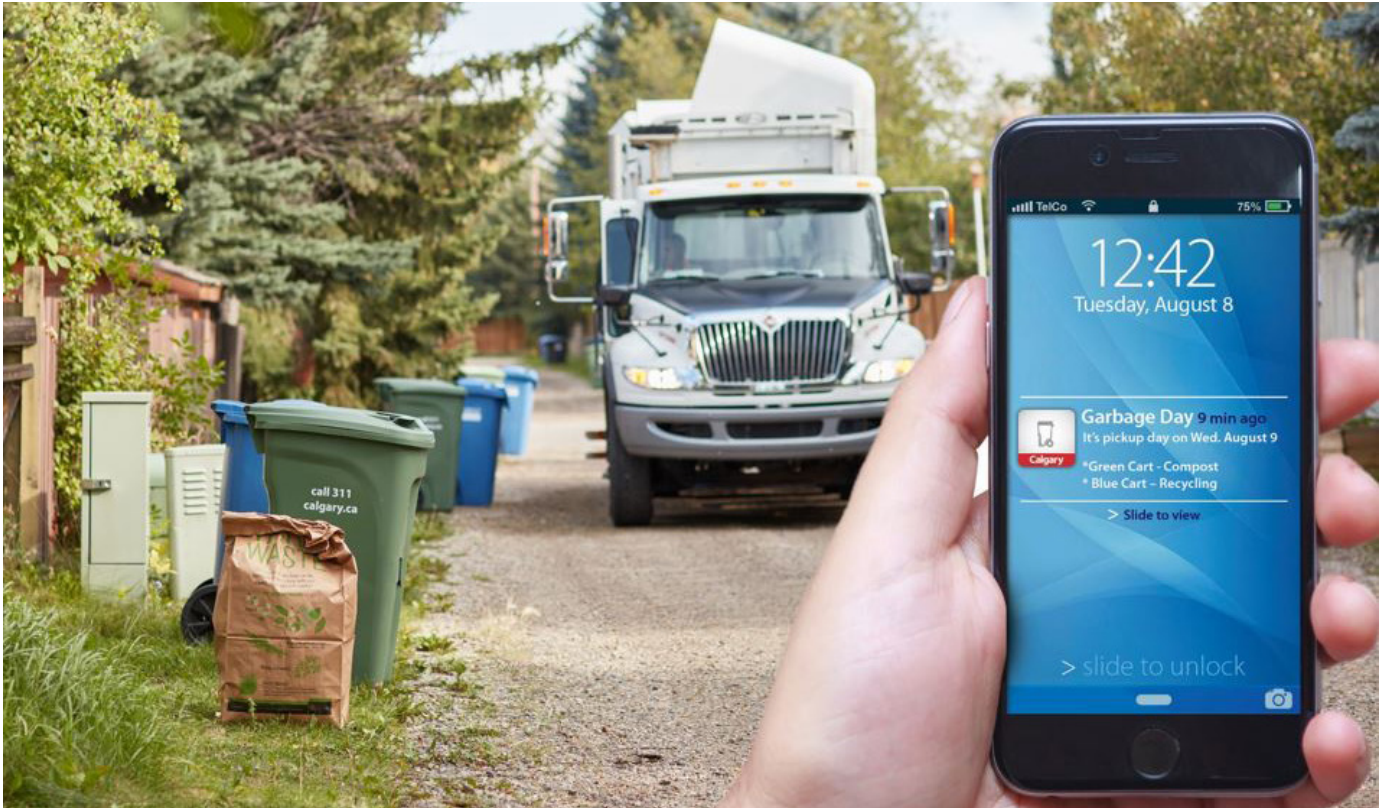
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- Print off a calendar
- Sign up for free reminders – by email, text message and phone
- Download the Garbage Day app for Apple and Android devices



Always bundle your plastic bags before recycling

Loose plastic bags cause problems at the recycling facility. They fly around, become stuck in other recyclables, jam equipment and cause costly delays.

Bundle your plastic bags into a single bag before putting in your blue cart or community recycling depot.





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Bottles For Health

Residential & Commercial

Join our FREE collection program and get tax receipts for your bottles!

HOW IT WORKS:

- 1** We provide bags and bins and we pick up your bottles on schedule and on time.
- 2** You receive a tax receipt for your bottles!
- 3** 100% of your donations go to supporting The Alex, providing health and housing care for Calgary's most vulnerable.



For more information,
or to arrange pick-up services,
please contact:

bottles4health@thealex.ca

www.thealex.ca



Block Talk is a free new app that helps connect you to all the communities you are involved in. You should download the app to receive urgent safety alerts (from your neighbours) specific to the communities you choose to follow – like Elbow Park! The app is also a platform for up to date information about the communities you and your friends and family live in, work in or play in. Block Talk is the best way to have instant news directly from people in that community.

Available free for I-Phone, and coming soon for Android. It's easy to use functions make it the perfect way to quickly see urgent safety concerns within the communities you choose, as well as, non-urgent situations, community posts, and much more!

To help modernize our communication, the Elbow Park Residents' Association will be using Block Talk as one of the ways we communicate with the Elbow Park community.