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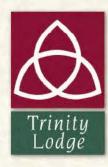


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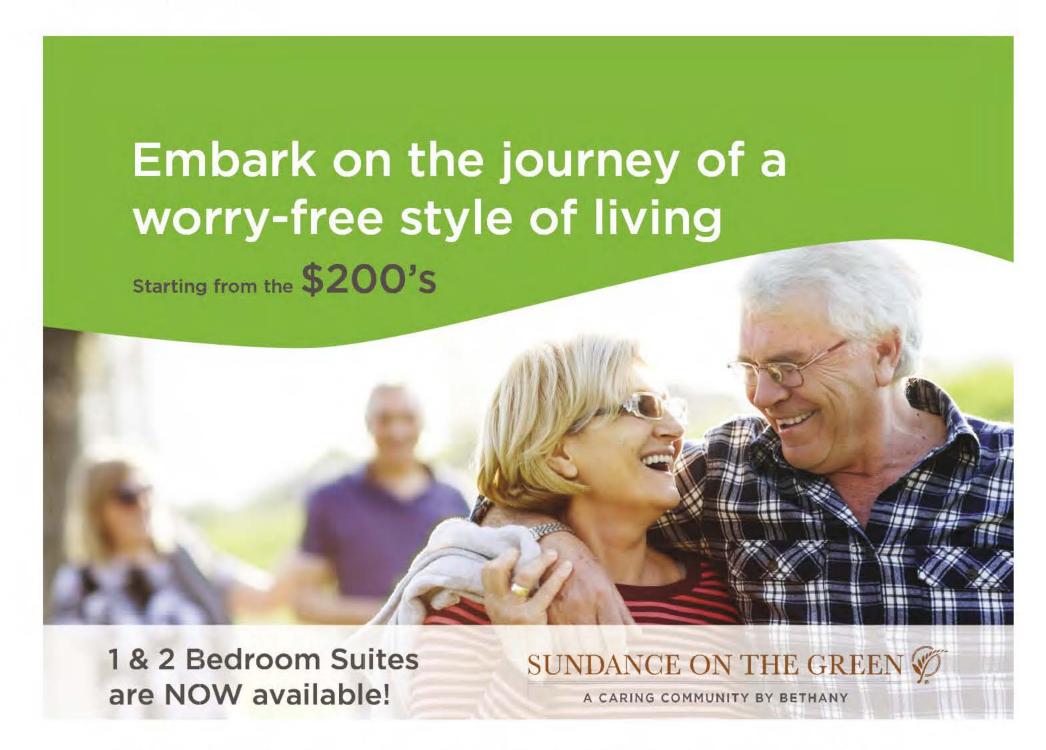
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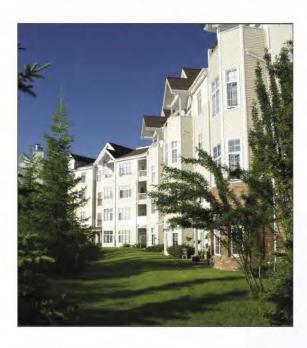
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By Hank Heerema

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Along with our other publications, the Kerby Centre Housing Directory and the Directory of Seniors Services, Kerby News uses advertising opportunities to bring in money to support Kerby Centre's operations. That money helps us continue vital programs such as our grocery delivery for older adults who cannot shop for themselves, wellness services, and our shelter.

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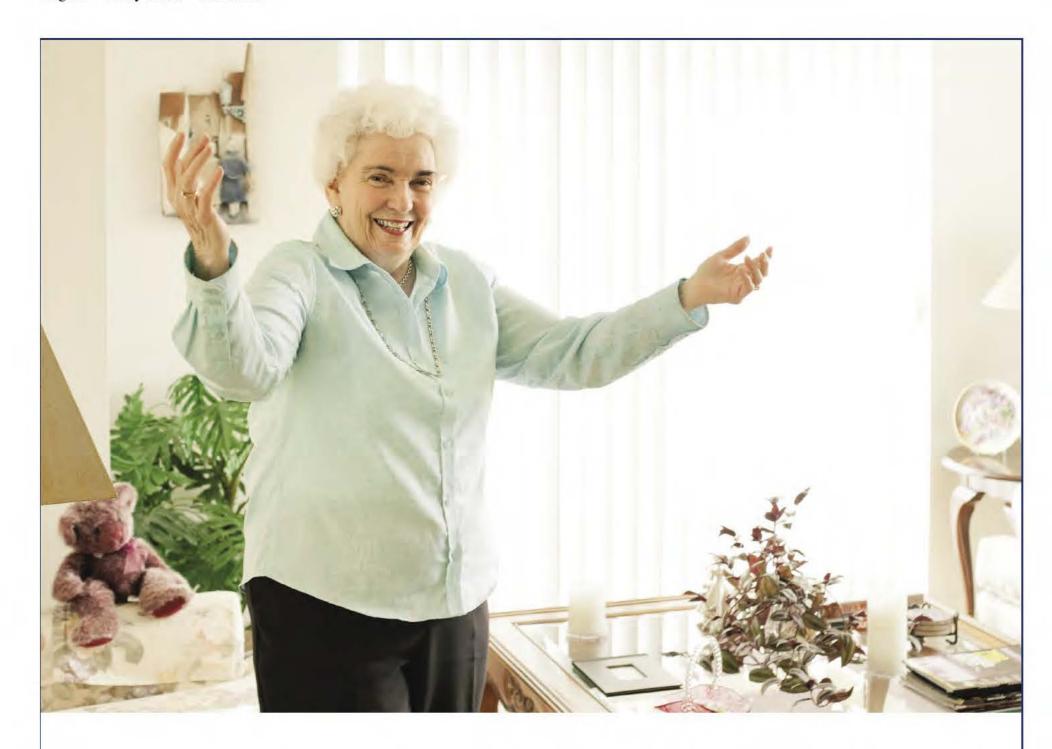
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News from City Hall —

It's time to open Calgary's cycle track network

Evan Woolley



Construction is nearly finished and soon we'll be launching Calgary's new cycle track network. Please join me to celebrate this great step forward for Ward 8 and for our city. We'll have live music, food trucks, family-friendly activities and plenty of bicycle parking. So get on your bike and make your way to Barb Scott Park in the Beltline (9 St & 12 Ave SW) on Sunday, June 21, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The cycle track network is a pilot project that builds on the existing regional pathway network and current track on 7 Street SW. The new bike lanes are protected by a physical barrier from moving cars, parked cars and sidewalks, thus providing a predictable space for cyclists, increasing safety, and making it easier to get around downtown Calgary on bike. The network includes the following new cycling

routes: 1) 5th Street, from 3rd to 17th Avenues SW; 2) 12th Avenue, from 11th Street SW to 4th Street SE; and 3) 8th & 9th Avenues, from 11th to 3rd Streets SW from Macleod Trail to 4th Street SE.

Calgary is a big city now, and we're only going to get bigger. It is therefore crucial that we provide more travel choices, especially for getting in and out of downtown, and that these options are safe, convenient, acces-

sible and permanent. There are currently 11,000 cyclists who cycle in and out of downtown every day - this number will increase, and the new routes in the city core are an excellent step in preparing for Calgary's bike-friendly future.

Let's demonstrate the value of this project and give credit to the City staff and engaged citizens who made the cycle track network a reality. I hope you'll join me on Sunday, June 21.

If you have any questions about cycling in Calgary, the pilot of cycle tracks, or the event, you can call my office at 403-268-2430, send email to ward08@cal gary.ca or visit my website www.calgary.ca/ward8.

Evan Woolley is the Calgary Councillor for Ward 8

This month in Edmonton —

Please allow me to introduce myself

Kathleen Ganley



I am honoured to introduce myself to Kerby News readers as the MLA-elect for Calgary-Buffalo. I am excited to be a part of this new government, to bring change that Albertans have been waiting for, and for this opportunity to represent such a vibrant and diverse community in the heart of Calgary.

A little about me: I was born in Edmonton and grew up in Calgary, where I attended Western Canada High School right here in

Calgary Buffalo. Prior to the election I was working as a labour and employment lawyer in here in Calgary. I live with my husband and two cats, and in my free time I enjoy theater, yoga, and spending time with my friends.

When not working, I have been active in the community. I believe that volunteering is a great way to connect with a community and have worked as a pro bono lawyer, a stage manager, and a hospital volunteer.

Since the election I have been familiarizing myself with my new job and working hard to get my office set up and ready to receive visitors. Thanks to the help and support of my colleagues, we hope to have the office up and running early this summer. I look forward to meeting many of you in the weeks and months to follow.

This election was incredibly exciting, representing the first change in government in Alberta in 44 years. It was so

wonderful to see so many people interested in the issues that face us, and hear so many ideas and thoughts while out knocking on doors and canvassing the streets. Now the hard work really begins!

Our new government is made up of people who work hard, are dedicated to their communities devoted to public service. We are from different backgrounds from across the province and together we represent the diversity of the people of Alberta.

I am honoured to work with them, and to serve you. I hope that in the months and years to come, we can hold on to the excitement that swept through Alberta this election.

I look forward to hearing from, and working for, all of you.

Kathleen Ganley is MLA for Calgary Buffalo

This month in Ottawa —

Initiative to produce results for seniors' organizations Joan Crockatt

On Friday May 8th, I was thrilled to introduce my colleague Minister of State for Seniors Alice Wong, who highlighted the Government of Canada's work to tackle issues facing seniors in a Korean Canadian Seniors hosted Conference Calgary. In her remarks, Minister Wong highlighted the re-aligning of a number of programs and activities to address the issue of social isolation of seniors—a growing issue that can have substantial impact on seniors' lives.

I am always encouraged by our government's continued commitment to Canadian seniors and their issues. A call for proposals (CFP) for pan-Canadian

projects funded through the New Horizons for Seniors Program (NHSP) will be launched on May 29, 2015. Using collaborative partnership approaches and with an emphasis on speech delivered at the results, pan-Canadian projects funded through this call will be focusing on the reduction and prevention of social isolation of seniors.

The government and I feel strongly that Canadian seniors, who have contributed so much to our society, should be supported so that they do not become socially isolated. It has always been of great importance that seniors have the opportunities to remain active in their communities and with their family and friends. As such

this program is designed to alleviate the pressing issue of social isolation of seniors. This also helps to avoid resulting problems including harm to social, mental and physical well being; not to mention the increased risk for abuse.

I am very pleased that this funding has been made available so that seniors' organizations in Calgary can pursue the opportunities that this program aims to support. These aims are: promoting volunteerism among seniors, facilitating the mentorship of young people by seniors, raising awareness on elder abuse, supporting recreational and social activities for seniors, as well as providing financial assistance for

other new or existing seniors programs.

Specifically, this initiative can provide up to \$750,000 for each funding applicant. My hope is that this money will produce results for organizations like the Kerby Centre and others which already do such valuable work for seniors in Calgary. I am confident that every dollar invested in our seniors' communities will produce results of great benefit to individuals in Calgary Centre.

In addition to this annouchment, I am proud of our government's long standing record of advocating on behalf of seniors in Parliament. We have provided \$2.7 billion in addi-

tional tax relief Canadian seniors and last year alone four million people received \$27 billion in retirement benefits. Personally I am proud of every contribution I can make in this area and every time I can represent seniors from Calgary Centre.

If you would like to learn more about this program or any other seniors' initiative, I invite you to visit http://www.seniors.gc.ca or call my Constituency Office at (403)-244-1880.

Joan Crockatt is the Member of Parliament for Calgary Centre

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Calgary HandiBus employees joining Calgary Transit family

Calgary HandiBus will buses is unsustainable. now be operating under Calgary Transit's Access cent in favour of having Calgary following a successful union ratification vote.

The City of Calgary and ATU Local 583 have been in negotiations over the past few months regarding the future of HandiBus operations. The decision to transfer bus operations to Calgary Transit comes after a recent independent study commissioned by HandiBus found its current business model for operating

The union voted 93 per HandiBus operators and support staff join the City of Calgary during the Tuesday, May 5 ratification vote.

The transition of operations is still being finalized but is expected to begin during summer.

Customers can be assured their service won't be affected, says Director of Calgary Transit Doug Morgan. "We are looking forward to hav-

ing the HandiBus operators become Calgary Transit employees and to continue delivering great accessible service to the citizens of Calgary," said Morgan.

"This will provide even more focus on delivering high-quality accessibility on all Calgary Transit services. Customers will continue to receive the same excellent service."

Access Calgary is already the first point of contact for customers with disabilities

who require service. It will continue serving the city's 15,000 registered customers.

"I am pleased that the Union was able to negotiate an agreement with The City that will see members of the Union become City employees and continue having members serve customers," said Rick Ratcliff, President of the Amalgamated Transit Union Local 583.

Calgary HandiBus will continue as a registered charity with its focus on raising funds to purchase buses to help provide special needs transportation services to the community, said Calgary HandiBus Chairman Jim Brown.

"First and foremost, we are happy that customers will continue receiving the high quality service they rely on in a more sustainable organization, provided by the same HandiBus drivers and staff in their new role as part of Calgary Transit's Access Calgary," said Brown.

Letters to the Editor

From liberty springs hope

Dear Editor,

by liberty "Coming to later life requires adapt-

the Kerby News written column. liberty's personal story was very terms with change in interesting and many of us definitely have diffiability". I could really culty with change. She

we can get through this.

Looking forward to reading liberty's next column. I also want to thank you for such great news I just read an article in relate to this well written has given us hope that information for seniors.

All the best,

Sharon Stanchfield

Missing in action

Dear Editor,

I wanted to tell you how much I enjoyed reading your article on your trip to New Brunswick and all the details that you included. My husband and I took a trip to the Maritimes in 1997, but from your experiences it appears we missed a few of the things that we should have seen in New Brunswick. We did see the Hopewell Rocks, the Magnetic Hill and a few of the other things you mentioned, but your writing made me want to return and see it again and make sure I don't miss out on some of these other places and things. Thanks for all the details and the beautiful photos.

Mary Martens

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The Canadian baby boom years are different from the U.S.

We still have time to plan for its impact on the economy

By Robert L. Brown

As a retired demographer, I do indeed tire of the endless articles in the Canadian press that either just quote U.S.-based stories about the baby boom or make the incorrect assumption that the Canadian baby boom mirrored that south of the border.

Defining the Canadian baby boom as being parallel to that in the United States is both wrong and dangerous.

While it is fairly accurate to define the U.S. baby boom as having taken place in the period between 1946 and 1964, that is definitely not true for Canada. When one graphs the number of live births in Canada, it is quite clear that the "boom" years went from 1952 to 1965 (inclusive). Those are also the only years in Canadian history when live births in Canada exceeded 400,000. Interestingly, the number of live births in Canada has not exceeded 400,000 since 1965 despite our rapidly growing base population.

Our baby boom births peaked in 1959 versus 1957 for the U.S. The number of live births in Canada in 1946 was 343,504 – well below our 400,000 criterion.

Why does this matter?

I was born in Canada in 1949, which means I am not a member of the baby boom. I did not experience overcrowding when I went to school. Getting into university (in 1967) was pretty easy and getting a job in 1971 was not a problem at all.

I bought my first house in 1975 just before prices skyrocketed and before mortgage rates exploded. And I started to receive my Old Age Security cheque when I turned 65, exactly as promised.

But those born several years later (1952-65 -Canada's actual baby boom) did face a lot of problems because of their birth year. They went to school in shifts or in portables. The marks required to get into university rose rapidly. When they graduated from university, youth unemployment rates exceeded 25 per cent. By the time they bought their first homes, prices were already up and mortgage rates were 18 per cent or more. And, if you were born in 1958 or later, you will have to wait as much as two more years for your Old Age Security benefits.

So assuming that Canada's baby boom years mirrored the

U.S. in this important statistical demographic is wrong. But why is it dangerous?

First, assuming that the baby boom is a post-war phenomenon means that we jump to the wrong conclusion when guessing the cause. The baby boom was not the result of frisky soldiers returning to Canada. It was, instead, the result of the very good economic times in the period 1952 to 1965 which made it possible for stay-at-home moms and large families.

Second, it leads to other erroneous conclusions. If you use as a single age the birth cohort of 1946 to define the baby boom, you will picture this demographic as turning 69 in 2015. That is, 'old.' But if you correctly anchor the baby boom around its peak and mid-point in 1959, then the baby boom will, in

fact, turn 56 in 2015. That means the bulk of the baby boom is still in the labour force and the explosion in our dependency ratio will not peak until 2024 - a decade from now. Further, the average age of exit from the labour force has been steadily increasing since 2001 and many Canadians now retire after age 65, which means this

major shift in our labour market may actually happen post-2024.

So, the tidal wave is not upon us - yet. We still have time to plan for its impact on the economy in terms of both lower GDP growth and in terms of rapidly rising costs for health care and social security.

And the ski hills can still look forward to a few

more good years before heading downhill.

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From a grandkid's perspective

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A02 Gentle Seated Yoga July Maunder's McNeil	Improve range of motion and learn ways to relax, release and rejuvenate. Learn basic yoga postures in a comfortable and social environment. Options provided for all levels.	Caroline Bees	Tuesday July 7 – July 28	1:30 – 2:30 pm Room 205	\$20.00	\$40.00
A03 Gentle Seated Yoga August Maunder's McNeil	A continuation of the above course.	Caroline Bees	Tuesday Aug 11 – Sept 1	1:30 – 2:30 pm Room 205	\$20.00	\$40.00
A04 Monday Yoga All Levels July	Learn the fundamentals of yoga through body awareness, breath and movement. This class is self-paced. Getting to the floor easily is required. Please bring your own yoga mat & yoga block.	Caroline Bees	Monday July 6 – July 27	2:30 – 3:30 pm Room 205	\$30.00	\$50.00
A05 Monday Yoga All Levels August	A continuation of the above course.	Caroline Bees	Monday Aug 10 – Aug 31	2:30 - 3:30 pm Room 205	\$30.00	\$50.00
A06 Monday Fitness July	Traditional aerobics class with emphasis on cardiovascular training. Minimal strength training, using weights or resistance bands. You are encouraged to work at your own pace.	Dan Leung	Monday July 6 – July 27	10:05 - 11:00 am Gymnasium	\$26.00	\$46.00
A07 Monday Fitness August	A continuation of the above course.	Dan Leung	Monday Aug 10 – Aug 24	10:05 – 11:00 am Gymnasium	\$22.00	\$42.00
A08 Wednesday Fitness July	Same course listed above offered on a different day.	Dan Leung	Wednesday July 8 – July 29	10:05 - 11:00 am Gymnasium	\$26.00	\$46.00
A09 Wednesday Fitness August	A continuation of the above course.	Dan Leung	Wednesday Aug 12 – Sept 2	10:05 - 11:00 am Gymnasium	\$26.00	\$46.00
A10 Muscle Strength & Core Balance	Strong core balance is necessary for good posture, balance, mobility and safety around the house. Available equipment will be used to train muscles associated with activities for daily living.	Dan Leung	Friday July 17 – Sept 4 No class July 31 & Aug 7	9:30 – 10:20 am Gymnasium	\$37.00	\$57.00
A11 Salsa Workout July	Moving to Salsa music, this aerobic workout will focus on increasing functional mobility of hips and shoulders.	Bonnie Field	Monday July 6 – July 27	1:00 – 2:00 pm Gymnasium	\$24.00	\$44.00
A12 Salsa Workout August	A continuation of the above course.	Bonnie Field	Monday Aug 10 – Aug 31	1:00 – 2:00 pm Gymnasium	\$24.00	\$44.00
A13 Rhythms & Grooves! July	This class is guaranteed to loosen up those stiff areas of the body and awaken your sense of fun with rhythms and music! Participants will have use of rhythm sticks, shakers, and other percussive instruments to make up a fun-filled experience. Different movements of the body will be paired up with the use of the instruments to make this a well-rounded workout!	Bonnie Field	Monday July 6 – July 27	2:15 – 3:15 pm Gymnasium	\$24.00	\$44.00
A14 Rhythms & Grooves! August	A continuation of the above course.	Bonnie Field	Monday Aug 10 – Aug 31	2:15 – 3:15 pm Gymnasium	\$24.00	\$44.00
A15 Summer Line Dance Multilevel July	No one to dance with? Need exercise? This class will teach you the basics of line dance in a fun and educational setting.	Bonnie Field	Thursday July 9 – July 30	1:00 - 2:00 pm Room 311	\$24.00	\$44.00
A16 Summer Line Dance Multilevel August	A continuation of the above course.	Bonnie Field	Thursday Aug 13 – Aug 27	1:00 – 2:00 pm Room 311	\$20.00	\$40.00
A17 Tai Chi Monday July	Tai Chi is a series of movements and poses that make up a meditative form of exercise with both physical and spiritual health benefits. Reduce stress, increase coordination, balance and range of motion.	Adrian Buczek	Monday July 6 – July 27	9:00 – 10:00 am Gymnasium	\$22.00	\$42.00
A18 Tai Chi Monday August	A continuation of the above course.	Adrian Buczek	Monday Aug 10 – Aug 31	9:00 – 10:00 am Gymnasium	\$22.00	\$42.00
A19 Tai Chi Wednesday July	Same Tai Chi course listed on Monday's, but offered on a different day.	Adrian Buczek	Wednesday July 8 – July 29	1:30 – 2:30 pm Lounge	\$22.00	\$42.00
A20 Tai Chi Wednesday August	A continuation of the above course.	Adrian Buczek	Wednesday Aug 5 – Sept 2 No class Aug 12	1:30 – 2:30 pm Lounge	\$22.00	\$42.00

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Course # & Name	Course Description	Instructor	Day/Date	Time/Room	Member Price	Non Member Price
B01 Bid & Play	This is a fun two-hour weekly course for those who have a basic knowledge of bridge, and want to expand their playing ability. Hands will be dealt and students will attempt to reach the best contract with the help and encouragement of a Life Master Instructor. Short lessons will be given when needed.	Pae	Thursday July 9 – Aug 27 No class Aug 6	10:00 – 12:00 pm Room 311	\$64.00	\$84.00
B02 Feel Good and Speak Spanish	This course will help students boost their communication skills by building confidence and fluency when speaking. This is an opportunity to practice the language through discussion of topics of interest. The course will focus on pronunciation, listening and building vocabulary, as well as hands on experience through field trips around the city. Beginner and/or Intermediate Spanish Grammar is a prerequisite.	Norah Hutchinson	Tuesday July 7 – July 28	10:00 - 12:00 pm Room 311	\$40.00	\$60.00



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C01 Pinterest Posting	Want to know what tweeting, Pinterest and Instagram are all about? Participants will learn how to log onto Twitter, Pinterest and Instagram. Instruction on how to create profiles, find friends and interests. Discover how to upload photos, have discussions online and research things that interest you.	Lea Storry	Tuesday July 28	10:00 – 1:00 pm Room 312	\$44.00	\$64.00
C02 Setting Up And Basic Functions of Your iPad	Want to know how to register and configure your new iPad? Learn basic functions and how to connect to the Internet using WIFI. Find and install "Apps" such as phone book, music stations and video games. Use built in features like the camera and calendar. Search for, preview and download music on I-tunes.	Pat Seifert	Wednesday August 5	12:30 - 3:30 pm Room 301	\$44.00	\$64.00
C03 Introduction to the Internet	The internet is a wonderful resource. It can be used to keep in touch with family and friends, read the news, follow your hobbies, pay bills, and much more! In this class, you will learn how to find what you are looking for on the World Wide Web and discover the difference between an ISP, a browser and a search engine.	Pat Seifert	Wednesday August 12	12:30 - 3:30 pm Room 312	\$44.00	\$64.00
C04 Managing Your Photo Library	Are you over run with photographs on your computer? Learn how to keep track of your photos through filing and how to change the size, crop and other techniques.	Pat Seifert	Wednesday August 19	12:30 - 3:30 pm Room 312	\$44.00	\$64.00
C05 PowerPoint for Beginners	Don't let your summer festivities/holiday photos linger in your camera. Share them with PowerPoint. Participants will learn how to create slides, add photos and images and write content. Bring your own project or start with a new idea. Anyone can create stunning presentations with Power Point that look like it was designed by a professional.	Lea Storry	Tuesday September 8	10:00 – 1:00 pm Room 312	\$44.00	\$64.00



EVENING COURSES "E" Courses

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Course # & Name	Course Description	Instructor	Day/Date	Time/Room	Member Price	Non Member Price
E01 Monday Pilates	Strengthen abdominal and back muscles, gain total body flexibility and improve your posture. All exercises are done lying down on a padded mat. Options given for all levels.	Caroline Bees	Monday July 13 – Aug 31 No class Aug 3	4:15 - 5:15 pm Room 205	\$60.00	\$60.00
E02 Pilates Fusion July	Strengthen, lengthen and stabilize your entire body while gaining better posture. Improve your core muscles through Pilates based mat exercises, gain total body flexibility with yoga inspired stretches and improve your balance with some functional standing work. Options given for all levels.	Cathy Morrison	Wednesday July 8 – July 29	4:15 - 5:15 pm Room 205	\$35.00	\$35.00
E03 Pilates Fusion August	A continuation of the above course.	Cathy Morrison	Wednesday Aug 12 – Sept 2	4:15 - 5:15 pm Room 205	\$35.00	\$35.00

Editor's Note:

Kerby News periodically receives poetry from its readers which for various reasons is only used occasionally. To redress this situation and in celebration of Seniors' Week in June Kerby News invited its readers to submit their poems for prospective publication. We were pleasantly pleased with the response and the number of submissions we received, not to mention the quality. As this was not a poetry contest, with only the best being published, we print over the next several pages a selection of the poems we received (yes, several poets have more than one poem published). Please excuse any errors of punctuation, spacing or grammar, as most of the poems printed here have been edited as little as possible, in order to give the poets the necessary "poetic license." Unfortunately, space limitations are the major reason we are not able to print more. Enjoy!

Excerpt From My Heart

 ${
m T}$ ears sit like limpid pools in my eyes, trying desperately not to fall. Once again I have allowed my memory to drift back in time to a very special person. Back then he was the only one that truly loved and cared for me.

"My someone special"

I can still see his face in every crowd, as years ago I would see him standing across a busy street and then suddenly, wildly, he would be dodging in and out of busy traffic.

Only moments later he would be beside me holding me tightly in his arms.

Never caring who was to see us.

Our days were filled with laughter and sunshine that we thought would last forever.

Though he is now gone he will never leave my heart or my mind.

Many times on a crowded street I see his face and know that if I avert my eyes he will be gone. "Remembering hurts so much"

Lyla V. Byers

Old Folk, The First Generation

You are the older, you are the wiser, you are the reliable old folk, You are the generation susceptible to a heart attack and a severe massive stroke. You have come this distance in stride with elegance and finesse, You have conquered these awesome ages, doing your absolute best.

You are the masters of your own destiny now, and the soul survivors of the far past, Your struggle for recognition did not come easy and in some cases didn't last. Your family have left you by now, you are on your own, Some of your children are probably deceased, grandkids all grown.

But overall, you have managed to erect a living legacy, befitting a King and a Queen, Your sensitivities may have been damaged once or twice, you took it in stride with esteem. You are indeed a valuable individual, give yourself a pat on the back, For memories of you will live on forever, and that's a natural fact. Derek W. Newell



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Thoughts

Ruby throated hummingbirds
hovering while they drink
Butterflies with black tipped wings
darting to and fro
Orange and yellow tiger lilies
row after row
Wild roses fresh with Sparkling dew;
Deer standing, staring, bounding
Eagles soaring high
A Rainbow's brilliant colours
In the evening sky

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Untitled

'Tis a labour, a labour I do And I do much labour for you The hours roll by, and the minutes, too But it be true, the sky is still blue. Doreen Halpen

Betty Stuber

The Duck Debate

Today there was a meeting down at the local pond. Ducks for miles and miles around had slowly gathered round Everyone was quacking their hellos and how are you? When suddenly a loud splash disturbed the do. Mr. Ronald Duck was the first to take the chair He loudly quacked that he would open the affair. In case anyone had forgotten they were here for a debate To talk about their flight down south before it gets too late. Daniel Duck was next to get up and have his say He thought they all should have left today Next Roger Duck got up and loudly proclaimed The weather is so nice and warm I think we should remain. Now it was time for Mrs. Martha Duck to have her say Since no one can decide if we should go or stay I proclaim we take a vote and since it's getting late I think we should call a close to this debate Tomorrow morning when we wake and everyone is fresh We hope that we can put an end to all this mess We'll count the votes and if it's no we'll have to start all over And hope that in the meantime the weather will not get colder Lyla V. Byers

Will d'Amour Helen

There are light years between
"I miss you" and
"I will miss you"

The minuscule word "will" encompasses

All my Yesterdays, Today, and Tomorrows.

Never to harvest the joys of memory—to extinction.

My gratitude for letting me breeze through your life ever so briefly.

Still so much to say: so much to do: so little time to share.

A mental flight will occupy me until the music cannot be heard.

But, before the last note fades,

A smile will crease my lips!

Michael Sidorenko



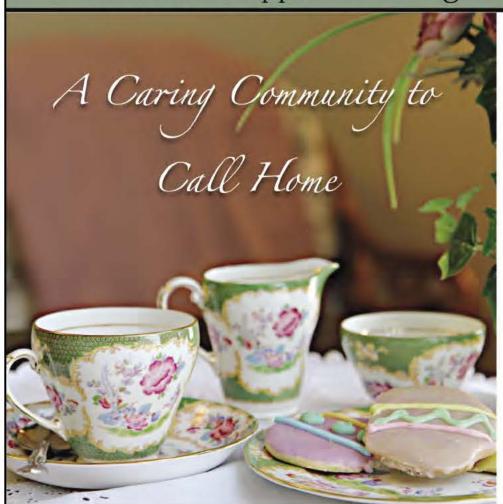
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Now Renting!

Untitled

Write a poem I heard them say Just for fun there is no pay Write about anything you wish From flying saucers to swimming fish Three hundred words, it may be under What topic to choose... I wonder The South with fields of shimmering wheat And meadowlarks singing across the creek Or the North and its aurora borealis displays Where teams of dogs pull people on sleighs Or the East with the syrupy maple tree Ablaze with colour for all to see But the West has roaring water trickling to streams Where you can sit on a rock and enjoy the scenes Too many choices for my small brain It is thinking, isn't this all a little mane. So better stop, before I kaput But thanks a lot, it has been a hoot. **Audrey Call**

Today Is Now (Or Live in the Moment)

All these regrets over wrong decisions are plotting together to huge boulders, rolling into my thoughts, flattening my mind and heart. Guilt grows like night shadows, grasping me with long arms, suffocating my energy flow, until a voice erupts from the volcano.

Don't look back over your shoulders, where shattered pieces of yesterday stare into your eyes. Don't stir your fingers in the lifeless ruins or you shall freeze to a rigid column. But touch the flowers before they wilt, breathe their fragrance, their splendor. For tomorrow might be a long winter's night.

Today is now. I float with the current of consciousness, collect my silent thoughts, submerge them into a cool stream of memories, where they glide like colourful fishes. I watch them through a glass surface -nothing more. My breath is now, today I am. I live in the moment, and life shall be mine.

Edelgard Graber

A Day Or So Into Fifty

Let's not have a rift between us Never ate Jiff In a jiffy I'll make you some cupcakes I really don't like a tiff I'm more into torture Did I tell you I'm a lefty? Problems arise when someone Gives me a lift Sometimes my hips are stiff

My allowance is gone I get a whiff of candy and gifts. but T've stopped blowing it I'm a spendthrift at fifty I can be quite shifty Not snuff you out I'll sniff you out Beware When I'm miffed or shift into low gear I don't even sift the flour Kathy M. Austin

Metamorphosis

You resent that women have changed from loving cats to roaring lions. Men are afraid of lion safaris. Wild game is not everyone's goal.

You would prefer purring cats as your mothers once were. But son, we were fools too soft, too tame, to taste the sunshine of the wild.

Lion stalks his territory, is fearless of intruders. He watches over open space. No shadow shifts his trail.

Women fill glasses with various wines, climb ladders in pursuit of success. They ride horses through sun brushed valleys, their hair fluttering in the wind.

We wore braids, breathed stale house air, swept storm clouds off the sky. We sang smoothly with the seasons. We rarely felt rain on thirsty skin. **Edelgard Graber**

Repeat Performance

Lust is a three-second look That's all it took

To drop her drawers on the floor To leave her blouse before

She launched her bra in the air And at last laid bare

She looked at him with love The man who stood above

And realized he stared Not at the body she'd bared

His lust-filled look so strong She realized how wrong

She'd been about her look For a second it now took

To see the truth she must And recognize the lust

Apparent from his gaze Was fixed upon the glaze

Of a pastry on a plate Now she was in a state

Mortified she cried Not again! Her hopes had died

For misinterpreting the look She'd jeopardized and took

A chance to slake her lust Now pastry she cussed! Cindy Morris

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Inertia

If I were an emotion, what would I be?
I would be content, but not clated.
I would be settled, but not bored.
I would be what people say they strive for, but actually never enjoy.

I am the solid, unchanging state of being that feels a little like inertia that state of being we fight against. An object at rest tends to stay at rest; an object in motion tends to stay in motion.

I am inertia — mostly at rest these days.
It used to be in motion when I was younger and responsible for other lives not my own.
Then. I would wake and start the motion.
gathering momentum as the hours slipped past me.
Mornings of lunch-packing and transporting,
working and coffee infusion.
Afternoons of working and transporting and meal-making.
Evenings of homework and meetings and orchestra or teaching.
I dreamt through the short nights, too —
of bear chases and popeorn and magicians.
Of flying and running and swirling in whirlpools.
Then the cycle of motion would begin again.

Now I wander slowly through a house that is not mine, in a life I never imagined as empty as this.
Incrtia is me.

I sit and allow life to settle around me like dust.

I imagine what it was like when things mattered more —
when I was the grease to the wheels of others.

Now I am inertia.

I wait, still, for the dusting of others' lives to settle on me.

I wait for the smile of the grandson who has stolen my heart, yet does not belong to me.

I wait for the stranger at the bus stop to speak before I do.

I wait for the sun to start the birds chirping in the morning and wait for it to set to allow others' words to reach me in artificial light. I am inertia.

Karen Ashton

Introduction to Jorge Luis Borges

I stand by the window with peeling paint, wearing gloves, and clutching the <u>Book</u> of <u>Sand</u>.

Maria is somewhere between crying and screaming in her toddler boredom.

Anna speaks Spanish to match the rhythm of her hands washing the windows.

The radio plays "Broken Wings" and "Break Out" from another smelly room of Barbara's new house.

My wings have been clipped and I wanted to break out before Barry handed this book to me.

The intoxicating fuel oil massages my stomach without warming my feet and makes me feel dreamy, nauseous, and a bit unreal. Jerry mows the lawn. Barry rakes up his scattered thoughts of political activism.

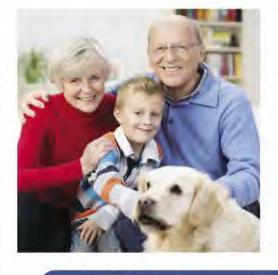
I stand by the window with peeling paint, wearing gloves, and reading Borges' story "The Other." What if I met "my other?"

The 76-year-old writer and conqueror of all that was possible and some that was not? She would praise me for sticking to my writing, even if it was a dirty old house at times. She would scold me for dwelling on the absence of mutual love and cold loneliness. I'd ask her if she had any sight left and if she ever made it to the Peace Corps.

"How is your health, Ma'am?" I'd inquire.
"Much better, thank you, Miss. Your
sacrifices and careful diet helped," She'd reply.
"Did you see the world?"

"Times over, dear. I saw the real world from ocean to ocean and went onto the moon and worlds you never thought of. You have an undiscovered universe in your mind. Don't let your broken wings keep you from breaking out and flying above the frustration and discouragement. Excuse me, my chauffeur awaits. I'm giving a tea at the chateau today for the Borges readers."

Kathy M. Austin



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Left to mourn on its own Mahogany, stone

Left standing to rot With time we forgot

Ancient triumphs held dear And now it is clear

I remain in the gloom Of my lonely old room

Cindy Morris

The Gift

A gift she gave. One she did not know She gave And one I did not know I received. Those years ago A small-town Sunday-school teacher Weeping Over the Easter story As she read the familiar Bible words To a restless class of nine-year-olds. Wondering perhaps How she could ever explain to them

What made her cry still Over a story she had known Since her early years. And never knowing How that day Those tears West over the Saviour Gave the gift Of wonder and belief To a small child's heart. A gift she gave

Karen Collin

Our Saviour

He came as a baby, so tiny was He, sent to save sinners like you and me He grew up so quickly soon was a lad, with a lot of respect for his mom and his dad. Soon He'd leave home as a man of the Lord, to fight many battles but not with a sword. His words spoke of hope, and forgiveness and love, He was sent by his Father, the one up above. He walked across water healed the lame and the blind, to show us his goodness and keep it in mind! He suffered and died on that cross he was pinned, He hung there to wipe out the way we had sinned. We remember Him dearly, His lessons His love, God lifted Him home in the sky up above. Times have changed so much it is clear, for now we remember Him but once a year. He's been torn out of schools near and far, since the day we were lead by that shining star. Yes I love you Jesus, there are a lot here who do, we try to sing praises and send them to you. The Ten Commandments that were written in stone are not hard to follow humbly atone Some say we are silly some call us fools; they say you can't live with so many rules. For the life that was given has made us all see, we can shout out His name in this land of the free! So help us Dear Jesus to somehow make it right, with Your love to guide us we will end this plight! We invite you back into our lives and our schools, if others don't like it then they are the fools.

Alexandra Kram

Unlegacy

Through the dream catcher I see a vision of Tonka and Spirit Bear Flying off the buffalo jump.

Still on land

A rushing warrior drags his woman Both screaming.

In the drug-dazed alley Low life holds a gun To the kneeling temple.

A baby carriage Leans against the shade Of a dumpster.

Overhead

The teary Eagle cries And cries, and cries.

Drums are silent, No songs are sung, No ghost dancing.

Chief Bellegarde Angrily adjusts His warbonnet.

Mother Earth Continuously Moans in pain.

I wake laughing, Then thought, Who really cares? Michael Sidorenko

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Sunday Morning Walk

Sun's sparkle spreading Sky blue clearing Bare branches bending Slick ice crunching Dog ticky-tacking Collar clinking clanking Coat smoothly swishing Tiny birds twittering Leaves crunch crackling Car vroom zooming Shoes brushing scuffing Breeze whisper tickling Metal gate grating Truck engine grumbling Old man cap lifting Door click banging Window glass glimmering Dog muffled barking Sunday morning walking.

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The heart of the Las Vegas Strip features a half-scale Eiffel Tower and the fountains of Bellagio.

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f there's a constant in Las Vegas it's change. Over the last 15 years I've visited on several occasions and each time it's always a little bit different. And, that's what I like about it. But, for a newcomer to Vegas, or even a return visitor, the city can be an overwhelming place. So here are a few thoughts and perhaps helpful tips to navigate that ever- changing Las Vegas landscape and keep you at least,

temporarily, au courant.

Gas —Literally, the only time you'll need gas is if you use your own car or a rental to drive in town. I've done this on a couple of visits as the huge hotel parking lots are free. If you want even more convenience there's also valet service. However, in recent years the strip has become increasingly gridlocked; there's no real need to have a car and taxis are everywhere. In recent years, bus service along the strip has really improved and reasonably priced double decker eco-friendly buses regularly ply the Las Vegas strip between the airport and down-town. I highly recommend them. The short monorails between certain combos of hotels such as the Excalibur-Luxor — Mandalay Bay line are also useful for shorter distances. Your main mode of transportation will probably be your feet. Just getting from one end of your hotel to another can take you 20 minutes. And there's nothing finer than strolling down the Strip on a warm summer's night drinking in all that neon and excitement. Most people fly to Las Vegas and the airport is

probably as close to your final destination as anywhere you'll ever go — you land at the southern end of the Strip. Then, you can conveniently grab a taxi to the nearby strip hotels, or if your party is two or less, I'd take the frequent and cheaper mini -buses into town. And, of course, some hotels have their own shuttle buses.

Food —Las Vegas is famous for its inexpensive all-you can eat buffets. I have survived on a midday buffet for the entire day. While this money saving measure is still viable, gone are the days of \$5- \$10 buffets, at least on the strip(try downtown or off the Strip for cheaper, lower quality buffets). You can still eat all you want, but the price has gone up, but fortunately so has the quality. The last buffet I had was just off the Strip at the Canival World Buffet at the Rio - excellent, as it should be for over \$20. For cheap eats many hotels have your standard food courts and fast food chains are everywhere. Vegas is now highly regarded for its variety of cuisine, upscale restaurants and celebrity chefs. People now come here just for the fine dining. I'm no gourmand myself but I've gone the a la carte route a couple of times, most notably at Luxor's steak house, Tender, where I had probably the best meal I've ever had in my life. Not cheap, but definitely worth the splurge. Last time I was in Vegas I had a particularly meaty time, with an all- you- can- eatmeat meal at Planet Hollywood's Pampas Brazilian Grille and a lunch at the Fat Burger chain.

Lodging — Where would Vegas be without its hotels? Hotels are at the heart of the Vegas experience. Whereas at most travel destinations the hotel is where you stay in order to experience the city, in Vegas

the hotel is the experience. It's their exteriors which will first grab your attention — there's nothing like the sensory overload of the Las Vegas strip and gazing on its visual extravaganza at night (forget the daytime), especially that of the theme hotels: the Eiffel Tower at Paris, the skyline of Manhattan at New York, New York, the canals and bridges of Venice at the Venetian, the medieval castle of Excalibur. In recent years, the trend has been to nontheme hotels and the generic ultramodern glass and chrome sophistication of City Center with Aria and Vdara and The Cosmopolitan next door, and the towering skyscrapers of Encore and Wynn. Although their exteriors are impressive they don't really capture my imagination until I go inside. At these newer behemoths the visual wow factor is inside rather than outside. I have to admit I prefer the older, nontheme hotels such as the Mirage, the Flamingo and the last time

I was in town, the newly renovated Tropicana, which has beautiful Miami-Beach inspired rooms. The last two hotels I particularly favour as you don't have to walk through acres of the hotel's gambling casino before getting out to the Strip. In addition, as I've often visited in summer when room rates are lowest (but the temperature is often above 100F) they have two of the best swimming pool complexes in Vegas (the Tropicana even has real grass around the pool and retains its classic swim-up gambling table). In recent years, as the city has marketed itself to a younger clientele, rather than the all ages family visitor of the 90s, the pumped in music factor has gone up poolside. At some of the trendier hotels the pool area is even a night club. When choosing a hotel find out what kind of clientele and age group a hotel caters for. If you want cheaper accommodations, off-Strip casino hotels and downtown (where I once stayed) are your best bets.

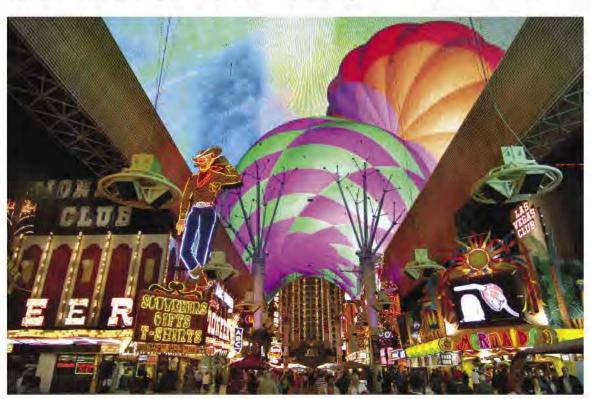
Entertainment — Of course gambling is the main distraction in Vegas. You can't move in your hotel without walking through acres of slot machines, but being a non-gambler, for me, it's perfectly avoidable. I get my kicks elsewhere, sucker. You should know you can entertain yourself quite hand somely in Vegas and hardly spend a penny. Just wandering around your hotel and the Strip, people-watching and just checking out the scene is often entertainment enough. I've gone into most of the hotels on the strip and each one has its own unique features and distinctive environment: a fresh and surprising experience will often catch you unaware. My favourite free thing is watching the

balletic magic, set to music any time of day, but especially at night. It's always worth going downtown to catch the spectacular overhead light shows of the Fremont Street Experience. These are just a couple of the free shows available. However, it's the big time shows that Vegas is renowned for and at which it excels. And these are definitely not free; sometimes, mind-blowingly expensive, in fact. The variety is staggering and like the food and hotels, has dramatically changed and improved over the years. It's no longer the homeland of washed up lounge singers (although you can still seek them out) however, magic shows still feature. These days the hot ticket might be an Elton John, Celine Dion or Shania Twain performance. It's impossible not to find a show that suits you. For the most popular shows it's probably best to phone in advance of arriving. I was once lucky enough to get tickets to the most in demand show in town Cirque de Soleil's "O" at Bellagio on the day of performance (however this was just after 9/11 and there were many cancellations). These days there's always about half a dozen Cirque de Soleil shows in town. Those topless revues you've heard about still survive but at fewer venues and performed with more class. Last time I was in Vegas I saw "The Rat Pack is Back" a tribute to well, the Rat Pack, of course. It was an almost a perfect re-enactment of a night at the Sands in the 60's with Frank, Deano et al. Some seniors might even have been in Vegas for the original shows. Bellagio even has a small art gallery where I saw several European masters.

Bellagio fountains weave their



In the pedestrian-only downtown there's no telling who you'll meet. Photo by Barry Whitehead.



The Fremont Street Experience light show is the best reason for checking out downtown Las Vegas.

Bring the flavours of Mexico to your dinner table

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With its alluring blend of flavors and aromas, combined with a relatively simple and colorful presentation style, it's no wonder Mexican food is one of the most popular and influential cuisines enjoyed today.

Inspired by authentic dishes, these foolproof recipes bring the flavors of Mexico into your home kitchen, made with ingredients that can be found at your local grocery stores. They're quick to make, easy to serve and affordable,

In addition to all the fabulous and exciting dishes she has created, Kelley offers a wonderfully interesting account of the traditions and culture surrounding Mexican cuisine, along with a comprehensive glossary depicting the flavors of Mexico, an

ingredient list and a list of handy tools and equipment.

These recipes are quite simply some of the best Mexican dishes you're ever going to savor at home. If you like Mexican food this title is worth adding to your cookery collection.

"Buen provecho"



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Grilled Shrimp with Avocado Butter®

Lightly marinated shrimp are simple but amazingly flavorful. Rich avocado butter adds a balance in texture and taste.

Tip: I like using a blend of spices to shorten my ingredient list. Creole seasoning has a combination of onion, garlic, cayenne pepper, oregano, salt and pepper. There are many good blends on the market, so you can find a favourite.

Makes: 4 servings

Avocado Butter:

3 (30 mL) avocados, cut in quarters or into chunks 2 clove garlic, minced 2 tbsp freshly squeezed lime juice 2 tbsp (30 mL) olive oil Kosher or sea salt

Juice of 2 limes (about 1/4 cup/60 mL)
1 clove garlic, minced
1 tbsp (15 mL) Creole seasoning (see Tip)
1/2 tsp (2 mL) cayenne pepper
2 tbsp (30 mL) olive oil
16 jumbo shrimp, peeled and deveined

Avocado Butter: In a food processor, combine avocados, garlic, lime juice and olive oil and process until smooth. Add salt to taste. Serve immediately or transfer to an airtight container and refrigerate, stirring occasionally, for 30 minutes or for up to 2 hours.

- 2. In a medium bowl, whisk lime juice, garlic, Creole seasoning, cayenne and oil until well blended. Add shrimp and toss gently. Cover and refrigerate for at least 30 minutes or for up to 2 hours.
- 3. Meanwhile, preheat barbecue grill to medium-high.
- 4. Remove shrimp from marinade and discard marinade. Thread 4 shrimp on each skewer.
- 5.Grill shrimp, turning once, until shrimp are pink and opaque, 3 to 4 minutes per side. Transfer to a platter. Gently remove from skewers and serve with Avocado Butter.



Chopped Mexican Salad®

Fresh goodness and colour are at the heart of this fresh chopped salad. A citrus marinade refreshes these chopped veggies. This is a wonderful vegetarian meal but can be topped with chicken or steak as well.

Tips: Instead of canned corn, you can use 11/2 cups (375 mL) thawed frozen corn kernels or cooked fresh corn in this recipe. Grilled or fire-roasted corn will add additional flavor.

Cotija is a crumbly, sharp Mexican cheese. You could substitute feta or goat cheese. Dressing is best served at room temperature.

Makes: 4 to 6 servings

DRESSING

2 1/2 cup (125 mL) freshly squeezed lime juice 1/3 cup (75 mL) olive oil 1 tbsp (15 mL) minced cilantro 1 tsp (5 mL) hot pepper flakes 2 cloves garlic, minced

2 tbsp (30 mL) liquid honey

6 cups (1.5 L) chopped romaine lettuce

1 can (14 to 19 oz/398 to 540 mL) black or pinto beans, rinsed and drained

1 cup (250 mL) chopped peeled jicama

1 can (14 to 15 oz/398 to 425 mL) corn kernels, drained (see Tips)

1 yellow or red bell pepper, seeded, cored and diced

2 ripe avocados, peeled and diced 2

1/2 cup (125 mL) crumbled Cotija cheese (see Tips)

DRESSING 1. In a small bowl, whisk together lime juice, olive oil, cilantro, hot pepper flakes, garlic and honey.

2. Spread lettuce evenly across a large serving platter. Arrange beans, jicama, corn, bell pepper and avocado side by side on top of lettuce. Garnish with cheese. Cover and refrigerate until chilled, for at least 1 hour before serving.

3. Drizzle with dressing before serving.



Margarita Pie©

Refreshing, simple flavours of a margarita infused into a dessert are exceptional. This margarita pie is light and luscious and quick to make!

Tips: Use a high-quality prepared liquid margarita mix with a medium sweet-sour balance.

Makes: 6 servings

Preheat oven to 350°F (180°C)

2 eggs 2 egg yolks 1/4 cup (60 m

1/4 cup (60 mL) freshly squeezed lime juice

1 can (14 oz or 300 mL) sweetened condensed milk

1/3 cup (75 mL) liquid margarita mix (see Tip)

3 drops green food coloring

1 (9-inch/23 cm) store-bought vanilla-flavored cookie crumb crust

1 cup (250 mL) heavy or whipping (35%) cream

1/2 cup (125 mL) granulated sugar

1 lime, thinly sliced

1.In a medium bowl, using an electric mixer, beat eggs and egg yolks until thick and pale, about 2 minutes. Continue mixing and add lime juice, condensed milk, margarita mix and food coloring and beat for 2 to 3 minutes.

- 2.Pour into pie shell and bake in preheated oven until center is firm, about 25 minutes. Let cool completely. Cover and refrigerate until chilled for at least 1 hour or for up to 4 hours.
- 3. Just before serving, in a medium chilled bowl, using an electric mixer on medium-high speed, beat whipping cream and sugar until soft peaks form, 6 to 8 minutes. Serve slices of pie on individual plates topped with whipped cream and garnished with lime slices.

Sheri-D Wilson ON POETRY

By Mary Ann Kurucz

Born and raised in Calgary, Sheri-D Wilson is a poet, educator and activist. She has written nine collections of poetry and is Founder and Director of Calgary Spoken Word Festival (2003-2014) and the Banff Centre's Spoken Word Program (2005-2012). In 2009, CBC called her one of the top 10 poets in Canada. Kerby News sat down with her recently to talk about her poetry and life.

Q. Should poetry matter to readers of the Kerby News?

A. Poetry is a way to see, a way to be. If you read poetry, you'll be given the gift of perspectives on any stage of life — birth, death, life - and the magic of spirit. Poetry teaches us about ourselves. It is an elegant way of receiving those perspectives in an eloquent way. Who wouldn't want to experience it?

Q. From whom do you draw inspiration?

A. I go to the fount to drink. I learn from poets before me. They received the gift of vision. They shared it as a gift for free. The words of other poets and authors help me expand the world of then in her 80s, spoke for

experience and provide new ideas and questions to consider in my own life and writing.

Q. Are friends and relationships also important to the writing process, particularly in creating poetry?

A. I have great friends. They inspire me. They are experienced. They have knowledge. I don't need just one relationship. I need lots of relationships — a lot of them to keep growing.

Q. Does reading prose and poetry broaden your field of vision?

A. I'm an avid reader and learner and have had many good teachers throughout my lifelong learning journey. That journey has led me to explore other areas of interest. More recently, these readings include philosophy, alchemy and hermetics. I'm defining hermetics as a view of nature.

Q. How has aging affected your reading and research?

A. I attended the "Second Half of Life" workshop that included the late Angeles Arrien as a featured speaker. Arrien,

three hours without notes, drawing upon her rich treasure trove of gathered wisdom and experiences. She provided numerous examples of individuals who discovered their passions and pursued them in the second half of their lives. For example, Dr. Seuss, did not begin producing books until he was in his mid-50s. The storyteller, Oru Namamu, was in his late 80s when he created placards that asked "What are your dreams today?"

Q. How do you feel about looking for new dreams and passions as we age?

A. It's sad when we let go of our dreams and passions and don't look so much for new ones. I work now from the base, "Who am I now? What is my passion? And what makes me hot?" By that I mean WHAT makes me hot, not who.

Q. But with regard to the erotic, is there still room for that in the second half of life?

A. Erotica changes so much with age. The notion of erotica is attached to the framework of the mind. Nature becomes more erotic as we age.

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We see how we and all things live together and are the breath of the erotic. It seems that in the second half of life we all have the opportunity to experience our world by smelling the roses, listening to bird songs, feelings the wet sand between our toes, seeing the colors of autumn, and touching a newborn baby's skin, all framed as erotic experiences. What your passion will be is on the inside of you. Society wants us to put things on the outside. You don't have to share it if you don't want to.

Q. What have you added to your life as you have become older?

A. Poetry is how I live, but I've added daily meditation. As we age, we also need to meditate.

It's part of poetry - the contemplation and the way we want to live from a simpler perspective. Meditation helps us get rid of the junk and the chatter of our minds.

Q. What advice do you have for Kerby News readers?

A. Come to a poetry reading. Check it out. It may surprise you. Take the opportunity to change your life. Before you say "I don't like it," try it. If you do try it, you just might like it.

NOTE – If you want to see Sheri-D perform one of her video poems, go to Google and punch in "Spinsters Hanging in Trees."

Enjoy!



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It's never too late to start saving money (NC) It is best if you can Living, says the good news is

start saving early for your golden years because every little bit helps.

According to a national survey conducted for the Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada (CPA Canada), a significant number of respondents, aged 55 and older, find managing their personal finances a challenge.

The survey found that 50 per cent of respondents appear to be meeting their monthly expenses with relative ease. However, one quarter of those surveyed are experiencing some level of difficulty.

Respondents also were asked to forecast their financial situation in 10 years. Twenty-two per cent expect it to improve, 38 per cent anticipate it will be the same and 31 per cent predict their personal situation will deteriorate.

Kelley Keehn, author of CPA Canada's A Canadian's Guide to Money-Smart

that while there are obvious advantages to saving earlier, it is never too late to make financial gains.

With the expenses of childrearing and the bulk of mortgages managed, Keehn says, "many individuals don't really start to save aggressively until their 50s and older."

With age, of course, comes wisdom.

Survey respondents were asked what they would have done differently to prepare for their later years. Saving more money was the top response cited by just under half (46 per cent) of the participants. Respondents were provided several options relating to turning the clock back and the next two most common wishes were making better investments (40 per cent) and taking better care of their health (37 per cent).

The telephone survey involving 1,022 Canadians was conducted between August 21 and September 2, 2014.

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Life and liberty -

By liberty forrest

It is said that, "A journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step." This is attributed to Lao-Tzu, a brilliant Chinese philosopher who wrote a lot about the Tao.

More correctly, the proper translation from Chinese is "The journey of a thousand miles begins beneath one's feet."

I love both of these statements. At first glance, they might seem to have almost identical meanings. They are thought to be interchangeable but in fact, each is quite different from the other.

Let's take a look at the less well-known but correct translation first: "The journey of a thousand miles begins beneath one's feet." This is such a beautiful statement. It's filled with optimism and hope. It's about looking at where you are, right here, right now, accepting what is, accepting where you're standing now, and not looking behind you, leaving the past where it belongs.

It's about seeing what needs to change in yourself or your life. It's about preparing for forward movement, for growth. It's brilliant. It's exciting. It's empowering. It's filled with anticipation.

It leads straight to the more widely known version: "A journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step." This is also very beautiful. It teaches patience, determination and perseverance in the face of a goal that seems so far away. It teaches gentleness in the art of change. You don't have to do it all at once.

It offers hope and encouragement to anyone who is on a difficult path, especially when there is the temptation to give up, or not even start in the first place.

There are many reasons why you might hesitate about taking that first step. You might question what's down that path. What if it isn't good? What if you don't like it? What if it's painful? What if you wish you could be back where you are now, but it's too late?

It is natural for us to fear the unknown; it's part of our built-in survival mechanism. It's what keeps us safe. But it can also keep us stuck and stagnant. It is easy to become set in our ways, not allowing growth, newness, or movement. We find comfort in the familiar, but we can also find that life becomes dull, small and flat.

There are several versions of a fable involving a tree (such as oak or olive) that

A journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step

taunts a humble reed for being so weak and frail. The tree stands firm and strong, deeply rooted and never moving and of course the reed is flimsy and is seemingly lacking in substance. But when the storms come, it is the reed that bends and the tree that breaks.

We can learn a lot from that fable, whichever version you might have heard. Life is about movement and change. The more we are willing to be adaptable and "go with the flow" the better our chances of withstanding whatever difficulties or challenges might turn up along the path, and the better our chances of finding happiness and personal fulfillment.

But what is it that fuels taking that first step, and all the others that follow? What is it that looks past the fear or disconcerting feelings that bubble up as we make that decision to start down that path?

It could be determination. It could be courage. It could be curiosity. Or perhaps it is hope, because whatever else you might be feeling, it is quite likely the catalyst for your decision to lift your foot and set it down as the first step on that new path. Hope for something better. Hope for something different. Hope for renewal, forgiveness, love, peace, redemption, salvation - or whatever else might be behind your decision to move forward. It is the fuel that keeps that spark alive, the one that can mean the difference between life and death, between growth and stagnation, between joy and misery.

Hope is not an emotion that washes over you; it is a choice. It is a decision to see possibilities and potential, and to be willing to explore them, even if you're not sure what that means. The important bit is to have a vision, a dream, a goal.

Being aware of what's beneath your feet, and what's at that thousand-mile point will help you to decide where to place your foot with that first step, and all the others that follow. That first step begins taking you away from where you are now, from what lies beneath your feet.

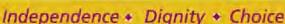
And if you just keep lifting your foot and putting it down, one foot in front of the other, you will continue to move further away from where you are now, and with each step, a little closer to where you want to be.

Do not fear putting your foot down in the wrong place. This happens sometimes when you look down at your feet, rather than ahead at your destination but you can correct the problem. Keep focused on the destination; your feet will follow your eyes.

First: take a good look at what lies beneath your feet. Where are you now? What do you need to accept about your situation? What is your current reality? What do you want to change about it?

Second: It begins with that first step. Once you know your destination and you have a clear vision of it in your mind, lift a foot and set it down again. Keep putting one foot in front of the other and in time, you will be where you want to be.

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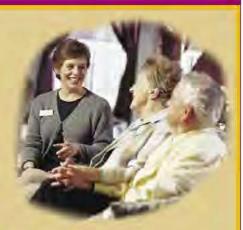
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Seniors Scene

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On June 6 and June 20 there will be free Fox Trot lessons with paid admission. Doors open for lessons at 5:30 p.m. and lessons are from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Doors open for the dance at 7 p.m. while the dance is from 8 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. Members and guests will dance to performed music Interlude and Benny Uchaez respective dates. Admission is \$12 for members and \$14 for guests.

Members must show their membership card at each event. On June 7 and June 14 respectively the bands Interlude and Joel Spire will perform at the regular Sharon & John Dance Party. Doors open at 5 p.m. and the dance is from 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Admission is \$12. On June 21 Interlude will again perform at the Sharon and John Dance Party while Joel Spire will perform at the June 28 event. Doors open at 5 p.m. and the dance is from 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Admission is \$12. The Kerby Centre is located at 1133 7 Avenue SW. For more information, call 403-242-6957 for recorded messages or visit www.socialdance clubcalgary.com.

Confederation Park

On June 6, Confederation Park 55+ Activity Centre will be hosting the 2nd Annual Sasi Jaunt. People of all ages are encouraged to come. After the walk/run,

a post-jaunt family festival will continue into the afternoon, featuring live music from the Well-mannered Thieves, food from the Perogy Boyz, balloon art, face painting, an inflatable obstacle course, great prizes, and so on. For more information, please visit www.sasijaunt.com, confedpark55plus.ca, or call 403-289-4780.

Every Thursday afternoon, Confederation Park 55+ Activity Centre hosts a Tea and Conversation program. Between 130 and 150 isolated seniors gather to socialize, dance, and enjoy fresh snacks. Visit www.sasijaunt.com to register online or call 403-289-4780 to collect pledges for this program.

Silver Threads

Inglewood Silver Threads, a 55 plus seniors activity centre located at 1311 9 Avenue SE, invites members to enjoy crafts, games, bingos and exercises weekly at no extra charge. There are also weekly tea-and-chat lunches and monthly potlucks with live entertainment, as well as shuffleboard and crib games. For more information, please contact Wendy at 403-264-1006.

Ogden House

On June 4 2015 Odgen House will be celebrating Senior's Week at the Zoo. All members are welcome to sign up for a fun-filled day. There will be carpooling from Ogden House. For more information, please call 403-279-2003 or email programs@ogden50plus.org.

Greater Forest Lawn

Greater Forest Lawn Bingo will be held on June 4 and June 18 at 12:15 p.m. at 4980 25 Street SE. For more information call 403-248-8334. The available bus routes are Circle 72 or 73.

Military Whist will be on June 5 at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome but please be aware that you should have a team of four people.

Dances will be held on June 6 to the music of For Old Tyme Sake, and on June 20, when Treble Tones will play. Doors open at 6:30 p.m., dancing starts at 7:30 p.m. Cost is \$12 for members and \$13 for non-members.

The annual garage sale will be held on June 12 and June 13. The sale runs from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on June 12, and from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on June 13. Table rentals available: \$15 for one day, \$25 for 2 days. Call 403-272-4661 to book.

There will be a Canada Day celebration on June 30. At 10:00 a.m. there will be muffins and coffee; lunch will be served at 12:00 noon. Cost is \$7 per person.

For more information about these and other activities please call 403-248-8334 or go to www.gfls.org

Greater Forest Lawn 55+ Society is located at 3425 26 Avenue SE.

Compiled by Bryony Fortune and Faye Wu

Calgary 55 plus Summer Games playoffs

It's not too late to Winners in the events will participate!

Here are four Calgary 55 plus Summer Games playoffs to be held in June, 2015.

the games and participate in of the activities.

go on to the Alberta 55 plus Summer Games which will be held in Strathmore, Alberta from July 16 to 19.

Different activities will be Anyone 55 plus can enter held in various venues in and around Calgary. There are different age categories

so that you compete against those in your own age group. Please register one week in advance.

Golf: June 9, Call: Dan Guglielmin – 403-289-0352.

Arts and Crafts: June 12 and 13, Call: Carolyn Alway -403-272-6038.

Athletics (Track and Field Events): June 13, Call Doug Kyle – 403-255-7932.

Pickleball: June 13, Call: Gord McLure: 403-238-3320.

For more details go to calgary55plus.com



Four tips to improve your writing skills

(NC) Online instant messaging and texting have become some of the most frequent forms of communication in our society. We convey words through short forms and abbreviations and express our complex emotions with emoticons and symbols. Though this technology has increased the speed, frequency and reach of our communication, it could be having a negative impact on the quality of our writing. For young people trying to develop their career, learning to express yourself well in writing is a necessary skill.

To prevent your writing from turning into a blur of symbols, happy faces and LOL's, keep these tips in mind to ensure your writing skills stay as sharp as ever.

1. Start a blog

Creating a blog on a topic that you're passionate about or have an active interest in will keep you motivated and excited to put some effort into your writing. It builds creativity to determine new and exciting topics that will engage readers and encourages consistent writing on a regular basis to increase traffic and views.

2. Write a letter

With today's instant methods of communication, many of us have forgotten what it feels like to pick up a pen and paper, stuff and seal an envelope. One meaningful way to do more letter writing and practice your writing abilities is through Amnesty International's global letter writing campaigns. Amnesty's Urgent Action Network members stand by ready to send letters to authorities around the world for individuals at risk of abuses such as torture, imminent execution or unlawful arrest. To learn more about the Urgent Action Network, visit www.amnesty.ca/getinvoved/urgent-action-network.

3. Get back to reading

The best writers are also avid readers and reading on a regular basis is a simple way to develop and build your writing skills. Reading can expand your horizons to increase vocabulary, sentence structure, and overall flow. Whether you prefer a classic printed book or have moved onto the digital age with tablets, and e-readers, spend your next lazy Sunday cozied up with a good book.

4. Make a presentation on something you care about

Learning to write well is about organizing your thoughts, and planning carefully what you want to convey to your audience by writing it down in advance. Preparing to speak to an audience or a group of friends on something you care about is a great way to practice good writing and communication skills.

In an era where so many digital media limit the number of characters we can use to express our thoughts, make sure to use other methods to keep your writing up to par.

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Family trees have moved online

By Kevin Yates

Online blogging has made it easy to create and maintain an online family tree to chronicle your family's history with music, pictures, videos and stories.

Family trees traditionally only show the genealogical connections in a family by creating an illustration using a conventional tree. Blogging allows the user to create a family tree that not only shows the relationships between the family members but can also tell their story.

"After my kids left home I've had to use Facebook to see what's going on in their lives, and I hate it," says Grace Pilzecker, a 59-yearold mother of three.

Blogs are internet websites designed for individuals or companies to regularly publish their own news articles or personal thoughts. Publishing your news to a blog allows you to give upto-date information to your family during celebratory or emergency times, whereas information published on sites like Facebook and Twitter can be missed among irrelevant status updates.

By using a blog as your platform for the family tree you can create a place where other family members may add and share their stories, simply by creating accounts for them to post to the site. Letting your family members add to the tree will let you see different perspectives on the family and enrich the experience.

"I'd like to be able to see my children post their accomplishments as they continue to grow," says Pilzecker. She herself has kept extensive photo albums of her children while they were growing up.

To create an interactive family tree you first have to map out the relationships of your family generation by generation. The

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easiest way to accomplish this goal is to start with organizing everyone in your generation and working your way out from there. After everyone is organized and you have decided who you want to



Searching online can be done from the comfort of your own study. Photo by Kevin Yates

include in the family tree you have to decide on how you want it to look.

There are several ways to accomplish this aspect of the family tree: every generation could have its own page that links to each person; the family tree could be a traditional tree illustration with each branch linking to that person's page; each immediate family in the tree could be on their own page. The possibilities are endless.

When you have decided on how you want your family tree to look you have to choose which way you will host your blog. This decision should be based on your technological experience. Programs like Adobe Dreamweaver are for the more experienced user, while websites like WordPress.com and LiveJournal.com are easier to use.

WordPress offers multiple background themes that you can either use for

"you can create a place where other family members may add and share their stories"

free or purchase to customize the overall appearance of your family tree. The different themes are merely cosmetic, and they determine where the navigational menus will be placed and what features are available.

Make sure that you continue to update and add to your tree. Use places like Facebook and Instagram to collect photos for picture galleries, invite other family members to share their stories and continue to grow your tree.

"I don't think it's something I could do on my own but it would be a good thing for me and my daughter to do," says Pilzecker.

There are many sites on the internet that offer to create a family tree for you. However, these services are rarely without cost and they simply use public databases to assemble your genealogy. Although they do all the work for you, they rely only on public information about your family, and that only pertains to people to whom you have no real connection to other than blood.

Ancestry.ca offers a subscription service of \$14.99 a month for access to their Canadian database and \$29.99 a month for their worldwide database.

This is still not comparable to hosting your own website using a hosting service like GoDaddy where the cost can be as little as \$30 a year or you can use free services like LiveJournal.com or WordPress.com.

Creating your family tree online can be an enriching experience and a way, if you wish, to share your family's history with the world.





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Five tips to amplify your solo travel experience

(NC) Canadians have definitely embraced solo travel over the past few years – and the travel industry has followed suit. According to tour operator G adventures, women in particular are leading this trend with a 148 per cent increase in solo travel since 2008. In fact, did you know that women aged 42 or older are twice as likely as men to vacation alone? It can be an exciting, freeing, and even transformative experience to see the world that way, and if the memoir and movie, Eat, Pray, Love isn't enough to convince you, the folks at Comfort Inn hotels have some helpful tips for your solo adventure:

1. Enjoy freedom and flexibility

one of the best things about travelling solo is that you call the shots. Take advantage of the fact that you get to pick your next stop and restaurant for dinner. Not having to compromise with somebody allows time to enjoy your own list of what you want to see and do.

2. Make safety a priority

Since you don't have someone looking out for you, planning ahead is crucial. Choose accommodation with 24-hour staffing and leave a copy of your itinerary with a loved one, making sure to check in regularly. Pack copies of your travel documents and, most importantly, trust your instincts, they're usually right.

3. Live like a local

Travelling alone makes it Don't be afraid to be selfish; easier to blend into your surroundings and ditch the tourist look. Take this opportunity to get an authentic experience. Get recommendations from the locals on where to eat and what to see, shop at the local farmer's market and become a regular at a new favourite café.

4. Meet new people

This is the perfect opportunity to meet new people. You may be pleasantly surprised at the individuals you encounter through your travels, so consider striking up a conversation. It could even lead to a new lifelong friendship.

5. Explore your home country With the dollar in a bit of a slump, consider travelling around Canada to avoid the exchange rate. Since accommodation won't be shared, getting your dollars to stretch further is a great incentive to stay local. Joining a hotel loyalty program like Choice Privileges is another easy way to earn free accommodation for your travels.

Regardless of where you go, solo travel is all about you. So enjoy your time away and travel without regrets. As British explorer and travel writer, Dame Freya Madeline Stark, once

said: "To awaken quite alone in a strange town is one of the pleasantest sensations in the world."

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How to avoid bringing bedbugs home from your trip

(NC) Bedbugs are show- limetre long and almost ing up everywhere – in fivestar hotels, buses, and in private residences - and some locations have been harder hit than others. Although not known to transmit disease, their bites can cause itchy welts, and some people may experience more serious skin irritation.

About the size and shape of a small apple seed, bedbugs can hide in the tiniest of cracks and come out to feed at night. Black or brown spots on a mattress, sheets, bed frame, or walls are signs of a bedbug infestation. Bedbug eggs (which are usually laid in cracks) are white, about one milimpossible to see on most surfaces.

Here are some tips to avoid bringing bedbugs home when travelling:

- Don't bring your pillow with you.
- Thoroughly inspect your hotel room before allowing children or pets in.
- Place your luggage on a tile floor (like in the bathroom), away from any upholstered (soft) surfaces. After inspecting the luggage stand straps, keep your luggage on the stand and pull the stand slightly away from the wall (instead of unpack-

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LAS VEGAS 9 days July 25, Sept 5, Sept 19 4 nights in Las Vegas The Golden Nugget or TheD 2 in Wendover, 2 in Helena, 5 to 6 meals, Slot Play and side tours The Golden Nugget - fun book \$140.00 TheD - \$20.00 in food coupons

LAUGHLIN, NV 12 days Oct 5, Nov 16 Includes: 6 nights in Laughlin 3 in Wendover, 2 in Helena. 9 meals, \$21 Slot Play & side tours

LAUGHLIN, NV 9 days Oct 3 Includes: 4 nights in Laughlin 2 in Wendover, 2 in Helena

WENDOVER, NV 7 days June 21, Sept 27, Oct 18 Wendover Nugget Includes: 2 nights in Helena w/3 meals, 4 in Wendover with side tours

The Nugget includes: 4 buffets, \$28 slot play

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at the Mineral Palace, 1 in Great Falls, 1 in Regina, 5 breakfast, Wine & cheese reception, slot & blackjack tournaments, optional Keystone, Mt Rushmore and Crazy Horse Optional Casino Regina Package \$10 Slot Play, \$5 food coupon

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& DEADWOOD, SD 10 days - Sept 10 Includes: 9 nights, 8 breakfasts, Historic Virginia City, Quake Lake Old Faithful Geyser & Visitor Center, Buffalo Bill scenic by-way, Dam & Visitor center, Bighorn Scenic

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meals on the ship

ing your belongings and placing them in drawers).

• Slowly lift up each corner of the mattress and examine all crease and tufts of the mattress and box spring. Check all the bed linens, behind the headboard, and any items near the bed such as an alarm clock.



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June Trips Trochu Arboretum & RCMP Dog Training Date: Wednesday

June 17 2015

• Use a flashlight to inspect the inside of the closet, paying special attention to any cracks.

 Place your shoes in an open area and do not store anything under the bed. If you find signs of bedbugs, notify the front desk and ask for another room or stay somewhere else. If you change rooms in the same hotel, make sure your new room is not next to, above or below the possibly infested room. Inspect

When you return home:

your new room.

- Before bringing your luggage in, place it on a hard, light-coloured surface, and check it carefully.
- Unpack your clothing and inspect personal items, including your hairbrush and cosmetic case.

Cost: Member - \$57

Non-member - \$62 Includes transportation, admission to arboretum, lunch and police dog training demonstration Cut-off date: June 3, 2015

Sheep River Valley Hike

Date: Thursday June 25, 2015 Cost: Member - \$46

Non-member - \$51 Includes transportation & guide by naturalist John McFaul. Bring your own lunch.Time: 9 AM – 4 PM Cut-off date: June 10, 2015

July Trips

Canmore Tour of Grizzly Paw Brewery Date: Thurs July 21, 2015

- Wash all clothing and fabric items in hot water, even if you didn't wear them.
- Place non-washable items in the clothes dryer on the highest heat for 30 minutes.
- Vacuum your luggage. Discard the vacuum bag in a sealed garbage bag right away. For a bagless vacuum cleaner, empty the dust collector into a garbage bag and throw out the bag immediately. Afterwards, wash any vacuum attachments you used and the dust collector in hot water with detergent.

For assistance in dealing with bedbug infestations, contact your local public health office. Up-to-date information on how to prevent and deal with bedbugs is posted at www.healthy canadians.gc.ca.

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Brown-Lowery Provincial Park

Cut Off Date:

July 7 2015

Cost: Member - \$37;

transportation and tour

Time: 8:15AM -3:30 PM

(lunch not included)

Non-Member \$42

Add \$7 for a beer

sampler. Includes

Date: Thursday July 30, 2015

Cost: Member - \$46

Non-member - \$51 Includes transportation & guide by naturalist John McFaul Bring your own lunch Time: 9 AM - 4 PMCut-off date: July 15, 2015

<u>August Trips</u> Arrowwood **Hutterite Colony**

Date: Tuesday August 11, 2015 Call Kerby Travel for details – 403-705-3237

Troll Falls

Date: Thursday August 27, 2015 Cost: Member - \$46 Non-member - \$51 Includes transportation & guide by naturalist John McFaul Bring your own lunch Time: 9 AM - 4 PMCut-off date: August 12, 2015

Are you covered for medical emergencies in other provinces?

(NC) Many Canadians will venture outside their home province to visit other parts of the country this summer – and while insurance is seen as a must-have for international travel, it is often overlooked for shorter trips.

But make no mistake. No matter whether you're going to P.E.I. on a golf holiday, visiting family in B.C., or taking a quick trip to a neighbouring province, it is important to be prepared and protected for emergencies.

RSA, a leading insurer in Canada, offers some helpful reminders before you leave home:

Get the right coverage: Your provincial health insurance plan won't necessarily provide all the outof-province coverage you might need should something unfortunate happen while you're away. While the cost of visiting a public hospital and seeing doctors would generally be covered by provincial health plans, many out-of-pocket medical expenses are not. Travel medical insurance can help cover emergency medical costs and incidental expenses that are not included under provincial plan, including extra costs that may be needed to get you home.

Check with the appropriate government agency for what your provincial or territorial medical insurance covers when you are

travelling within Canada, and supplement it with additional coverage as necessary.

You may also benefit from having trip cancellation and interruption insurance. Without it, a flight cancellation or an unexpected return home for an emergency in the middle of your trip could be costly.

Carry the right documents: Pack light, but be sure to take important information such as identification, your provincial health insurance card, and your travel insurance wallet card, which contains a number for 24/7 assistance should you ever need it. Take a list of emergency contact information of family or friends. Find a policy that suits your needs: If you travel more than once or twice during the year, look into a multitrip annual travel insurance plan. Multi-trip plans can provide coverage for every trip you take, and save you the cost and hassle of shopping for and buying a single trip policy every time. Understand your policy: Whatever the destination, take some time before you travel to read over your insurance policy so that you understand the coverage it provides and what to do if you have a claim. If you have questions, talk to an experienced travel insurance expert for guidance.

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Alberta NDP draws young votes, but spends on retirees

Follows the pattern set by the Progressive Conservatives when it comes to support for younger Albertans

By Paul Kershaw

Alberta's recently elected NDP enjoyed more support among younger Albertans than any other party, according to polls. Perhaps these younger voters had a hand in deciding the historic result.

There is some irony, then, that the NDP platform will substantially grow spending on retirees, while doing much less to address challenges faced by those under 45. Such generational disparity in provincial budgeting actually worsens the pattern of the former governing party, the Progressive Conservatives.

Under the PCs, Alberta had the largest age gap in social spending in Canada. The bulk of Alberta's 2015/16 spending is delivered through healthcare (\$18.9 billion), education (\$7.5 billion), postsecondary (\$5.8 billion) and human services, including services for the elderly, disabled and social assistance (\$4.2 billion). Of this money, approximately \$17,129 was budgeted for each Albertan age 65 plus. Only \$7,489 is spent on each Albertan under 45.

Premier Rachel Notley plans to grow this age gap. Her platform increases yearly spending per retiree to more than \$18,000, while leaving spending on those under 45 around \$7,800. Alberta will soon spend \$3,000 more per senior than Saskatchewan, the next most generous province, and \$7,000 more than British Columbia. All the while. Alberta will spend less than Saskatchewan per younger citizen, and only moderately more than B.C.

or elsewhere in Canada, breaks down spending by age.

As a result, Notley may not yet recognize that the NDP aspiration to grow medical care spending faster than other parties without growing revenue by a corresponding amount disadvantages younger citizens in two ways.

First, 41 per cent of the NDP's \$20-billion healthcare budget will go to services for the 11.5 per cent of the population age 65 plus. Medical spending on retirees adds up to more than Notley's entire K-12 budget; one-third more than the entire post-secondary budget; and nearly double the entire human services budget.

Such health spending might be justifiable if Albertans were getting bang for the buck, because we want the best for

our aging parents and grandparents. Alas, evidence shows Canadians spend more on medical care than many other rich countries, but get only middling or below average access to doctors, CT scans, MRIs and patient satisfaction. All the while, doctors get above average remuneration.

Revenue is the second problem with the NDP approach to medical care, repeating a longstanding pattern in Canadian politics. People aged 65 and older grew from nine per cent of Canada's population in 1976 to 15 per cent today, provincial and federal governments added \$32.5 billion in annual medical care spending for this age group. But governments did not increase revenue to pay for it,

Instead, governments held inflation-adjusted postsecondary spending relatively constant since 1976, even though twice as many young people pursue extra education to compete for jobs. Similarly, governments didn't build a child care system, even though Alberta women young increased their labour force participation by 42 per cent.

The NDP platform continues the national tradition of making trade-offs between medical care spending for retirees and investments in services that younger Albertans need more and more. A year from now, the NDP anticipates collecting an extra \$815 million in revenue. More than 80 per cent will fund their commitment to even more medical care services for retirees, leaving little left over.

Small wonder Notley's platform budgets only modest extra spending for grade school, postsecondary or child care by comparison with her healthcare increases.

In this, she aligns with the federal NDP. Federal leader Thomas Mulcair is running for national office on a platform No political party in Alberta, that would entrench the same generational inequity.

The Alberta election proved

big political change is possible - inspiring evidence for younger Canadians deserve a better deal from political parties. To get this better deal, we need to build a lobby to influence all parties well in advance of voting day. That's the only way we will get political alternatives that don't grow intergenerational unfaimess. Dr. Paul Kershaw is the Founder of Generation Squeeze, and a policy professor in the University of BC School of Population Health. www.troymedia.com

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What can be purchased at the Kerby Centre?

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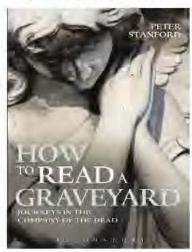
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Book Review



"How to Read a Graveyard"

By Peter Stanford

c.2014, Bloomsbury \$15.95 U.S. / higher in Canada 263 pages

Reviewed by the Bookworm

Angels watch over your grandmother.

Many of them, in fact, and there's also a lamb nearby, a boy with a stone baseball, and a couple of sharp-topped towers. It's always so quiet where she is; few visit that section of the cemetery anymore these days.

And that's too bad, says author Peter Stanford. In his book, "How to Read a Graveyard," he proves that cemeteries are interesting places.

When his kids didn't exercise the dog they begged to have, it was up to Peter Stanford to do it. That was when he began a daily pilgrimage to the closest walk-

space available: the lanes of

a British cemetery.

"Once we were so good at grief," Stanford muses. We used to invite it in our homes. It was part of our culture, complete with parameters and rules but today, most people try to completely forget about it: research "suggests that after 15 years most graves are no longer visited."

Purposeful burial, of course, happened long before humans kept records of this sort of thing, but cemeteries themselves differed throughout history. Before the time of the Roman Empire, the Etruscans buried their dead in clusters. Fourth-century Romans built a cathedral atop ancient graves. Longago Parisians layered bodies in large open pits in churchyards, until Napoleon returned the care of the dead to the state once again and changed the way we see graveyards.

In his quest to know more about these places for departed loved ones, Stanford visited the Scavi in

Rome, to see the place where St. Peter is believed to be buried. He explains how cemeteries came to be, and he visits one in Edinburgh that's guarded by a statue of a little dog which is good, since that cemetery was once known for its grave robbers. He walked through a Paris graveyard known for its famous inhabitants, examined Victorian mourning rituals, and dropped in on a Jewish cemetery that's been forgotten nearly decades. Near a poppy field, he talked with a member of a Commission that "tends 1,700,000 graves in 134 countries," and he visited the place where he hopes his own bones may lie someday...

Sounds a little gruesome? Yes, it is a bit – but "How to Read a Graveyard" is also impossible to tear yourself away from, especially if you're the touristy type.

And that's the biggest surprise in this book: author

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Peter Stanford doesn't tell you much about "reading" a graveyard; in fact, that aspect of this book is included in a slim few pages in the back. Instead, Stanford takes readers on a lengthy tour of cemeteries (both notable and ignored), graves (both famous and infamous), and funeral practices (both past and present). That could have the curious effect of whetting the appetites of inquisitive travelers everywhere.

And so, I'm glad to see that this book is now out in paperback, which makes it easy to tuck into a backpack or carry-on. If you're fascinated with cemeteries and their marble statuary, then "How to Read a Graveyard" could be monumental.

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A. The risk from bird flu is low for most people, because the viruses do not usually infect humans.

Animal diseases that can be transmitted to humans are known as "zoonoses." Seniors are among the most vulnerable to zooneses. You can get one of these diseases from a household pet.

Speaking of birds... Psittacosis is a common bird disease known as "parrot fever." It occurs frequently in birds such as parakeets and cockatiels. Bacteria in bird droppings and nasal discharges can be inhaled. Psittacosis can

develop into pneumonia and other health problems.

To help prevent transmission of psittacosis, don't let birds fly around the house. Wash your hands after contact with birds. Wear a dust mask and gloves when cleaning a bird cage. Antibacterial drugs are used to treat the disease in birds and people.

Cats can carry a parasite that causes the disease toxoplasmosis. You can get it from cat feces. Wearing gloves while gardening or changing a cat's litter box is important. Washing your hands afterward is advised.

Few people who carry the toxoplasma parasite become ill. Those who get sick may suffer from swollen glands and muscle

aches. Antimicrobial drugs are available to treat infected people.

Worms can infect dogs, cats, and humans. Worms live in the intestines of animals and are expelled in the stool. Yards and homes can become contaminated from worm eggs that are passed in animal feces and hatch in the soil.

Just one roundworm larva has been known to damage the retina of the eye and cause blindness. Hookworm larvae can cause painful inflammation where they crawl just below the skin's surface. Drugs are available to destroy worms that infect dogs, cats and people.

People usually get salmonellosis by eating contaminated food. But it can also be transmitted to people through pets, particularly reptiles, baby chicks, and ducklings, which commonly pass the Salmonella bacterium in their feces.

People have to be especially careful around reptiles. You should not let them roam freely through the house. Always wash your hands with hot, soapy water after handling reptiles or anything they contact.

Most persons infected with Salmonella develop diarrhea, fever, and abdominal cramps. Most victims recover without treatment. The elderly are likely to have more severe symptoms.

Ringworm, a skin and scalp disease, is caused by fungi. People get it by touching an infected animal. Ringworm can infect cats, dogs, horses and other animals. In humans, ringworm may produce ring-shaped, reddish, itchy rash. Topical and oral medications may be used to treat ringworm.

Cat-Scratch Disease (CSD) may cause fever, fatigue, headache and swollen lymph glands. Most people get better on their own in about three weeks. Most cat scratches don't develop into CSD. If you are bitten or scratched, wash the area immediately with soap and water.

Rabies, a deadly viral disease, is transmitted through the saliva of a rabid animal, usually by a bite. Domestic animals account for less than 10 percent of the reported animal rabies cases. If you are bitten, immediately wash the wound with soap and water, let the wound bleed, and get medical help at once.

Mycobacterium is one of the main infectious germ families associated with fish and aquarium water. A common route of this infection in humans is through cuts or scrapes on hands or feet. People should wear rubber gloves when cleaning the fish tank and wash their hands well afterwards.

If I haven't mentioned this before, wash your hands often when you are around animals.

If you would like to ask a question, write to fred@healthygeezer.com.



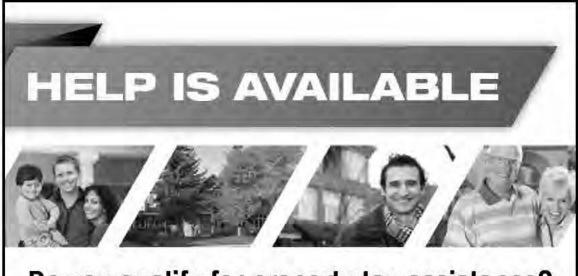




Come Join the Wellness Team Reception and Clinic Assistant volunteer positions available

- Receptionist must have computer skills/ strong communication, able to multitask in a fast pace work environment.
- Sterilizer for foot care medical tools and spa chairs must be physically fit, able to stand for long periods of time.

Contact Kerby Centre's Volunteer Department 403-705-3218



Do you qualify for property tax assistance?

Find out if you or a family member is eligible for a credit at calgary.ca/ptap or by contacting 311.

The Property Tax Assistance Program is available to assist low-income homeowners, with the increase in residential property taxes from 2014 to 2015.

Please note: Even if you apply to the Property Tax Assistance Program all property taxes must be paid in full by June 30, 2015 to avoid a 7% penalty.

Application deadline Dec. 1, 2015.

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Calgary Counselling Centre launches initiative to tackle mental health issues

The Calgary Counselling Centre (CCC) is pleased to announce the launch of an initiative designed to help people overcome their struggles through posting their written stories or videos on a website.

YourStories.ca allows people to talk about their struggles through writing or by submitting a video through their YouTube account.

"The YourStories initiative serves as an excellent resource where people struggling with mental health issues can see that others who have felt the same, have changed their lives," explains Dr. Robbie Babins-Wagner,

CEO for the Calgary Counselling Centre, adding many clients have said that hearing people with similar stories is helpful. "As we recognize and support the Canadian Mental Health Association's 64th annual Mental Health Week, we felt it is an ideal time to let Calgarians know that they are not alone in their struggles and that YourStories.ca is just one of many resources to help them improve their lives."

Stories currently on the site include a variety of experiences including those who have struggled with bullying, eating disorders, depression and anxiety.



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Onward/ By 2036, 95 per cent of Calgarians will enjoy positive and supportive living conditions.

Community Events

Friends of Fish Creek

In the coming months Minibus Photography Course outings will take place from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on June 11, June 27, July 23, August 11, September 10, September 24, and October 10. Come and learn how to capture the Fish Creek Park's beauty with your digital SLR camera in this course for beginners, instructed by Bob Bakker, a film and digital photography enthusiast. Participants gather first at the Bow Valley Ranch (south end of Bow Bottom Tr. SE). Space is limited to 8 participants per session

and registration is required. Fee is \$25 per outing. To register, visit www.friend soffishcreek.org/event/cam era-in-fish-creek.

Whyte Museum of the Canadian Rockies

From June 14 to October 18, the Whyte Museum in Banff will host the following two exhibitions: 1) Water, featuring stunning compilations of historic and contemporary paintings, videos and installations that examine the beauty and peculiarity of the earth's greatest resource and inviting, through the works of art presented, the viewer to contemplate alternative

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perspectives in the face of changing climatic conditions; and 2) Legacy in Time, featuring Henry Vaux atives a century before to of change has had on the grand, iconic mountains. The opening receptions for these exhibitions, in conjunction with Back to Banff Day, will be held on June 14 from 1:00

Jr.'s rephotography of glaciers, waterfalls, lakes and mountains his ancestors captured on glass plate negshow the impact of climatic p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

IN MEMORIAM



Join us in extending sympathy to the families of these Kerby Centre members and volunteers:

M. Evelyn Barton Margaret Frances Beames Jeannette Evelyne Betker Alan Denton Campbell Monie Davies Ronald George Doherty Jeanne Louise Fredeen Thelma May Geary Maxine Vivian Geck Romeo Joseph Gratton Robert Earl Holmes Alice Emma Sophia Honkala Patrick James House Shih Sheng Hu Peter Angus Maitland **Archibald Robert** Mattinson Berna Louise Meeking Williamina M Nicholls Stanislaw Olszowy **Ernest Waldo Ormon** Watler (Roy) Prather Madge Rinn Charles Siferd Margaret Spreadbury Patrick Lewis Wright

Please inform Kerby Centre's Volunteer Department if you know of members and volunteers who have recently passed away and we will endeavour to publish their names in the forthcoming ssue of the Kerby News.



The museum will also conduct the following two programs: 1) Heritage Homes Visits, which runs through August 30 at 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 1:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m., and 3:30 p.m. daily, featuring the homes Peter of and Catherine Whyte, the Museum's founders, and community leaders and collectors Philip and Pearl Moore. 2) Historic Banff Walk, from July 4 to August 30, starting at 10:30 a.m. daily, for participants to learn during a 90-minute walk the colourful stories of the pioneers who built the town of Banff.

The Whyte Museum, located at 111 Bear Street, Banff, is open daily from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. except in wintertime. The admission is \$8 for adults,

\$4 for students and locals (Banff, Lake Louise, Canmore and Morley), and free for members and children under 12.

Death debate at Self Connection

Self Connection Books is hosting a Death Café on Sunday, June 24, 2015 from 2:00-4:00 p.m. at 4611 Bowness Road. NW Calgary.

Enrich your life by talking about death. All perspectives welcome: no agendas.

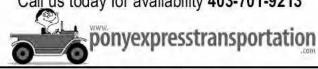
Admission to the event is free. Refreshments will be served.

RSVP by June 5, 2015 to deathcafecalgary@out look.com

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Thank you Carole, for all that you do for the Kerby Centre!

Carole James

Carole started volunteering in the spring of 2012 at Kerby's

Membership Desk; she then moved to the Education &

Recreation department where she volunteered as a receptionist and then took a bit of a break. She recently came back this year

to help as a receptionist for the income tax clinic. She enjoys

volunteering because she likes to keep busy and likes to work

with the other volunteers; she enjoys the variety of people she

meets at Kerby Centre. Carole is also a member of the Elder

Service Corp and was a part of a partnership to run the Seniors

Film Festival in 2013. Carole has contributed over 250 hours and

plans on continuing her volunteer work here.

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Take pleasure in cooking fresh meals everyday

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opular food and television personality Curtis Stone brings ease to the kitchen by elevating everyday meals to an experience that can be enjoyed as much for the process as for the beautiful end result.

Stone shares 120 recipes for quick, modern versions of classic dishes that will appeal to the whole family. Effortlessly, he delivers solutions to people who want to eat healthy, interesting meals that don't take all day to cook. This book shows that fast recipes don't have to feel hurried or rushed, and encourages people to take pleasure in the process of cooking at home. Stone's natural style in the kitchen inspires readers to connect with textures, sounds, smells, and tastes that make up the culinary journey.



Penne with Savrage and Broccoli Rabe®

The perfect example of the delicious simplicity of rustic Italian fare. I often eat a big bowl topped with a healthy amount of shredded Pecorino, then slink back to the skillet where the leftovers are waiting and pick away until there is none left. You could substitute the broccoli rabe with kale — either of these dark, leafy winter greens will provide great texture, earthy flavor, and a boost of nutrients. This is a true à la minute dish; it takes just minutes to make and should be enjoyed as soon as it comes together.

SERVES: 4 PREP TIME: 5 minutes COOK TIME: 15 minutes 4 sweet Italian sausages (about 1 1/3 pounds total), casings removed 1/2 bunch broccoli rabe, trimmed and sliced (about 2 cups) 2 garlic cloves, chopped 1/2 cup dry white wine 1 1/4 cups tomato sauce 10 ounces penne Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper 2 tablespoons freshly shredded Pecorino cheese

- 1. Bring a large pot of salted water to a boil over high heat. Meanwhile, heat a large heavy skillet over medium-high heat. Add the sausages and cook, breaking the meat up with a wooden spoon, for about 6 minutes, or until golden brown. Add the broccoli rabe and garlic and cook for about 4 minutes, or until the broccoli rabe leaves are wilted. Add the wine and then the tomato sauce, bring to a simmer, and cook for about 3 minutes, or until the liquid is reduced by one-fourth.
- 2. When the water comes to a boil, add the penne and cook, stirring often so the pasta doesn't stick together, for about 8 minutes, or until tender but firm to the bite. Drain, reserving about ½ cup of the cooking water.
- 3. Toss the penne with the sauce, adding enough of the reserved cooking water to thin the sauce to the desired consistency. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Sprinkle with the cheese and serve immediately.





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Maple-Glazed Planked Salmon®

Brining the salmon in the maple-saltwater gives it a sweet-salty flavor and moist texture. Cooking the fish on the cedar plank imparts a woodsy, smoky flavor and eliminates any worry of the fish sticking to the grill. Cedar planks are inexpensive and can be found at your local barbecue store or online.

SERVES: 4

PREP TIME: 20 minutes, plus at least 1 hour for brining the salmon

COOK TIME: 20 minutes

MAKE-AHEAD: The salmon can be brined for up to 1 day.

3 cups warm water 3/4 cup packed light brown sugar 1/3 cup pure maple syrup 1/4 cup kosher salt one 1 1/2 pound skinless salmon fillet (from the head end) Olive oil, for brushing SPECIAL EQUIPMENT

1 14 x 5-inch untreated cedar plank, soaked in water for 2 hours

2 tablespoons (30 mL) vegetable oil 1 small onion, finely diced 1/2 teaspoon (2.5 mL) salt, divided 3 cloves garlic, minced 1 teaspoon (5 mL) minced fresh ginger 2 tablespoons (30 mL) tomato paste one 28-ounce (796 mL) can diced tomatoes 3 cups (750 mL) chicken stock 1 cup (250 mL) smooth peanut butter 1/4 teaspoon (1 mL) freshly ground pepper 3 green onions, thinly sliced 1/2 cup (125 mL) roasted peanuts, coarsely chopped, plus more for serving 1 tablespoon (15 mL) Tabasco sauce juice of 2 limes lime wedges

1. In a 13 x 9-inch glass or ceramic baking dish, stir the water, brown sugar, syrup, and salt until the sugar and salt dissolve. Set aside until completely cool.

2. Place the salmon fillet in the brine. The brine should completely cover the salmon. Cover and refrigerate for at least 1 hour.

3. Prepare a grill for cooking over indirect heat: For a gas grill, heat one burner on high heat; leave the other burner(s) turned off. For a charcoal grill, place all of the lit briquettes in one side of the grill, leaving the other side empty.

4. Remove the salmon from the brine and transfer it to a rack set over a small baking sheet. Pat dry.

5. Remove the cedar plank from the soaking water and pat dry. Place the plank on the grill grate over the fire for 2 minutes, or until the plank is heated through. Flip the plank over and move to the other (cool) side of the grill grate. Brush the plank lightly with olive oil and place the salmon on the plank.

6. Close the grill lid and cook the salmon for about 15 minutes, rotating the plank 180 degrees midway through cooking, or until the salmon feels flaky on the outside but has a rosy center. Using oven mitts, remove the plank from the grill and set it on a baking sheet. Let stand for 3 minutes.

7. Using a metal fish spatula, transfer the salmon to a platter, or cut into 4 pieces and transfer to plates. Alternatively, serve the salmon from the plank.

Sunday Berry-Almond Partrier©

These pastries ooze with warm syrupy berries, and the crumbly almond paste becomes smooth and creamy when baked.

PREP TIME: 10 minutes COOK TIME: 18 minutes

MAKE-AHEAD: The pastries will keep for up to 2 days, stored airtight at room

All-purpose flour, for dusting

1 17.3-ounce package frozen puff pastry, (2 sheets), thawed 1 7-ounce package almond paste

3 cups assorted fresh berries (about 1 pound)

1 large egg, beaten to blend

1/2 cup powdered sugar

2 tablespoons (1/4 stick) unsalted butter, melted

1 tablespoon water

1. Preheat the oven to 400°F. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper.

2. One at a time, on a lightly floured work surface, roll out each sheet of pastry to an 11-inch square and cut into 4 squares (for a total of 8 squares). Turn a pastry square so one corner is toward you and crumble one-eighth of the almond paste over the bottom half of the square, leaving a 1/4-inch border along both edges. Top with one-eighth of the mixed berries and fold the top half of the pastry square over the filling to form a triangle. Press the edges together, crimp with a fork to seal, and transfer to the prepared baking sheet. Repeat with the remaining squares and fillings.

3. Using a pastry brush, brush the tops of the pastries with the beaten egg. Cut 3 slits in the top of each one. Bake for about 18 minutes, or until the pastries are golden brown and the filling is starting to bubble. Remove from the oven.

4. In a small bowl, whisk the powdered sugar, butter, and water until smooth. Drizzle over the pastries and serve warm.







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