

# Northern Edge News



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## Community Clean-Up and E-cycle Event Another Huge Success!

On June 9, 2012, the NHCA, once again partnered with the Panorama e-Centre, the City of Calgary, and the Women in Need Society (WINS) for our Annual Northern Hills Community Clean Up and Recycling day. With NHCA representatives on site (thanks Sunny, Shauna, Mae, Moraig and Wendy), plenty of volunteers, City Garbage and E-Cycle Trucks, we also facilitated the supply of bags, gloves, and pick sticks through the City of Calgary Parks Department. City Bylaws also provided a representative.

Residents brought recyclables, electronic components, and garbage to the Panorama e-Centre for collection. Individuals and families also took the initiative to collect litter and garbage from parks and private areas around their own blocks and neighborhoods. WINS accepted gently used household goods and furniture for women and families in need and collected over three truckloads of goods for their programs. Over 70 volunteers participated in the cleanup throughout our commu-

nities and once again the support and generosity from the residents of the Northern Hills Communities was overwhelming.

This year's event was a resounding success and the NHCA would like to thank all of the participants and volunteers, especially those from the Harvest Hills Alliance Church who mobilized members to collect trash from areas in Harvest Hills and Country Hills and the Centre Street Church who helped with the clean up and traffic control and also provided a BBQ lunch for the volunteers and participants. Thanks go out to Warren Wiebe from the Centre Street Church for his role in organizing support and food donations and to Tim Horton's, Country Hills, who supplied coffee and doughnuts for volunteers and workers.

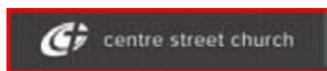
We would like to thank the representatives of the various City of Calgary Departments, Bylaws, WINS and e-cycle who provided support on the cool (but rainless) day of the event. Thank you again for your support. Well done!



### Thank You to All Partners & Sponsors for A Successful Community Clean Up



*Panorama E Community Centre*



## UPCOMING EVENTS 2012

**July 1st to 30th**  
Skate Park Cardel Place East Lot

**July 3rd to 6th**  
Park N Play and Stay N Play in Coventry Hills

**July 23rd to 27th**  
Park N Play and Stay N Play in Panorama Hills

**July 7th to 14th**  
Stampede Breakfasts – Various Locales

**July 26th**  
Lawn Chair Theatre – Harvest Hills

**August 13rd to 17th**  
Park N Play and Stay N Play in Country Hills

**August 31st**  
Front Yard Garden Contest Ends

**September 15th**  
Seminar for Adult Children of Seniors – Huntington Hills Community Centre

**September 22nd**  
WINS Clothing and Toys Drive

**September 28th, 29th and 30th**  
Alberta Art Days – Cardel Place



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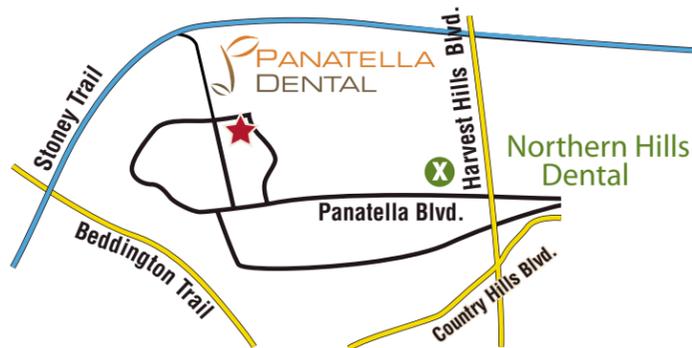
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# VOLUNTEER

## NHCA VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

### VACANCIES ON THE BOARD:

**Treasurer** - The Treasurer would attend monthly board meetings and oversee the financial aspects of the Association. If this position interests you, it would be helpful if you had some accounting experience. We do have a bookkeeper on staff who is responsible for recording transactions, preparing cheques and financial statements. The NHCA has audited financial statements for 2011 and we are on track with our budget for 2012.

**Community Garden Director** - This is a wonderful opportunity to share your enthusiasm for gardening! Working with the existing garden coordinators, you will represent the interests of the Community Gardens on the NHCA board and attend monthly board meetings. Come, grow with us! The previous director has provided great documentation and will remain as an active volunteer.

**Administration Director** - We have a talented team working in the office and our Administrative consultant provides leadership on a daily basis. This board position involves support and oversight to our staff by maintaining the communication with the board and coordinating work volumes with admin support. Contact [president@northernhills.ab.ca](mailto:president@northernhills.ab.ca). There are many committees that could always use the help:

**Graffiti Abatement** - Individuals eager to learn how to clean it up and prevent future outbreaks! If you are someone who likes to take action and see results, this could be the opportunity for you. Please contact [community@northernhills.ab.ca](mailto:community@northernhills.ab.ca) if graffiti gets under your skin!

**Garbage Collection** - Have some ideas on how to clean up and prevent littering in our neighbourhoods? We are seeking individuals who are as annoyed as we are about the amount of loose litter lingering in our alleys, on our boulevards and in our green spaces. Please contact [community@northernhills.ab.ca](mailto:community@northernhills.ab.ca) if you've had enough!

**Youth** - Calling on future community leaders to get together and bring their ideas on how to engage their peers in community building activities. A great way to meet youth with common interests and fulfill those volunteer hour requirements! Please contact [youth@northernhills.ab.ca](mailto:youth@northernhills.ab.ca)

**Membership Services** - Opportunities to meet your neighbours when helping out at events around the community. The NHCA hosts a table at a variety of events including the Community Garage Sale, Business Fair, E-Cycle and Community Clean Up, Stampede breakfasts etc. If you are interested in helping out contact [community@northernhills.ab.ca](mailto:community@northernhills.ab.ca)

**At Home In The Hills** - A new initiative to assist new Canadians, Calgarians and/or residents to the Northern Hills. We are working on providing activities and information to assist with the transition into our area. We have begun with a webpage with agency and city information and a plan for a group of volunteers who will become 'Big Neighbours' to those new to the 'Hills'. If you are a resident of the Northern Hills Communities, familiar with the area and perhaps speak another language, this could be a wonderful opportunity to meet and greet! Contact [events@northernhills.ab.ca](mailto:events@northernhills.ab.ca)

**Beautification** - We are expanding our efforts to beautify neglected areas in our communities and are looking for committee members. Activities of the group may include organizing fence painting, gardening, community clean ups, looking for solutions to repair/remove damaged entry features etc. Have a desire to see improvements in our community aesthetics? Contact [community@northernhills.ab.ca](mailto:community@northernhills.ab.ca)

**Events** - Our association hosts many events, large and small, throughout the year and we are looking for individuals to join this committee to help organize and carry out the tasks necessary for success. Love to socialize and enjoy the feeling of a job well done? Contact [events@northernhills.ab.ca](mailto:events@northernhills.ab.ca)

**Sponsorship** - Have an interest in marketing and a no fear attitude when communicating with businesses in the area? Our association would appreciate your help in contacting local business owners to discuss advertising opportunities and their community support. Interested? Contact [marketing@northernhills.ab.ca](mailto:marketing@northernhills.ab.ca)

**Grants** - We are a non-profit organization and funding is an important component of our business plan. There are funds available; we just need committee members who enjoy filling out the forms! Previous experience with grant applications would be an asset. If securing available funds is your specialty then we need you! Contact [grants@northernhills.ab.ca](mailto:grants@northernhills.ab.ca)

**Community Garden** - Our first garden in Harvest Hills has been a great success. We are currently looking for a coordinator for this existing committee. We added a second garden in Coventry Hills in 2011. Would you like to see a garden in Country Hills or Panorama? If you love to garden, this could be the committee for you. Contact [garden@northernhills.ab.ca](mailto:garden@northernhills.ab.ca)

**Capital Projects** - Our pleasure rinks in Harvest Hills and Coventry were ready to go and awaiting a cold, snowy winter. Mother nature did not deliver but we did manage a couple of weeks of skate time and flooding and clearing practice. Our rinks committee is seeking eager individuals to help with the planning and execution of this initiative in 2012/13. If you are interested in this program and/or an additional outdoor rink in Panorama Hills, this would be a dynamic committee to be a part of. Contact [community@northernhills.ab.ca](mailto:community@northernhills.ab.ca)

**Farmers' Market** - A committee is researching and planning for a Farmers' Market in our area. The focus will be on healthy, fresh food. If you are an avid market shopper and/or have knowledge of vendors in the Calgary area, your input would be appreciated. Contact [farmersmarket@northernhills.ab.ca](mailto:farmersmarket@northernhills.ab.ca)

**Senior's Group** - SPRY in the Hills, a group of older adults who get together on Tuesdays from 2 - 4 pm and Fridays from 1 - 2pm are looking for you and your ideas. Contact [seniors@northernhills.ab.ca](mailto:seniors@northernhills.ab.ca)

**Traffic** - If you and your neighbors have traffic related issues; parking, speeding, upgrading controls at intersections and you're willing to work together to find solutions, contact [planning@northernhills.ab.ca](mailto:planning@northernhills.ab.ca). For more information please contact the NHCA office at 403-226-6462 or [info@northernhills.ab.ca](mailto:info@northernhills.ab.ca).

## From the President

by Wendy Cavanagh,  
President NHCA



[northernhills.ab.ca](http://northernhills.ab.ca) The yard owner and you will be entered into the contest to win a prize. Check for details in this issue and on the NHCA website [www.northernhills.ab.ca](http://www.northernhills.ab.ca)

I have just read through the submissions for this issue of the Northern Edge News and I am overwhelmed by the contributions of the board, staff, committee chairs, volunteers, schools, City staff, elected City and Provincial representatives. The articles in this issue sum up what community is all about. Special thanks to Susan Burke, Neil Meyer and Diana Brandson for putting into words what many of us feel. The Northern Hills Communities are alive and thriving with community spirit and activities. My heartfelt thanks goes out to all.

Our Youth Soccer and Adult Slopitch Programs came to a close at the end of June and we would like to thank all the kids 'young and old' who came out to play. It was one of our most successful spring seasons and many thanks go out to the volunteers who made it possible. To all you ladies who enjoyed soccer this spring, we are running a drop in program over the summer and we are now taking registrations for the Fall/Winter indoor season. For you, it never ends!!

Recent community events including the Stampede 4 Corners Celebration on May 26<sup>th</sup>, the June 2<sup>nd</sup> Public Library Centennial Block Party and the June 9<sup>th</sup> Community Clean Up were well attended and we thank all who stopped by the NHCA tent to pick up information, share a concern or purchase a membership. Special thanks to our Events and Membership Directors (Sunny and Navjot), Volunteer Coordinator Shauna Carredu and to the NHCA staff for their awesome teamwork! Coming up this summer, there are many more opportunities to get out into the community, including Stampede Breakfasts in early July, the Stay N Play and Park N Play Programs, Lawnchair Theatre in Harvest Hills and the Skateboard Park at Cardel Place. If it all sounds a little too energetic for you, you could always join some of the older adults in the community for lunch once a month in July and August.

There has been much ado about dog poo and I am sorry to say it is still an issue, not only for our communities but for many in Calgary and beyond. We have been speaking with representatives from the Alderman's office and the City bylaw department and recent suggestions have been to install trash bins with bags for those who may have 'forgotten' to bring one while walking their pet. We are weighing in on a possible off leash park west of Deerfoot Trail and north of Beddington Trail. This type of park would provide a fenced area as well as more trash bins. The City is also considering additional sites in our area.

On a greener note...don't forget to enter a neighbor into the Northern Hills Front Yard Garden Contest. Spot a yard that beautifies the community...take a picture and send it to [community@northernhills.ab.ca](mailto:community@northernhills.ab.ca)

Look for the NHCA tent at local Stampede breakfasts, purchase or provide proof or your Community Association Membership and you will be entered into the draws for some great prizes. Our tent is the 'wireless' info centre for our Association. Not only will you meet some of the great staff and volunteers, you will find all kinds of information on upcoming events, programs and volunteer opportunities. It pays to be a member of your community!

Our Older Adults and their 'Spry In The Hills' Group are partnering with the Huntington Hills Pioneers to bring a much needed information seminar to the Adult Children of Seniors in our communities. The event takes place on Saturday, September 15<sup>th</sup>. There is a small fee to register and lunch is included. You may register on line on the NHCA website, space is limited so register early!

Although it is July, Fall is just around the corner and we are already busy planning for our Fall Fundraiser. We've set the date and booked the band for next year's **Harvest Moon Dance and Fundraiser!** Mark your calendars for **Friday, October 19<sup>th</sup> 2012**. The NHCA hopes this event will only get bigger and better every year and if you are a business/resident who would like to participate by donating an auction item or help promote and sell tickets we'd be happy to hear from you. Contact [events@northernhills.ab.ca](mailto:events@northernhills.ab.ca)

A reminder that your NHCA memberships expired on December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2011 and that memberships help fund the many benefits that the Association endeavors to provide the residents of the Northern Hills. Please refer to the list, found in this newsletter and on our website, of activities, programs, events and projects we provide and/or support. By purchasing or renewing your membership today you are helping to build a strong, engaged community.

If you are planning to visit the NHCA office to purchase a membership, inquire about tickets for the upcoming 'Sandwich Generation' Seminar or Harvest Moon Dance, or our many programs, events and services please check our new website for up to date hours and information.

Thanks to all the sponsors, volunteers, staff, board members and members of the Northern Hills Community Association who continue to make this the best community in which to live, work and play. If you are interested in upcoming events or volunteer opportunities, please check out our website at [www.northernhills.ab.ca](http://www.northernhills.ab.ca)

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# ANNOUNCEMENT

## Four Corners – A Celebration of Heritage and Culture

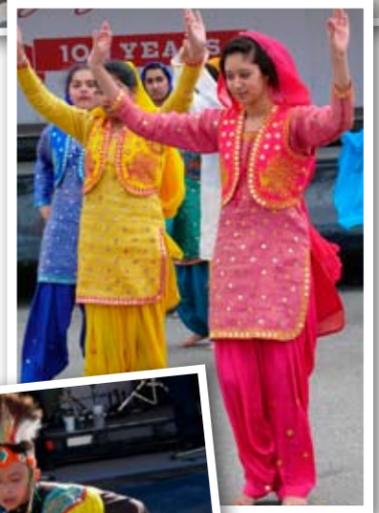
The Calgary Stampede Association wanted to bring a portion of the Stampede spirit to the four corners of the city to celebrate our community, our western heritage and the Stampede Centennial. Four mini festivals held in each of the city's quadrants over four Saturdays in May and June to unite Calgarians under the banner "We are greatest together!". Each Four Corners festival had a distinct character highlighting the surrounding community's diversity and the Northern Hills Communities and Cardel Place were selected to hold one of those events. So, on May 26th, under a beautiful clear blue sky, a good ole' western Canadian celebration was had by all!

The event started off in the great Stampede tradition with a Caravan breakfast – complete with pancakes and sausages and all the fixins', including birthday cake, for the several thousand Northern Hills residents who attended the party. There were over 40 activities and demonstrations involving several Stampede committees, community organizations (NHCA), City of Calgary, and the event sponsor (BURNCO - who also happens to be 100 years old this year too!). The backdrop throughout the day included an old-time community fair with traditional western activities such as cow milking and rope making intermixed with

modern day birthday party staples such as face painting, bouncy castles, and other fun games for kids of all ages. Whether you were getting your picture taken in the back of a police cruiser, were pretending to drive the fire engine, or were honking the loud air horn of a rolling cement mixer, fun and laughter was the order of the day.

In true Stampede tradition, there was also a main stage of entertainment (counting the ground area immediately in front of the main stage) that provided an array of superb talented artists, dancers and musicians from the Northern Hills and surrounding communities, including young contemporary musicians and bands, and dancers and musicians in traditional dress from the first nations, Punjabi, and Malaysian cultures.

The Northern Hills communities were thrilled to be chosen as one of the venues for the Four Corners celebration and we would like to thank the Calgary Stampede Association and their Partners and Sponsors (Burnco, City of Calgary, Cardel Place and The Northern Hills Community Association) for bringing such a fun event to our communities. Well done and congratulations on turning 100! May the next 100 years be just as fun as the first 100 years were! Happy Birthday to the Calgary Stampede!



### WHERE'S OZZIE?



"Where's Ozzie?" is a monthly contest of the Northern Hills Community Association. Here is a photo of Ozzie. Look for him in photos in this and upcoming issues of the Northern Edge News. When you spot him, send an e-mail to [communication@northernhills.ab.ca](mailto:communication@northernhills.ab.ca). Include your name, contact information, NHCA membership number along with the month of edition and page number where you found him. There will be a prize draw for dinner and a movie from each month's entries. One entry per month per membership and you must have a current NHCA membership to be eligible. Spot Ozzie, be a member and WIN!!



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# LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## RE: Dog poop

I am a dog owner, and I'm also horrified by the amount of people who do not scoop their dogs feces. We live on Coville Circle and I am worried about small children stepping in it at the Castle Park so often I clean it up. So I ask all GOOD dog owner's to pay it forward while walking your dog, bend down and pick up someone else's dogs do-do. I do

this with the same poop bag that I use for my dog. I encourage you to "double scoop". Good things will happen for you. So instead of feeling frustrated, feel good knowing you are keeping our community clean. Thank you!

Concerned Pet Owner

**Editor's Note:** Great Strategy!  
We couldn't agree more!

# SENIOR'S CORNER

## **SPRY** in the Hills

Contact [seniors@northernhills.ab.ca](mailto:seniors@northernhills.ab.ca)

No weekly meetings at the Panorama Hills e-Community Centre for the summer.....

BUT.....

SPRY in the Hills members will be meeting, at noon, at the Harvest Hills Golf Club House for lunch once per month during the summer months. The first experimental lunch gathering in May was attended by ten people. All reported enjoying the meal, the reasonable prices and the very attentive and friendly staff at the Club House, the company, the relaxed social aspect; and, overwhelmingly approved meeting for lunch at the same place again. A three month absence is a long time in relationships, so we will gather at the Harvest Hills Golf Club House, at noon on June 22, July 20, and August 24 to work on keeping our communication lines open, and, to sharpen up our funny bones!

Older residents in NHCA are invited to join us. All we ask is that you confirm your attendance at lunch two to three days in advance to [seniors@northernhills.ab.ca](mailto:seniors@northernhills.ab.ca) so we can confirm numbers attending.

Some programs and activities have been arranged for the September to December 2012 session so start making your plans, now, to join us. A brief listing appears under separate cover. Fit2Age, exercise classes with Tracy, have been very popular and almost everyone requested her return this Fall. She has confirmed availability for Tuesdays, 2:00 to 3:00, and Fridays 1:00 to 2:00, for the months of October (with exception of October 23 to 26) and November. If you are not sure about the exercise program, please feel free to come

out and observe this fun class before you make any decisions.

It is hoped that last month you saw the 'Watch For It' notice for a Resource Fair on September 15, 2012. This Fair is being planned to assist both, current Seniors, and their adult children, - THE SANDWICH GENERATION - Speakers and displays are being recruited to present information on a variety of pertinent topics to help pave the way for smoother transitions in life. Anyone having suggestions for topics or speakers please contact us at [seniors@northernhills.ab.ca](mailto:seniors@northernhills.ab.ca). Senior persons have a responsibility here.....please plan to attend this fair and request your adult children to attend, either with you, or on their own. There is much to be learned here!

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# COMMUNITY

## Community Gardening



Definition of community gardening (source: Wikipedia):

A **community garden** is a single piece of land gardened collectively by a group of people.

The Northern Hills has two community gardens – one in Harvest Hills and one in Coventry Hills. Our vision is to:

- Promote a sense of community based on a sense of shared responsibility and team work.
- Be a place to learn, build fellowship among neighbors, and celebrate accomplishments.
- Promote education on organic gardening methods, food, flowers, trees, and shrubs.
- Provide a source of locally grown organic food to various users and user groups, including donations to the Calgary Interfaith Food Bank.

We are all gardeners from the Northern Hills communities and pay a fee for our garden beds. We come together to grow produce for our families, the Food Bank and the community at large. We learn from each other and are keen on reaching out to

others to join us. We love to chat about what we are doing and what we are growing, so if you see us out working, please stop, introduce yourself and have a chat. We revel in a job well done especially when we deliver hundreds of pounds of food to the food bank each year. We are also very happy to donate our time to growing food for the community – you! This is for those individuals that would like a bit of fresh produce but either don't have the time or don't think they have the knowledge (we would be happy to teach you) to grow their own.

The Harvest Hills community garden got the season up and running with a work "bee" on May 28<sup>th</sup>. Unlike previous years where we faced a snow storm and a flood, the weather was balmy with cloudy skies. Gardens were turned over and seeds were planted. There is always the tried and true vegetables planted but it was nice to see some experimenting going on with chinese eggplant, mountain spinach and edamame beans. We have planted potatoes, onions and beets once again for the Calgary Interfaith Food Bank. We have a few newcomers this year and it's nice to see that our gardeners are well represented in age which range from as wise as 7 to as young as 70.

Our two "community" beds include rhubarb, zucchini, chives, beans, beets, dill and various herbs. We encourage all community members to help themselves to these two community beds as well as the herb pot as the produce ripens. These two beds have a sign attached to them which states "Community veggies, please help yourself". We respectfully ask that all other beds are not touched as these are for the food bank and families in the neighborhood that rent a bed in order to grow produce for their families. We are also starting to understand the unique gardening zone that we are in as our daylilies did not make it through the winter but the irises and campanula did very well. We will try a few new species this year and see what comes up again next spring. If you are interested in volunteering or would like to put your name on a waiting list for next year, please contact [harvestgarden@northernhills.ab.ca](mailto:harvestgarden@northernhills.ab.ca). In the interim, please feel free to come visit us just south of the lake. We'd love to meet you!



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Your membership fee provides affordable local activities and programs that help keep your community healthy and attractive, such as:

- **Programs** – Community Gardens, Seniors Group, Moms and Tots, Community Beautification, Tree planting, Graffiti Abatement
- **Initiatives** – Outdoor Ice Rinks, Farmers' Market, ESL Program, Youth Council, and Wine and Cheese Group.
- **Sports** – Youth Outdoor Soccer, Adult Slo-Pitch and Ladies Outdoor and Indoor Soccer Programs.
- **In partnership with the City of Calgary** – Stay & Play, Park & Play, Skate Park and Lawn Chair Theater programs over the summer.
- **Events** – Community Garage Sale, Community Clean Up, Small Business Fair, Seniors Resource Fair, City Planning Open House, Community Resource Fair, Fundraisers and Election Forums.



Support your community association today. Memberships can be purchased on-line, in person at the NHCA office or by mail. [www.northernhills.ab.ca](http://www.northernhills.ab.ca)

## How to Get a Membership

Annual Membership is from January 1st through to December 31st

You can purchase a membership three ways:

1. Access our online membership registration at: [www.northernhills.ab.ca](http://www.northernhills.ab.ca) under the membership tab
2. In-person registration at the office
3. Mailing your membership form below to the office



### Membership Form

Mail to: NHCA, 11950 Country Village Link N.E. Cardel Place, Calgary AB T3K 6E3

- FEES:**  Family \$30     Single \$20     Senior (60+) \$20  
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**Please indicate activities you would like to learn more about:**

- Community Garden     Community Clean up     Garage Sale
- Adult Slo-Pitch     Small Business Fair     Fall Fundraiser
- Newsletter     Children's Soccer     Community Beautification
- Ladies Soccer     AGM/Community Resource Fair
- Graffiti Abatement     Planning and Development

**Please indicate what activities you would like to see in your community:**

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# SPORTS UPDATE

## Kid's Soccer Program

by Susan Burke

### The Travelling Jersey Club

Once again, our travelling jersey club strikes again for 2012, this time in the small community of Madden. Jaime Clayton and her sister wanted to start a soccer league for kids in Madden and surrounding area. Enough children signed up that 2 teams were created and the big games are on Friday nights. In addition to advice and guidance, the NHCA supplied gently used uniforms, soccer balls, a couple of ball pumps and extra pins, some cones and pylons and a small size goalie jersey. Their last soccer game was on June 22nd and I was invited to watch this final game. What a treat to be able to help out!

### Children's Soccer

This year we had over 1300 children signed up to play soccer and well over 100 teams hit the pitch. We had one U10 boys team and a number of U12 boys from the Evanston-Creekside community join again this year. We also had 3 U10 boys teams from the Hidden Valley community.

Coaches' orientations were done by Andrew Fleming of MVP again, and the sessions were a great help to our coaches. We received positive feedback from a few who felt like we were offering good support and will continue to add and change as the years go by. Our coaches are one of our most important volunteer roles.

I had an opportunity to visit some of the fields and it was wonderful to hear the kid's laughter and see them running about. I also had a chance to help out with a U12 Boys team: what a blast and what a great group of kids.

Have a great summer everyone and we hope to see you back next year!!!

### Sponsorship

Kid's Soccer says thank you to Panatella and Northern Hills Dental - under the direction of the Thurmeier's, their generosity is overwhelming, THANK YOU!



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## Volunteers THANKS!



A huge Thank You goes out to our ladies in the NHCA office. Again and again these wonderful women go over and above to help each board portfolio and work diligently for every program, event and committee. The NHCA would be lost without the dedication and professionalism of Mae Seifert, Heather Hubert and Moraig McCabe.

Special thanks goes to Janice Henderson, the Ladies and Young Ladies Soccer Coordinator and the amazing individuals she has on her team; and to Neil Meyer, our new Slopitch Coordinator. These people are leaders in our community, bringing a diversity to our sports programs like never before.

Thanks to all of the coaches. When you look back on this time you can look back and realize the impact and difference you made in these young lives and how proud your child was to say "my mom/dad is the coach!"

Thank you team coordinators, team inputters, game schedulers, line painters (with team captain extraordinaire Stephen MacLean), touch up line painters, photo volunteer coordinator (Angie Boyler), Photo Scheduler (Krista Gudmundson), photo contactors and helpers, team managers, and those of you who pitched in "As Required".

Without volunteers, the programs would not operate and the experience would not be as rewarding and beneficial for all. Thanks to all of the volunteers that make the Northern Hills great communities in which to live and play!

# Women's +30 OUTDOOR Soccer Program

by Diana Brandon  
Ladies 30+ Outdoor Soccer Coordinator

On the north central outskirts of Calgary, farmers fields gave way to flourishing new developments with new homes and the commercial developments that followed. As more and more young families settled in activities were initiated and people started to get to know each other.

It was about 8 years ago that a handful of moms in Harvest Hills decided they enjoyed watching their kids play so much they decided to get out of their lawn chairs and have a game themselves. It was from these modest beginnings the Northern Hills over 30 Women's soccer league sprouted. Tuesday and Friday nights at 8:00, many Northern Hills moms are putting on the cleats and hitting the field after their kids activities finish for the evening. The kids now cheer

on their soccer mom and pick up an impromptu scrimmage themselves.

It used to be that some dads would referee, but now they stay on the sidelines keeping an eye on the little ones, and sometimes coaching a bit too. Licensed refs now officiate and teach along the way.

The Women's league now has 175 registered players on 8 teams, each playing two games per week. The leagues organizational torch has been passed a couple of times, with each volunteer committed to making the program the best it can be!

There is an annual tournament and drop in soccer continues to be available into the summer. An indoor winter league is moving into its 3rd Season and this year was the first outdoor season that included the new teen girls recreational division and the ladies 20 Somethings division.

The Hills now offer opportunities

for the young lady and the young at heart, from the brand new player to the experienced player to come out and meet other women in the area while enjoying some good fun and exercise with a focus on sportsmanship and development. Many of our ladies have gone on to play competitively, are running groups and are more active in their kid's activities. In the Hills, women have come together through soccer in an awesome example of a healthy community lifestyle.

I am so grateful to those founding moms and now I am so proud to be a soccer mom in the hills! It has truly made a difference in my life and my kids think it's pretty cool too!

**2012 30+ Women's Outdoor Soccer**



The Women's program would like to say thanks to Applebee's for their generous support throughout our season.

## Adult Slopitch Program

by Neil Meyer - Slopitch Coordinator

When I first selected players for teams I figured I should group people together that live in the same communities. I thought they would have more opportunities to bump into one another outside of soccer and it would give them a greater reason to hang out with one another after the game (e.g.; go to the pub) since everyone is leaving in the same direction.

This small bit of planning has worked out great. I now run into 3-5 players from my own team on a regular basis just around my community and I stop and say hi whenever it happens. These are people I typically would not have met, they live in my community but not right next to me. It is a great feeling to know the people that live around you.

Typically, in a large city such as Calgary you might know the people that live right next to you or even a couple houses down. These are the people you

meet all the time and can easily say hi and introduce yourself. By being involved in the slopitch program, I have greatly expanded the number people that I know. People that I have a common interest with, friends that I would likely never have met since they don't live just down the block or in my line of sight.

Another great benefit of playing adult slopitch is that so many people in the league have kids around the same age. We can all bring our kids to the games and gets them out of the house, playing with new friends, a great experience with sports, and fond memories of slopitch, because they had lots of fun while mom and/or dad were there.

### 2012 Slopitch Sponsorship



Thanks to the PIG N WHISTLE - for the generous donation of gift certificates for the Slopitch league

## WOMEN DROP-IN SOCCER

### Women come join us for drop-in soccer.

It does not matter your ability, as it is a recreational game of soccer, where the women in this community can get together once a week, exercise, get outside, socialize and meet your fellow neighbors.

- When:** Every Tuesday evening (weather permitting) throughout July and August.
- Where:** Cardel Place - park in the back (arena) parking lot, you will see the soccer fields.
- Time:** 7:40 pm we will meet on the soccer fields behind Cardel Place to play drop-in soccer from 8:00 to 9:00pm.
- Cost:** \$2.00/person/game, for the cost of the licensed referee's.

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# GOV'T

## A MESSAGE FROM WARD 3 ALDERMAN

I attended the Four Corners: A Celebration of Our Western Heritage and Values at Cardel Place on Saturday May 26. It was great to see residents getting excited about the Calgary Stampede Centennial. This year also marks the 100th year for Parks and Recreation and Calgary Public Library as well. Please check the calgary.ca website to see upcoming celebrations for opportunities to participate in their events.



Jim Stevens,  
Ward 3 Alderman

duration infractions to be enforced separately.

Fines for failing to comply with the RV bylaw begin at \$40 if paid within 10 days and range to \$75 if paid after 30 days.

To comply with the bylaw and be courteous to your neighbours, the CPA encourages RV owners to follow these tips:

- You can park your RV directly in front of your home or on an alley or street immediately adjoining your home for up to 36 hours. After 36 hours, the RV must be off-street for at least 48 consecutive hours before it can be parked in the same location again.
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- Please do not park your trailer or camper on city streets or alleys

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- Keep your vehicle registration current, including license plate and insurance.

For more information on RV parking, visit <https://www.calgaryparking.com/web/guest/rvparking>. The full Calgary Traffic Bylaw is available at [www.calgary.ca](http://www.calgary.ca).

I would like to wish everyone a wonderful summer. Whether you are staying in town or going away, stay safe and enjoy time with family and friends.

## Summer Fun In the City

Summer is a wonderful time to explore the parks and recreational opportunities our city has to offer. Beyond the usual seasonal activities, Calgarians have exciting events to celebrate in 2012.



Gael MacLeod,  
Ward 4 Alderman

This year is the 100th anniversary of the City of Calgary Recreation, Calgary Public Library, Calgary Stampede and Pumphouse Theatre. Calgary was also named Culture Capital of Canada 2012, recognizing the richness of our local arts and culture ([www.calgary2012.com](http://www.calgary2012.com)).

There are unique activities happening across the city. Here a few examples of Ward 4 events:

- Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra musicians at Thorn-hill Library: 2 pm on July 30
- Lawn Chair Theatre: July 19 in Highland Park, August 2 in Hidden Valley August 9 in Edgemont
- Music in Highland Park Tuesdays at 6:30 pm until August 28th at the Hall
- Supervised Skateboard Park at Edgemont July 28 to Aug 27

It's also a great time to visit other parts of the city or try something new. I found some intriguing ideas on the city website ([www.calgary.ca](http://www.calgary.ca)), like historical walking tours of local cemeteries on Sunday afternoons until October.

There are beautiful parks, municipal golf courses, outdoor pools and over 500 kilometers of city pathways to enjoy. Wagonstage Children's Theatre ([www.calgary.ca](http://www.calgary.ca)) performs in parks throughout the city, and on a rainy day, you can explore a Recreation Centre, Calgary Public Library or the Telus Spark Science Centre.

**SAVE THE DATE:** Ward 4 City Resource Fair will be held September 19 at the North Haven Hall.

## Northern Hills Women's Indoor Rec League



### LOOKING FOR PLAYERS TO PLAY!

Registration opened June 20, 2012.  
Don't delay as spaces fill up quickly!

**REMEMBER** to buy your membership first or you will be charged the non-member fee!

- Membership: <https://www.compusim.com/nhca/membership/>
- Ladies Soccer League: <https://www.compusim.com/nhca/programs/>

Where: Genesis Soccer Center - 7556 Falconridge Blvd. NE - 10.0 km away from Coventry  
 Cost: \$160.00/player and a 2013 membership to NHCA (insurance needed to play)  
 Jersey Cost: \$30.00 comes with socks/shorts (New Players only)  
 Time Frame: Between Sept 1 to Sept 30 - outdoor practice/ tech training/ team practices. Between Oct 1 to March 31st - one hour game/week for every team. 22 games.  
 Nights: Games will be on a Thursday night either at 6 to 7pm or 7 to 8pm or on Friday nights either at 8 to 9pm or 9 to 10pm. (Rotation on the times and days)  
 Teams: 6 or 8 teams with 18-20 players on each team.

Want a chance to get to know some ladies around your neighborhood while enjoying the benefits of getting some exercise?

Come join a RECREATIONAL soccer league where the focus is on socializing and sportsmanship while playing some indoor soccer.

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# SCHOOL NEWS

## Greeting from Notre Dame School

Lent Offers Glad Tidings from the Notre Dame High School Community  
 In the words of Jesus upon commencing his years of ministry, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor." Luke 4:18.

Lent is a season of inner reflection, growth and change. We fast or give up something in order to heighten our spiritual connection to God. As a result, we take time to reflect on the important aspects of our lives and ask God for guidance and strength through prayer. Through this renewal, we grow in faith and solidarity with each other and are eager to share this newfound energy. We extend this energy towards changing the lives of others in need through almsgiving.

This year at Notre Dame High School, our almsgiving was directed towards the Missionaries of the Precious Blood (C.PPS.), a Canadian Catholic organization. We became aware of the lack of resources for the people of Tanzania through a staff member, Mrs. MJ Arias, who has been working with them for ten years. Their mission is to provide education and water for Tanzanians and with 100% of proceeds directed towards the cause, it was decided that they would be the recipients of our Lenten collection.

A goal of \$2000.00 was set and if we achieved that goal, then a windmill blade cover would be given to ND to personalize it. After four weeks of making Lenten sacrifices such as giving up chocolate, junk food or even a meal a day, the money (that would have been spent on the food items that were given up during Lent) was donated to our Lenten charity collection. We raised \$2700.00 – clearly surpassing the goal that was set at the beginning of Lent!

Four members of the C.PPS. came to the school, shared their goals and charitable work with the staff and students and accepted a cheque from the school for \$2700.00. They, in exchange, gave Mrs. Melanie Filippetto, the Charities Coordinator for ND, a windmill blade cover. The ND logo will be placed on the cover along with the signatures of all staff and students currently at ND. The cover will be added to the windmill that C.PPS. is building in Tanzania this summer.

The changes we experienced during the Lenten season allowed us to grow to appreciate the fullness of our lives. The "glad tidings" offered by the ND community strengthened our commitment to those who are in need in our global society. And because of this, we are truly honoured to be the disciples of Jesus.



### CENTRE STREET RECONSTRUCTION AND TRANSIT PRIORITY PROJECT

#### CENTRE STREET CONSTRUCTION

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#### CENTRE STREET RECONSTRUCTION AND TRANSIT PRIORITY PROJECT – WHAT IS IT?

- Rebuilding the road on Centre Street from 42 Avenue N.W. to 54 Avenue N.W.
- At the same time, adding Transit only lanes to improve transit travel times.
  - » Northbound, bus lane will start at 42 Avenue and end at Thorncrest Road.
  - » Southbound, bus lane will begin just past 54 Avenue and end south of McKnight Boulevard.

#### WHY IS THIS PROJECT NEEDED?

- The roadway on Centre Street needs replacing because of its heavy use and age.\*
- Calgary Transit has also identified a need to create Transit only lanes in order to improve transit movement through this area.

#### IMPACTS

- Traffic will be reduced to two lanes between 42 Avenue and 54 Avenue, starting in early July.
- Bus stops may be temporarily relocated in the construction area.
- Car and bus commuters should expect delays.
- Construction - summer to winter 2012 (carry over work in 2013).

\*This work is being done under the Major Roads Reconstruction Program, which is dedicated to reconstructing Calgary's aging roadways.

For more information, visit [www.calgary.ca/centrestreet](http://www.calgary.ca/centrestreet) or call 3-1-1.





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# North Haven School News

It has been a most eventful year at North Haven School.

We continued to work on refining our School Development Plan looking at reading comprehension strategies across the curriculum. We also explored how formative assessment (ongoing assessment) helps students to understand their own learning and who they are as learners better.

We had many people visit our school. Some of which include, but are not limited to tennis, hip-hop dance, Alberta Opera, Evergreen Theatre, Junkyard Symphony, Alien In-Line Skating, Junior High Band Concert, Lana Skauge and soccer to name a few.

Our teachers work hard every day to provide a phenomenal learning experience for students. Their dedication is not only demonstrated in all the things they do in the class, but the extras as well. All our students had the opportunity to go on field trips, have guest speakers and participate in extra-curricular activities. The extra time our teachers put forth every day is a true testament to their commitment to education.

North Haven School continues to honour the circle of courage. Many of our students were able to fill all four pillars of their circle – belonging, generosity, independence and mastery. This year we also honoured individuals who came to our school with their circles as well. Additionally, all of our volunteers were presented with their circles at the volunteer tea. Being presented with a circle of courage at North Haven School is like being “white hatted” in Calgary. It is truly an act of citizenship and caring.

We wish all a restful summer full of adventure and journey. We look forward to starting the 2012 – 2013 school year with students on September 4. Have a great summer!

## Where's Ozzie Winners!

The NHCA is pleased to announce the winner of the “Where's Ozzie?” contest for the month of May, sponsored by **Applebee's** and **Empire Theatres**. Jody Gillingham was drawn from all of the correct entries submitted for April. Jody wins two Empire Theatre passes and a \$50 gift card to Applebee's. Thanks to all of the people who sent in entries and spotted Ozzie! Remember, keep your eyes peeled in each edition of the Northern Edge News for the dog about town who gets photographed as he goes where the action is... in the Northern Hills!



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# Happy Birthday to City of Calgary Library!



and a delicious birthday cake for those people who visited the library during the day and became instant participants in the party mood. There was a festive frame of mind at the event with balloons, games, a few short speeches acknowledging the library as the great organization and valued community member that it is. We are lucky to have such a wonderful service nestled comfortably within our

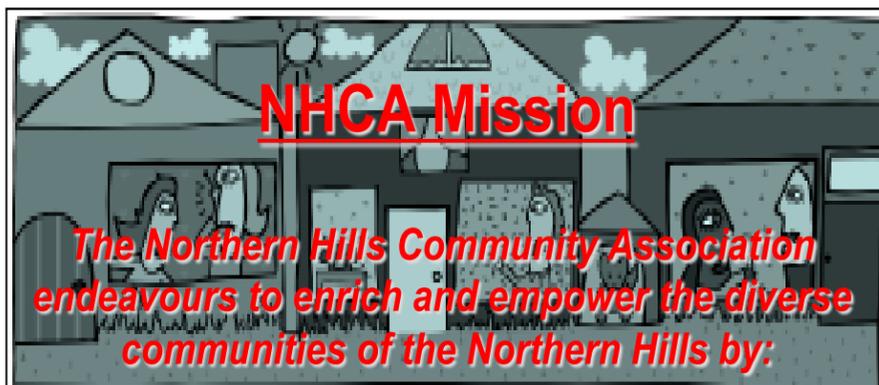
The City of Calgary Library is turning 100 years old this year and was celebrating the event in an untypically boisterous fashion (at least for the library) on June 2, 2012 at the Country Hills Branch, in Cardel Place with a party and cake. Nobody was being shushed for quiet on this day where one of only four locations across the city was celebrating

the 100th birthday of this great organization and community service provider. The Northern Hills Community Association (NHCA), who never misses a good party, was invited to help the library mark the occasion and provide support to this respected community member.

The event included crafts, activities, snacks and refreshments

community.

The Northern Hills communities were thrilled to be invited to the celebration and would like to thank the Calgary Public Library for being an integral part of our communities. Well done and congratulations on turning 100! Happy Birthday to the Calgary Public Library!



- Advocacy and education
- Supporting opportunities for engagement, and
- Enhancing quality of life

Check our New website out at <http://www.northernhills.ab.ca/>

## Register for 2012 Summer & Fall Dance Programs



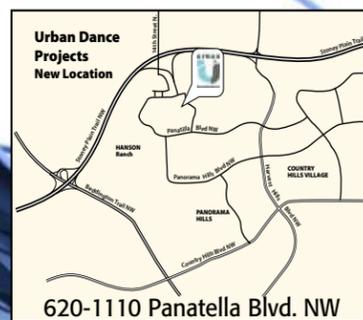
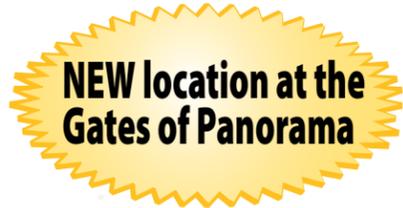
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# LIBRARY NEWS



## Programs for July 2012

Register on-line at [www.calgarypubliclibrary.com](http://www.calgarypubliclibrary.com) or call 403-260-2620

“Turn your imagination into reality at the Country Hills Library”

### Beach Ball Babies

Bees buzzing, flowers blooming, sand squishing through toes... Celebrate the hot days of summer with stories, rhymes, and songs. Ages 6 to 23 months with a parent/caregiver

Monday, Jul 16 10:15 - 10:45 a.m. Or 11:00am-11:30am  
Registration begins Jun 12

### Ride 'Em Cowboy

Yahoo! Join us for cowboy stories and fun. Ages 3 to 5 independent of a parent/caregiver

Tuesday, Jul 10: 2:15 - 2:45 p.m.  
Registration begins Jun 12

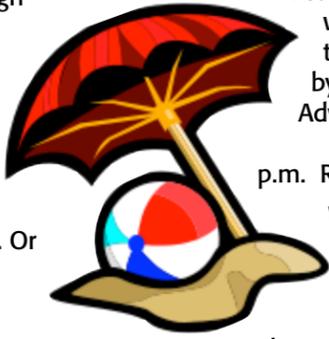
### Teddy Bears' Picnic

Bring your teddy and enjoy the outdoors through stories, songs, and more.

Ages 2 to 5 with a parent/caregiver Thursday, Jul 19: 10:15 - 10:45 a.m.  
Registration begins Jun 12

### Fabulous Hikes of the Foothills and How to Pack for Them

Not sure where to start hiking? With safety in mind, learn a few off the beaten track places to hike and



view beautiful scenery and wildflowers on both gentle and challenging trails.

Learn to read the basic signs of wildlife, weather and how to be bear-aware. Presented by Julie Walker, of Full Circle Adventures.

Tuesday, Jul 10: 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Registration begins Apr 23

### What's in Your Backyard?

Discover how “everyday” animals are anything but average with facts and games about Alberta animals.

Ages 7 and up Tuesday, Jul 24: 2:30 - 3:30 p.m. Registration begins Apr 24

### Marvelous Movies

Join us for movies from the Library's video collection. Call branch for movie titles.

Thursday, Jul 26 and/or Tuesday, Aug 21: 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.  
No registration required

### ONLINE RESOURCES FOR TEENS

Are you a teen? Never without your smart phone? Always connected to the internet? Why not check out [calgarypubliclibrary.com](http://calgarypubliclibrary.com), which has an

entire section dedicated to you!

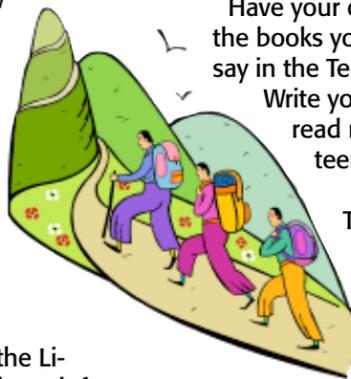
The Teens Create area allows you to upload your art and writing, and to interact with other creative teens. Past posts have included hand-drawn and mixed media art, and fan fiction about the Hunger Games.

When you've finished with Veronica Roth's newest book *Insurgent* and want to move on to the next hot thing, Booklists can give you great ideas!

Have your own opinions about the books you've read? Have a say in the Teen Picks section!

Write your own review or read reviews by other teens.

Subscribe to our Teen Newsletter to be kept up to date on the latest books, programs, contests, and youth opportunities at the Library.

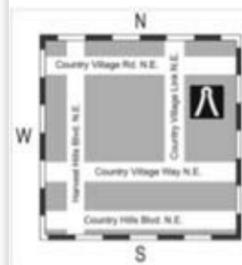
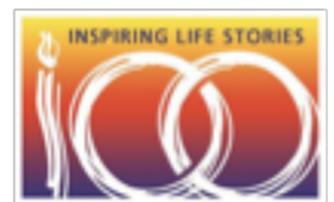


ties at

Read the Teen Blog on fun subjects such as how to prepare for a zombie apocalypse and what's new on the Star Wars' front.

And, of course, you can use the website to do lots of other stuff, such as searching for specific books, putting materials on hold, renewing books, perusing our E-Library, and signing up for cool programs just for teens, such as Videography—how to make your videos better—running on August 11, 2012.

Don't forget to follow us on Twitter: @CPLTeenZone.  
By: Erika Erickson



### COUNTRY HILLS LIBRARY

11950 Country Village Link NE

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Friday & Saturday 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Sundays (mid-Sept to mid-May) Noon – 5 p.m.

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403.226.7638  
[www.siteforsight.ca](http://www.siteforsight.ca)

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## Family events Lawnchair Theatre - free!

Bring your lawn chair and enjoy great snacks and live entertainment for the entire family! At various locations through the summer.

**All events: 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm**

Thursday, June 28  
**Bowness Park** - 8900 48th Ave N.W. (Site #1 - East End)  
\*note—start time for this event is 5:30 pm

Thursday, July 5  
**Hillhurst** - 800 12th St. NW (Riley Park)

Thursday, July 12  
**Confederation Park** - 10th St. NW (Behind the Flags)

Thursday, July 19  
**Highland Park** - 3716 2nd St. NW

Thursday July 26  
**Harvest Hills**—Harvest Lake Dr. NE (By the Lake)

Thursday, August 2  
**Hidden Valley** – 10504 Hidden Valley Dr. NW

Thursday, August 9  
**Edgemont** - 33 Edgevalley Circle N.W.

Thursday, August 16  
**Citadel** - Citadel Way & Citadel Bluff Close N.W. (at the Gazebo)

Thursday, August 23  
**Ranchlands** – 7713 Ranchview Dr. NW

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# Northern Hills Crime Statistics – May 2012

The crime statistics for the month of May 2012 in the Northern Hills area are in the attached table. Additional information can be obtained from the Calgary Police Service (CPS) crime map at <http://crimemap.calgarypolice.ca/>.

The purpose of providing regular reports on crime statistics and information is to increase awareness and hopefully help the CPS make our neighborhoods safer.

We meet regularly with Community Liaison Officers (CLO's) for our area to review these statistics, to discuss issues and trends regarding crime in our communities, and to identify ways that the NHCA can help the CPS in their work. Residents can contact the CLO's for our area at the District 7 office if they have any questions or concerns.

In addition to reporting crimes

directly to the police, residents can also contact Crime Stoppers anonymously by telephone, web tip, or text message. If the information leads to an arrest, the caller may qualify for a reward. For further information about the Calgary Crime Stoppers readers may contact the vice-president of the Calgary Crime Stoppers Association at [snagina@shaw.ca](mailto:snagina@shaw.ca) or 403-464-9442. Alternatively, you can check their website at [www.ttttips.com](http://www.ttttips.com).

Remember, if you are the victim of a crime or if you are a witness to a crime, no matter how big or small, please report it to the police service as soon as it is safe to do so. The more information that the police have to work with the more likely they will be able to solve the crime and apprehend the person or persons responsible.

Crime Category	May 2012 Statistics by Community				Total
	Harvest Hills	Panorama Hills	Coventry Hills	Country Hills*	
Theft from vehicle	4	10	3	5	22
Theft	5	5	4	7	21
Vandalism	2	4	3	1	10
Residential Break-in	-	3	1	-	4
Assault	-	2	-	-	2
Commercial Break-in	2	-	-	-	2
Arson	-	1	-	-	1
Sex Offence	1	-	-	-	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>63</b>

\*Includes Country Hills Village

## Is there a volunteer in your community who deserves to be recognized?

The Federation of Calgary Communities is excited to announce that we are now accepting nominations for the 2012 Encana Community Volunteer Awards! There are 20,000 volunteers in the community association movement in Calgary. Help us recognize one of them from your community!

You know that volunteer who always steps up to help out without being asked, staying late after an event, or getting up early to flood the ice rink. Or the group of volunteers who come together to complete a big project or event for the community that creates a strong sense of belonging. There's also the volunteer who is so enthusiastic and passionate about where they live that they spark interest among others to also get involved in the community. And for many communities, there is that one volunteer who has been a part of improving neighbourhood life through a lifetime of dedication and service to their community.

No matter the kind of volunteer, there is an award to recognize their time and achievements. Nominate your most deserving community volunteer today and help celebrate Calgary's 20,000 community association volunteers! There are four different awards to choose from when nominating someone:

- The Step Up Award
- The Spark Award
- The Be Part of It Group Award
- The Community Builder Award

Please visit our homepage at [www.calgarycommunities.com](http://www.calgarycommunities.com) for detailed descriptions of the four awards and the nomination form. **The deadline to nominate someone for a 2012 Encana Community Volunteer Award is Monday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2012.**

The winners will be featured in a short video and presented with their award at our Volunteer Recognition celebration in December, 2012. Details to come. If you have any questions, please contact Rebecca Dakin with The Federation at (403)244- 4111 ext. 204 or [communityrelations@calgarycommunities.com](mailto:communityrelations@calgarycommunities.com)



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## Fostering safe communities...

Dog owners play a large role in providing a safe environment for service providers, such as meter readers from ENMAX and ATCO Gas and mail carriers from Canada Post, who enter and exit properties on a daily basis.

### Ways dog owners can help:

Inspect fences and gates to ensure that dogs can't get out. A spring loaded gate that will shut if it is blown open by the wind is ideal because it prevents a dog from escaping.

Supervise your dog when he is in your yard. Dogs need to be under their owners' control and not pose a threat to service providers. If a service provider needs access to your yard, bring your dog inside or put him in an enclosed run outside.

Dogs cannot be tethered in your yard when no one is home. You must either place the dog in an enclosed dog run or leave him inside the house.

Train your dog to stop barking at service providers who make regular visits. Consult a professional trainer or behaviourist for tips on how to reduce your dog's excitement or anxiety towards visitors to your home.

Help prevent injuries to service providers by keeping your yard tidy and your pets under control.

# Hello Residents of the Northern Hills Community!

I have been quite busy since the April 23rd election and now that summer is upon us, it will remain busy for at least a while longer. I will do my best to enjoy the summer sun and check out as many of the cultural and ethnic festivals taking place around the city as Calgary celebrates being the Cultural Capital of Canada for 2012. If you know of any good festivals, I am always open to attending them. Please do contact the office and I will try to make it out.



Teresa Woo-Paw, MLA Calgary Mackay

do my job and represent Northern Hills on the national and international stage. While I am still getting a handle on everything, I am learning a great deal and hope to keep my constituents apprised of what I am doing and how I am able to help make Northern Hills a better place in which to live.

One of the great summer events is the Calgary Stampede. This being the 100th anniversary, there is lots to keep us all quite busy. Why not kick off the celebrations by attending the Calgary-Northern Hills/Cardel Stampede Breakfast on July 7th from 0830-1030. Northern Hills residents can come out to see the Calgary Fiddlers and the Chinook Country Line Dancers perform on stage while they eat the traditional Stampede fare of pancakes, eggs and sausages. Kids (or those young at heart) can have their face painted or learn a basic line dance to help get them in the mood for what will prove to be an excellent start to a fabulous Stampede. The event takes place in the East Parking Lot of Cardel Place. Come early and bring the family. All are welcome and you'll surely have a yahoo-rific time!

Some of you may not yet know, but Premier Redford appointed me the Associate Minister of International and Intergovernmental Relations on May 8th. With that comes a great deal of responsibility, but I feel that it is an excellent fit with my role as the MLA. Northern Hills is a greatly diverse community, with many cultures, ethnicities, and nationalities in one electoral constituency. As always, I value your opinions and would welcome some of your ideas surrounding how I might be able to better

While it is summertime, issues of the fall school year are front and centre in my mind and those of my office staff. We have been working with some parents at the new Captain Nichola Goddard school in hopes of securing a before and after school program. The issue remains one that I know will need ongoing work and I hope that parents will work with my office and potential providers to ensure that those children in Northern Hills who need before and after school care can get it. I realise the importance of this cause and know that parents must work. Should you have any other issues, I encourage you to contact me and I will be pleased to try my best to assist you.

My work on a multi-purpose facility for Northern Hills residents continues. I know many of you brought it to my attention when I came door knocking and we have secured funds to examine the feasibility of such a facility. There will be focus groups and other ways that constituents can voice their opinions and concerns and I would welcome hearing from you. I will also work with my office staff to provide you with as much information and notice on any public forums to ensure all residents are heard on this matter of great importance.

I hope this summer treats you well!

## 2012 Front Yard Contest

As you are walking or driving around your neighbourhood, are your eyes drawn to yards with beautiful flowers and luscious foliage? Do you find yourself looking at other peoples' front yards for ideas to implement in your own? If you can answer yes to either question, then you most likely appreciate the effort that numerous owners have put forth to create an attractive yard. While it is true that not everyone is born with a green thumb, it is easy to spot residents that have one.

The Northern Hills Community Association is pleased to bring back the annual "Front Yard Garden Contest" in recognition of people who contribute to making our neighborhoods look inviting. The contest runs from June 15 2012 to August 31, 2012 is open to any resident living in one of the following four communities: Country Hills, Coventry Hills, Harvest Hills and Panorama Hills. You can nominate or be nominated if you reside in Country Hills, Coventry Hills, Harvest Hills and Panorama Hills.

### CONTEST GOALS

- To raise awareness of front yards and how they contribute to the beauty and image of our neighborhoods.
- To recognize people for their beautiful front yards.

### NOMINATIONS

To enter your neighbours' yard or any yard in the above mentioned communities, please e-mail [community@northernhills.ab.ca](mailto:community@northernhills.ab.ca) or drop off your nomination to the Northern Hills Community Association (NHCA) Office in the Community Wing of Cardel Place at 11950 Country Village Link. Be sure to include **ALL** of the following:

- **A color photo of the nominee's front yard (digital picture, scanned picture, photograph), ensure there is nobody on the property.**
- **The address of the nominee's property**
- **Your address and contact information**

There are no limitations to the amount of nominations submitted by your household. Each nomination must be for different addresses. Nominations must be received by **August 31<sup>st</sup> 2012** in order to be considered. All nominated addresses will be published in the Northern Edge Newsletter and will also appear on the [www.northernhills.ab.ca](http://www.northernhills.ab.ca) website after the contest.

### WINNERS

Two winning yards in each of the four communities and two additional winners drawn from all those who took the time to nominate their neighbor will each receive a great prize. Photos of the winning yards will be published in the Northern Edge Newsletter and posted on [www.northernhills.ab.ca](http://www.northernhills.ab.ca) website.

For more information please contact the NHCA Office at 403-226-6422 or e-mail [community@northernhills.ab.ca](mailto:community@northernhills.ab.ca)



Summer Service Sunday Worship at 10:00 am.

Summer Services will be family services. The nursery will be open but not staffed.

### STAMPEDE BREAKFAST SUNDAY, JULY 8, 2012 9 - 11 AM.

Rope Braiding  
Tent with children's activities such as face painting

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#### Looking ahead:

- July 1 - Canada Day - **One Service Sunday begin at 10 am.**
- July 2 - Summer Day Camps begin - one week only. Contact Angela at [angela@hhachurch.com](mailto:angela@hhachurch.com).
- July 8 - STAMPEDE BREAKFAST - FREE
- July 22 - Outdoor Service at Refuge Ranch at 10 am.
- September 9 - Two Service Sundays begin - 9:15 am & 11:00 am
- November 30 & December 1 - Christmas Craft Sale & Tea - [ccst@hhachurch.com](mailto:ccst@hhachurch.com)

Go to our website for more information on these and other events.

10099 Harvest Hills Blvd. N.W.  
E-Mail: [office@hhachurch.com](mailto:office@hhachurch.com)

Phone: 403-226-0990  
[www.hhachurch.com](http://www.hhachurch.com)



### Cardel Place (East side of parking lot) Skate Park 2012

(11950 Country Village Link N.E.)

This City of Calgary skate park is only for skateboarding and in-line skating. There is no entry fee to skate at the park. Signed waivers are required for all participants prior to using the park and a helmet must be worn by all participants

June 30-July 26 Everyday 1pm-8pm

The Source Series Contest  
July 12 5:30-7:30 pm  
The Source Game of Skate Contest  
July 21 3-5pm

In partnership with  
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Sandstone/MacEwan Community Association  
Hidden Valley Community Association  
Cardel Place

For more information call 3-1-1 or visit [calgary.ca/skateparks](http://calgary.ca/skateparks)



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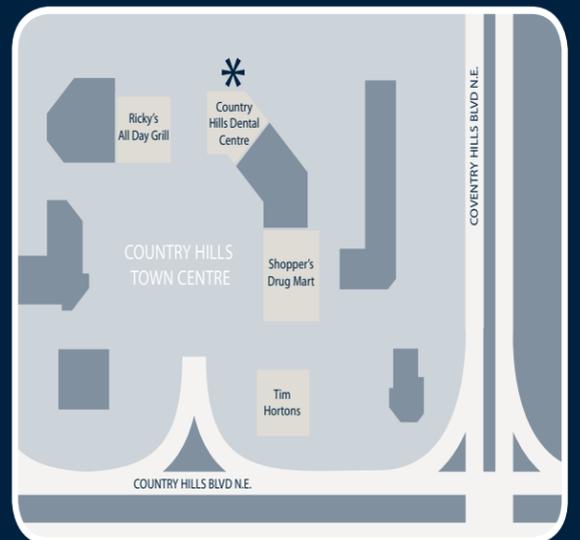
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