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Rocky Ridge Pond
BY MIKE SMITH



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Hello everyone!

Corrections:

In the September edition of the RRROCA Reporter, the first photo on page 7 should have been credited to London Drugs Royal Oak. This has been corrected in the online edition (posted on RRROCA.org).

We sincerely apologize for the error.

Special Thanks:

- Laura Nelson, for contributing the article about the Applaud a Depot award received by Spy Hill Bottle Depot in early September (see page 7 for article).
- Johnny Mo, for continuing to contribute articles about the Army Cadets programs for the benefit of children and youth our community.
- Paul Bérubé, Char Krausnick, Mike Smith, Arpita Mazumdar, and Brian Rushfeldt for the beautiful photos they submitted for the October issue.
- Constable Riley Babott, for his prompt and courteous assistance with questions related to data collection for the improved Community Crime Report feature last month. Please keep submitting your community-friendly articles, photos, and announcements! See the Editorial Policy in this issue for a detailed guideline on submissions for articles (page 4), and the Local Photographers Page for photo submission guidelines (page 5).

~ Mary Fleet



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The opinions expressed within any published article, report or submission reflect those of the author and should not be considered to reflect those for the Community Association or the publisher of this newsletter.

The information contained in this newsletter is believed to be accurate, but is not warranted to be so. Thank you.

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- Breast Cancer Awareness Month
- National Diabetes Month
- Lupus Awareness Month
- Oct 5: Do Something Nice Day
- Oct 9-15: Fire Prevention Week
- Oct 10: Thanksgiving Day
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the official newsletter of the Rocky Ridge Royal Oak Community Association

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We welcome all community content including Community Event listings, area schools updates, good news stories, Senior and Youth content and Letters to the Editor. The editor welcomes and encourages writers from our community to write for this newsletter; either one-time articles or ongoing columns.

Political representation is accepted but limited to elected representatives of this community (ie: if their name appeared on a ballot and they were elected).

Submission Deadlines: community content is due on the 8th of the month for the following month's issue. Articles should be no more than 500 words in length.

Photographs are welcomed from both local professional and amateur photographers for inclusion on the cover or inside the issue. Please email high quality JPEGs to the Editor (email attachments are acceptable). We cannot pay for photos but will give credit as the photographer's personal name.

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BY PAUL BÉRUBÉ

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BY JENNI VAN IDERSTINE



Sunset

BY ARPITA MAZUMDAR



Swallow

BY BRIAN RUSHFELDT



Orange Nasturtium

BY CHAR KRAUSNICK



The REPORTER wants to showcase the talents of our local photographers throughout the year, both as our monthly cover feature as well as in the newsletter. **Think seasonal:** send us your Stampede photos for July, or your street decked out for December for example. **Think local:** capture our community in a great light, our natural environment or just something unique that you've seen when you're out and about. Amateur and professional photographers of all ages are welcome to submit. We cannot provide monetary payment but we will give you a photo credit using your personal name (not your business name, if you have one). Please send your photos as high quality JPEGs to newsletter@rrroca.org and who knows, you just might see your photo(s) in print!

VOLUNTEER CORNER



**By Frances Kalu, RRROCA
Director of Volunteers**

Another volunteer season has come and gone, and I am still amazed at the amount of time and energy our volunteers invest to make our events great. Thank you all very much for your efforts. With your help, we were able to put on excellent events throughout the past year.

As we start another season, please be on the lookout for available positions that will be posted on the website, social media, and in our monthly newsletter. Send an email to volunteer@rrroca.org if you would like to volunteer. Currently, we are looking for a Board Secretary (details below).

Secretary

The Secretary is responsible for clerical duties associated with RRROCA, including recording and distributing accurate minutes of board meetings, maintaining a current filing system, and overseeing general board correspondence.

Time commitment: 5 hours/month



MEMBERSHIP



**By Muoi Leong,
RRROCA Director of
Membership**

Dear RRROCA Members,

Thank you for your support through your membership registration for 2016. Membership renewal and new registration for the 2017 calendar year will be available online in November. Please keep an eye out for more info in our November newsletter.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at membership@rrroca.org.

Send form and your payment to Rocky Ridge Royal Oak Community Association or RRROCA:
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Community Recognition for the Spy Hill Bottle Depot

By Laura Nelson, Member Services Coordinator of the Alberta Bottle Depot Association

The Spy Hill Bottle Depot in Calgary was the Depot of choice for the most recent Applaud a Depot winner. Kim Hammond, a frequent customer, recently left some positive feedback for the team. She noted that “the people that work at the Spy Hill Bottle Depot are the [friendliest] group. They always greet you with a smile and are very pleasant. Just a great place!”

Kim is one of thousands of Albertans who have left Applauds for depots across the province which have provided excellent service to their customers. A draw is conducted from these entries every couple of months. The winning customer is awarded with a prize, while the corresponding Depot receives recognition for their community contributions.

On the afternoon of September 2nd, 2016, Depot staff were joined by Kim, Prasad Panda (MLA for Calgary-Foothills), and Jamie Kleinsteuber (MLA for Calgary-Northern Hills), as well as Gregory Hartzler (representing the City of Calgary), to celebrate the ongoing community contributions of the Depot. Alberta Bottle Depot Association President Trevor Nickel spoke to the environmental, economic, and community benefits of Depots, which are all demonstrated at the Spy Hill Bottle Depot.

Ronald McDonald House Charities Southern Alberta (RMHCSA) representatives Lisa Barrett and Janelle Mayo were on hand to highlight the impact of fundraising efforts from Depots. RMHCSA is one beneficiary of the Alberta Cans for Kids program administered by the Alberta Bottle Depot Association. The Spy Hill Bottle Depot has raised over \$16,000 for the Cans for Kids program since its inception. In the past year, over \$100,000 in bottle drives and fundraisers were processed at this Depot location as well.

Kleinsteuber spoke to the effectiveness of the Alberta beverage container collection system, with recent return rates in the

province now in excess of 85%. Over 2 billion refundable beverage containers were returned to Depots in Alberta last year.

To participate in the Applaud a Depot program, visit www.applaudadepot.ca, and for more information about the Depot system, visit www.AlbertaDepot.ca.



MLA Jamie Kleinsteuber, customer winner Kim Hammond, and Depot manager Kevin Krawchuk.



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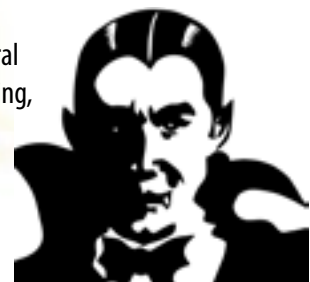
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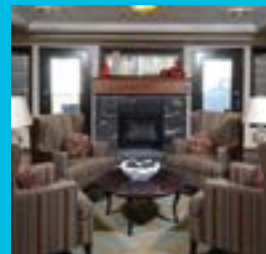


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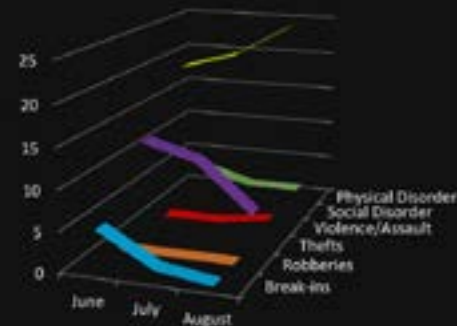


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Rocky Ridge



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NOTES

Social Disorder and Physical Disorder could be any of the complaints listed in the groupings below (not listed in order of severity).

Social Disorder: Drunk, Disturbance, Indecent Act, Juvenile Complaint, Landlord/tenant, Mental health concern, Neighbour dispute, Party complaint, Prowler, Suspicious person, Threats, Drugs, Noise complaint, Possible gunshots, Unwanted guest/patron, Prostitution, Speeder, Suspicious Auto.

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Happy Thanksgiving!

I would like to take this opportunity to wish a Happy Thanksgiving to residents of Ward 2. In spite of the economic challenges we face in both our city and province, as Calgarians, we still have much to be grateful for.

This year's construction season is wrapping up. Despite the many delays caused by our wet summer, many infrastructure enhancements and community improvements were completed throughout the communities in Ward 2. Some of these improvements include:

- Stoney Trail / Sarcee Trail NW Interchange upgrade – to be completed by year end.
- Twinning of I 12 Ave west of Sarcee Trail NW – to be completed by year end.
- Crowfoot Way NW Enhanced Crosswalk Markings & Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB).

• RRFB for Crosswalk at Arbour Lake Road NW & Arbour Crest Drive NW.

• Re-development of the pathway under Symons Valley Parkway NW.

• New pathway at Robert Thirsk High School.

For Sage Hill and area transit riders Route 429 has been extended from the current terminus in Sherwood to the Sage Hill transit hub just north of the Sage Hill Walmart. This change will provide a new connection from the Sage Hill and Kincora area to the northwest LRT, as well as provide connections to Route 425 and the north central area of the city. It will also help connect the newly emerging shopping centre to surrounding communities.

JOE'S TIP:

Halloween is coming up and with children excited and in costumes, please remember to slow down and be especially cautious in residential neighborhoods and around playground zones.

Army Cadets - Free Adventure for Boys and Girls

By Captain Johnny Mo, Commanding Officer, 2512 KOCR RCACC

Not many people realized that there is a free program called the Army Cadets. There are NO fees of any kind ever! In fact, Cadets earn \$360 for a 6 weeks summer course and can earn up to \$4,116 as staff instructors.

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~ Senator Art Eggleton, former Minister of National Defence

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Maple Sausage Brunch Bites

By Terri Gilson, Rocky Ridge Resident
and Volunteer Contributor



If you're a little bored with the typical breakfast food and looking for something different, try these Maple Sausage Brunch Bites. They won the grand prize in the 2014 Johnsonville sausage recipe competition. They are easy, quick, and freeze well. They are also great for 'on the go'. Reheat for a quick workday breakfast and cook in aluminum lined muffin cups for easy clean up. You can use the shredded or cubed hash browns (though the shredded tend to hold together better). Or serve them with fruit and you have yourself a perfect brunch.

Ingredients:

- 5 Eggs
- 3 Tbsp. Butter
- 1/3 Cup Light Sour Cream
- 4 Cups Frozen Hash Browns, Defrosted
- 1 1/2 Cups Light (Old/Sharp) Cheddar Cheese, Grated
- 1/3 Cup Canned Low-Fat Cream of Mushroom Soup
- 1/2 Cup Finely Chopped Onion (Approximately 1 Small Onion)
- 1 Pkg (375 g) Johnsonville Maple Syrup Flavoured Sausages, Cooked and Cut into 1/4 Inch Pieces

Directions:

1. Cook sausages according to package instructions.
2. Preheat oven to 350°F. Spray 12 muffin cups thoroughly with non-stick cooking spray.
3. Chop cooked sausage links into 1/4 inch circles.
4. Cook onion in butter for 2 minutes on high in microwave.



5. In a large mixing bowl, combine the defrosted hash browns, onion cooked in butter, mushroom soup, sour cream, eggs, grated cheddar cheese and sausages.
6. Scoop mixture into muffin tins to the top and pack down tightly with spatula (ensure they are packed to the top to make for easier removal).
7. Bake for 20-30 minutes in pre-heated oven.
8. *These next 2 steps are important to follow exactly: Remove from oven, let cool for about 3-5 minutes, then run a butter knife around the edge of each muffin cup to loosen the Maple Sausage Brunch Bites.
9. Let cool a full 10 minutes, run knife around edges once more, then carefully remove with a spatula and place on plates.
10. Serve immediately topped with salsa garnish and with fruit/fruit salad (optional).

*Optional: Garnish with 2 tsp. salsa

Serve with fruit

Yields: 12 servings

Preparation time: 15 minutes

Bake/cook time: 20-30 minutes

See more of Terri's recipes at
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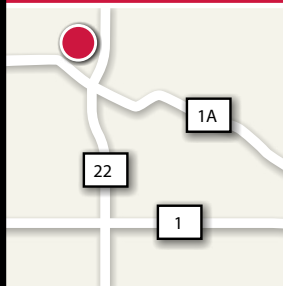
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HAVE A SAFE HALLOWEEN!

Welcome to the month of October, and the scariest day of the year! Halloween is a fun day for kids of all ages, but it can pose some potential hazards. The Calgary Police Service has the following tips for parents, drivers and homeowners on how to make Halloween safe and fun for everyone.

Halloween tips for trick-or-treaters and their parents

- Regular pedestrian rules still apply. Be sure to cross the road at marked crosswalks or well-lit corners only.
- Parents should also remind children to stay on the sidewalk and only cross the street at intersections.
- Children should be encouraged not to take shortcuts through alleys and abandoned areas, and to stay in populated, well-lit areas. It's a good idea for kids to carry a flashlight and to have a cell phone.
- A bright costume with reflector tape will make children more visible to drivers.
- Costumes should not be highly flammable, nor interfere with easy walking.
- If children are wearing masks, the masks shouldn't

interfere with their vision. Better yet, use face paint instead.

- Try to trick-or-treat while it's still light out.
- Remind children never to go beyond the doorway, and not to talk to strangers.
- An adult should inspect the candy to make sure it hasn't been tampered with.



Halloween tips for drivers

- When children get excited, they tend to forget the most basic safety rules, especially around traffic. If you're driving, slow down and be extra cautious in residential areas.
- Drive defensively - expect children to dart out from between parked cars.
- Watch carefully for people using pedestrian crossings.

Halloween tips for homeowners

- Turn on your porch light to let children know they're welcome (or vice versa).
- Remove obstacles such as lawn ornaments and gardening tools from yards.
- Place decorations out of the way so that nobody trips.

The Calgary Police Service is proud to participate in UNICEF Alberta's annual Partners for Safety Program. The program unites Calgary's emergency services with community organizations to provide safety information and patrol Calgary communities on Halloween night.

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~ Ward Sutherland

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