

# CHATTER

#### -IN THE WOODS-

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#### Summer Turns to Fall

Or shall we just come out and say we missed fall and it is now winter. We hope everyone enjoyed the extra gift Mother Nature gave in the exercise we all received shoveling our driveways.

September was a busy one and October looks to be the same. We have a lot of events and fun coming up that you won't want to miss.

Paint Night with David Zimmerman is happening October 18th—buy your tickets at Redwood House! They won't last long.

This month's issue features some really great submissions. We hope to hear more from other sources for wildlife news so stay tuned for more in coming months. Enjoy reading and as always if you have suggestions for the Chatter, RMCA programs or events please email <a href="mailto:TheChatter@redwoodmeadows.ab.ca">TheChatter@redwoodmeadows.ab.ca</a>

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Thanks to those that donated and supported our annual fall gear swap.

Thank you to all the volunteers that helped organize and make it a success.

#### **Redwood Meadows Community Association**

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o many opinions on the snow that was bestowed upon us this past weekend. I saw many young kids showing major positivity about it all and others shutting their eyes tight until the sun will sure enough melt it away. I guess this is why they call is Snowtember...

Bringing community together is always the goal of the RMCA team. The gear sale was a prime example of that. Thanks to all that brought out their gear. RMCA raised around \$400 to give back to community. We also had the pleasure of seeing parents getting skis, skates, boots, and clothing for their children and adults buying used equipment to go out and enjoy great deals. Many of the families donated the stuff that didn't sell. We have brought these items to thrift shops that support their local communities. It's a win win for everyone. Thank you Catherine Watson for being such a great lead volunteer at our gear sale.

Coming up next is our most coveted event of the year! Only 40 tickets will be sold for the Paint Night with David Zimmerman! October 18th! Bring your ideas and come learn to paint like our local artist. Its bound to be a great time—tickets are \$50 and can be purchased at Redwood House.

RMCA is looking ahead to November for three big events on the RMCA calendar. The Kananaskis Christmas Market will be held November 16th and 17th at Redwood House. Friday the 15th is the sneak a peak for locals and friends to come have a nice evening to enjoy live music, appetizers and a wine bar as you browse through the market in a quieter atmosphere. RMCA will be looking for about 10 volunteers to help through out the weekend. Please contact <a href="mailto:rmca-president@redwoodmeadows.ab.ca">rmca-president@redwoodmeadows.ab.ca</a> if you want to come help.

Santa will be coming Saturday November 23<sup>rd</sup> to Redwood for our Santa Photo shoot. Please keep checking the Chatter for more details as they are finalized.

The RMCA AGM will be held November 28<sup>st</sup> 7pm at Redwood House. All members are welcome to attend, volunteer for any position and listen to our accomplishments and our future plans for 2020. We are looking for some new faces to become directors and board members. The treasurer position is open and needed for this next term. Having some knowledge on bookkeeping would be an asset.

Happy Fall Everyone,

Renate van der Zande RMCA President rmca-president@redwoodmeadows.ab.ca AGM NOV 28th!
Board Position Available
Treasurer
Come Join Our Team



### Redwood Meadows Community Association—Business Listings

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Bow Valley Rugby		Rugby34@telus.net	
Bragg Creek Community Church	403-949-2072	braggcreekcommunitychurch@gmail.com	
Bragg Creek Tree Huggers - Pruning & Removal	403-589-6594	_	
Care in the Creek	403-949-2457	careinthecreek@gmail.com	
Cochrane Public Library	403-709-0346	Andrea. Johnston@cochranepublic library.ca	
Countryside Financial - Candace Perko	403-949-4129	cperko@countrysidefinancial.ca	
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Dieter Hendrickson	403-612-7849	dieter@remaxbraggcreek.com	
Resource & Support Services in Bragg Creek	403-851-2286	Wendy.farnsworth@cochrane.ca	
Fitness with Ann Sullivan	403-689-4835	anns@safari.ca	
Harder and Sons Exterior Maintenance Services Inc.	403-949-3442	Lowell@exteriormaintenance.ca	
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Mamabefit		stocmeg@hotmail.com	
Maverick Law	403-949-3339	carmen@mavericklaw.ca	
Montessori Home-Tutoring (K-12) Math and Language	403-949-2238	_	
Redwood Meadows Emergency Services (non emerg)	403-949-2012	www.rmesfire.org Call 911 in an Emergency	
Redwood Meadows Tae Kwon Do School	403-807-1030	ninedegrees@telus.net	
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Robotics	403-993-2334		
Rocky Mountain Adventure Medicine	403-949-2632	Brenda.watt@adventuremed.ca	
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Wintergreen Athletic Therapy	403-667-7116	slmacphee@gmail.com	
Wintergreen Golf Course	403-861-8918	sjackson@wintergreengolf.com	
XC Bragg Creek Ski and Bike Society		www.xcbraggcreek.ca	
Youngevity	403-949-4109	helencirin@gmail.com	



#### **Redwood Townsite Update**

ell Snowtember has left its mark on Redwood Meadows to remind us that we live in one of the most beautiful but unpredictable places anywhere. It should also be a reminder to all that our children love to play in the snow and do not always have traffic in mind. Please be careful out there.

In September, Council extended our By-Law officer Jamie Mitchell's tenure to the end of January. Jamie will also act as our interim Townsite Manager taking on most of the responsibilities (outside the lease process) that Julia managed during her tenure.

We have been assured that the skating rink will be completed and ready for hockey season with the boards being erected by early October and other final touches completed by the end of the month.

Council has approved the purchase of a new mobile app, available for iPhone and Android. Jamie is working closely with SNB Apps to ensure that we have the best possible communications tool for the townsite.

Rocky has completed the preparations to allow the composter to be installed. The townsite will actively engage and communicate how this will work with residents in the coming weeks.

We continue to work with Mage Networks to find a better internet solution for our Townsite. Mage has conducted a number of community engagement sessions and will continue the signup process. Mage must have a commitment of at least 60% of residents for the project to proceed. Councillor Allen is steering this project. See page 14 in this issue of the Chatter for more info, and go to connectredwood.com to sign up.

The lease process is now moving forward at very fast pace. The Townsite's lawyers are working with



the Nation to finalize the stewardship agreement and we believe we will have detailed financials to share in the coming weeks. Please watch for updates and upcoming community sessions. The Nation will hold its ratification vote on December 19<sup>th</sup>. We will finalize our ratification timing shortly. Deputy Mayor

Ackerman has reached out to several Returning Officers for input and proposals.

Council wishes you a safe and happy Thanksgiving and a great October!

#### **Council Meetings**

Council meetings are held on the first and third Tuesday of every month at 7pm at Redwood House. Meeting agendas are available to the community on the Redwood Meadows website prior to the Council meeting. If there is an agenda item that you would like added, please forward this to Colleen, our Council Executive Assistant on/by the Friday before the scheduled Council meeting.

cthiessen@redwoodmeadows.ab.ca



#### Picapix Puzzle



A picture will evolve as you complete the puzzle. Start with the largest numbers or combination of, colour in squares and proceed to work back and forth between columns and rows.

The three basic rules are:

- Numbers represent how many squares you colour in to form a group or block.
- Leave at least one square between these blocks.
- The sequential order of the numbers is the order of the blocks, i.e., top number for a column is the top block, and left-most number for a row is the left-most block.

The "logic count method" shown below is very useful: The clue at the left of the row is 6, so count 6 squares from the left to right and then count 6 squares from right to left.

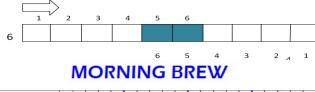
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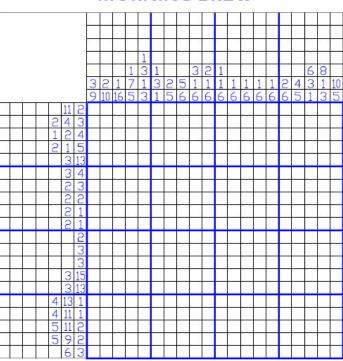
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Created by Diane Baher of Okotoks

squares.

Solution on page 18







#### **Redwood Meadows Emergency Services**



he second most common call Redwood Meadows Emergency Services receives is for traumatic injuries.

**Traumatic injury** is damage to the body caused by external force caused by accidents, falls, hits, weapons, and other causes.

Traumatic head injuries, which are the most preventable of these injuries, are a result of a blow or jolt to the head or a penetrating head injury.

#### Preventing sports-related head injuries

Buy and use helmets or protective head gear approved for specific sports. In addition to other safety apparel, helmets or head gear should be worn at all times for: softball, cycling, football, hockey, horseback riding, skateboards/scooters, skiing and wrestling.

#### **General prevention tips**

- Supervise young children at all times, and don't let them use sporting equipment or play sports unsuitable for their age.
- Follow rules and warning signs at water parks and swimming pools.
- Don't dive in water less than 12 feet deep or in above-ground pools. Check the depth and check for debris in the water before diving.
- Wear appropriate clothing for the sport.

- Don't wear clothing that can interfere with your vision.
- Don't participate in sports when you're ill or tired.
- Obey all traffic signals and be aware of drivers when cycling or skateboarding.
- Avoid uneven or unpaved surfaces when cycling, skateboarding, or in-line skating.
- Replace sporting equipment or protective gear that is damaged.



#### **Preventing other injuries**

- Wear a seatbelt every time you drive or ride in a motor vehicle.
- Never drive while under the influence of drugs or alcohol or ride as a passenger with anybody else who is under the influence.
- Keep firearms unloaded in a locked cabinet or safe, and store ammunition in a separate, secure location.
- Remove hazards in the home that may contribute to falls. Secure rugs and loose electrical cords, put away toys, use safety gates, and install window guards. Install grab bars and handrails if you are frail or elderly.

Until next month, stay safe!



# Bragg Creek Centre

ello Community,

With the end of summer comes our Fall
Program season and a new member to the BCCA
team! Welcome to our NEW Event and Program
Assistant, Shea-Lynn Yuzicapi! Shea is excited to
meet the community and apply her recreation
education and experience.

Thank you to all that attended our Fall Open House on Sept 10th, it was great to see some new faces. Also, thank you to those that attended the Film Festival as all bar proceeds went directly back to the BCCA.

Fall Programs have started with a couple of new additions like Springbank Dancers & Swamp Donkey Theatre. Our youth committee is returning and new participants are always welcome. Information on all programs can be found at <a href="https://www.braggcreekca.com">www.braggcreekca.com</a>. The BCCA is always looking at ways to improve your experience at your community center so we have a new registration structure for pickleball and badminton. It is our hope that these changes will:

- Increase commitment so there is a consistent number of players coming out each week
- Be mindful, as a not-for-profit, that BCCA programs are contributing to equipment & facility operating expenses
- Offer more quality programming so people don't have to travel outside the community
- Ensure that these sports won't get bumped for other bookings (unless an election is called – hands are a bit tied there)

Drop-in rates/pro-rates are available, and we are open to any and all feedback! Our intention is to be inclusive of all community members so if the new registration structure is a barrier for you to join, please let us know by emailing info@braggcreekca.com.

Save the Date for these important events:

- Federal Election Advanced Polls October 11-14
- BCCA Concert—Aaron Pritchett—October 12
- Office Closed—Happy Thanksgiving Oct 14
- Federal Election Polls Oct 21
- Haunted House and Halloween—Oct 31

The Haunted House and Halloween Event are coming up! Redwood Meadows Emergency services will be back on scene setting up a spooky haunted house. There will be activities for kids and the first movie night of the season will be the same night!

It's that time of year for the BCCA Annual General Meeting. On Tuesday, October 30, 2019 at 7:30pm, EVERYONE IS WELCOME to attend our AGM. Only current members can vote. Purchase or renew your membership today by emailing info@braggcreekca.com!

Proxy votes are available if you can NOT attend.
Under the provisions of the By-Laws that state: a proxy vote is accepted in writing only. It must be exercised by a fellow current Bragg Creek
Community Association member, eighteen years of age or older. All members who have received a fellow member's written proxy for the AGM, MUST
REGISTER PRIOR to the meeting. No Proxy votes will be accepted once the AGM has started.

We encourage you to come out to learn about the community center's past year and future plans! We value your feedback and would love to see you there!

#### WE are actively recruiting skilled Community Members to join the BCCA board

Desired skills are:

Board Governance Grant Writing Financial/Accounting Human Resources

If you would like to learn more, email <a href="mailto:outreach@braggcreekca.com">outreach@braggcreekca.com</a>.

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#### **October Events**

Throughout Oct—Scarecrow Festival

Oct 12th—Aaron Pritchett—BCPA

Oct 12th—Scarecrow Scurry

Oct 14th—Thanksgiving

Oct 31st—Halloween Haunted House BCCA

#### **November Events**

Nov 11th—Remembrance Day

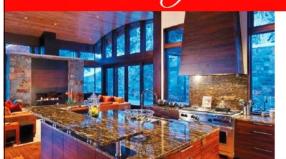
Nov 15—RMCA meeting 6:30pm

Nov 16-17—Kananaskis Christmas Market

Nov 28—RMCA AGM

Nov 23—Photos with Santa @ Redwood House

# Barbara Jones Realtor Redwood Meadows Resident Realtor



I have successfully sold numerous homes in Redwood Meadows and have introduced many new buyers to the community. If you're thinking of selling or buying, call me today! (403) 630-5194 cell



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#### Living in the Woods with Wildlife found an injured or orphaned wild animal?

ummer is the time when everyone is spends more discovering their wild worlds frequently get into difficulties. Put the two together, and you have people finding and rescuing injured or orphaned wildlife. But once someone finds a wild orphan, or rescues an injured bird, they often do not know what to do with it.

It is not within the Mandate of Alberta Environment & Parks, AEP, to rescue wildlife, because there is no government funding allocated to AEP enabling them to do month. so. Fortunately there are places\* who are set up and government approved (but not government funded) to accept, care for and release back into the wild Alberta's orphaned and injured wild animals.

The Cochrane Ecological Institute (CEI) is one of these places. The CEI is a registered charity which is situated in rural rolling foothills country outside Cochrane. The CEI consists of 140 acres of Montane habitat never broken to the plough- bear habitat- surrounded by two miles of 8 ft. high game fence and has operated on the same site, providing an essential service for Alberta's wildlife and Albertans for over 50 years! The charity was founded in 1964 by the Smeeton family for four reasons: 1, rescuing orphaned and injured wildlife. 2, ecosystem restoration by returning extirpated (extinct over their range in Canada) wild species to their historic, protected range. 3, research, and 4. to provide public education. If you want to find out more, look for Moose Magic and Completely Foxed, books written by Miles Smeeton.

Over the fifty years the CEI has been in operation, we have rescued, reared and released many thousands of injured and orphaned wildlife, both birds and mammals. Large mammals always arrive at the CEI as babies, and have included bear cubs, lynx and bobcat kittens, bighorn lambs, deer, moose and elk. But the charity is best known for its ground breaking work in the reintroduction of the Swift fox in Canada and the USA. We conceived the idea and obtained our first Swift foxes from the USA, as there were none left in Canada. Our first two pairs of Swift foxes came from Pine Ridge in South Dakota via the USA's wide network of wildlife rehabilitators. Over the years we received Swift foxes from Wyoming too, until we had a captive breeding colony of 25 Swift fox pairs and had provided well over 1,000 Swift foxes for reintroduction in Canada and the USA. Our foxes are no longer listed as Extirpated (extinct in Canada), they are now listed as Threatened, which is a big improvement. This Swift fox reintroduction was North America's first successful reintroduction of an extirpated carnivore and Canada Post even brought out a Swift fox stamp recognizing this.

Now the CEI is concentrating on the rescue of bear cubs,

help. Human actions change habitat and as result more time outside and also when young wild animals just bears, particularly Black bears, are seen by more people so it seems as though there are lots of them when, in fact, no one has any idea how many Black bears there are in Alberta.

> Climate and Habitat changes seem to be such massive problems to address, but sometimes if you try to help in small ways you can, as the CEI has proved, achieve great goals! I can tell you more about helping wildlife next

Clio Smeeton—Cochrane Ecological Institute

www.ceinst.org





#### **Wilderness, Wildlife & Human Interaction Elements of Ethical Co-Existence**



Artisan Market 9:30-3:30



#### **FEATURING**

 Bryce Casavant **Chantal Stormsong Chagnon • Francis First Charger • Audrey Lane** Cockett · Joe Duff · Joe Engelhart • Lesley Fox • Gilbert Proulx•



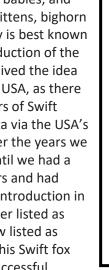
4<sup>th</sup> Annual Symposium **Elements of Ethical Co-**Existence

**Cochrane** Ranchehouse **November 2, 2019** 

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#### Mortgage Matters - 10 Mortgage Facts That Might Surprise You

hese trivia facts of mortgage knowledge are not only interesting, but they may save you thousands of dollars, too!

**#1 It's your Death Pledge.** The word mortgage is derived from a Law French term used in Britain in the Middle Ages meaning "death pledge" and refers to the pledge ending (dying) when either the obligation is fulfilled or the property is taken through foreclosure.

**#2 We've got nothing to complain about!** The highest mortgage interest rate was really high; in the second half of 1981, the rate peaked at 21.46%. 5 year fixed mortgages were more than 15% for about two years, from the fall of 1980 to the fall of 1982. 5 year fixed mortgage rates never fell below 10% for a full 18 years – from 1973 to 1991.

**#3 Mortgage rates can be quite volatile.** Mortgage rates are hot news right now with them hovering near all-time lows yet again. But do not assume that rates only change slowly. We may be used to the low rates that have been around for sometime, but they can change quickly and without notice as they did in 2018.

**#4 Different rates for different applicants.** You might assume that the current average interest rate is what you'll be offered, but that's not true. Different lenders will offer different rates. Specific application circumstances, such as your credit score or property location, will offer different rates.

**#5 Mortgages are not the same.** Watch out for "no frills". A no frills mortgage is the most basic, entry level, type of mortgage a borrower can obtain. It has very little or no flexibility, but it also offers lower interest rates than most other home loans. The terms and pre-payment options available with a no frills mortgage are minimal or nonexistent, which can be a huge disadvantage for borrowers over time.

#6 Prepay your mortgage. You can automatically pay down your mortgage (assuming you do not have a "no frills" mortgage as per above). Paying just \$100 more per month can shave many years off your amortization & reduce your interest cost by thousands. You can set up automatic money transfers, over and above your scheduled payment, from your bank account to go directly to your mortgage.

**#7 Your mortgage was probably sold-off.** You have an approval from ABC bank. It's now very common for you to take out a mortgage with one lender only to have it sold to

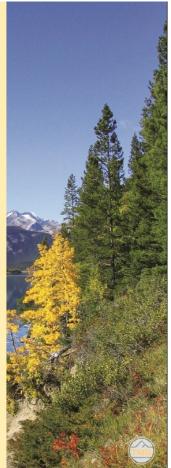
an investor or administered by another company.

**#8** A great credit score is important. A poor credit score will stop you from getting the lowest interest rates. Higher credit scores have exception allowances, lower interest rates, and programs for those well-qualified. Look into how you might raise your credit score and take the necessary steps.

**#9** Your assets do not really matter. If you have little income but have many cars/trucks/houses, don't assume that it will be smooth sailing getting approved for a mortgage. Lenders care much more about your verifiable monthly income than your assets; they need to be confident you can afford your monthly payments.

**#10 Lenders may overestimate how much home you can buy.** I always ask clients: what is your "sleep at night factor?" Don't let a lender or mortgage broker tell you how much house you can afford to buy. Take the data, but crunch your own numbers; be sure to leave a big margin of error for other costs (kids sports, groceries, travelling, etc), as well as unanticipated issues such as job losses, health issues, or income reductions.







Lieutenant (Ret'd) Jim Evans lost his brave battle with cancer on September 21, 2019. He left behind an amazing legacy in his family including: his wife of 50 years, Pat and his two sons, Rob (Jennifer) and Chris, as well as his grandchildren Ashley (Dakota), Alex, Hailey (Aaron), Nick and Michaela; great grandchildren Hunter, Sophia, Kiera, and Rylee-May; brothers and sisters Peggy Brasseau, Bob Taylor (Diane), Barb Barron (Mike), Barb Jordan, Shirley McIsaac (Paul), Bev Roy (Dave), Mike Taylor, and Cheryl Lutz (Darryl); numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

Jim was raised in Erin, ON, where he joined the Erin Fire Department at the age of 16 and rose through the ranks to eventually become Chief. After moving his family to Alberta, he made many friends at many places over the years. Jim worked at McMahon Stadium doing maintenance, at Calgary Correctional Centre as a Corrections Officer, as an employee of the Medical Examiner's Office, in town works at the Townsite of Redwood Meadows, and in road maintenance at Volker Stevin. Jim served with Redwood Meadows Emergency Services where he attained the rank of Lieutenant and was awarded the Canadian Fire Service Exemplary Service Medal in 1996.

"Papa Jim" was known throughout the community as a helper to anyone in need. He plowed driveways, gave rides, fixed cars, fed hungry people and checked in on elderly community members. He served on the executive of the Bragg Creek Snowbirds 50+ group, where he took great joy in organizing snooker tournaments. He was a fixture at the local gas station every morning where he would have a coffee, do a crossword puzzle and "hold court" with locals stopping by to chat. He will be dearly missed, after touching so many lives.

Jim asked that anyone wishing to make memorial donations direct their gifts to The Society For The Treatment of Autism, https://www.sta-ab.com 404 94 St. SE. Calgary, AB, T2J 0E8, in gratitude for their work with his granddaughter.

A Celebration of Life will be held at Redwood House, 1 Manyhorses Dr, Redwood Meadows, on October 4, 2019, at 1:00 pm.



#### The Buzz Around Redwood—Mage Networks

ou've probably heard the buzz about Mage Networks as the latest company to try to bring Redwood Meadows residents reliable internet service. How will this be any different or better than previous offers, you wonder. Well, here's what you need to know.

Mage is both an original equipment manufacturer (OEM) of wireless mesh network hardware and firmware and an internet service provider (ISP). "That means we provide internet access to communities using the technology we invented," says Brad Kamphuis, Vice President, Sales for Mage. Mage's mesh network, MagiNet™, is unique in that it relies on numerous small radios that interconnect to target the network signal to users in an area instead of one large antenna blanketing an area with a signal. The result is better network reception at a lower cost.

According to Mage, there are three main challenges that have kept other internet service providers from being able to offer stable high-speed internet in Redwood:

First, the heavily wooded terrain located on very rocky soil with a high water table. Getting wireless signals into the area through tower or cellular sources is difficult because trees get in the way. And the rocky wet soil creates problems with cutting trenches into the ground to lay wire to deliver internet service.

Second, a relatively small community. That means a small customer base and relatively low revenues for internet service providers who would have to pay to build and operate a network, and deliver internet connectivity.

Third, a significant distance to the nearest access point of high-speed internet connectivity. Internet service providers have two technical challenges when setting up any network: connecting homes to their network and bringing internet connectivity into their network. Both challenges exist in Redwood Meadows, which means set-up and operating costs go up.

So how will Mage succeed where others have failed?

"Mage's approach is uniquely capable of overcoming each of these challenges," says Kamphuis. "MagiNet™ networks can follow roadways and power lines, which already navigate around trees. And because we're using wireless radios, there's no need to dig up the ground to bury wires." MagiNet™ equipment also costs significantly less than other types of wireless network equipment to fully cover a comparable area, which in turn makes it financially feasible for Redwood Meadows to purchase its own fibre optic cable for internet connectivity. The offer consists of:

A monthly infrastructure fee charged by the townsite for a five-year term. This \$35 fee applies to every home in Redwood to pay for the fibre optic cable. A monthly service plan fee charged by Mage Networks Inc to those who sign up for internet service. The data rate guarantee for each plan is the same: 100Mbps. "There is NO LIMIT to the amount of data consumed so feel free to run your Netflix service all day every day if that's what you'd like to do," says Kamphuis. The service plan options are:

- Bronze: 2 years, \$85/month
   Silver: 3 years, \$80/month, 1 month free
- Gold: 5 years, \$75/month, 3 months free

See <u>ConnectRedwood.com</u> for more details, including installation fees and information about optional in-home Wi-Fi equipment rental, which starts at \$6.95/month.

The project aims to be a win/win with Redwood residents finally getting reliable high-speed internet while Mage can use Redwood Meadows as its model community to show other prospective communities what is possible. In order for the project to proceed, 60% (210 homes) of residents must sign up. You can sign up now at ConnectRedwood.com.

If you have questions, please read the FAQs at <a href="http://www.redwoodmeadows.ab.ca/mage-networks-frequently-asked-questions-faqs/">http://www.redwoodmeadows.ab.ca/mage-networks-frequently-asked-questions-faqs/</a>. You can also contact Mage at <a href="mage-network.com">info@mage-network.com</a> or call Kamphuis directly at 403-272 -1535 x105; or the Townsite at <a href="mage-network.com">info@mage-network.com</a> or 403-949-3563.



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#### October Happenings

♦ Friday 4th – The Tumbleweeds – The best ever Country tracks

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- ◆ Friday 11th Malibu Mike Band Classic soft rock, all the hits
- ◆ Saturday 19th Rani's Rasoi & Bingo All you can eat buffet for \$19.99 and Free Fun Bingo (Full Bar Menu Available)
- ◆ Saturday 26th—Our INFAMOUS HALLOWEEN PARTY—DJ—costume prizes, giveaways and lots of specials!

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# Athlete or Artist of the Month









Do you have a budding athlete or artist at home? We would like to recognize the amazing and talented youth in our community.

Do your children (or hey you teens!) play a sport, participate in dance, taekwondo, maybe a gymnast in the family—or perhaps you've been working on your music, painting, photography, drawing or acting skills.

Regardless of the activity we would like to feature them/you!

Please send your picture along with answers to the questions below to

thechatter@redwoodmeadows.ab.ca for your chance to be featured.

Name:

Age:

What Activity/Activities do you participate in?

How long have you been participating?

What do you love about it?

Do you have a favourite move/piece/song/subject?

Any other highlights/recognition?

Perhaps a favourite coach/teacher/team member?

Are you a local business? We would enjoy a sponsor for this new feature, contact the chatter if interested



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We would like to remind residents that Redwood Meadows has a "dog under control" by-law. While walking throughout the townsite and on the berm, keep in mind that not all residents enjoy dogs jumping or running after them and their kids.

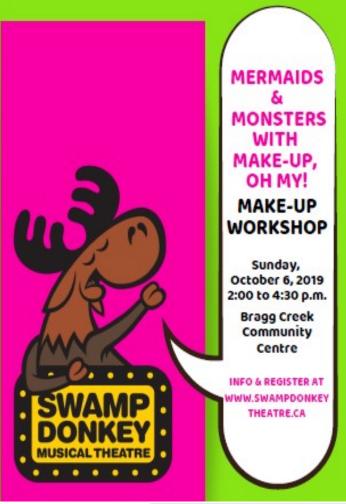
Dog Owners, Be Kind to Your Neighbours. Please be Considerate and Scoop up After Your Dog.











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October Please Be Good To Me.

#### JOIN YOUR FRIENDS FOR A WALK IN THE HAMLET

The Ladies Auxiliary hosts a weekly walking group in Bragg Creek. Meet at 10:30am Wednesdays at the community centre. Email <a href="mailto:jahand@telus.net">jahand@telus.net</a>.

#### **GET ACTIVE WITH ADULT FITNESS CLASSES IN REDWOOD**

Join us for a fun, varied and challenging one-hour workout at Redwood House every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9am. Bring running shoes, a water bottle, yoga mat and hand weights if you have them. First class is free so you can try it out! Email anns@safari.ca or text 403-689-4835 for information.

#### Are you hiring?

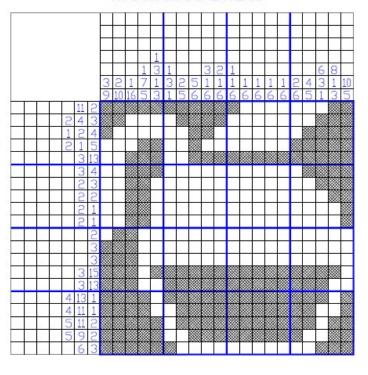
We would love to post your job listings here.

Email your jobs to thechatter@redwoodmeadows.ab.ca

# 2019/2020 HOCKEY REGISTRATION OPEN REGISTER UNTIL SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

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#### MORNING BREW



Name	Age	Courses	Contact
Banon	14	Home Alone, Babysitting course	403-949-4104
Во	13	Home Alone, Babysitting course	403-949-8471
Darian	15	St. John's Babysitting, Home Alone	403-949-2490
Elizabeth	12	Red Cross Babysitting, CPR	403-540-8056 ekorthuis@telus.net
Emma	19	CPR, First Aid, Special Needs Experience	587-899-5420
Emily	17	First aid, CPR	587-582-2846
Griffin	12	Babysitting course	403-408-6998
Hunter	12	Red Cross Home Alone, Babysitting Course	403-949-888 (Redwood)
Jerrith	14	Red Cross Babysitting	403-869-5634
Kate	16	Babysitting course	403-860-9525
Keeling	17	Red Cross Babysitting, Home Alone, First Aid	403-949-3149 keelingbarrie@me.com
Liam	16	Babysitting course	403-949-2090
Logan	14	St. John's Babysitting, Home Alone	403-949-2825
Lucy	21	CPR, First Aid, Babysitting course	587-586-5129 lucygracetalman@hotmail.com
Mackaela	12	Babysitter's license, standard first aid and CPR-B	403.969.6732 macarchambault@gmail.com
Mairenn	15	St. John's Babysitting, Home Alone	403-949-2490
Nolan	11	CPR, Babysitting course	905-999-0635 tanyasilvercyr@gmail.com
Quinn	14	Babysitting course	403-949-3149 quinnbarrie@me.com
Sawyer	14	Red Cross Home Alone, Babysitting course	403-949-8888 (Redwood)
Tanis	13	Red Cross babysitting course	403-949-3303
Tessa	12	Babysitting course	403-949-3214
Tia	14	Babysitting course, Home Alone course	403-949-4475
Tianna	12	St. John's Babysitting, Home Alone courses	403-949-3463
Zara	14	Babysitting Certificate	403-949-4474

Disclaimer: The Chatter provides this list solely as a service to the community. It is the responsibility of parents/ guardians to check all credentials and references before hiring a caregiver for their child(ren).



David Zimmerman and RMCA A Paint Night Like No Other! Friday October 18th @ Redwood House

Get ready to be messy, have loads of fun, and go home with a unique piece of art you will have created.

\$50 per person—all supplies included (Glazing and Canvas Upgrades Extra)
Doors Open @ 5:30pm—Painting starts at 6pm

Cash Bar and Complimentary Hors D'oeuvre
Tickets can be purchased at Redwood House during office
hours by cheque or cash only