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Dear Brentwoodians,

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My wife and I aren't wild about the thought of all those early morning practices, late evenings, road trips, and expenses that families must invest in their children's pursuit of their passion for hockey or other pursuits. But we do recognize the importance of fostering a love of physical activity in our son by having him try lots of different sports and encouraging him in the ones he enjoys. We hope that by doing so we will instill a lifelong desire to stay healthy and happy by keeping active and provide him the opportunity to make friends and learn key values of respect and sporting behaviour.

Calgary is a great place for people of all ages to stay active, with incredible winter sports opportunities, beautiful parks, and over 1,000 kilometres of multi-use pathways (the most of any city in North America). Brentwood is especially well-equipped, with the Sportsplex arena that is so well cared for by Steve Dietrich and local volunteers; the BCA outdoor rink; the pools; and acres of playing fields and playgrounds.

I can personally attest that you don't have to be especially skilled, or commit lots of time and money, to get active in Brentwood and Calgary, and have fun at your own comfort level. Whether that is playing a sport you have loved since you were a kid or dipping a toe into a new activity. I am excited to teach my son to try new things, and the importance of having fun and trying his best (and also that it's ok to quit something

you don't enjoy). And if he develops a passion and talent for playing hockey, you'll see me at the arena bright and early with the other parents.

Photo Contest

The Bugle is looking for Brentwood's best amateur photographers to provide cover images each month. If you have a great snap of our neighbourhood saved on your phone or posted on your social media feed, send it in for a chance to be featured on the cover of an upcoming issue! Photos must be 300 DPI or higher (i.e., from a newer model phone or good digital camera), 2400 x 1600 pixels minimum size, and portrait orientation. If submitting pictures of minors, please make sure that you have direct, express permission to submit the picture from a parent or guardian. Send your photos, or any questions, to bcabugle@telus.net.

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2022 ESSO Minor Hockey Week Champions

One of Canada's largest hockey tournaments - The Esso Minor Hockey Championship - recently took place here in Calgary, and some of our very own Northwest Warrior teams were crowned champions.

Despite the challenges of COVID, and thanks to minor hockey teams of all ages, and the help and support of hundreds of volunteers and referees, Hockey Calgary was able to put on a successful tournament that is sure to be one for the ages.

In the Under-18 age group, the U18 NBC-1 Team coached by Clayton Lee-Chee beat out a division-leading team from McKnight, in a hard-fought 4-3 win for the Warriors.

In the Under-13 age category, the Northwest Warriors were represented by the U13-4 Blue Team, who won the gold medal game with an impressive 7-2 win over crosstown rivals Bow River Bruins. Led by Coach Dave Brown, U13-4 Blue has only lost once so far this season.

A special mention goes to the U11-6 Team coached by Rodney Phipps, who won a silver medal. Congratulations to all the teams and their players, and a special thanks to the arena staff and everyone else who helped make this year's ESSO Championship such a special event. Good luck to all the Northwest Warrior Teams for the remainder of the season.

Please see team details and photos of all the gold medal winners below:

U18 NBC-1:

Coach Clayton Lee-Chee
Asst. Coach James Manuel
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Liza and the Brentwood Cares Team

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West Valley Softball 2022

The designated softball program for your community, West Valley offers a learn-to-play program for children born between 2015 and 2017, and a Minor Softball program for girls born 2003 to 2014. The season runs late April to mid-July. See the West Valley website at www.westvalleysoftball.ca, email programs@silverspringscommunity.ca, or call Sherry Gavlin at 403-288-2616. Registration for the 2022 season is open!

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What is a Free Market Approach to Parking?

Submitted by Melanie Swailes and Greg Zwick

Many parking theories or reforms are based on the writings of UCLA professor Donald Shoup, one of the leading academics on parking policy. His 2005 book, *The High Cost of Free Parking* (and subsequent editions) is widely used as a basis for parking policies in urban areas. Dr. Shoup argues that parking is never really “free”, and always carries economic and environmental costs.

Shoup promotes a free-market approach to parking that can be summed up in three main parking reforms:

1. Remove minimum parking requirements for new developments
2. Set prices to optimize usage of parking resources
3. Return parking revenues for local services

You can see these theories in practice with the City's 2020 decision to remove minimum parking requirements for non-residential (i.e., commercial and retail) uses, arising from Shoup's first point. The idea is that developers and businesses will decide how many parking spaces they need to provide for their customers: too many spots and they are wasting money and resources, but not enough and customers may not come.

For residential buildings, minimum parking requirements usually apply, but in 2015 Council tested out the market by approving a building with no residential parking at all in the East Village. The N3 condo building (approximately 160 units, completed in 2017) was built without a single underground parking space. Instead, there is a large, enclosed bike storage area, and residents are given a credit for car-sharing services. The concept is that the units can be more affordable if residents do not need to pay the costs of an underground parking garage, they can choose other options (LRT, taxis, Uber, and so on), or pay to park in a nearby lot or parkade.

Floating downtown parking rates are another example of optimizing the parking resource. The cost of parking in a given area is based largely on supply and demand. If prices are too high, customers will balk and go elsewhere. If people are determined to park in a certain area at a certain time, they have to pay the posted rate. The price can be varied, lower in the evening or on weekends but higher during weekdays.

Brentwood does have metered parking, although we do have permit required or restricted areas. Even though parking is “free”, it still creates frustration in our community, particularly in areas that have seen increases in on-street parking, for example, close to the LRT station.

Many residents view on-street parking as an amenity of their home, not a resource for the City to exploit or a means to lower the cost of new developments. Some residents who live close to the LRT Station feel that they have lost this amenity, and some feel that more parking should have been required for commercial or residential uses in nearby developments. The broader argument is that the move to a free market approach to parking can impose costs on existing residents that should be considered in setting policy.

What do you think? Would you be more willing to pay to park at a destination if you knew the funds would be used locally or would support improvements? For example, at the Calgary Zoo, parking costs \$12 (although it is free with a membership), and supports operating costs and other zoo enhancements. What if the developers of a project reduced the amount of parking they were required to provide and instead paid into a fund for local improvements?

There are widely differing opinions on how parking should be best managed. Calgary Public Library has a copy of Shoup's book if you'd like to delve further into this topic.

If you are interested in community planning and redevelopment issues, we welcome new members to join us. Our meetings will be determined in accordance with AHS guidelines. Please contact the BCA for more information at office@brentwoodcommunity.com or at 403-284-3477.



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More Accolades for Cale Makar

by Lee Hunt

In January, the Calgary Herald named its "20 People To Watch For 2022". One of those selected was 23-year-old Cale Makar – a graduate of Brentwood's Sir Winston Churchill High School.

Back in October 2019, I wrote a full article for The Bugle about Cale, who plays defence for the Colorado Avalanche. Since then, Cale won the NHL Calder Trophy for Rookie of the Year in 2020.

In the 2021 season, he was a nominee for the Norris Trophy which is awarded annually to the top NHL defenceman.

Ever humble, Cale was quoted in the Herald saying, "Individual awards definitely are not something that I'm focused on. The main goal is to help your team and eventually get that Stanley Cup."

Congratulations to Cale on being named one of The Herald's "20 People To Watch" plus on the strong season which he is having so far with the Avalanche.

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Brentwood Cares/Brentwood Beautification

It's hard to believe that next month Brentwood Cares will have been active for two years. Do you remember banging pots and pans to thank essential workers who helped keep us safe? Brentwood Cares continues to meet irregularly, about once a month, to plan active and future projects to support and enhance our community. New volunteers are always welcome for the Brentwood Cares core committee and the Brentwood Cares volunteer email list. As a core committee member, you'll get invites to meetings, a chance to shape the path, and an early heads up to events. The Brentwood Cares volunteers are an amazing group who support the Little Food Library, help seniors with yard and snow removal, deliver hundreds of food hampers, bake cookies, and assist with many other projects. We always need additional helpers, please contact BrentwoodCares@brentwoodcommunity.com.

One of those projects was the Brentwood Walkway Mural Project and the delayed Brentwood Fall Art Walk – A Spring Art Walk is now planned for May 15. The Brentwood Beautification team is currently looking for new members for 2022. On March 2, 2022 at 4:30 pm we will meet with interested community members to begin planning the details and exploring what we might do in summer/fall of 2022 to make Brentwood a beautiful community. Alleyway pollinator gardens; community art; community gardens; an annual mural workshop - what would you like to see? If you would like to join the Brentwood Beautification team or have a great idea, contact BrentwoodCares@brentwoodcommunity.com.

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Brentwood Community Gardening Group

*"Over the land freckled with snow half-thawed
The speculating rooks at their nest cawed,
And saw from elm-tops, delicate as flower of grass,
What we below could not see, winter pass."*

The British poet Edward Thomas, one of so many lost in World War I, composed this short poem when contemplating the end of winter. Are you also thinking of spring? After a bitterly cold Christmas and early January, the weather has moderated and the presence in the morning of that familiar chinook arch in the western sky brings a promise of milder temperatures. If you have the space and the materials, indoor seed starting should be on your mind. Many plants benefit from an early start indoors as our Calgary summers are quite short and early frost is a common occurrence.

When I recently visited the garden, I was pleased to find that very little garbage had been tossed into it – quite a different picture from last year. I did discover a bright red and white Tim's soccer ball in the garden so if you know to whom it belongs, let me know. The gate has been

locked since November and no people or bunnies have been able to enter (see photo) unless they chose to climb over the fence.

Twenty of our thirty-four garden beds have been rented by last year's gardeners and we have at least four new gardeners interested in joining, so gardening promises to be a popular activity this season. Planting seeds and watching their tiny leaves emerge always fills me with hope and a small sense of satisfaction that certain aspects of nature are always predictable and reliable, despite the tumult in the world.

Although the viral pandemic is still with us, there appears to be some evidence of improvement in the severity of the disease. If restrictions on indoor gatherings are eased over the next two months, we will be having an in-person Annual Gardeners Meeting on Tuesday, April 12, at the Brentwood Sportsplex. Anyone attending must show proof of vaccination, and their Alberta Health Services QR code will be scanned for confirmation.



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Off the Bookshelf

by Rosemary Brown

In the past, whenever I thought of Indigenous children in residential schools, even knowing that the term “Indigenous” is a generalization, I assumed that the residential school experience was the same for all Indigenous children. After reading *Canada’s Residential Schools: The Métis Experience*, I realize how mistaken my assumption was.

Only 94 pages long, this book by the Truth and Reconciliation Commission documents the commonalities and differences in residential school experiences. Like other Indigenous children, those who were Métis often experienced the same physical and sexual abuse, poor diets, disease, forced labour, and suppression of their culture and language (Michif).

However, not all Métis children attended residential schools, which were intended for First Nations children on reserves. The Métis often fell through jurisdictional gaps between the federal and provincial governments, and many Métis children attended provincially run day schools, although they also attended church-run residential schools at the discretion of priests depending on whether or not parents could pay or work for the school. Funding for the schools depended upon attendance, with the result that attendance records were not always accurate.

The Métis were seen by authorities as “rebels and squatters”, and when it came to residential schools they were seen as “outsiders” by school administrators and other students. As a result, Métis students were often discriminated against.

This sense of not being included extended to the residential school settlement agreement, which focused on federally funded students, and even to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission hearings. However, many Métis residential school survivors did testify, and their stories are incorporated into this book. Day school survivors, many of whom were Métis, sued the Federal government for compensation and won.

Much of this history was captured in a 2014 art exhibition called *Legacy: the Métis Residential School Experience*. For a better understanding of the Métis experience in Alberta, one could read *Métis Memories of Residential Schools*, based on interviews with survivors.

Blanket Toss Under Midnight Sun: Portraits of Everyday Life in Eight Indigenous Communities Across Canada is aptly named.

The blanket toss originated in Alaska as a technique used by hunters to elevate an individual high enough

to spot game. It is now enjoyed as an event at many gatherings in the north of Canada and Alaska.

Paul Seesequasis, the writer and journalist who wrote *Blanket Toss*, takes us on an extensive and interesting journey. The areas visited include Cape Dorset (Nunavut), Nunavik, James Bay, the Hudson Bay Watershed, Saskatchewan, Alberta and Montana, the Northwest Territories, and Yukon Territory. Using archival photos, stories, and historical notes he brings us into the life of various Indigenous communities from the 1920s through the 1970s.

The book emerged from an online project in which Seesequasis displayed archival photos, many unpublished and none of which had been seen in the communities involved. People wrote to Seesequasis identifying individuals in the photos and sharing the stories connected to them.

The photos were taken by both Indigenous and non-Indigenous photographers. The former often came from the communities involved. The latter had usually spent extensive time in the communities where they took their photos, and in many cases developed relationships with community members.

The photos are usually unposed and capture people as they go about their daily routines. While some focus on traditional hunting, trapping, and fishing activities, there is no attempt to preserve an imagined past. These communities were usually in transition from a traditional way of life and this is what we see.

There is a lot to be learned from the historical notes, from the RCMP dog sled slaughter in Nunavik to what happened here on the Prairies regarding the loss of the buffalo herds, starvation policies, and reserves. The stories range from the music tour by canoe, made by the James Bay Rockers, to the creation of a bear paw purse by Emma Alfred and her mother, which went missing shortly after a photo was taken of Emma with it. I was quite moved to learn that in 2015 Emma Alfred discovered the purse in the Canadian Museum of History.

This combination of photos, stories, and historical notes make *Blanket Toss* a very worthwhile read.



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Supporting Albertans and Jobs

With a new legislative session underway and the budget being tabled, I remain optimistic that Alberta is going to see brighter days ahead.

For the past two years, the focus has been on COVID, and rightly so. Over the past year Alberta's economy has also been growing and diversifying. Large investors are coming to the province, we continue to see Alberta's economy grow and diversify in the technology, film, agriculture and other industries, and energy prices and investment are increasing.

The Government of Alberta, over the past few years, has implemented policies to support economic diversification and recovery, and they are working. Reducing Alberta's corporate tax rate, strengthening our workforce through supporting retraining programs, and investing in infrastructure such as hospitals, schools, roads, and broadband have contributed to record investments and more opportunities for Albertans.

The recent budget builds on this work with a focus on jobs, economic growth, and supporting critical services such as health. At the same time, Alberta's finances are in better shape with the deficit being reduced while maintaining and increasing funding for key services.

Health care continues to be the largest budget line item with a focus on reducing surgery wait times, contingency planning, and keeping a strong public health care system that Albertans deserve.

Through this legislative agenda, Albertans can be assured that the Alberta Government's focus remains keeping Albertans healthy and safe while further implementing Alberta's Recovery Plan aimed to build, diversify, and create jobs.

As always, if you have questions or concerns, feel free to reach me through email at calgary.varsity@assembly.ab.ca or call 403-216-5436.



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