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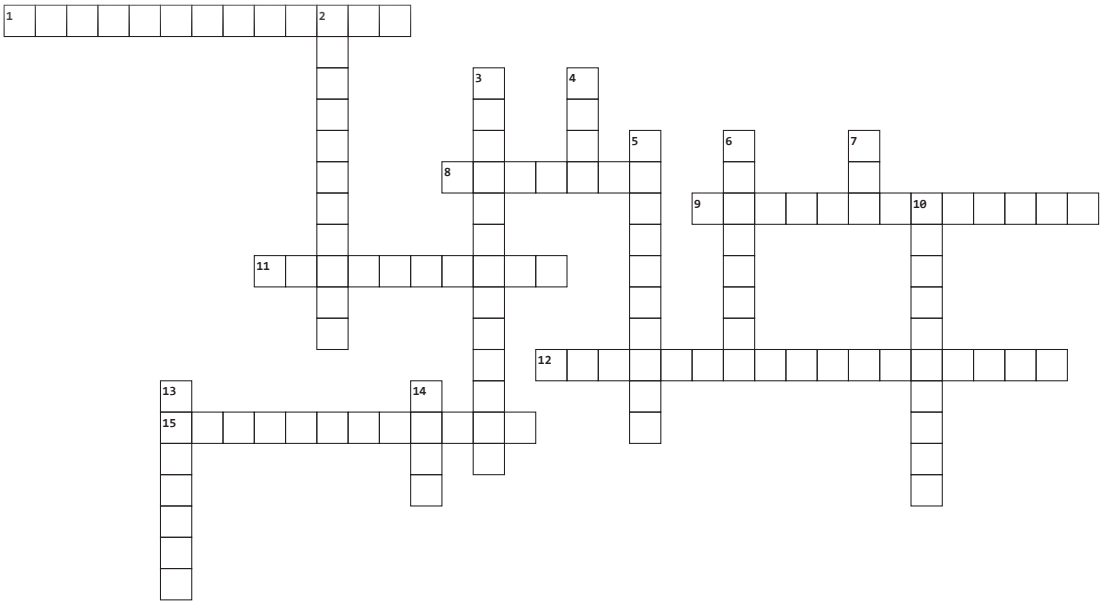
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June Crossword Puzzle



Across

- 1. Born on June 27, 1859, Mildred J. Hill composed this song, which is considered to be one of the most well-known songs in the English language.
- 8. In Sweden and Finland, Midsummer Day is traditionally celebrated by singing and dancing around this.
- 9. Canadian singer-songwriter Alanis Morissette wrote this breakup song in about 30 minutes.
- 11. Midland, Ontario holds an annual festival in honour of this classic Canadian pastry every June.
- 12. Canadian author Lucy Maud Montgomery's debut novel, which was released in June of 1908.
- 15. This Calgary landmark was opened to the public on June 30, 1968.

Down

- 2. The song "I Will Always Love You," first recorded on June 12, 1973, by _____ gained renewed popularity with a re-release by Whitney Houston.
- 3. 43 years ago, this NHL hockey team relocated to Calgary.
- 4. The month of June is named after this Roman goddess.
- 5. In North America, National _____ Day is celebrated on June 8.
- 6. 29 years ago, this popular Disney movie, based on Shakespeare's play, *Hamlet*, was released.
- 7. The first Friday after Father's Day is National Take Your _____ to Work Day.
- 10. On June 2, 1967, this band released their iconic album, "Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band," in the US.
- 13. This European country experiences the longest summer solstice due to its geographical location.
- 14. The official Father's Day flower.

SCAN THE QR CODE FOR THE ANSWER KEY





4-H Members Learn to Shape Cakes and Hats

by Emmett Donner, Prairie Winds 4-H Club Reporter

Making something with one's own hands can be one of the most rewarding activities. The feeling of accomplishment and satisfaction that is received can possibly make even the most challenging undertaking worth it in the end. Members of the Prairie Winds 4-H Club got to experience this feeling while attending workshops about handmade items.



One very hands-on workshop was the cake decorating workshop. Attendees were given a premade top cake and bottom cake that they decorated to make into a magical fairy house.



First, members were instructed to cover the sides and top of the cake in fondant, to make the surface easier to work with. This was also done so that the delicious buttercream icing

didn't get all over everyone's hands. Next, white dots were added to the red top to make it look more like a mushroom. After this step everyone was allowed to decorate the rest of the cake in whatever way they wanted. All the fairy houses were very creative, and members were able to bring them home to eat.

Another experience for the club was touring a local hat making factory. Participants were led through the history of the factory, as well as the step-by-step process of shaping hats from the basic shape into a more elaborate one. Using steam, the hat is made much more flexible. While the shaping was reserved for the staff, called "Hatters", it was interesting to see how much care is put into making the premium hats.

Overall, members of the Prairie Winds 4-H Club were once again exposed to a variety of neat and engaging activities that require a great deal of meticulous hard work.



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FOR ALL MEMBERS
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JUNE 17, 2023
10:00AM
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Annual General Meeting
 Saturday, June 17, 2023, at 10:00 am
 Hidden Hut 10504 Hidden Valley Drive NW

PLEASE NOTE: Annual General Meeting: open to residents of Hidden Valley/Hanson Ranch, although only those with active memberships as of noon MDT on Friday, June 16, 2023* may vote.

*Note: the deadline date and time for active and good standing Membership is to facilitate creating and validating a voting list in time for the AGM: it is subject to review and clarification by the Board.

Agenda

1. Meeting Registration 9:45AM (a time for HVCA members to register and get voting card)
2. Call to Order 10:00AM
3. Introduction of Guests, Board of Directors, Membership
4. Review and approve minutes of June 2022 Annual General Meeting
5. President’s Report of the year’s activities – Vincent Lemire
6. Treasurer’s Report (including a review of the significant initiatives pursued by the Board and performance relative to the budget for the preceding Fiscal Year) and the Audited Financial Statements – Heather McGeachy/Vincent Lemire
 - a. Motion to accept Audited Financial Statements
 - b. Motion for the Board to be given the authority to appoint an Auditor prior to the next AGM
7. Board of Directors Reports
8. Election of the Directors

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9. Adjournment



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November	22	6	13	\$524,900	\$540,000
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September	22	12	22	\$499,450	\$495,000
August	22	26	12	\$433,950	\$423,277
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June	22	18	26	\$528,950	\$523,000
May	22	28	22	\$462,494	\$458,600

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Father's Day

In honor of all the dads in our community, we are dedicating – no – rather, appreciating and celebrating them through the month of June. Fathers are more than a biological parent. They come in many forms; dads, stepdads, brothers, grandpas, and men who are willingly and eagerly accepting and cherishing the role.

There are many fathers out there that, unfortunately, we cannot spend time with this Father's Day, and for those, spend time remembering your favorite times with them. What was your favorite lesson they taught you? What was the funniest thing they've done? What was their go-to "Dad-ism"?

- Were you born in a barn?!
- You make a better door than a window
- Because I said so, that's why!
- Be sure to leave things better than you found them
- (And of course, the classic) Go ask your mother...

Happy Father's Day to all the fathers out there. We love and appreciate everything about you, Dad-isms, dad jokes, and all!

Looking to one-up your dad with the jokes? Try these ones out:

- Why do bees have sticky hair? Because they use a honeycomb.
- Why do some couples go to the gym? Because they want their relationship to work out.
- Why was the colour green notoriously single? It was always so jaded.
- Why did the man fall down the well? Because he couldn't see that well.
- Why is Peter Pan always flying? Because he Neverlands.
- What kind of music do chiropractors like? Hip pop
- What's Forrest Gump's password? 1forrest1



by Anne Burke

Spring brought renewal and awakening of Mother Earth in April. There was a three-hour interpretive walk to connect with cultural landscapes through the ages in Nose Hill Park where attendees could be closer to the stars.

The group at the John Laurie Blvd parking lot began the 2.2 km route on pathway and gravel trail. The leaders were Crystal Many Fingers, a Blackfoot member of the Kainai First Nation of Treaty 7, and Lauren Bryant, a professional archaeologist who focused on human occupation.

Legends and sharing stories are an integral part of an oral culture. The importance of Nose Hill to pre-contact indigenous people is highlighted by sites such as the buffalo rubbing stone for ceremonies, vision questing, and fasting.

A natural area is a City-owned park with a natural/native plant community. Our primary role is to preserve the natural significance. Conservation protects these (relatively) undisturbed parcels of land. Damage can be repaired while loss can be restored.

Public engagement and feedback from tourists will contribute to Calgary's 20-year Park Plan. After a draft proposal, there comes a final version by spring 2024, before presentation to City Council. For more information, visit <https://engage.calgary.ca/parkspan>.



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While some people are working from home still, they might hear the drumming of one of the many woodpecker species native to Calgary. Or you may have noticed driving on your street, the taped over holes of your neighbour's garage doors! While it is an annoying season that can cause a lot of damage, the Northern Flicker Woodpecker is protected under the Migratory Birds Convention Act in Alberta and once they have nested and laid eggs, they are illegal to move.

Here are some tips for protecting your home and potentially your sanity!

- Check for bugs in your siding.
- Prevent nesting; cover your vents with mesh or reflective tape around the outside.
- They do not like loud noises, chase them off by banging on a pot or clapping.
- Discourage them with visuals; plastic snakes or predatory birds help, or strips of aluminum, shiny streamers, or even a shiny Mylar balloon.

NATIONAL BEST FRIEND DAY

In Canada and the US, June 8 is National Best Friend Day! This observance exists thanks to US Congress who, in 1935, decided that a day was needed each year to celebrate close friends. June 8 was selected for its pleasant weather, making it a great day to spend outdoors with friends!





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Aurora Sky District serves the communities of Edgemont, Evanston, Hamptons, Hidden Valley, Hanson Ranch, Kincora, Nolan Hill, Sherwood, and Sage Hill.

Aurora is a mystical and romantic name that means "dawn" in Latin. An aurora also refers to a natural light display in Earth's sky called the aurora borealis, or northern lights, visible only in high-latitude regions like the north and south poles.

Being one of the most northern districts in Calgary, when the conditions are right, we are able to see the polar lights in the northern night sky during the summer.

Camp Skills Day

We were very fortunate to have beautiful weather on our inaugural District Camp Skills Day on April 29. We were also very lucky to have a great venue at Charles Butler Memorial Park just north of the city. Being that our district is on the north edge of town, it made for very easy access. We had 97 girls attend the event. The stations were run by the older girls for the younger girls, a wonderful way for older girls to show leadership and teach skills to the younger ones.

Activities included tent setup, making fire starters, creating their own camp snack, and Camp Jeopardy. At lunchtime, one of the highlights was an impromptu gathering of 50 girls or so all around the parachute. This was all rounded out with a traditional campfire – an actual fire (despite the wind) and singing songs around it.

With all of the fun that was had, we will definitely be holding this event in future years.





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Summer is here! Watch your mailbox this month for my annual Councillor Newsletter that includes updates on everything related to Ward 3.

Here are some topics and questions we've received from residents this past month. For more information or to contact my office directly, visit jasminemian.com.

Q: What do I do if I see water pooling in my neighbourhood?

A: During the heavy spring rainfalls, storm drains can take extra time to drain. If the water hasn't drained in around 90 minutes and pooling begins, take a picture, and submit it to 311 via the app or online tool. The pictures help the City prioritize urgent requests. (Reminder to keep your eavestroughs clear and keep an eye on your storm drain!)

Q: When will fluoride be back in the water supply?

A: As part of the 2021 General Election, 62% of electors voted in favour of reintroducing fluoridation of the municipal water supply. In November 2021, Council directed Administration to begin the process. Bids for construction happened in March 2023, and it is expected we will finalize a partner this month. Based on the current projection of timelines, the fluoridation system should likely be in service June 2024.

Stampede Reminder

With July just around the corner, Stampede events are being planned across the ward! See you out there!

O Brave New World!

You might think Aldous Huxley's 1932 novel, *Brave New World*, could have nothing to do with a 400-year-old play. However, the name for Huxley's novel comes from a line in Shakespeare's *The Tempest*. An island-dwelling girl named Miranda exclaims "O brave new world" when a group of shipwrecked men wash up on the shore of her secluded island.

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3. Humans are artificially bred and sorted based on intelligence.
4. A former physics postdoctoral student goes on a road trip with his girlfriend.
5. A forbidden romance ruins the lives of two close-knit Yorkshire families.
6. The 200-year-old protagonist is interviewed by a reporter.

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