

# White City & Emerald Park

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## Community Newsletter



### No Place Like Home

Offering on a ranch-style bungalow, in White City, a Regina family, who moved here from Yorkton a couple of years ago, was excited to see if they would be the winning bidders knowing there were multiple offers

on the home after just a couple of days on the market. Their offer was contingent on their home in the Greens on Gardiner selling. The home buyers closed the deal with another family who likely didn't have the

same caveat on their offer.

To buy out here you need to be fast and conditionally unencumbered.

White City/Emerald Park (whatever our official name is as a community) is in hot demand for people of all

ages, all backgrounds looking for a great place to live. Real estate statistics prove that we all live in a hot market.

Lex Kress, who facilitates new builds with Crawford Realty and resale with

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Homelife Crawford Realty shares that since January 2021, 71 properties have changed hands out here. A recent resident of White City and a soon to be resident of Emerald Park with her new build, Lex is a huge fan of the area as are many of us who are fortunate enough to live out here.

Lex tells me that the draw for people to move to WC/EP is because you get "a little more bang for your buck". Big lots, and a small community feeling go a long way in today's market.

Today there are seven properties on the market in White City, and one conditional offer, and two on the market in Emerald Park. That number is sure to shrink in the coming weeks as this time of year tends to slow down because who wants to move when it is minus 30 with a 50/km wind?

Lex goes on to say,

**"We expect another healthy year ahead in terms of listings and sales.**

**For buyers the biggest challenge will be to find a property and then win in a multiple offer situation that happens quite often out here.**

In addition to the existing housing market there are many new builds underway and multiple lots available

near William Albert House and along Emerald Park Road as well as a smattering of lots still available on Aspen Village Drive. With the new clubhouse finally open, and a dedicated team seeking to rejuvenate the golf course to its former beauty, you'd have to think that those things will do nothing but help to stabilize or even drive prices up further.

It's funny when you think that many of us have been asked the question "what do you think of the drive" when people from outside of our community ask about what it is like to live out here. That question seems to be posed less and less, since the bypass was built, and Costco set up shop just a few short minutes away, but it is still rather amusing considering you can get to WC/EP from anywhere in the east end in less than ten minutes. In fact, it's faster to get here from downtown Regina than to Lakeridge or Westerra in rush hour traffic.

At some point we will become Saskatchewan's newest city whether by joining our two communities or by continued growth of White City which today has a larger population than Emerald Park. If not for the fact that we are governed separately, despite truly being one community, we would already be a city. With that "title" we would be able to apply for more government funding for various projects, have a larger voice within the province itself, and the ability (and funding) to build a desperately needed high school.

Just as many others did, we moved out here to enjoy smaller town life and wide-

open spaces. The reality is we are going to continue to grow whether we like it or not. We can only hope that that growth is done in a coordinated fashion, with thought and proper planning. Today that is difficult because of the current structure with two communities butting up against each other and two completely different councils with different plans and strategies in mind for the future.

Regardless of what happens, when the Saskatchewan Municipal Board finally looks at the application made by White City to amalgamate with Emerald Park, we will continue to see a demand for housing and properties will continue to sell quickly for above average asking prices in the

province.

For all of us, there really is no place like home.

**- Trish Bezborotko -**

PS: Lex was awesome to work with when I was looking for data for this article. If her response times, in terms of getting back to me for this article are an indication of how efficient she is, I guarantee you'll be impressed. As always, I left this to the last minute because that's how I roll (best under pressure) and she was so great to work with. If you're looking for a local realtor, who knows her stuff, and is passionate about our community, I would bet she would do an exceptional job for you. I like people who are motivated.

Effective Oct 4/21 I have retired & would like to sincerely "Thank you" for your past patronage.

I would like to introduce Candice Carr, Mortgage Broker & Notary Public who I have enjoyed working with over the 10 years. Your mortgage needs are very important to me and I am ensuring you are left in the most capable hands.

Candice & I started in the industry together and have always worked closely with a similar mindset and work ethic. She is well accustomed to handling new mortgages, renewals, refinances and can help with any questions you may have.

Candice is dedicated, focused and committed to finding the best mortgage solutions for her clients, and now my clients. Candice has earned a national "Summit 5" award with annual mortgage production in the top 5% in the country. I fully expect the transition of your mortgage account to Candice to go smoothly.

Please feel free to contact Candice with any questions at 306.531.6880, or by email at [candice@candicecarr.ca](mailto:candice@candicecarr.ca). Again, thank you for being such a valued client. I look forward to retirement, but I will miss the challenge of helping great people, like yourself.





# 3 technology trends shaping the future of farming

The past year has been a whirlwind for digital adoption, with the agriculture industry moving quickly to adapt to advanced technologies. Now, as the dust settles, a clearer picture is emerging around which trends and technologies will shape the industry in the long run.

“With technology increasingly key for agriculture producers to operate more efficiently and sustainably in the post-pandemic future, it’s more important than ever for farmers to keep abreast of emerging trends and innovations,” explains Ryan Riese, national director of agriculture at RBC. “Understanding the opportunities and challenges affecting the industry can ensure they ride the waves

of change, instead of being overpowered by them.”

Here are three key trends it’s a smart idea for agriculture producers to pay attention to:

### 1. The switch to digital data management

Supply chain uncertainties and social distancing regulations have spurred producers to replace pen and paper with digital data management platforms. These new tech tools have been particularly helpful for keeping a close eye on crop planning, inventory, committed contracts and task management.

### 2. Accelerated automation

Given the impact of the pandemic on borders,



worker flows and in-person processing capacity, many producers have a strong incentive to invest in automation technologies. In 2022, the agriculture industry will continue to see the evolution and continued adoption of such technologies.

### 3. Uneven adoption of technology

Adoption of advanced tech comes with high capital requirements — a burden that can be onerous for smaller farms trying to make that initial investment. In fact, Statistics Can-

ada reports that 95 per cent of farms with over a million dollars in annual sales are using advanced technologies, while only 60 per cent of farms with less than \$100,000 in sales report the same.

As technological adoption continues to accelerate, attention must be paid to avoid creating disparity that impedes equitable development across Canada’s agriculture industry.

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## 4 ways to use local zucchini this fall

### Bring the best side dish.

This time of year is always filled with gatherings of friends and families, and it is easy to impress with this side dish. Garlic-butter sautéed zucchini is easy, quick and will have everyone asking for your recipe. Cut the zucchini to your liking and pan-fry or sauté with butter, preferred seasoning and a tablespoon of minced garlic. Get creative with seasoning and other veggies. Add tomatoes when you sauté for extra flavour or make it cheesy by grating parmesan over it before serving.

### No-guilt snacking.

Oven-baked zucchini chips are a great way to snack in a healthy way. You begin by cutting the zucchini into thin slices and mixing a blend of parmesan, salt, pepper and any additional seasoning. Then dip each slice into an egg wash, then into the mixture. Once coated, place the slices on a parchment-lined baking sheet and bake at 375°F (190°C) until they look crispy brown, flipping them so both sides are evenly baked. Use these as your midnight snack or make as an

appetizer paired with pesto, marinara or tzatziki.

### Noodles + zucchini = zoodles.

Replace your pasta with local zucchini, using either a spiralizer, vegetable peeler or knife, or shred with a grater to get your desired shape and texture. Once you cut the zucchini, it's as easy as sautéing in a pan with oil and seasoning for two to five minutes. Then, serve with

President's Choice sweet basil pasta sauce and your choice of toppings.

### Healthy on-the-go breakfast.

Try zucchini granola bites that don't require any cooking and have limited ingredients. Start by mixing oats, almonds, cinnamon and chia seeds with almond butter until well combined. All that's left is to add dried, shredded zucchini, then roll the mixture into balls and put in the fridge for 30 minutes. This recipe is quick, easy and perfect for on-the-go breakfast, school lunches and snacks.


Local zucchini is available now at Loblaws stores across Canada.

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Many think that the best of the local growing season hits in the summer, but really fall has just as much to offer. Local produce not only tastes better, it also supports Canadian growers and reduces our carbon footprint.

While the season brings an abundance of local root vegetables and apples, zucchinis are a surprising star of fall. The nutrient-rich vegetable is in season right now and is a fan favourite for many reasons.

Zucchini contains a significant number of vitamins, zero fats and is high in both fibre and water. There are many ways to incorporate the veggie into your diet; here are just a few:



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# Plant-based recipes vegetarians and meat-lovers will adore

Many of us are now looking to incorporate plant-based eating into our meals.



But this can be a daunting task, especially for meat-lovers looking to reduce their meat intake or for vegetarians living in a world of meat-eaters.

To help spruce things up in the kitchen when it comes to going plant-based, try some new recipes that everyone will love, like this delicious fusion of two of the best types of food — pizza and pasta.

## **Pizza Penne Skillet**

*Prep time: 15 minutes*

*Cook time: 25 minutes*

*Serves: 4*

### **Ingredients:**

- 2 cans crushed tomatoes
- 12 oz (375 g) penne
- 2 tbsp olive oil
- ¼ lb mushrooms, sliced
- 1 onion, sliced
- 1 red pepper, sliced
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1/2 tsp dried oregano
- 1/4 tsp each salt and pepper
- 1 pkg Gardein Meatless Meatballs
- 1 cup shredded vegan mozzarella
- 2 tbsp torn basil leaves

### **Directions:**

1. Cook pasta according to package directions. Drain, reserving ¼ cup cooking liquid.
2. While pasta cooks, preheat broiler. Heat oil in large ovenproof skillet set over medium-high heat; cook mushrooms for 5 to 8 minutes or until they start to brown.
3. Stir in onion, red pepper, garlic, oregano, salt and pepper; cook for 2 to 3 minutes or until starting to soften. Stir in tomatoes and Meatless Meatballs; bring to boil. Reduce heat to medium low; cook for 5 to 8 minutes or until sauce is thickened.
4. Add pasta and reserved cooking liquid to skillet; cook, tossing well, until pasta is well coated. Sprinkle with cheese.
5. Broil for 2 to 3 minutes or until cheese melts. Sprinkle with basil.

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# Pandemic pet help: Answers to top questions

The past year and a half has been challenging, and many of us have turned to pets for joy, comfort and companionship. In fact, according to a recent survey, over 3.7 million Canadians adopted, purchased or fostered a cat or a dog throughout the pandemic.

With the surge in pet ownership and changing routines, pet parents both new and seasoned had tons of questions. To help answer some of the most popular questions, Purina Beyond brought a panel of pet experts together. Below are answers to three that people ask the most.

## What is the best way to prepare for a new pet?

For optimal results, it's important to be consistent with a training method that is suitable for the whole family. You can choose from a variety of options, but it's important to stay the course. Another good tip, especially if

you're adopting a new pet, is to communicate with the shelter or rescue agency to understand your pet's individual needs and prepare accordingly.

## My cat is very picky with food. How do I choose a good food that he will like?

Having difficulties figuring out your pet's eating habits is normal. Over half of Canadian pet parents have questions about eating habits and routine, according to the study. Wet food is a great option to add to your cat's diet because it provides different flavours and textures your furry friend will love.

## How often should I bring my animal to the vet?

It typically depends on the pet's age and their health condition. In general, it's recommended to take your puppy



or kitten to the vet once a month to make sure they are growing properly and to get all your questions answered. When they're young adults it's a good habit to get them checked once a year. As they grow older, twice a year would be ideal.

Find more information at [purina.ca/beyond](http://purina.ca/beyond).

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## ERES Community Council (ERESCC)

### Next ERESCC Meeting:

Tuesday, January 11th @ 6:30 pm via Zoom

All parents are encouraged to attend as your input and ideas are welcome and valued.

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### Upcoming Events:

November	Christmas Floral Fundraiser
January	Mental Health Online Education Session
February	Teacher Appreciation
March	Winter Outdoor Fun Day
April	Online 50/50 Fundraiser

Watch for more information in the coming months!

Thank you to all the parents who voted on the list of events the ERES Community Council proposed as possible activities for this year.



UPCOMING EVENTS	
Nov. 11	Remembrance Day—No School
Nov. 12	Teacher Prep Day—No School
Nov. 22	Report Card Distribution (3:15 pm)
Nov. 23 & 24	Celebration of Learning/Conferences (4:00—8:00 pm)
Nov. 26	Day in Lieu of Conferences—No School
Dec. 17	Last Day of Classes Before Winter Break

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# Greenall Griffins Update

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Greenall students and staff are working hard on the musical production already. Students are often in the library after school working on choreography or reading through script lines. Stay tuned for more announcements regarding the show production All Shook Up!!



Greenall High School Student Equity Group is gathering non-perishable food items during Period 3. The class that gathers the most items for the Food Bank will win cinnamon buns from the Griffin's Nest Canteen! Information below on how to contribute!



Griffins had another successful Cross-Country season with students breaking many personal bests and many students making it to Provincials! While at Provincials all athletes placed well in their categories and Reese Sommer placed 11<sup>th</sup> overall in her age category! Congratulations to all the Greenall Cross Country athletes!



Grade 10 student Ariena has published her own book! Ariena's book, Pieces of Truth is available for sale on Amazon. This is an amazing accomplishment for Ariena!

**The Greenall Football team remains undefeated with a record of 5 and 0! The next game is at Leibel field on Thursday, October 21 against Martin Luther.**

# 3 expert-backed tips to tackle winter blahs



For many people across Canada, winter can seem like the longest season of the year and productivity can feel challenging.

While many of us might be dreaming about warmer destinations, we can all be doers at home. As part of a recent survey carried out by insurance provider Belairdirect, Dr. Brynn Winegard, an award-winning business-brain expert, offers these three tips to bridge the gap between dreamer and doer, and help you feel like you can conquer winter this year.

## 1. Manage your expectations

To increase motivation for accomplishing, achieving and being productive, don't be hard on yourself. Break big projects or goals up into smaller components and choose which ones to focus on first each day.

## 2. Right-size your to-do list

Pick one big thing that you want to accomplish every day and put only that on your list. Every morning, ask yourself: "what's my one big thing today?"

If finding the right insurance coverage is on your list this season, insurance providers like Belairdirect help make that task simple.

## 3. Reach out for support

When in doubt, or if you start feeling sluggish with life goals or projects, ask for help. Friends, family and colleagues are often more than willing to lend a hand or provide advice.

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Please note: The library will be closed Thursday, November 11th for Remembrance Day.

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### NOVEMBER 2021 PROGRAM & EVENTS CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			Library Board Meeting 8:00 pm		Preschool Storytime 10:00 AM	Marble Run 11:00 AM
		Teen/Adult Paint Night 6:30 pm	Stitch & Chat 1:30 pm	Closed for Remembrance Day	LEGO Club 2:00 pm	Knex 11:00 AM
		Adult Book Club 6:30 PM	Stitch & Chat 1:30 pm		Preschool Storytime 10:00 AM	Marble Run 11:00 AM
			Outdoor Winter Arrangement 6:30 pm		Playdough Time 10:30 AM	Knex 11:00 AM



### CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

**Preschool Storytime—Drop-In**

Fridays @ 10:00 AM  
 November 5th & 19th

For preschool children 0-5 yrs. And their caregiver. Stories, songs/rhymes and crafts.

**Makerspace kits this Month**  
**Marble Run & Knex Building kit**  
 Saturdays @ 11:00 AM

**Teen/Adult Paint Night—Nov 9 @ 6:30**

You will be instructed to paint a one-of-a-kind masterpiece in a super fun & judgmental free environment.  
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### ADULT PROGRAMS

**Adult Book Club**

Tuesday, November 16th @ 6:30 PM  
 The One by John Marrs

Please Register.  
 New members welcome!

**Outdoor Winter Arrangement**

Wednesday, November 24 @ 6:30 PM  
 Viola Berwald will share her ideas & experience on making simple arrangements. Please bring a pot filled with soil/sand for your arrangement. Some supplies need: Evergreen/cedar branches, pine cones, birch sticks, and dogwood branches. Please bring what you have access to.  
 Please Register.





# Off the Beaten Track

- By John Panter

Casablanca, the best motion picture of all time (don't even bother to disagree with me on this), has a scene in which Ugarte, played by Peter Lorre, shows Rick Blaine (Humphrey Bogart) the Letters of Transit which are the key to the movie's plot. The letters of transit mean freedom for whoever possesses them. Of course they will only work for two people. But which two?

I'm reminded of this movie when I read about the proof of vaccination documents which governments - including our own provincial government - are touting. They mean freedom and a "return to normal" according to some people.

Of course, the danger is that domestic "passports", and the obligation to show them to anyone who asks, will become the "new normal".

According to a story in the Edmonton Sun, seventy percent of businesses in Edmonton and Calgary, and an even larger majority

(74%) of individual citizens, support vaccine passports in order to be allowed to patronize local businesses and services.

It is quite probable that business owners who have managed to survive the last two years of a terrible economy, based on the premise that half a loaf is better than no bread at all, see government-mandated passports as a preferable alternative to total, forced, shut-downs of their businesses. These business owners have my sympathy.



**It is quite probable that business owners who have managed to survive the last two years of a terrible economy, based on the premise that half a loaf is better than no bread at all...**

Others, however, seem to believe that vaccine passports are good government policy. I don't think these folks, particularly in the business sector, have thought this through.

Anyone who wants the vaccine has probably been vaccinated by now. If you haven't already been vaccinated you probably aren't going to be. How many peo-

ple are we talking about?

Consider those who have had COVID. They have good reason to refuse vaccination on top of the natural immunities which they have already developed. Many have other, legitimate, medical or religious reasons for refusing the shot. Others don't trust government and the medical bureaucracies who are pushing vaccines.

Badgering, bullying and shaming the unvaccinated will only harden vaccine hesitancy into vaccine refusal.

Whatever the number, it is a significant part of a business's customer base. Turning them away if they don't have a passport, or refuse to show one, will have a negative impact on a business's bottom line.

Political decisions have economic consequences. Always. After nearly two years of COVID-induced economic slowdown, a further reduction of customer discretionary spending will push a lot of small businesses, already drowning in debt, over the edge. Desperate times call for desperate measures and many businesses, in order to survive, will simply refuse to comply with orders to check for passports.

Casablanca's "letters of transit" resulted in a, more or less, happy movie ending. Vaccine passports may not have the same result.

Call me if you disagree. 569-2345 or emeraldcity158@gmail.com



## Notice of Communiskate AGM

Aspen Links Country Club • Thursday November 25th, 2021 • 7:00pm

### Some Agenda Items will be

- Executive Committee Reports
- Review of Audited Financial Accounts
- Review and or Election of Executive Committee for 2021/2022
- Questions or New Business from Membership

If you are a member of Communiskate please come out and see where we stand as a business in our community and how we have helped make that happen. Masks will be mandatory.

Please email questions or comments prior to AGM to [communiskateadmin@sasktel.net](mailto:communiskateadmin@sasktel.net) or call 306-540-7704.

If you are a member of Communiskate and you feel that we may not have your most current contact information on file, please call or email those details as soon as possible.

# Five Effective Strategies To Help Your Loved Ones Plan A Successful Downsize

We know that having “the talk” with our aging loved ones can be down right difficult and can be incredibly stressful for everyone involved. I’ve been a REALTOR® for over a decade and I compiled five effective strategies that my clients have used in the past that they found successful. Downsizing looks different for everyone. The main goal is to craft a living situation so it’s easier, safer, more comfortable, and is true to your personality. When you come from a genuine place of love, compassion, and support, you will find that working with your loved ones will bring you closer and provide you peace of mind.

**PLAN. PLAN. PLAN.** Creating a clear map of how you want to live your golden years is critical well before you are in “crisis mode”. The last thing you want to be overwhelmed with when you’ve been hit with a major health, mobility, or financial crisis is to figure out where you are going to live and who is going to take care of you. This is a decision that takes a lot of time, consulting, mental preparation, and tackling your wants and needs early on in the game will leave you with a peace of mind and confidence when the time comes. This way, you get to call the shots, focus on your quality of life, and have the time to do this things you love.

Connect with Experts. Sometimes you can’t see the big picture until you know all the details. That’s why meeting with an estate or financial planner is a critical step to a successful transition. They can help design a plan that suits your future goals, like travelling. Research expenses of what

it would cost to retrofit your existing home so it’s safer, purchase a smaller condo, rent an apartment, or find a spot in a senior home; whichever route you are leaning towards.

Consider Breaking Up Your Transition Into A Two-Step Process. We find that those that downsize from their larger family home while they are still incredibly independent, healthy, and active, tend to do better emotionally and financially.



They can take their time with the move, have the ability to do any repairs or upgrades to ensure a better sale price while the home is still in great condition, and may even have the opportunity to move in gradually. If you leave your transition to the last minute, big decisions often need to be made quickly, you end up having less autonomy, and often costs more in the long run. Making a move early also frees up equity in

your existing home if you are moving into something smaller and of less value so you can do more things that you can enjoy.

Focus on The Benefits. Downsizing is often associated with fear, stress, and loss of independence. But rather than approaching the transition as a negative thing, those that have successful downsizes often look at it with a brighter perspective. Again, if you focus on the goal of mak-

ing life easier so they have the best quality of life as possible, the move may be viewed as a liberating experience. Freeing up time to travel, participate in hobbies, spending time with grandkids can make it an exciting new time.

Family Involvement & Communication. Those that had successful downsizing experiences had family to lean on and discussed their plans often and early on. If you have an aging par-

ent that you are concerned about and want to begin the discussion, here are so key tips:

- The whole family needs to be on the same page and come from a place of love, respect, compassion, and patience
- Acknowledge your loved ones feelings
- Talk about their health, what they see for their future, and how you can help make their lives simpler
- Talk about what tasks they are finding harder to do
- RESIST THE URGE TO TAKE CHARGE OR PLANNING A FAMILY INTERVENTION... THIS NEVER ENDS WELL

Some icebreakers you can try:

- “I’ve always loved this house and I know you do too... is there anything I can help with to keep it in good shape?”
- “You’re spending a lot of money to keep up your house and you have a lot of equity in it. Have you consider selling and using the funds to move somewhere more comfortable?”
- “Are there any changes we can do to the house to let you stay longer?”
- “Have you thought about ever moving closer to us?”

If you are feeling major push-back on the idea of exploring a transition, there are still things you can do to help and plan for the day when it’s necessary:

- Find out what the root cause as to why they are resisting the move. Do they find the process overwhelming and intimidating?

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# Happiness

- By Gwen Randall-Young

The greatest source of unhappiness is the gap between what we have, and what we wish we had. When there is no gap, we are content. We feel a sense of abundance because we have all we need. Recognizing this, the search for happiness may involve a never-ending process of attempting to fulfil needs.

The problem is, there is no end to the needs that may be identified by the mind. We need more money, more things, more love, more peace, more time. We need more respect, more self-esteem, and more confidence. That list is endless.

Then, we can go on with a list of what we need others to have or be. So in order to be happy, our partner must be more dedicat-



**Life is precious, even in sadness. So, take from the past what is good, and let it become fuel for the future.**



ed, more attentive, more passionate for example, or our children must be more responsible, have higher marks, clearer goals, better friends and a different attitude. Our friends should be there for us more/ give us our space, talk about others to us, but not about us to others, and should be more/less spiritual.

Then there are the people in the neighborhood who should be more friendly,

less nosy, mow the lawn more (except not on Sunday morning), lend their tools or return your tools more readily.

Don't forget the merchants with whom you do business. They should have more efficient service, lower prices, more selection and stay open longer (or stay closed on Sunday).

What about the government? Certainly we would all be happier if we had lower taxes, more services, more growth, less inflation, and fewer politics.

But then there is still the weather. If we had longer summers, milder winters, no rain on long weekends, and just enough snow for skiing and white Christmas but not for bad driving and shoveling, then it would be good.

It is easy to see how working on being happy could be a full time job!

There is an easier way. A wise Buddhist teacher once said something like this: the smaller the vessel of your needs, the more easily you experience abundance. We

matter? One day we will not exist. What will happen to our 'problems' then? If they won't matter then, they probably do not matter that much now either. What does matter is that each day is a gift. It is given like a gift certificate, which we may spend however we choose. It is, however, only valid for this day. Spend it

wisely, spend it well. Use it for some joy.

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# Getting to Know You!

Councillor - Div. #7  
**Rod Tuchscherer**



## 1. WHERE DID YOU GROW UP AND HOW DID YOU COME TO BE LIVING IN OUR COMMUNITY?

I was born and raised in Regina, graduated from O'Neill High, and then started my 42-year career with the provincial government. After meeting my wife Janice, also from Regina, we were married and had two children Ashley and Hailey. While still living in Regina, Janice became one of the first teachers in the new White City School and we decided that it only made sense for me to commute. We picked out our lot, designed and contracted our family home in Emerald Park, where we have lived for 31 years.



*Rod and wife Janice with their rescue dog Deja from last summer*

## 2. HOW MANY YEARS HAVE YOU SERVED ON COUNCIL?

This is my first term as a member of the Council, and I am currently serving on several committees, including the WCRM 158 Wastewater Authority, Community & Protective Services, and Communications, to name a few. It has been exciting so far.

## 3. OUTSIDE OF SERVING ON COUNCIL, HOW DO YOU SPEND YOUR TIME? WHAT ARE YOUR HOBBIES?

I spend my time camping mostly at Rowans Ravine but love Whitefish Montana, fishing, biking with my dog Deja, kayaking, cooking, golfing/marshaling, curling, and of course, trying to keep my yard looking as nice as possible. I sometimes wonder when I ever had time for work before I retired!

## 4. WHAT ARE YOU PASSIONATE ABOUT?

I am passionate about family first, and now as a new councillor, I am committed to representing my stakeholders to the best of my ability. Traffic and bylaw enforcement, the new firehall/dept, ensuring the path system is safe, refurbishing our tennis/pickleball court and the new dog park are all high on my list.



*Rod and his family during their free time*

## 5. WHAT IS YOUR FAVOURITE PLACE IN THE WORLD AND WHY?

I have been to half a dozen Caribbean countries and numerous places in the USA, but the Florida Keys and Southern California are two that stand out for me. However, visiting my daughter and her husband in Toronto, especially if there is a baseball or hockey game to work into the schedule, is high on there.

## 6. WHAT IS YOUR FAVOURITE BOOK, TV SHOW AND/OR MOVIE?

There are so many great TV series out there, but my dog and I like watching Hudson and Rex together. I also like watching football, baseball, hockey, and golf. I still enjoy watching repeats of James Bond, Jaws, Indiana Jones, and Die-Hard movie sequels. A good cookbook looking up a new recipe would be a favourite.



*Ashley, Keaton, Janice, and Rod at a Leafs game*

## 7. TELL US A FUN FACT ABOUT YOURSELF!

About 25 years ago, a couple of my friends and I decided to take our kids to a Kiss concert in Saskatoon. My wife had to stay home with our youngest daughter, a toddler. So, the seven of us hopped in a Conversion Van and headed up to Stoon. When we arrived at the now SaskTel Center parking lot, we painted up the four kids as their favorite Kiss members. As we entered the concert, a Manager of Kiss came rushing over and said he had four front-row tickets for the kids, Diann the mother of two of the kids said we wouldn't let them go up there by themselves. He agreed and said I have five tickets and escorted them to their front row seats, this meant Brent and I had seven seats to ourselves. We watched our children being featured on the big screen throughout the concert and receiving a Kiss guitar which was a chance of a lifetime experience for everyone. A phone call from my wife Janice back home during the show raised a bit of concern about why Brent and I weren't with the rest of the group, but everyone was happy once it was explained!

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Mona is a very talented and accomplished woman. Her room is beautifully decorated with watercolour paintings and sketches that she has created over the years. She had a very successful career in real estate, working 6 days a week to achieve what she did. "I loved it!" she tells me. "You don't stay at a place very long if you don't like it."

Mona grew up on a farm near Congress, SK, 9 miles north of Assiniboia. She was the fifth child, of 7 boys and 2 girls, in the Roszell family. She has many fond childhood memories, like playing Anti-I-Over and playing ball and attending Progress Hill School near Congress.

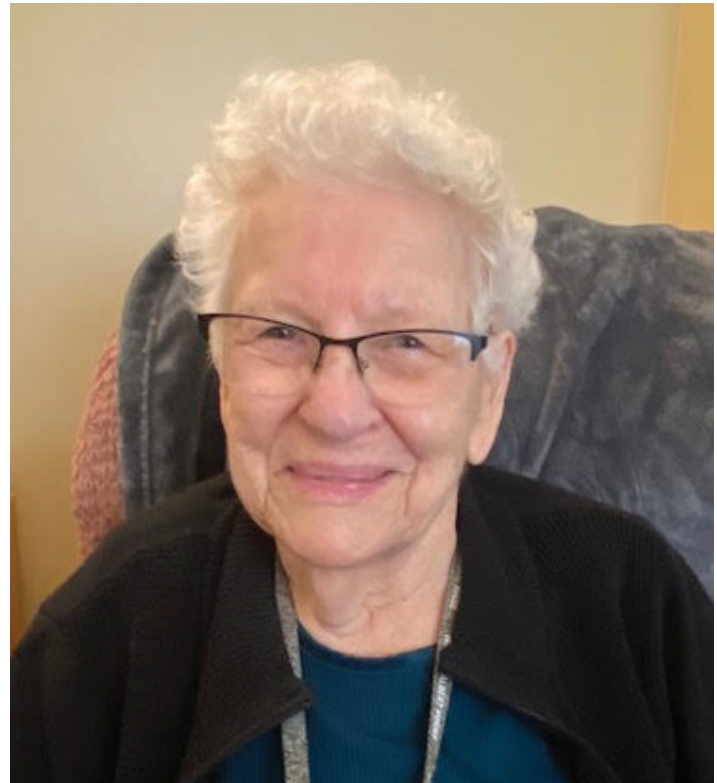
When Mona moved to Regina as a teenager, she worked at Silverwood Dairies, doing office work. She then worked at the Bank of Nova Scotia as a teller. She found both jobs very interesting and she acquired important skills and learned so much about the value of a strong work ethic. She attended First Baptist Church during this time, and it was there that she met her future husband, Don Drysdale, at a Young People's Youth Group function.

Don and Mona married in 1951. They moved to Estevan in 1957 where their daughter, Beverly, was born two years later. In 1965 and 1968, they adopted their sons, Jeffrey and Douglas. Bev tells

me that "along with their hard work, determination and generosity, Mom and Dad had a strong commitment to each other and to their family. They have instilled these qualities in their children and grandchildren." Bev recalls annual family camping vacations that were filled with fun and adventures. The boys particularly loved these trips.

"In 1975, the family moved to Regina. Within a year Mona wrote her Real Estate exam. She worked as a Realtor for Melton Real Estate (now known as Royal LePage) for 20 years. The last house she sold was to Bev and her husband, Garry, when they moved to Regina in 1996. This marked Mona's retirement. She was a star realtor, winning numerous awards for achieving top sales, with her photo often published in the Regina Leader Post."

Mona "was always very active. She loved to play ball when she was younger and even pitched some games for GOVINS, a government insurance team. She also loved to play tennis, and did so until she was into her 70's!! She travelled to a number of out of town tennis tournaments and collected several medals." She was a great cook and enjoyed doing crafts. "Mom has a generous heart. She would be the first person to cook a meal for, or to give money to, someone in need. She has always been quick to see a need



and to meet it!" She also had a band saw and a scroll saw in the basement workshop where she enjoyed woodworking. One of the things she remembers making is birdhouses.

To sum up, Bev states, so well, some admirable traits that her Mom possesses: generosity, strength, and determination. Mona, you are so loved and admired for the wonderful person you are! You are very special in the lives of your daughter, Bev, your grandsons, Brydan and Lynden (and their wives, Carley and Abby), and your great-grandchildren Dayne, Tyler and Hayley.

One afternoon, Bev brought over several

scarves that Mona wanted to offer to the ladies living here. Thank you for the lovely pink and purple one that I chose, Mona!

"Mom is a very strong and determined person. She has endured many difficulties and overcome many obstacles in her life. She has buried two sons, a husband and a son-in-law." "She has survived cancer three times and recovered from long complicated surgeries and medical procedures. She never gives up!!"

**Mona, thank you for the energy you bring to our group activities and for your caring actions toward others. We love and care for you very much, dear Mona!**

*If you have any comments you'd like to pass along to this month's featured resident, you may forward them to: [lowchar@sasktel.net](mailto:lowchar@sasktel.net)*



# Five Effective Strategies To Help Your Loved Ones Plan A Successful Downsize

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This is always a sensitive subject to bring up with loved ones or even confront for yourselves. Understanding and patience goes a long way and communication is key.



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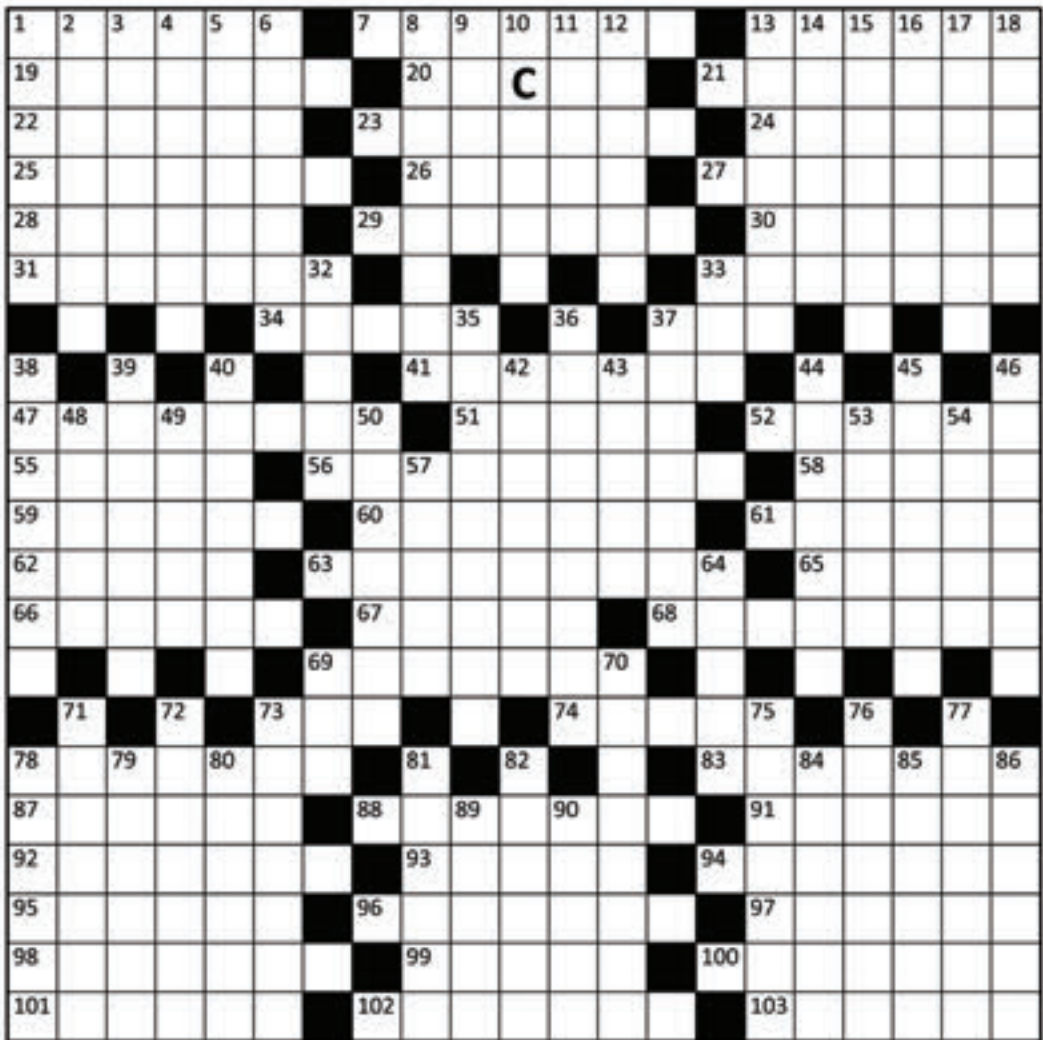
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# 2021 November

## Urban Forest Management Strategy Survey

Interested in protecting and managing White City's trees? White City's "urban forest" makes the community a special place worth living. An urban forest encompasses all the trees that grow within the city, on both public and private property. White City has contracted Davey Resource Group (DRG) to develop plans to protect and enhance our existing trees and plant even more. We would like your feedback to develop an Urban Forestry Plan and tree code that works for the community by taking the survey. We would like to see how our community views trees and the ecosystem components around an urban forest! **For more information and to join in the conversation: [engage.whitecity.ca](https://engage.whitecity.ca)**

## Compost Collection is going Monthly!

Reminder to residents that during winter months, compost collection changes from weekly to monthly with collection being on the first Tuesday of each month.

Compost pick-up dates for monthly collection:

**November 2**

**December 7**

**January 4**

**February 1**

**March 1**

Be sure to roll your bins out to the curb before 7:00 am on collection days. Weekly collection resumes April 2022.



**White City**

*Remembrance Day*

Town office  
will be closed on  
Nov. 11th, 2021

## Council Meetings

**November 1st, 2021**

Corporate Services Committee - 4:00 pm

Regular Council Meeting - 7:00 pm

**November 10th, 2021**

Development Services Committee - 4:00 pm

**November 15th, 2021**

Regular Council Meeting - 7:00 pm

**November 29th, 2021**

Community Services Committee - 4:00 pm

Regular Council Meeting - 7:00 pm



## FOCUS ON: Community Futures Sunrise

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Topics such as: how to start a business, creative marketing, budgeting and finances, and using social media platforms in your business are just a few. As well, CF Sunrise has been a leader in encouraging youth entrepreneurship, and works with regional schools to assist young people in developing their business skills. Check out the YouthBiz contest (15th anniversary in 2021!): <https://cfsask.ca/sunrise/sunrise-services#YouthBiz>

CF Sunrise's dedicated board of directors and staff work hard to provide valuable services to the southeast Saskatchewan region. Contact CF Sunrise with your business questions! We would be happy to help.

E: [info@cfsunrise.ca](mailto:info@cfsunrise.ca)  
W: [cfsask.ca/sunrise](http://cfsask.ca/sunrise)  
P: 306-842-8803  
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# White City Futbol Club Sponsorship Opportunities

WCFC is an excellent opportunity to gain exposure and sales through supporting our year-round, not-for-profit soccer club. We provide soccer to a growing population, currently 400 players annually. These players use the Emerald Park field during the summer season, and Ecole White City School during the winter season. Our club works to provide quality equipment, and a great recreational experience for all of our players and their families at an affordable cost. Our sponsors are greatly valued as they allow us to continue to provide this level of experience to our community. We have 2 packaged sponsorship opportunities, and are happy to accommodate different sponsorship options as possible.



## SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES:

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We welcome any interest or inquiries – please contact Adam Slinn At 306-550-4789, [president.wcfc@gmail.com](mailto:president.wcfc@gmail.com).

You can check out our website as well at [www.whitecityfutbol.com](http://www.whitecityfutbol.com)

### School Community Council

*next meeting is November 17, 2021*

Virtual meetings held every third Wednesday of the month @ 6:30.

ALL PARENTS WELCOME - Please contact the school by email at [ecolewhitecityschool@pvsd.ca](mailto:ecolewhitecityschool@pvsd.ca) to pre-register!

**Watch Facebook for our November 50/50 Announcement!**

### KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION 22/23:

Contact the school at [ecolewhitecityschool@pvsd.ca](mailto:ecolewhitecityschool@pvsd.ca) or 306-781-2115 if you have a child turning 5 by December 31, 2022.

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Don't forget  
Wolverine  
Wednesdays – dress  
up in your school gear  
or wear school  
colours!

### IMPORTANT DATES

Nov 11	Remembrance Day (School Closed)
Nov 12	Non-Student Day
Nov 19	Report Cards
Nov 23	Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews
Nov 24	Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews
Nov 26	School Closed (lieu day for teachers)

Online: [whitecity.pvsd.ca](http://whitecity.pvsd.ca) -> click the "SCC" menu

ÉWCSCC on Facebook: @EWCSCC

# November 2021

The next issue of the Community Newsletter will be distributed the first week of December.

All copy **MUST** be submitted on or before **November 20th**.

We do offer a classified section containing advertisements, items for sale, employment opportunities, etc. Everyone is welcome to put meeting dates, birthdays, anniversaries, etc. on the calendar, free of charge.

Please email: [shannon@westernlitho.ca](mailto:shannon@westernlitho.ca)

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	Corporate Services Meeting – 4:00pm Regular Council Meeting – 7:00pm 1	WHITE CITY Composting 2	EMERALD PARK Garbage WHITE CITY Recycling 3	EMERALD PARK Recycling 4	EMERALD PARK Composting Preschool Storytime at White City Public Library 10am 5	6
7	8	9	EMERALD PARK & WHITE CITY Garbage Development Services Meeting – 4:00pm 10	11	12	13
14	Regular Council Meeting – 7:00pm 15	16	EMERALD PARK Garbage WHITE CITY Recycling 17	EMERALD PARK Recycling 18	Preschool Storytime at White City Public Library 10am 19	20
21	22	23	EMERALD PARK & WHITE CITY Garbage 24	25	26	27
28	Community Services Meeting – 4:00pm Regular Council Meeting – 7:00pm 29	30			CASA ROSA/JAMESON ESTATES Garbage pick up every Tuesday	

## WC/EP RECREATION INFORMATION/REGISTRATION CONTACTS:

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