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# **2013 FRONT YARD GARDEN WINNERS**



231 Panorama Hills Rd. NW







by Collen Middleton

he Northern Hills Community Association is proud to present our favourite front yard gardens, as nominated in our annual contest, and the first place winners in each neighbourhood. Many thanks to the residents whose lovely front yard gardens enhance our communities and neighbourhoods. Because of your hard work and dedication the entire community wins. They are truly inspiring and can be appreciated by gardeners and non-gardeners alike.

## And the winners are...

16 Harvest Gold Circle NE 184 Harvest Oak Way NE 230 Covewood Circle NE 231 Covemeadow Close NE 33 Panorama Hills Way NW 231 Panorama Hills Rd. NW 9 Country Hills Bay NW 184 Country Hills Park NW

#### All nominees are... **Harvest Hills**

173 Harvest Gold Heights NE 16 Harvest Gold Circle NE 232 Harvest Gold Circle NE 160 Harvest Wood Road NE 173 Harvest Hills Drive NE 184 Harvest Oak Way NE 705 Harvest Hills Drive NE 1125 Harvest Hills Drive NE 16 Harvest Gold Circle NE 40 Harvest Park Way NE 189 Harvest Park Circle NE 49 Harvest Park Place NE

68 Harvest Oak Way NE 141 Harvest Creek Close NE 228 Harvest Gold Circle NE 232 Harvest Gold Circle NE 658 Harvest Hills Drive NE

## **Coventry Hills**

230 Covewood Circle NE 231 Covemeadow Close NE

## **Panorama Hills**

10 Panamount Row NW 33 Panorama Hills Way NW 33 Panorama Hills Rise NW 231 Panorama Hills Rd. NW 33 Panorama Hills Way NW 94 Panorama Hills Circle NW 74 Panatella Circle NW

## **Country Hills**

9 Country Hills Bay NW 184 Country Hills Park NW

The winners of the contest and two winners of the nominators draw each received a \$100 gift card from Blue Grass Nursery and Garden Centres. The prizes for nominating a neighbor go to Sacha Munro and Janine Bischoff whose names were drawn from all of the entries submitted. Thanks to all those who took the time to nominate their neighbour's gardening achievements. We would especially like to thank Blue Grass Nursery who sponsored this year's

# **UPCOMING EVENTS 2013**

## September to December

- Indoor Soccer Begins
- NHCA Strategic Planning Session
- Second NHCA Casino **Fundraiser**
- Northern Lights Contest
- Mayor's Annual Food
- Business/Craft Fairs











September 9th, 2013

# **Park Block Party Success for the Coventry Hills Drive-Covehaven Folks!!**

There was perfect weather for this fun, get-to-know-yourneighbor event!! Once again, we were fortunate that more new faces joined in allowing us to accomplished our mission. Hot sun, lots of children, yummy treats and drinks, balloons, popsicles and hotdogs...created the party atmosphere for a great Sunday afternoon. Thank you to all the families who helped donate tables, chairs, food and drinks and cleaning up!!! There is great ease in hosting these gatherings with all the enthusiastic participation of our fellow neighbors!! We look forward to doing more events and to continue collaborating on community issues. If you would like to join us....please email carsonra@telus.net or join our Facebook group "Neighborly Coventry Hills Drive Group".

You in Community Building, Rosalind Carson



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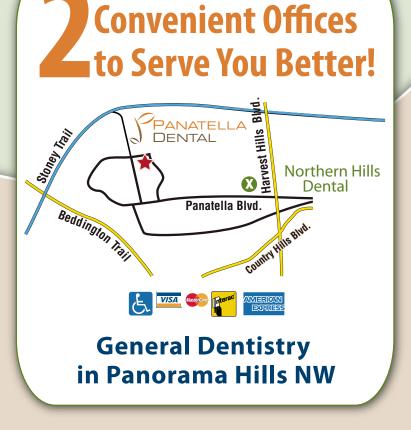
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# **VOLUNTEER**

## NHCA VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

by Kate Shaw, President

## Vacancies on the Board:

**Events** – Have great organizational skills and work well with volunteers? It's the first time in a while that the board has an opening for an Events Director. The NHCA hosts several events throughout the year, including a community garage sale, clean up, business fair, volunteer appreciation and Open House/ AGM. We would love to have someone with event experience or a desire to learn on our

**Membership** – Have an outgoing personality and desire to meet your neighbours? The director for membership supports the NHCA by encouraging membership growth through a variety of programs where residents may have their opinions heard and build a stronger community through their membership in the NHCA.

Community Gardens - 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. Come, grow with us!

For Interest In Board Positions Contact: president@northernhills.ab.ca.

There are many volunteer committees that could always use the help:

**Social Networker** - Tweeting, posting or blogging about what's going on in the Northern Hills community! Contact <a href="mailto:president@">president@</a> northernhills.ab.ca.

**Mom and Tot's Coordinator - Help** organize this group of parents and kids who meet regularly to share interests and social time. Contact youth@northernhills.

**Graffiti Abatement** - Individuals eager to learn how to clean it up and prevent future outbreaks! Contact community@northern-

**Litter Clean Up** - Have some ideas on how to clean up and prevent litter in our neighbourhoods? Contact community@ northernhills.ab.ca.

Youth - Calling on future community leaders to bring ideas to engage youth in community building activities. A great way to meet and fulfill those volunteer hour requirements! Contact youth@northernhills.ab.ca.

**Membership Services - Opportunities** to meet your neighbours when helping out at events around the community. Contact president@northernhills.ab.ca

At Home In The Hills - An initiative to assist new Canadians and residents with the transition into our area. Are you a resident who is familiar with the area and perhaps speaks more than one language. Contact ahih@northernhills.ab.ca

**Beautification** – We are expanding our efforts to beautify neglected areas in our communities. 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 help organize and carry out these events. Contact president@northernhills.ab.ca

**Sponsorship** - Our association would appreciate your help in contacting local business owners to discuss advertising opportunities and their community support. Interested? Contact <u>marketing@northernhills.ab.ca</u>

**Grants** – We are a non-profit organization and 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

Casino - Consider volunteering for one of the many casino positions for November 17 and 18. Work with several volunteers in a fun way. This is a major source of funding for NHCA and we could use your help. Contact volunteer@northernhills.ab.ca

**Community Garden** – The Harvest Hills and Coventry Hills gardens are a great success. If you would like to help out at these gardens or are a resident of Panorama or Country Hills and would like to have a garden in your neighborhood, contact president@ northernhills.ab.ca

**Rinks** – Our rink in Harvest Hills is up and running and needs flooding in winter and mowing in the summer. We will be working with the City to have a similar rink in Panorama next winter. Eager individuals can help with planning and execution of an outdoor rink in Coventry Hills. Contact <a href="mailto:rinks@northern-rinks@northern-rinks@northern-rinks@northern-rinks@northern-rinks.">rinks@northern-rinks@nort

Farmers' Market – A committee has done some research and planning for a Farmers' Market in our area. We need help with finding a potential site and/or business partner to get this project moving! 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, Fridays from 1 -2pm, a weekly walking group, occasional lunches, workshops and field trips 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 ernhills.ab.ca.

# **NHCA Vision** Northern Hills is a vibrant diverse, inclusive and sustainable community. Northern Hills Community Association

# From the President

by Kate Shaw, President NHCA

The fall of the year brings another successful NHCA Front Yard Garden Contest to an end. Congratulations to the winners and thanks to Collen Middleton, Beatification Director for running this contest. Once again the Northern Hills gardening talent was on full display



and adding value to the community. Thanks to Blue Grass Nurseries for their sponsorship and support again this year. It's now time to start turning our attention to the Northern Lights Contest and to think about the winter months ahead for rink flooding and cleaning. If you are interested in volunteering for these important jobs contact rinks@ northernhills.ab.ca.

The Calgary Herald reported that there is a steady increase in block parties in Calgary. And, some neighborhoods in the Northern Hills were among those involved in the growing citywide trend. And why not, they give us a small town feel, foster a strong sense of community and make our communities safer places to live. Street and lawn parties are a great way to meet your neighbors, connect with some great people who look out for each other, and get engaged in the issues that matter to them. In August, the Federation of Calgary Communities launched the "Love Where You Live: Host a Block Party" pamphlet offering comprehensive information on how to host an event, permits, bylaws and game ideas, including block-party bingo and bicycle parades. The pamphlet can be found at www. calgarycommunities.com. Just contact our office for more information on how the NHCA can provide support for your block party.

One of the primary functions of the community association is to advocate on behalf of the residents and citizens of our neighborhoods. This occurs in many ways: organizing community activities and fund raising events, working with other volunteer organizations within the community to deliver programs and services, providing forums and opportunities for our voices to be heard, and meeting with our elected representatives, One such activity is to encourage all residents to get out and vote. Other upcoming activities and projects include the Business Fair, the casino, and the Creating Space for Strength project, which is looking for volunteers to help on the next project phases.

Some Board directors and office staff have left us as a result of life changing events such as going back to school, moving out of the neighborhood and having a baby to name a few. I would like to take this time to say farewell to Navjot Virk, Moraig McCabe, Mae Seifert, Lindsey Todd, Christie Smith and Corina Smith for their many hours of dedication to the NHCA. They will be missed.

New to the office is Matt Pechey as our new Office Manager and Shawn Prodgers has joined the board of directors in the position of Secretary for the NHCA. We welcome Matt and Shawn as they apply their skills and abilities volunteering for their community.

We still have some vacancies on the Board. If you are interested in joining us as the Events, Membership or the Garden Director, contact president@northernhills.ab.ca. Check out the article on this page for several other great volunteer opportunities on committees or events. The Moms and Tots Program in particular is in dire need of a program coordinator.

A Strategic Planning workshop is planned for the Board and staff in October. We are looking forward to revisiting our four year strategic plan that expires at the end of this year. NHCA Board, staff and community members will participate in a "blue sky thinking process"; creating ideas that are not limited by current thinking or beliefs. We look forward to moving forward with action plans and budgets to guide us for the next four years.

Our second Casino is being held November 17 and 18th. We are looking for volunteers to fill the many positions. If you are available to help with this major fundraiser, contact grants@northernhills.ab.ca. This is an important fund raising event for the NHCA so that we can continue to bring existing and new programs and services to the our communities. Our November 23 Business Fair is fast approaching at Cardel Place from 9 to 1. Consider purchasing a table to represent your business at this well attended annual event. For more information, refer to our the articles and advertising in this edition of the NEN or our website.

Fall office hours are now in effect. A reminder that it is time to renew your NHCA memberships as they expire December 31, 2013. Check our website

www.northernhills.ab.ca for up to date hours and infor-













# Who is the Northern Hills Community Association (NHCA)?

By David Hartwick.

In talking with residents throughout the year, I have heard residents voice confusion with who the NHCA is, what we do, and how we do it. Much to my surprise, some have voiced a perception that we are an elitist group; Some feel we have become nothing more than a sports organization; Others have questioned why we are not like the community association they remember from when they were kids; While others believe we either own or operate Cardel Place.

I was quite surprised to hear people use the term elitist. The NHCA is a volunteer organization that is continually searching for community members to volunteer for a variety of opportunities including our board, which makes the decisions for the organization. Our volunteers come from all walks of life including students, seniors, business owners, single parents, professionals, and people just like you. Our board is supported by our awesome staff, which over the years has made the tasks for all of our volunteers much less tedious and time consuming than they once were. The NHCA board determines what activities and events to run which is entirely based on feedback and suggestions we receive from our members and residents.

In addition to the Board, we have a very active Youth Council, comprised

of local youth aged 12-18. We are not certain, but believe they are the only community based Youth Council in Calgary and were active in the Creating Spaces project, hold events for local youth, and promote community engagement amongst our youth. Members of the Youth Council have been formally recognized by both Alderman Stevenson and by Eaton Consulting International for their work. If you would like to join them, or know someone that would, please contact Amanda Davis at youth@northernhills.ab.ca.

It is very true that our association has a large focus on sports activities. With 55000 residents and a lack of resources including volunteers, we are restricted to provide activities that are well utilized, generate operating revenue, and are supported by the community in addition to not requiring indoor space. Our soccer program is the largest in the city with 1454 kids this year, supported by countless volunteers (mostly their parents) that coach, plan windups, organize equipment, teams, photographs, medals, and more. We have a couple of hundred adults in soccer as well as softball, supported by their own volunteers.

We agree, community associations are different than they were 30 years ago. Communities back then, were built with not only schools, but with community association buildings so there was considerable space

available for everyone, and everything they wanted to do. Many if not most of those buildings have needed significant upgrades in recent times, and some have had a hard time generating enough revenue to be sustainable.

Many people believe Cardel Place was built for that purpose. However, Cardel Place is a City of Calgary owned facility but it is not their mandate to meet all of our community needs. Cardel Place was built to serve many communities and user groups, and has its own Board of Directors and staff and operates independently from the NHCA. The NHCA has a representative on the Cardel Place Board, our office is located in Cardel Place as a tenant, and we work with Cardel Place on initiatives for the benefit of the community such as the Garage Sale. We are hopeful that Cardel Place, in their expansion plans, will take into consideration some of the community needs identified in the NHCA's Creating Space for Strength Project but that is ultimately up to their board and operations.

The NHCA receives no government funding other than grants for specific initiatives and some casino funds (we supply volunteers to work at the casino) with our next one quickly approaching on November 17th and 18th. In addition to revenue from the sports programs and casino we also obtain some revenue from advertising in our newsletter (which is distributed free monthly to the entire community). In order to meet all of the community needs identified in the Creating Space for Strength project, the NHCA would have to obtain considerable additional funding and volunteers for a variety of new projects and initiatives.

But it is an election year, and if you feel that we need infrastructure, community support, funding, or programs, make your voice heard. One way to do that is by volunteering with the NHCA because one of our primary functions is to advocate on behalf of the community. And, there is no other organization with the Northern Hills recognized by the City of Calgary with that specific mandate. If you have any questions about who we are, or what we do, please contact us. We would be happy to answer.

# **An Election Snapshot**

By David Hartwick

We can find many uses for \$52 million, but perhaps we are happy, as our communities represent some atrocious voter turnouts with the best being Harvest Hills at 50.4% but dropping to as low as 38.2% in Panorama Hills. Are Northern Hills communities happy with an overcrowded Cardel Place that some of our kids are not allowed to play minor hockey in, and others cannot afford? Are we happy with the City programs and services offered in the Northern Hills, the traffic, the timing of the lights on Country Hills Blvd, or safety in our school zones? Are we happy with the level of Bylaw enforcement there is? Are we happy that our closest shopping choices are outside city limits at Balzac? Or that our dining choices are limited and many of us are considered regulars at restaurants in Airdrie? Are we happy sitting in a long line of traffic on Beddington Blvd trying to access Beddington Trail because of an outdated vehicle trap that blocks direct access to downtown, Huntington Hills and Beddington? How about those jackhammers chewing up sidewalks last month at 7am on a Saturday morning? Or that the closest regulation ball diamond for our 15 year olds is close to downtown at Confederation Park? Or that our 200+ Ladies Indoor Soccer Program has nowhere to play, well, except maybe Airdrie. Are we happy that there is nowhere in our community to hold a dance, a wedding reception, a public meeting, a political campaign, or a charity fundraiser, or that our community of 55000 people does not have a single off-leash dog park? Are we happy with significant tax and user fee increases?

Every vote makes a difference, and last election proved it. Voter turnout in Calgary was abysmal for the 2010 Civic

Election at only 53%. Several races were close and a fellow named Nenshi surprised many people and became Mayor. Today, many think Mayor Nenshi is unbeatable, but we do still have the right to vote, and anyone can win because many people simply will not vote. This article isn't about the merits of his record as Mayor but to discuss the importance of voting. For me, it's a flashback to high school, where a really popular student ran for Student Council President and someone no one really knew, decided to run at the last minute. The newbie won by a landslide because of backlash against "the favorite".

There are other very important elections taking place that we want to remind you of. In Ward 3 it seems that incumbent Councillor Stevenson will be up against challenger Tanveer Taj. For those in Country Hills, which is now part of Ward 4, there appears to be a great race for Councillor shaping up with Sean Chu, Blair Houston, Yuri Schterngartz, and Michael Hartford poised to take on incumbent Gael MacLeod.

At this time, Linda Wellman is unopposed for Separate School Trustee for Wards 3 and 4. The Public School candidates for Wards 3 and 4 are incumbent Lynn Ferguson, Rick Lundy and Wilf Phillips. The recent Creating Space for Strength project showed that a Public High School is important for both Wards 3 and 4, and the CBE Capital Plan shows that our utilization rate is 252%, but all our students are bused out to 4 different high schools. Notre Dame has seen significant growth and we believe this is partially due to the lack of a public high school nearby.

You can learn more about each of these candidates through their websites.

# Newsletter "Did you Know In the Hills?" Contest!

It is time again to pose a question to our readers relating to the northern hills communities, the Northern Edge News, the Northern Hills Community Association (NHCA), or other information contained in an article in this month's newsletter. When you find the answer to the question below send us an e-mail at communication@northernhills.ab.ca and include your name, contact information, NHCA membership number, and the edition (month), article and page number where you found the answer. 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. So find the answer and WIN!!

The skill testing question for this month is:



What are the names of the City Councillors that currently represent the communities of Northern Hills and what are their wards?

## When you find the answer,

mark the date on your calendar and send in the answer to <a href="mailto:communication@northernhills.ab.ca">communication@northernhills.ab.ca</a>.





The Mission Statement

The Northern Hills Community Association

endevours to enrich and empower the diverse commities of the Northern Hills by:

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



# Thanks to Mae Siefert

by Paul Cavanagh, **Communications Director** 

The Northern Hills Community Association (NHCA) would like to thank Mae Siefert for her many years of contributions to the NHCA as our Office Administrator in our office and for countless hours of volunteer support. Mae was the face of the NHCA front office and supported the Board of Directors, committees, newsletter, and events and activities with the NHCA and will be sorely missed. Mae embraced community service to a fault and the Northern Hills Communities were made a better place through her hard work and dedication to her craft. Thank you Mae and best wishes in your future endeavors.

As always, if you are interested in upcoming events or volunteer opportunities, please check out the Volunteer Opportunities article on Page 3 of this edition of the NEN or our website at www.northernhills.ab.ca.



# Front Office Changes at the NHCA



by Paul Cavanagh, **Communications Director** 

The Northern Hills Community Association (NHCA) would like to announce the addition of Matt Pechey as our new Office Administrator. Matt brings significant experience during his time as administrative assistant to MLA Teresa Woo-Paw and we look forward to having Matt provide his leadership and direction to our front office team. Matt takes over this role from Moraig McCabe (shown here with Mae Siefert; see September edition of NEN thanks article) who provided significant leadership and growth during her time as an Administrative Consultant to the NHCA. Matt is expected to continue the high standards set by Moraig and we look forward to Matt applying his efficient touch and administrative skill working with us on the many community activities, initiatives, projects and programs at the NHCA and in our community.

Welcome aboard Matt!



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# **Sports Program Thank You!**

Last month the NEN published an article thanking the many businesses that supported our Spring/Summer Soccer Program. Unfortunately we overlooked one key contributor - Applebee's Restaurant – and would like to apologize for that oversight. When you are out and about in the



Northern Hills please support the businesses that supported us. Thank You Applebee's! We appreciate your support!

# **North Haven News**

September was a busy month getting to know students and settling in. I am always most impressed with how eager our students are and how quickly they settle into the routines of school.

In September we hosted PASS Soccer. Students were privy to soccer instruction for 2 weeks. We are delighted to see how our students are able to implement what they learned during this residency on the field during recess and lunch time<sup>©</sup>

In October, we look forward to many exciting events. Our grade 6 students will be going to Outdoor School from October 1 - 4. During this time, students were able to interact with the science curriculum in a natural environment. Sound Kreation will also involve the whole school in a dance residency. During this time, students will be preparing gumboot dances to perform on the final day of the residency. Grade 6 students will also partake in We Day – a day filled with guest speakers and singers highlighting the importance of global issues.

Our monthly circle of courage assembly will be October 22 at 9:30 am. All are welcome.

Lisa Nachtigal, Principal

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## **Calling All Volunteers!**

We have many rewarding volunteer opportunities available for you right here in your community!



# BECOME A MEMBER OF THE NHCA AND GET CONNECTED TO YOUR COMMUNITY!

#### THE NHCA OFFERS THE FOLLOWING FOR OUR MEMBERS:

- We are your voice for planning and development issues
- Partner with local businesses to enhance programs.
- Founding member and board representation for Cardel Place.
- Meet regularly with elected, agency, and government representatives.
- Liaise with Public school and Separate school boards.
- Discounts at NHCA community events!
- Northern Hills members can vote at the NHCA AGM.
  - You qualify to join the Board of Directors.
- Discounts and special offers at participating local businesses.
- Monthly community newspaper to every home in Northern Hills.
  - Check out our website.



The annual membership fee for families is only \$30. Single and Senior Households \$20. Businesses (directory on website) are \$50 and Business Plus members (ad and link on website) \$120. Watch the value of your membership grow as the NHCA increases its business discount programs and you receive savings, while at the same time supporting community programs!

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.

<u>Support your community association today.</u> Memberships can be purchased on-line, in person at the NHCA office or by mail. <u>www.northernhills.ab.ca</u>

# 96<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE Interchange Public Art Installation

Installation of Travelling Light, the public artwork designed for the 96th Avenue NE interchange, will begin on Thursday, August 8, 2013. Designed by artist collective inges idee and commissioned through the Department of Transportation, this bold, site-specific work represents the newest addition to The City's Public Art Collection.

Travelling Light by artists inges idee is bold and innovative artwork, intended to capture the dynamics of Calgary on the move and create a lasting impression for all who experience it. This 17 metre sculptural ring will be integrated into the row of existing street lamps and allows a portal into the landscape and the environs. Seen from a distance, it forms a huge window framing the expanses of the landscape, and gives the 96th Ave NE interchange a clear and unmistakable identity – from far away and up close.

This site is a complex intersection catering to a wide variety of users, all converging with different perspectives and rates of motion. In order to provide visual interest to all viewers, as well as create a distinct identity for the bridge, the artists designed a simple, clear, monumental sculptural form that is set apart from the bridge and landscape by its colour.

#### **The Artists**

The name inges idee stands for an artistic strategy and praxis in which ideas and concepts are primary tools. inges idee consists of four people -Hans Hemmert, Axel Lieber, Thomas A. Schmidt and Georg Zey - and as a

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they rely
on collaboration
and their
unique
team
dynamic
to support
a creative

process through which new and challenging solutions for sites are found.

inges idee typically create sitespecific and custom-made solutions for the public realm. Their primary approach is sculpture that, when placed in an urban or landscape context, activates a site, gives it new identity, and enriches it. The strategies, materials, and themes used are diverse and varied, and are specifically designed to fit the content, use and surroundings of the respective site. Their work is designed with a long life span, and reaches from smaller sculptural interventions to works of monumental scale. Based out of Berlin, this team has worked on over 200 projects, competitions and commissions since 1992, with more than 50 projects realized as permanent artworks in international locations including Germany, France, Sweden, Denmark, the Netherlands, Canada, Singapore, Taiwan and Japan.

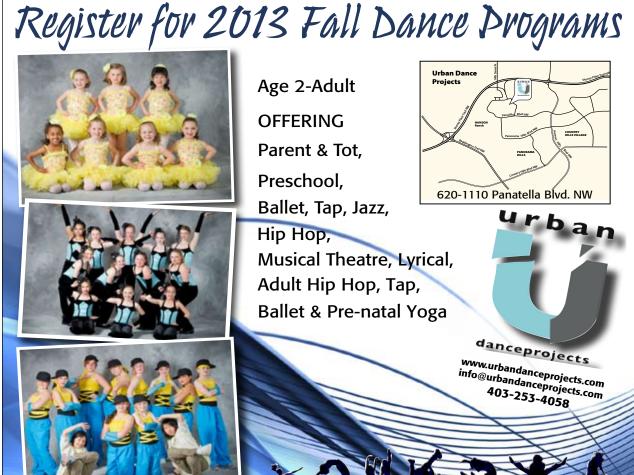
www.ingesidee.de

#### **The Project**

This commission followed The City's standard process of industry best practices, including an open international call to artists and tasking a project-specific jury to select the artist.

This work is made possible through the Public Art Policy with funds derived from the 96 Avenue NE Extension Capital Project. Installation is expected to take three to four weeks, with completion anticipated for September 2013.

For more information, visit www. calgary.ca/publicart.









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# **Graffiti in our communities**

From the Office of Councillor Gael MacLeod, Ward 4

receive many calls from residents wanting to report graffiti in their community. Graffiti is a serious crime, so what can we do to minimize it in our communities?

Graffiti is defined as words, figures, letters, drawings, or stickers applied, scribbled, scratched, etched, sprayed or attached on or to any surface of a structure or property. Reporting and removing graffiti is critical in helping to reduce the spread of graffiti in our communities and our city. Statistics show that if graffiti is removed within 24 hours the chances of it reoccurring are greatly reduced.

- If you observe graffiti in progress, call 9-1-1. To report existing graffiti, call 3-1-1. Make sure to include:
- where the graffiti is located (exact address or nearest intersection)

- · what the graffiti says or resembles (include phrases, paint colour, etc)
- where on the property or land it is located (refer to landmarks if possible)

If you suspect that someone you know is a graffiti artist, please email our Graffiti Coordinator at cpsgraffiti@calgarypolice.ca or call them at 403-428-8324. The Graffiti Coordinator will also provide presentations and resources to community groups and organizations to help understand graffiti vandalism and how to address the issue.

Graffiti affects us all. We can all do our part to keep our communities graffiti-free by keeping an eye out for it and reporting it.

Visit <u>www.calgary.ca/ward4</u> for other Ward 4 news and information. You can also find me on Facebook (CouncillorGaelMacLeod) or follow me on Twitter @yycGael.

# Newsletter

# "Did You Know In the Hills?" **Contest!**

The NHCA has a winner of the "Did You Know in the Hills?" contest sponsored by Applebee's and Empire Theatres.

#### Allison Blumhagen's name was drawn for the month of August

from all of the correct entries who found the correct answer in an article on Page 4 that there were 142 teams and 1454 players in our youth soccer program this year. Allison wins two Empire Theatre passes and a \$50 gift card to Applebee's. Thanks to all of the people who have found the answer, sent in entries and attended the study results event!

Look in this edition of the NEN for details on our "Did You Know in the Hills?" contest and WIN!





# **Girl Guide Cookies Are Here!**

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#### OPEN INVITATION OLDER ADULTS IN OUR COMMUNITY

# **SPRY** in the Hills

## **Fall & Winter Meetings** will be at

Panorama Hills e-Community Centre, 88 Panamount Hill N.W.

Time to renew acquaintances, perhaps meet some new people, socialize, play some games, learn something new (or different), do some exercise, get updates and participate in other planned activities.

**\*Exercise Class is back by popular demand\*** (a current NHCA membership and a signed Waiver Form i s required to attend this class)

October 1st to November 29th, 2013

Tuesdays 2:00 to 3:00 pm October 1, 8, 15, 29 and November 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Fridays 1:00 to 2:00 pm October 4, 11, 18, and November 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

All classes at the Panorama Hills e-Community Centre .....

All Tuesday Classes, with the exception of: October 8, when we will have an AMA presentation on Driver Safety, and one Tuesday in November (TBA) for a presentation by Calgary Police Service, will be followed by Social Hour for mixing, mingling, talking, playing cards or games.

#### Newcomers are welcome to attend any meeting. .....

Everyone is encouraged to bring one of their favorite games. Playing Cards and a Crib Board will be available at each meeting. Schedule for September to December 2013

available at www.northernhills.ab.ca /Groups & Committees/SPRY

We would welcome volunteers to help with programming. **THIS IS OUR CLUB** 

# How to Get a Membership

Annual Membership is from January 1st through to December 31st I You can purchase a membership three ways:

- 1. Access our online membership registration at: www.northernhills.ab.ca under the membership tab
- In-person registration at the office
- 3. Mailing your membership form below to the office



# Resident 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

□ \*Associate \$30 □ Business \$50

□ \*\*Business Plus \$120

\*Family/Single/Senior outside of the Northern Hills Area \*\*Additional Web Ad

Please enclose cheque payable to "Northern Hills Community Association"

First Name Last Name:

Last Name: First Name

Address:

Email:

Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_

Please indicate activities you would like to learn more about:

☐ Community Garden ☐ Community Clean up

☐ Garage Sale

☐ Adult Slo-Pitch □ Newsletter

☐ Small Business Fair ☐ Children's Soccer

☐ Health and Wellness Fair ☐ Community Beautification

☐ Ladies Soccer

□ AGM

☐ Planning and Development ☐ Graffiti Abatement

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

☐ Older Adult Programs ☐ Children's Softball ☐ Indoor Soccer

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Would you like us to contact you about volunteer opportunities in your

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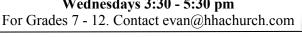
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> **FREE Math & Science Tutoring** Wednesdays 3:30 - 5:30 pm





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**Marriage Course:** Tuesday evenings @ 6:30 p.m. Starting October 1, 2013 for 8 Tuesdays

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# 7<sup>th</sup> Annual **NHCA Community Business** and Services Fair:

Nov. 23rd 2013



t's time to mark your calendar! The Northern Hills Community Association (NHCA) is hosting the Seventh **Annual Community Business and** Services Fair. The event will be held on Saturday, November 23rd 2013 from 9 am to 1 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!

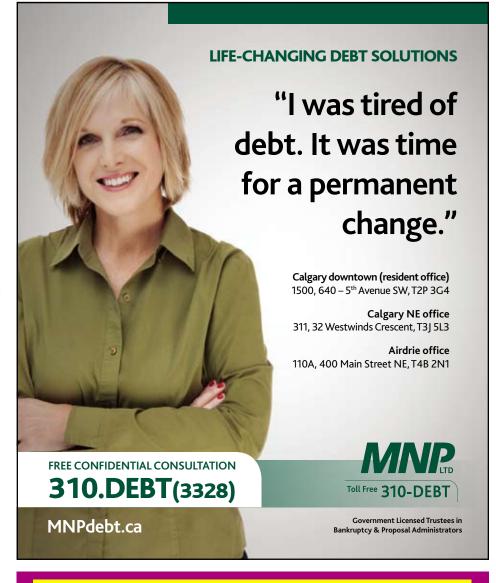
If you would like to showcase your business at a table at the fair, register early as table space is limited! Registration is \$50.00 per table (NHCA business members); \$60.00 (non NHCA business members). There are a limited number of tables with electrical

> power outlets. Power access tables are \$60 (NHCA business members) and \$70.00 (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 15th, 2013. Registration opens October 1st, 2013. 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 403-226-6422 or e-mail the office at admin@northernhills.ab.ca or info@northernhills.ab.ca with any questions. See you at the Fair on Nov. 23rd, 2013.





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Saturday, November 23, 2013 9 am - 1 pm

Cardel Place, Piazza Level Registration Form (Registration opens October 1st)						
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Business Name:						
Contact Person:						
Business Phone:	Alt	: Phone:				
Business Address:						
E-mail Address:						
Please provide one	or two sentences to describe your busin	ness or services:				
If yes, what are you	offering?	ices) to residents at the Fair?				
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<ul><li>♦ Mail (cheque only</li><li>♦ Drop Off: (cheque)</li></ul>	**	form with payment) ntry Village Link NE, Calgary, AB T3K 5M4 el Place (Genstar Community Wing), Cheques payable to:				
De	eadline for Registration is:	November 15, 2013 @ 12 pm				
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		and assigned by the Events Director.				
	Please arrive between	8 am – 9:00 am to set up				
♦ Open to busine	esses and services located within an	d around the Northern Hills Communities **				

- A Quick Reference Business Directory of all participants will be available at the Fair.
- Product sales are permitted, no soliciting please!
- \*\*If your business is: chiropractic, physiotherapy, massage therapy, fitness and preschools, we are unable to register your business at this event. For information: info@northernhills.ab.ca

or more information contact: Northern Hills Community Association Tel: 226-6422 fax: 226-6421 www.northernhills.ab.ca 11950 Country Village Link NE info@northernhills.ab.ca

# **Northern Hills**

# **Communities Crime Statistics**

## June, July and August 2013

The crime statistics for the months of June, July and August 2013 in the Northern Hills area are in the attached tables. Additional information can be obtained from the Calgary Police Service (CPS) crime map at <a href="http://crimemap.calgarypolice.ca/">http://crimemap.calgarypolice.ca/</a>.

Overall, the number of crimes reported in June was 70 and 99 in July, which shows an increase from the more usual number around 50 to 60 in a month for the Northern Hills Communities. August was closer to the usual amounts. About 40% of all crimes were reported

in Coventry Hills. The trend for the summer months of June and July showed a significant portion (75%) of the crimes classified as thefts, thefts from vehicles, and vandalism. The CPS tell us these crimes are often related and frequently involve vehicles that are parked and left unlocked and/or idling. Also, of note is a significant number of residential break-ins (10%), assaults (10%) and vehicle thefts ((10%) occurred through the summer months. These crimes are not necessarily related.

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 or 403-464-9442. Alternatively, you can check their website at <u>www.ttttips.com</u>.

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.

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	June 2013 Statistics by Community					
Crime Category	Harvest Hills	Panorama Hills	Coventry Hills	Country Hills	Country Hills Village	Total
Theft	8	1	10	5	3	27
Theft from vehicle	1	-	9	4	1	15
Vandalism	6	2	2	3	1	14
Assault	-	2	3	1	1	7
Residential Break-in	2	1	4	-	-	7
Vehicle Theft	2	-	2	-	-	4
Total	19	6	30	13	6	74

	July 2013 Statistics by Community					
Crime Category	Harvest Hills	Panorama Hills	Coventry Hills	Country Hills	Country Hills Village	Total
Theft from vehicle	8	7	23	1	2	41
Theft	5	4	5	1	8	23
Vandalism	4	1	3	-	3	11
Assault	-	-	5	3	1	9
Vehicle Theft	4	1	2	1	-	8
Residential Break-in	1	3	3	-	-	7
Total	22	16	41	6	14	99

	August 2013 Statistics by Community					
Crime Category	Harvest Hills	Panorama Hills	Coventry Hills	Country Hills	Country Hills Village	Total
Theft from vehicle	6	2	5	2	-	15
Theft	1	-	10	1	3	14
Assault	-	1	4	2	-	7
Vehicle Theft	1	3	2	1	-	7
Residential Break-in	-	-	6	1	-	7
Vandalism	-	2	2	-	2	6
Commercial Break-in	3	-	-	-	-	3
Robbery	1	-	•	-	-	1
Arson	1	-	-	-	-	1
Sex Offence	-	-	-	-	1	1
Total	13	8	29	7	6	62



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# LIBRARY NEWS

# **Programs for October 2013**

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## "Turn your imagination into reality at the Country Hills"

#### Wiggle, Giggle, Boo!

Join us for spooky stories, songs and rhymes. Wear your costume - if you dare! Ages 2 to 5 with a parent/caregiver Wednesday, Oct. 30 from 7 - 7:30 p.m. Registration begins Sept. 16

#### **Bear Gets Ready for Bed**

Join us for stories, songs and rhymes with an autumn flavour. Ages 2 to 5 with a parent/caregiver. Tuesday, Oct. 15 from 7 -7:30 p.m. Registration begins Sept. 16

#### **Toddler Storytime**

Join us for stories, songs and finger plays especially for toddlers. Ages 2 to 3 with a parent/caregiver Tuesdays, Oct. 22 to Nov. 26 from 10:10 - 10:30 a.m. Registration begins Sept. 5

### **Drop-in Family Storytime**

Drop in for stories, songs and finger plays the whole family can enjoy. Ages 2 to 5 with a parent/caregiver Saturdays, Oct. 26 to Nov. 30 from 2:15 - 2:45 p.m. No registration required

#### **CPO at Your Library**

Canadian Natural Resources Limited presents Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra Musicians in concert - classical favourites for all

ages! Wednesday, Oct. 9 from 2 - 3 p.m. \*No registration required\*

#### Stitch and Chat

Drop in with your needlecraft projects for company, tea and advice from other crafters. Fridays, Sept. 20 to Dec. 6 from 10:30

a.m. - 12 p.m. No registration required

#### **Family Magic Show**

Join TD Sparks as he entertains you with magic, balloons and comedy.

Ages 4 and up Tuesday, Oct. 29 from 4:30 - 5:15 p.m.

> Registration begins Sept. 16 **ESL Coffee and Conversation**

Practise your English speaking and listening skills in an informal drop-in setting. Coffee

Mondays, Sept. 16 to Nov. 4 (No program on Oct. 14) from 7 - 8:30 p.m. No registration required

#### **Computer Technology Coaching**

Drop in for one-on-one, volunteer help on using the Internet and Microsoft Office products.

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## **COUNTRY HILLS LIBRARY**

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## Check out the new additions to the **Calgary Public Library's E-Library!**

Smithsonian Collections (under Newspaper & Magazines) including: Air & Space (1986-present), and Smithsonian Magazine Archive (1970-present.) Packed with visual appeal these magazines feature in-depth articles on history, science, nature, the arts, innovation, technology and world culture.

Cars Best Deal Plus has been added to Consumer Reports.Org (under the E-Library link Car Repairs or Newspaper & Magazines). It can help you make better purchasing decisions and narrow down your search using product reviews and ratings. "Extra Canada" includes Canadian pricing and availability. Consumer Reports Car Best Deal Plus offers expert advice and reports on new and used cars, test track notes from engineers, enhanced side-by-side model comparisons, and "Best deal" negotiation advice.

Not forgetting something fun for the kids... E-resources introduce MUZZY Online (under Kids Only). Rated as the world's No.1 language course for young children, learning language is made fun and interactive through games and vocabulary lessons. Children understand intuitively that language is something to explore, to play around with and to enjoy. MUZZY online is currently available in English (American & British), French, Spanish (Castilian & Latin-American), German, Portuguese, Chinese, Russian and Italian.

All these resources, and much more, are easy to access and remotely accessible 24/7 with your library card at calgarypubliclibrary.com Have fun browsing!







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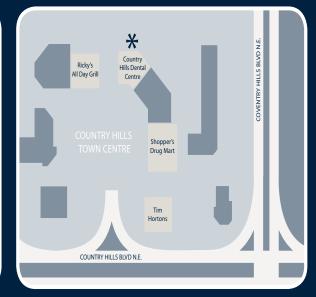
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