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Community Heroes

By Wendy Cavanagh, President (NHCA)

The Executive and board of the Northern Hills Community Association (NHCA) would like to extend our thanks and appreciation for the many volunteer hours individuals have contributed.

We wish to acknowledge Shauna Careddu - Volunteer Coordinator, Amanda Davis - Youth Director, Sunny Shuang - Events Director and David Hartwick - Director for Advocacy. At our September Board meeting, they each received Toole Peet Community Hero Awards, presented by Paul Meunier, Membership Services Coordinator for the Federation of Calgary Communities. The NHCA also provided gift certificates to the local Movie Theatre.

Shauna Careddu

Shauna took on the Volunteer Coordinator position in early 2011. Her success in this role is evident in the record number of volunteers who have been engaged to help out at events and assist with programs and projects in 2011 and 2012. Not only has she assisted in securing much needed help for Community Association activities, Shauna became a liaison between board members/staff/committee chairs and potential volunteers to ensure success. With excellent communication skills and a good understanding of goals and objectives she has consistently provided reliable support. Her commitment to the Association and community did not stop at contacting volunteers; she has participated in many events and was successful in organizing a fun volunteer appreciation event last January for the many volunteers who have answered her call.

Amanda Davis

Amanda has devoted her time and effort to the Youth portfolio since joining the board in March 2011 and her willingness to explore existing committees was admirable. Amanda's experience, combined with her pursuit of a career in Social Work opened the door for youth engagement projects here in the Hills. With leadership, skills and a fresh outlook on working with young people, she began building a network of support. We all remember how excited she was when the first member of her new 'Youth Council' came forward and we admire the success of the projects and events that the growing group has taken on this past year. With many hours dedicated to planning, implementation and meeting with the Youth Council on a regular basis, Amanda has succeeded in not only building a youth committee, but providing opportunities for young volunteers and future community leaders to play a meaningful role in their community's development.

Amanda's accomplishments have been noted



by other organizations including the City of Calgary, Harvest Hills Alliance Church, Cardel Place, Calgary Public Library and Family and Community Support Services (FCSS), all fellow representatives on the Advisory Committee for the Youth After School in the Hills (YAH) pilot project. The response from her peers and participants alone is evidence of the success of her efforts. We all hope this has been as rewarding an experience for Amanda as it has been

an affirmation of the Association's efforts to bring our community's youth together in a positive and meaningful way.

Sunny Shuang

Sunny joined the board in early 2010 and accepted the challenging Events portfolio. This role came with the unenviable mandate to bring low

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At Home In The Hills Holds First Get-together

On September 22, the NHCA At Home in the Hills Program (AHIH) was officially launched with a first meeting and get-together for newly arrived residents to our area. The intent of the program is to provide support and orientation opportunities for new residents in our community, promote interaction with others in the community and network with members of the Northern Hills Community Association. The day included presentations by NHCA members, discussions about the community and the issues of getting set up in a new location or environment. Fun for the children came in the form of a magic show, face painting and arts and crafts.

This initial meeting included

26 participants from the NHCA and community and is considered a substantial success considering that a couple of years ago this program was only an idea on a piece of paper with no resources or volunteers to make it happen. Enter Allan Pole and Sunny Shuang who, on behalf of the NHCA provided the leadership, perseverance, and effort to get the program up and running. Well done!

If you are a new resident or you would like to be involved contact Allan at ahih@northernhills.ab.ca



UPCOMING EVENTS 2012

November 1st

NHCA Northern Lights Contest Starts

November 16th

Mayor's Christmas Food Bank Drive Starts

November 17th

Community Business and Services Fair
Cardel Place

November 30th

Christmas Craft Fair
Harvest Hills Alliance Church

December 1st

Christmas Craft Fair
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December 31st

Mayor's Christmas Food Bank Drive Ends

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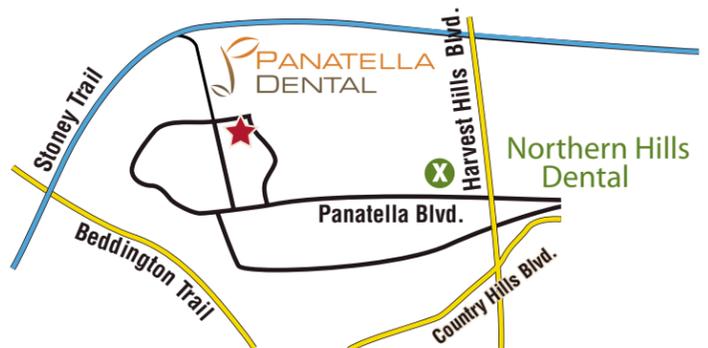
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Rinks Director – Love the outdoors and would like to see kids and families enjoying some free ice time this winter? This is a great opportunity for someone who has some experience flooding and clearing outdoor ice surface. A committee of volunteers in Harvest and one in Coventry could use your guidance.

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.

Beautification Director – Are you bothered by the condition of some areas of our communities? This position provides the opportunity for creative solutions to some obvious problems.

Contact president@northernhills.ab.ca

There are many committees that could always use the help:

Social Networker - If you are interested in tweeting, posting or blogging about all the latest goings on in the Northern Hills community, then the NHCA Communications team would love to hear from you! Contact community@northernhills.ab.ca

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 graffiti@northernhills.ab.ca if graffiti gets under your skin!

Litter Clean Up - 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 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

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 membership@northernhills.ab.ca

At Home In The Hills - An 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. This volunteer committee recently held its first welcome event. 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 ahih@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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

For more information please contact the NHCA office at 403-226-6462 or info@northernhills.ab.ca.

From the President

by Wendy Cavanagh,
President NHCA



On Friday, October 19th, we rocked and rolled to the tunes of Quicksilver while getting together with friends and neighbors to celebrate our communities and fund-raise to help support existing NHCA programs and future plans. It really was the best Harvest Moon Event yet! Thanks to all the businesses/residents who generously donated an auction item, prize, provided sponsorship or helped promote and sell tickets. A big thanks to Sunny Shuang, the event committee and all the volunteers who gave much of their time and talent. We had so much fun, not sure how you can top it!

We say goodbye and thanks to board member Benito Tan, our Treasurer for the past year. It is difficult to work full time, attend classes, maintain your personal life and volunteer. Benito has worked diligently to improve our financial process and we wish him much luck in pursuit of his Financial designation. It has been a pleasure serving with you! We thank newcomer, Tim Smith, who has volunteered to fill the Treasurer position. Tim is relatively new to Calgary and to the Northern Hills. His career has brought him here all the way from Canada's east coast along with a truckload full of skills and experience in accounting and finance, team building and group dynamics. Welcome Tim!

We are currently seeking volunteers for the two outdoor pleasure rinks in our communities. Our Projects Director, Deanna Stangness has had to take a leave and winter is fast approaching. Deanna has been instrumental in getting the Coventry and Harvest rinks up and running and regrets not being able to help this season. If you have experience with outdoor ice and would be willing to lead a group of volunteers please contact community@northernhills.ab.ca

In mid October, members of the NHCA board attended a meeting of Ward 3 Community Associations. This event was sponsored by Alderman Jim Stevenson and provided the opportunity to share ideas, success stories, plans for the future along with the opportunity to network with our peers. Thanks to Jim and his dedicated staff for making it possible.

Members of the NHCA board also met with Calgary Board of Education Director, Susan Church to share our concerns regarding the lack of a Public High School in the Hills and the desire to get students in our area off the bus, into school and back in our community. Although two middle schools opened this year, they will be at capacity next fall and kids in Harvest and Country Hills will still be bussed out. We'll share the information from that meeting in the December edition.

Don't miss the annual Business Fair, Saturday, November 17th. Local businesses may participate by renting a table to promote and sell product and residents have the opportunity to find out what our local entrepreneurs are up to. The

event runs from 10 to 2pm and the NHCA membership team will be there with a prize draw and information on upcoming events and future programs.

Have you heard of YAH?

It stands for Youth After School in the Hills. The NHCA is collaborating with other organizations to provide free activities for youth after school from September 17th – December 12th. Cardel Place and the NHCA are also working together to provide a variety of low cost programs for girls aged 10 years to 16 years. Go Girl, a one day event, takes place November 10th. More information is available on the NHCA website.

By the time you receive this edition of the NEN, the winter water service will have been installed at the Harvest Hills pleasure rink site. We look forward to a long, cold winter (Hah!) and many hours of skating with our friends and families. If you wish to help out with flooding/clearing this rink or the Coventry rink, please contact community@northernhills.ab.ca

As members of a steering committee to conduct a feasibility study to help identify the specific needs/wants of our residents and help us all understand the possibilities, we continue to meet with stakeholders in the community and our neighboring Community Associations to share information/progress to date. The Consultant has now been hired to conduct the study. Please keep your eyes open for opportunities to provide input in the community consultations which will be taking place over the next few months.

A reminder that your NHCA memberships will expire on December 31st, 2012 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/renew a membership, rent a table for the November business fair or inquire about our many programs, events and services please check our 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

Northern Hills
Community Association

WHERE'S OZZIE?



He is the little white dog shown in the photo who routinely attends important community events in the Northern Hills! Where is Ozzie? In a photo somewhere in this newsletter!

When you find him, send an e-mail to communication@northernhills.ab.ca and include your name, contact information, NHCA membership number, and the edition month and page number where you found him. There will be a prize draw from each month's entries for dinner and a movie. The fine print says there can only be one entry per month per membership and you must have a current NHCA membership to be eligible.

Spot Ozzie and WIN!!



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cost, engaging activities to the Hills to promote community spirit and membership growth. Sunny's willingness to take on this challenge as a volunteer has proven to be an invaluable addition to the Association and the residents in our communities who seek opportunities to meet their neighbors, promote their business, donate to a charity, recycle goods at garage sales and clean ups and dance to great music while helping to fundraise for additional programs and activities in their neighborhoods. Her leadership and diligence in planning and implementing events have expanded the events portfolio while decreasing costs and increasing membership and engagement within our community. The evidence of her success is reflected in the increase in participants and their positive feedback. The October Harvest Moon Dance/fundraiser was a celebration in its third year thanks to Sunny's perseverance and high level of commitment which led to what we believe was the most successful social and auction

event ever! As if planning and implementing many events wasn't enough, Sunny also took on the additional role of 1st VP to fill a gap in the Executive and provided support to the 'At Home in the Hills' Program which we hope will become a much needed stepping stone for those residents new to the Hills.

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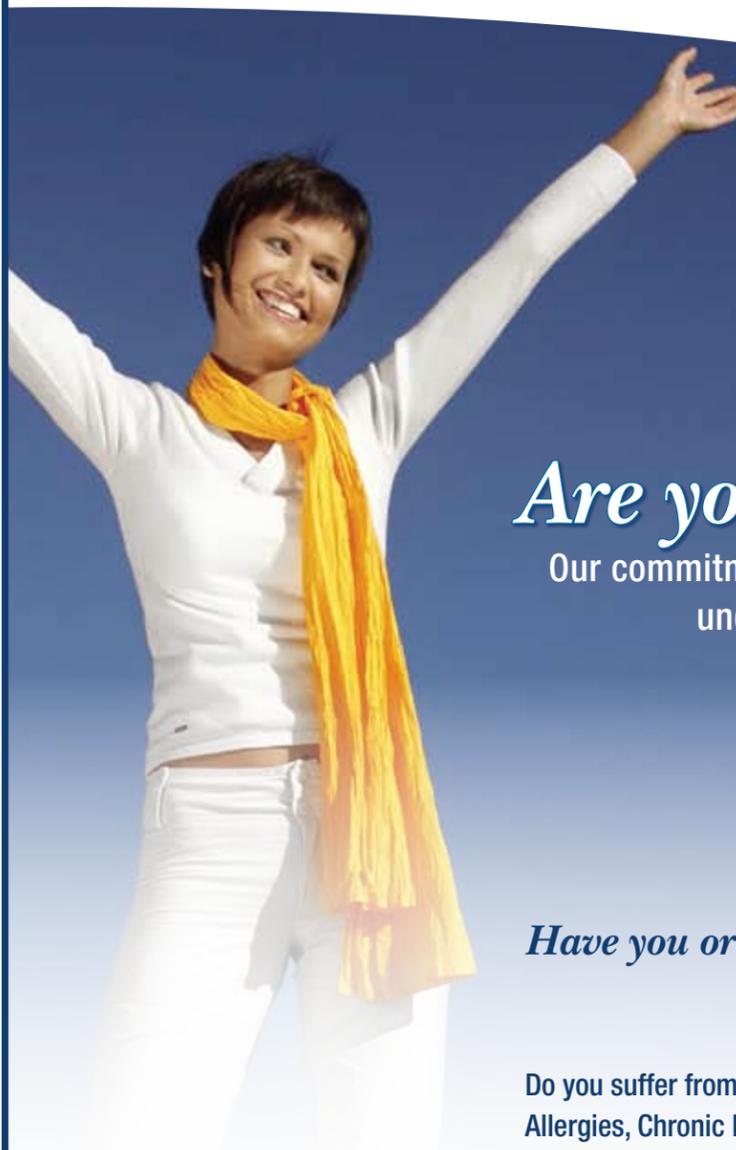
David's perseverance when advocating for schools, children who spend hours on the bus, electoral boundaries that reflect our community demographics and natural borders and responsible development provides our Association with a meaningful voice in community affairs. His willingness to take on the role of advocate, after previously serving as Director of Membership and as the NHCA representative on the Cardel board, has proven to be invaluable to the Association and to those in the community who seek the opportunity for recreation, education and to socialize close to home. With his skills and diligence in researching our community's history and data relevant to its future growth he has contributed to the process of recent Provincial electoral boundary changes and continues to lobby on behalf of area residents for the same considerations both federally and municipally. David was also a major contributor on the committee recently entrusted with making presentations to Provincial Ministers for a Public High School and much needed health services and community gathering/meeting space. The impact of his success was felt by every resident who marked a ballot for the 'Northern Hills' riding in the 2012 provincial election. It will be evident again when the community consultations begin for the feasibility study that may result in the provision of much needed services for area residents.

Thanks to Shauna Careddu, Amanda Davis, Sunny Shuang and David Hartwick, who reinforce the NHCA Strategic Plan by advocating for residents, supporting fulfilling activities for and promoting

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October 5 to November 23 – Fridays –

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NOTICE

Mark November 30, 2012 on your calendars

Carla de Long

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Where's Ozzie Winners!

The NHCA has another winner of the "Where's Ozzie?" contest sponsored by Applebee's and Empire Theatres. Allison Pardo's name was drawn for the month of September from all of the correct entries who found Ozzie in the 'Pleasant Surprise' photo on Page 8 of the September issue of the newsletter. Allison 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!



NHCA Strategic Focus Areas

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

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- **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.



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Northern (Hills) Lights Contest – ENTER TO WIN!

By Wendy Cavanagh

The Fun and Festivities of the holiday season are just around the corner and what better way to celebrate than to help decorate the communities of the Northern Hills. The Northern Hills Community Association (NHCA) is pleased to announce the return of the "Northern Lights Contest" in recognition of residents who contribute to the holiday spirit. The contest is open to any residents living in: Country Hills, Coventry Hills, Harvest Hills or Panorama Hills.



One of the 2011 Contest Winners

Nominations

Nominations will be accepted for their effort to beautify our community during the winter season. Some considerations in judging may include the following:

- Decorative plants or seasonal flora
- Colorful or plentiful lights
- Use of low wattage lighting or environmentally friendly choices in decorations
- Demonstrating diversity of beliefs

To Nominate someone's seasonal decorations please contact community@northernhills.ab.ca or drop off your nomination to the NHCA Office in the Genstar Wing of Cardel Place at 11950 Country Village Link. Be sure to include the following items:

- A color photo of the nominee's front yard (digital picture,

- scanned picture, photograph)
- The address of the nominee's property
- Your contact information

Nominations must be received by December 31st to be considered. All nominated addresses will be published in the newsletter, and posted on www.northernhills.ab.ca once the winners have been awarded.

Judging and Winners

The Northern Hills Community Association Board of Directors will determine the winners. One household from each of the communities of Country Hills, Coventry Hills, Harvest Hills and Panorama Hills will be chosen.

Each winning home will receive a \$100 gift certificate and all those who take the time to nominate will be entered into a draw for one winner of a \$100 gift certificate.

For more information please contact the NHCA Office at 403-226-6422 or email community@northernhills.ab.ca



A Team Building at the Zoo!

The Youth Council had a great time bonding at the zoo on a warm Saturday in early October! It was a time to just relax and enjoy each other's company. With team director Amanda Davis, members of our council had fun conversing together over a delicious Subway lunch, we even had cookies! It was a time where we could freely talk about school, family, and any exciting things we had planned for Thanksgiving. After lunch, we all enjoyed a fun day at the zoo, filled with sightseeing and tons of picture

taking!

The Youth Council hopes to kick start the New Year with a Winter Carnival in late January. Members of the council are currently working on the planning stages of this event. Youth can also look forward to some new committees that are being organized this year. The committees revolve around sports, and even a girls club. We don't want to give too much away, but be on the lookout for many new fun events coming your way!

SCHOOLS

North Haven School News

Settled In

Teachers and students have worked hard at creating routines and settling into learning. I am always most impressed with how quick learning begins to happen in a classroom – within the first minutes of the first day. This September was no exception. Well done staff, students and volunteers.

Thank you

A special thank you to school council and our Start Smart Stay Safe team for making our first BBQ/Dance on September 20 a HUGE success. School council served over 300 burgers, the Start Smart Stay Safe team donated two cakes and two gift baskets and children were coming out of the gym dripping in sweat from dancing so hard. We will definitely look to having this become tradition at our school.

Happenings

As usual, we are off to a busy start. In September we hosted a welcome back assembly and our grade 6 leadership team conducted our first Circle of Courage Assembly of the 2012-2013 school year. Our Circle of Courage Assemblies honour students receiving their belonging, generosity, mastery and independence pillars. We hosted parents during parent/teacher interviews, welcomed a team for the Friend to Friend Presentation around autism and all students and staff ran for cancer awareness during the Terry

Fox run.

In October we welcomed artist in residence, Stan Phelps, who will help students create a mural to be mounted on the East wall of the school facing John Laurie Blvd. Thank you to our parent society and the Alberta foundation for the Arts for funding this venture.

Volunteers Needed

If you would like to read with students and have an hour twice/week to spare, then the Calgary Reads program may be for you. If you are interested, please contact Ginger Youngberg, Assistant Principal at gyoungberg@cbe.ab.ca or at 403-777-6220.

Crisis Plan

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Website

Our website is a wonderful place to check out everything going on at our school. Please feel free to visit our webpage at www.cbe.ab.ca/b225.

We love to hear from the community, please feel free to connect with me at 403-777-6220.

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The 3rd Annual NHCA Harvest Moon Dance Fundraiser

By: Paul Cavanagh

Hey, you! Wasn't that a fun night out? Well, if you missed it, you should just ask your friends and neighbours who did come to the 3rd Annual Harvest Moon Dance and Fundraiser at the Huntington Hills Community Center, Friday, Oct 19th, 2012. They will tell you what a great time they had! Revelers danced up a storm to Quicksilver and going after great items in the live and silent auctions, balloons prizes, 50/50 draw, and other activities. All in all, the third annual NHCA Harvest Moon Dance was a rousing success ...and a Good Time Had by All!

Businesses and individuals from around the Northern Hills Communities provided many of the silent and live auction items (see attached sponsors and donors). One of the goals for the event is to raise money for NHCA programs in Northern Hills communities and once again the sponsors, donors, and attendees showed their generosity. Probably, in part, because Mike Blanchard, local personality and Harvest Hills resident, was once our persuasive auctioneer.

NHCA President Wendy Cavanagh and the entire board thank our tireless team of rock-star volunteers who helped make the event successful. Their commitment, enthusiasm and creative skills went into overdrive in setting up, decorating, and managing the event. They are:

Cashiers, Registration – Angela Hinsberger (Lead), Lisa Trevisanutto, Sandra Hebert, Brian and Pamela Paul.

Silent Auction – Joanne Davenport (Lead), Mike Crichton, Marise Crichton, Joel Ancheta.

Decoration – Kate Shaw (Lead), Amanda Jesty Mary Saretsky, Jessica Mehain.

50/50 – Joanne Davenport (Lead), Derek So, Dianne Duffy.

Bartending, Kitchen – Kate Shaw (Lead), Lynne Banning, Anke Woitkowitz, Pam Munzer, Vandana Arora, Jessica Mehain

Games – Chanessa Dick (Lead), Sabrina Wong

We also thank and appreciate the ongoing support and contributions from the special guests who attended the event: Ward 3 Alderman, Jim Stevenson, his wife Diane; Jim's assistant Lynne Banning; assistant to Calgary-Mackay MLA Teresa Woo-Paw, Matt Peachey, and Calgary School Trustee Lynn Ferguson. A huge thanks to the invincible NHCA staff, Moraig McCabe, Mae Seifert, Heather Hubert and Angela Hinsberger.

We want to thank all of you who attended and supported this community event. Without your generous support, we would not be able to carry out our programs and activities on behalf of the residents and members of the Northern Hills communities.

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St. Clare School Community Welcome Back!

Welcome back to everyone in the Coventry Hills community. It has been a beautiful fall and it looks like winter will take hold of us very soon. I'm happy to report that St. Clare School has had a wonderful start up with 615 students registered and many wonderful events taking place this fall. We had our Terry Fox run on Sept 28 and raised \$1000.00. We had a special food bank collection for those in need in our community raising over 20 large boxes of food to send to Ascension parish. We have also celebrated two beautiful liturgies this fall, our opening with Trustee Linda Wellman present as well as Father William and Darlene Senger from the parish. At our Thanksgiving liturgy, Vicky Haley was the presider at the liturgy.

Other events that have occurred this fall are grade three students have gone swimming in October. We celebrated World Teacher Day on October 5th, 2012. Our After School program has continued this fall on Thursday night, put on by the City of Calgary. We have Tennis lessons on Monday night and Bricks for Kids started Oct 15th, 2012 for our students to participate. We had a professional day for staff on October 26, 2012 as teachers continue to work on assessment rubric and technology literacy.

In November, we have our District wide Faith Day on November 1st. and our theme continues to be "love one another as I have loved you". Also during the month of October and November we will have special baptism classes during the morning, once a week, for those who would like to prepare to be baptized.

Our kindergarten classes are going to the Zoo during the month of November. Our grade 4 classes have a special in-class presentation about Waste in our World. On November 12th, 2012 we will have our special Remembrance Day liturgy. The staff and students will remember all those who died for us so that we could be free to live prosperously in Canada. Another special day to remember is November 4 which is Catholic Education Sunday.

Finally our kindergarten registration for the 2013-14 school year start November 2, 2012. If you have a child that will be 5 years of age before March 1st, 2014, you may register your child at St. Clare for kindergarten for the 2013-14 school year. Please bring a copy of your child's birth certificate and a copy of proof of residency in Coventry Hill. (Gas Bill with your address on it). We are open from 9:00am - 3:30pm to take registrations. If you have any questions, please contact the school at 403-500-2102.

Have great November
Giselle LeClair, Principal

Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal Awarded to Local Community Leader



One of the great aspects of being editor of the Northern Edge News is that through the submission of articles and photos, I get to see first-hand all of the great volunteer activities going on in our communities. The Northern Hills residents are truly willing to roll up their sleeves at a moment's notice to be a soccer coach, plant a garden, clean-up the neighborhood, or help a neighbor.

But the award of a Diamond Jubilee medal to one local leader, my wife and President of the NHCA, is truly a special treat for me to write about. Like many of us, including the other recipients, she had no idea that the award even existed and was genuinely surprised to learn that she would be a recipient.

In the early October ceremony, attended by Prime Minister Steven Harper, she and 179 other deserving Southern Albertans

were awarded Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee medals for significant contributions to a particular province, territory, region or community. Some of the other recipients included Sheldon Kennedy, Carol Huynh, and Ted Morton. For me, this is deserving acknowledgement for the life-long contributions she has made

based on a value system that includes selfless volunteerism and community service.

One of the speakers at the event made the resonating comment that most recipients are truly surprised and self deprecating upon hearing of their selection for the award... but their families and friends all seem to understand why they were selected. After the ceremony she told me that she found it humbling to be acknowledged among the other recipients all of whom were so deserving. You could have predicted the comment. The Northern Hills Communities are better off for having Wendy as one of our leaders and I couldn't be more proud of her. Some days... I just love this gig!

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Prime Minister Steven Harper, NHCA President Wendy Cavanagh, and Member of Parliament Michelle Rempel

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the Northern Hills Communities was overwhelming. This fall event was a resounding success and the NHCA would like to thank all of the participants and volunteers,

We would like to thank the representatives of WINS who provided support on the day of the event. Thank you again for your support. Well done!

St. Clare Celebrates its Amazing Kindergarten Team

On Friday, October 19, the St. Clare community gathered to celebrate Mrs. Miele and Mrs. Skytt-Schmidt, our kindergarten teachers who recently received the Prime Minister's Award for Excellence in Teaching.

We were joined by parents, superintendent Judy Mackay and trustee Linda Wellman, as students from every grade shared stories and memories of their favourite times in kindergarten.

A special congratulations to Mrs. Miele and Mrs. Skytt-Schmidt for this amazing accomplishment and for making us all very proud.



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Classes run on January 5, 12, 19, 26, February 2, from 10.00 am to 11.30 am and are held at Cardel Place, 11950 Country Village Link NE, Calgary AB.

Costs are \$50 for Northern Hills Community Association members and \$75 for non members. Payment is due at the time of registration.

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6th Annual NHCA Community Business and Services Fair: Nov. 17th, 2012

By Sunny Shuang

It's time to mark your calendar! The Northern Hills Community Association (NHCA) is hosting the Sixth Annual Community Business and Services Fair. The event will be held on Saturday, November 17th from 10 am to 2 pm at Cardel Place. The focus of this event is to showcase local businesses to residents and provide a low cost advertising venue for business owners.

The NHCA supports and encourages local business in an effort to maintain a strong local community and economy. Residents and business owners are encouraged to conduct business while at the Fair. Independent business entrepreneurs can help rejuvenate a healthy economy in our communities, and they need your support to make it happen. So come and check out what business and services are offered in your communities and neighbourhoods!

If you would like to showcase your business at a table at the fair,



register early as table space is limited! Registration is \$40.00 per table (NHCA business members); \$50.00 (non NHCA business members). There are a limited number of tables with electrical power outlets.

Power access tables are \$50 (NHCA business members) and \$60.00 (non NHCA business members).

If you wish to purchase a NHCA Business Membership the fees are determined by your business type and membership benefits. Please contact the NHCA office to determine your membership fee. Tables are sold on a first come first serve basis.



Registration Deadline is noon on November 10th, 2012. Please visit the NHCA website at <http://www.northernhills.ab.ca> to download the registration form. However, as space is limited, the registrations will close as soon as the space is filled. Please call 403-

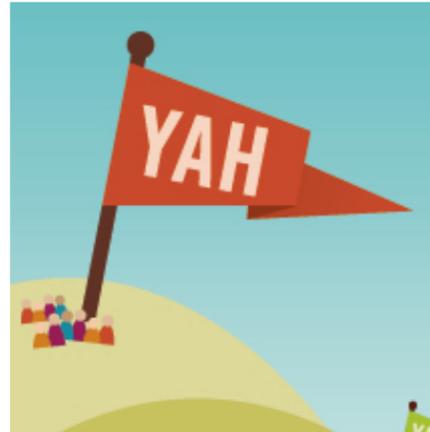
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Youth After-School in the Hills - Free after-school opportunities for youth.

Northern Hills Community Association has teamed up with The Calgary Public Library, Harvest Hills Alliance Church, The City of Calgary – Community & Neighbourhoods Services, Cardel Place and Calgary AfterSchool to create a network of free after-school opportunities for youth.

Our mission is "To create a network of FREE after-school opportunities, Monday – Friday, 3-6pm, for youth ages 11-17 in the communities of the Northern Hills region.

With the opening of Nose Creek School and Captain Nichola Goddard School combined with the fact that Panorama is the 2nd most populated community in Calgary in the category of 5-14 year olds (2011 Civic Census data), more youth are in the northern hills communities searching for activities after-school. Youth After-School in the Hills or, YAH for short, is a pilot project to try to fulfill the need



of after-school opportunities for youth in the community.

Programs that are being offered are: Photography, LEADership, Art, Homework Help, Climbing and Multi-Sport Physical Literacy.

All these programs are FREE and are drop-in based, so that

means youth can adapt their commitment to the program to fit their schedules. If the program starts at 3:30, but you can't get to the location until 4pm, don't worry about it, come on down. A registration form is available when you drop-in or on the website. The Climbing waiver is also on the website.

Come check out a youth opportunity, it's FREE, it's fun, it's drop-in based and if you come more than 3 times you get a FREE pass to Cardel Place's Youth Night.

Check out our website for program information: www.afterschool-hills.ca.

Northern Hills Community Association 6th Annual Community Business & Services Fair

Saturday, November 17, 2012

10 am – 2 pm

Cardel Place, Piazza Level

Registration Form

(Please print)

Business Name: _____

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If yes, what are you offering? _____

Registration Fees: 6ft Table \$40.00 (NHCA business members); \$50.00 (non NHCA business members)
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Deadline for Registration is: November 9, 2012 @ 12 pm

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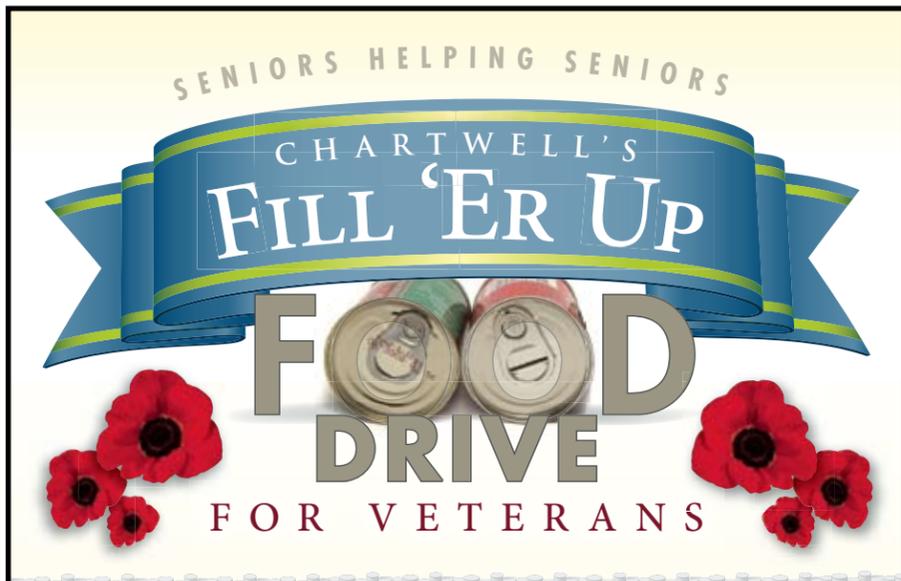



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For more information on road conditions you can go to: <http://www.cocnmp.com/snic/>
As always, I welcome your calls and emails, please don't hesitate to contact my office.

2012 FRONT YARD GARDEN WINNERS - CORRECTIONS

By Paul Cavanagh

Well, some days despite your best efforts, it just doesn't turn out right. In this case, your intrepid editor missed several errors in the NEN October edition article announcing the winners of the Front Yard Garden contest. We got all of the photos right, but we misreported one of the nominee's address and the addresses associated with the two winning front yards in Panorama Hills. The nominee address that was reported as 55 Country Hills Heights, should be 55 Country Hills Manor and the winning addresses that were reported:

- 141 Panorama Hills Drive, and 743 Panorama Hills Circle Should have been:
- 141 Panatella Circle, and 824 Panorama Hills Drive.

The correct winners have been notified and we apologize for any confusion this has caused. For the list of nominees, winners and photos, please check the NHCA website at



Delivering Blue Grass Gift Card to Manuel and Madeline Cabunoc.

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Eight winners of the contest and two winners of the nominators draw each received a \$100 gift card from Blue Grass Ltd. Thanks to all those who took the time to nominate their neighbour's gardening achievements and we would especially like to thank our sponsor, Blue Grass Ltd.



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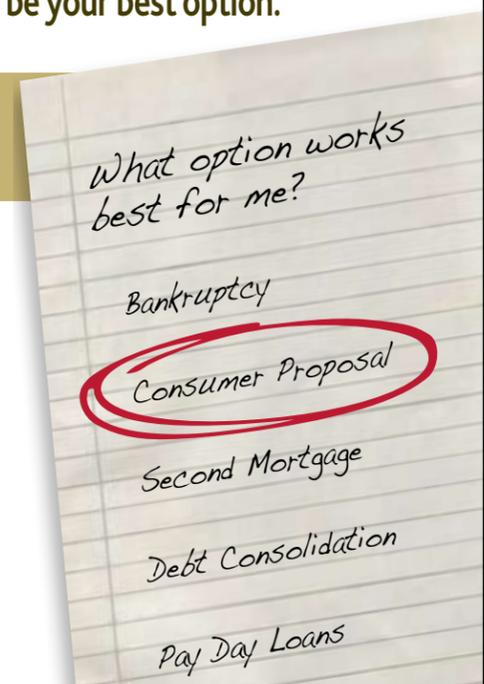


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Harvest Hills Alliance Church Annual Christmas Craft Tea & Sale
Friday, November 30 @ 4 pm - 8 pm
Saturday, December 1 @ 9 am - 3 pm .



For more information please email: ccst@hhachurch.com
or call 403-226-0990 ext 267.

Weekly Activities at the HHAC:

- Monday: 6:30 pm - Girl Guides of Canada Deerfoot District
7:00 pm - AA Meetings
- Tuesday: 1:30 pm - E.S.L. (email esl@hhachurch.com)
10:00 am - TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)
- Wednesday: 9:15 & 9:30 am Ladies Bible Studies
3:30 pm - Free Math and Science Tutoring
7:00 pm - Ignite for Youth grades 7 - 12
7:00 pm - Al-Anon
- Thursday: 10:00 am - Community Moms 'N Tots
- Friday: 10:00 am - Moms With Young Ones
- Saturday: 8:00 am - Men's Bible Study

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

10099 Harvest Hills Blvd. N.W. Phone: 403-226-0990
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Northern Hills Crime Statistics – September 2012

The crime statistics for the month of September 2012 in the Northern Hills area are in the attached table. Additional information can be ob-

tained 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.

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 or 403-464-9442. Alternatively, you can check their website at www.tttips.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	September 2012 Statistics by Community				Total
	Harvest Hills	Panorama Hills	Coventry Hills	Country Hills*	
Theft from vehicle	3	16	5	5	29
Vandalism	5	3	3	3	14
Theft	2	3	4	2	11
Residential Break-in	1	3	1	1	6
Assault	-	1	-	3	4
Robbery	2	-	-	-	2
Vehicle Theft	1	-	-	-	1
Total	14	26	13	14	67

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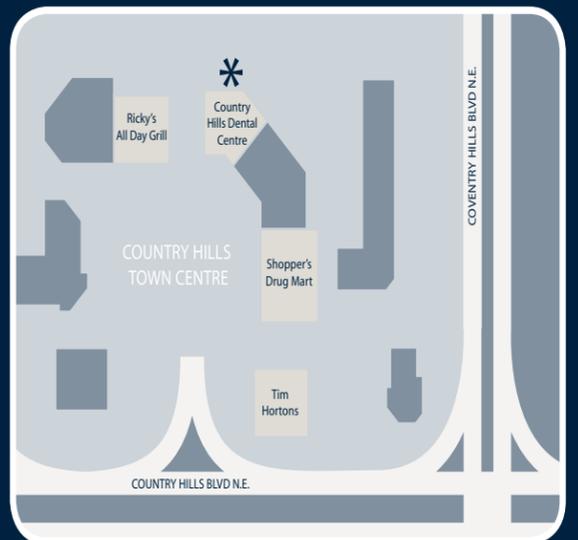
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