

NEIGHBOURS of Stonewall



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Stony Mountain Community Association

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THE STONY MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Twenty one years ago, the Stony Mountain Community Association started with a small group of community members who wanted to work together to create safer play spaces for our children . We hosted a street party on June 30 that enabled us to raise enough funds to improve the safety of Stony Mountain's existing playgrounds and it was so well received by the community that it became an annual event that grew to include Canada day-making it a two day event. We surveyed the community to find out what else was wanted and have been very successful in providing a wide variety of accessible and affordable programs and areas for everyone to enjoy. Many people joined this group over the years and our projects and programs increased over time as people brought their own talents and interests to the table. The collective efforts of every member over the years have contributed to the growth and achievements of our association fostering the enduring spirit of our community.

Encouraging community engagement has been at the heart of our association's efforts. Working on these projects has transformed us into a strong team, creating a sense of belonging and encouraging residents to take an active role in our community. These bonds have not only fostered friendships but have also enriched the lives of our members by providing avenues for personal growth where individual skills and talents are utilized and shared. We have members of all ages and abilities and we enjoy learning from each other and developing a great sense of pride in our group accomplishments.

Our community association understands the importance of local businesses as the backbone of our economy and we utilize them almost exclusively. They, in turn, support our efforts through sponsorship and donations which contribute to our inclusive community spirit. Our collective efforts have made our community a vibrant and unique place to live. Our ten year vision included bringing back ball and soccer which involved a major renewal of the ball and soccer areas. We now have strong, community led programs and have added adult slo pitch and ball hockey. We have also created a skateboard park and pump track and have continued to maintain and upgrade these areas as needed with the support of grants and fundraising efforts. We have worked together to create three unique and beautiful playgrounds throughout the town which are now maintained by the RM of Rockwood. We are very proud of the hiking and biking trail system that we have created throughout the quarries and prairie areas which now also included reconstructing the old swimming pool in Centennial Park and turning it into an outdoor bandstand! We are in our second year of free concerts and they have been very well received and supported by the community. We have recently added some interpretive signage, two permanent washrooms, hydro and two parking areas (one that is accessible for those with limited mobility). Upcoming plans include a community fire pit area and memory garden-watch for these exciting new developments!

Over the years, our community association has brought together residents from diverse backgrounds, empowered them to share their unique skills, and transformed our community into a place we are proud to call home. As we come to the completion of our ten year development plan, we can celebrate with the community our accomplishments, acknowledge the hard work and dedication of our community members, and look forward to the next decade with renewed enthusiasm.

Marcia Desmedt
Proud President of Stony Mountain Community Association
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July HOME MAINTENANCE CHECKLIST

No matter what you hear there's no such thing as a maintenance-free home. What there is; a home that's totally manageable to maintain when you break it down month by month. To help, here's your July Home Maintenance Checklist.

- ✓ Wipe down porch lights, replace bulbs.
- ✓ Get rid of washing machine build-up with a cup of diluted bleach or white vinegar in the drum.
- ✓ Wipe down and clean baseboards & doors.
- ✓ Clean garbage disposal by mixing 1/2 cup of baking soda + 1 cup vinegar.
- ✓ Drain your water heater to flush out any sediment.
- ✓ Wash pet beds, toys, travel carriers, etc.
- ✓ Clean or replace worn-out or dirty entry rugs.
- ✓ Inspect fencing & gates, make repairs as needed.
- ✓ Plan your fall vegetable garden. (Think: Brussel sprouts, broccoli, and kale)



TOP *Summer* HOMEOWNER CONCERNS

with Brandt McKillop



The primary concerns homeowners often have during the summer include:

1. Air conditioning and cooling efficiency.
2. High energy costs associated with increased electricity usage.
3. Pest control to prevent infestations.
4. Lawn and garden maintenance.
5. Water management for irrigation and preventing waste.
6. Storm preparedness and protecting the home.
7. Ensuring home security while on vacation.



These concerns may vary depending on location and individual circumstances. Read more about this in depth at: www.mckillop.ca/news or scan the qr code:





BUILDING A

Summer Oasis

IN YOUR HOME

with Susan McKillop



Are you looking for ways to make the most of the summer season right at home? Look no further! I've got 6 tips to transform your home into a summer oasis, so you can soak up the sun and relax in your very own backyard.

01



Create a cozy seating area with outdoor furniture and cushions to make your space comfortable and inviting.

02



Hang string lights or outdoor lanterns to add ambiance and create a warm, welcoming atmosphere.

03



Plant some flowers or greenery to add colour and life to your outdoor space.

04



Incorporate water features like a fountain or small pond to add a calming element to your backyard.

05



Set up a BBQ station or outdoor kitchen for al fresco dining and entertaining.

06



Add a hammock or swing chair to create a relaxing place to read or nap.



HONOURING OUR LOCAL

Firefighters:

A TRIBUTE TO THEIR
SELFLESS SERVICE!



In every community, there are unsung heroes who work tirelessly to protect us, our loved ones, and our homes. These heroes are none other than our local firefighters, both paid and volunteers, who selflessly dedicate themselves to keeping us safe from the ravages of fire and other emergencies.

Unwavering Dedication:

Our local firefighters display an unwavering dedication to their duty, standing ready to respond to any crisis at a moment's notice. They undergo rigorous training, both physically and mentally, to ensure they are prepared to handle any emergency situation that arises in our community. Whether it's battling roaring flames, rescuing trapped individuals, or providing crucial medical assistance, our firefighters are always there, putting their lives on the line to protect ours.

Community Involvement:

Our local firefighters go beyond their primary duties. They actively engage with the community, organizing educational programs, fire drills, and safety workshops to promote awareness and preparedness. They work closely with schools, businesses, and organizations to ensure that everyone understands the importance of fire safety measures. By fostering a culture of safety, they empower us to protect ourselves and minimize the risks associated with fire hazards.

The Stonewall Rockwood Fire Department:

A dedicated team of paid on-call firefighters committed to serving our community. Currently comprised of 30 firefighters, including a chief, deputy chief, three assistant chiefs, two training officers, and two fire inspectors. Their department is equipped to handle a wide range of emergencies. Responsibilities encompass a wide range of emergencies due to their location. They are prepared to respond to structure fires, motor vehicle collisions, ammonia leaks, water rescues, ice rescues, ground searches, medical assistance calls, and support the RCMP when needed. They are also equipped to handle grass and field fires and provide mutual aid to neighbouring municipalities. Read entire article at: mckillop.ca/news or scan the QR code!



Today, let's take a moment to recognize and express our heartfelt gratitude to these fine individuals who put their lives on the line for our well-being.



HOW TO DETERMINE THE

Price OF YOUR HOME

with Brandt McKillop



As a local agent, I can tell you that pricing a home can be a bit like putting together a puzzle. But once the pieces are there, everything comes together to reveal a home that's priced just as it should be for buyers AND sellers.

That said, here's how I determine the price of a home:

STEP ONE

Research Comparable Homes

I dig deep into recent sales of homes that are similar to the one you're interested in. Size, location, age, and condition are key factors I consider.

STEP TWO

Factor in Market Conditions

Is it a buyer's or seller's market? I analyze trends to see how they affect the demand and supply in the area.

STEP THREE

Adjust for Unique Features

A house isn't just four walls and a roof, right? I take into account special features, like a pool or an upgraded kitchen, that can make a difference in the price.

STEP FOUR

Put it All Together

Using all this info, I create a Comparative Market Analysis (CMA) that helps me pinpoint the right price range for your home.



10 WAYS TO

Protect

YOUR DOG FROM THE HEAT



1) Water, Water, Water!!

Ensuring your pup has access to water throughout the day is crucial to safeguarding their health.

2) Grooming

To keep dogs with thicker coats cool in the summer. However, some breeds should NOT be groomed.

3) Shade & Air Conditioning

Make sure your pup has access to shaded areas to rest and cool down.

4) Water Toys & Sprinklers

Provide a kiddie pool or setting up sprinklers for them to splash and play in.

5) Take Advantage of our Beautiful Lakes

With a long lead leash, you can be sure you'll see smiles and excitement from your pup as they play in the water.

6) Never Leave Pets in a Parked Car

Leaving pets, especially dogs, in a parked car even for a short period is harmful and extremely dangerous!

7) Be Aware of Asphalt Temperatures

To protect paws from burns and prevent overheating, it's important to avoid hot pavement or asphalt.

8) Limit Exercise on Hot Days

Hot sun, humidity, and exercise do not make for a great mix for your pup. Limit outdoor activity on hot days.

9) Avoid the Hottest Times of Day

Take your dog out earlier in the morning before the sun and humidity are at their peak or in the evenings.

10) Visit: www.mckillop.ca/news

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BISON BANDSTAND 2023 SUMMER EVENT SCHEDULE



Canada

Manitoba

THE STONY MOUNTAIN DISTRICT
ROCKWOOD

ROSSER

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LIQUOR
& LOTTERIES



CANADA DAY CELEBRATIONS

JUNE 30 – FAMILY FESTIVAL (AT BISON BANSTAND)

JUNE 30 – FIREWORKS (AT SPORTS FIELDS)

JULY 1 – CANADA DAY FESTIVITIES (AT SPORTS FIELDS)

MUSIC AT THE MOUNTAIN

SPONSORED BY THE MCKILLOP TEAM

JUNE 11 – TWO CROWS FOR COMFORT (AFTERNOON)

JUNE 30 – BIIIVVER BAND (EVENING)

JULY 29 – HASKINS STREET BAND (EVENING)

AUGUST 26 – ADAM T. ELVIS (EVENING)

SEPT 10 – THE B34ST (AFTERNOON)

McKillop
TEAM
REALTOR Town & Country

ETERNAL GRACE
Funerals

IG PRIVATE WEALTH
MANAGEMENT
D'EPREZ & ASSOCIATES

northmountain
STORAGE

Sheldon and Lynn Briand

ROCKWOOD WRECKING FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

AUG 19 – MOVIE TBD (EVENING)



Summer Health Essentials



TOP 5 ISSUES TO BE AWARE OF FOR A HEALTHY SEASON

As summer arrives, it brings along its own set of health considerations. From rising temperatures to outdoor activities, it's important to be well-informed and prepared to safeguard your well-being. In this article, we highlight the top five summer health issues to be aware of and provide essential tips for maintaining your health during the sunny season.

1) Sun Protection:

Applying sunscreen with a high SPF to shield the skin from harmful UV rays and reduce the risk of sunburn, premature aging, and skin cancer.

2) Hydration and Heat-related Illnesses:

Staying well-hydrated during hot summer days helps regulate body temperature, supports overall health, and prevents heat exhaustion or heatstroke.

3) Food Safety:

There is an increased risk of foodborne illnesses due to higher temperatures. Follow proper food storage, preparation, and transportation to prevent food poisoning and maintain good food hygiene.

4) Insect Bites and Vector-borne Diseases:

Summertime pests like mosquitoes and ticks pose health risks. Wear protective clothing, insect repellent and check for ticks after outdoor activities.

5) Summer Exercise and Physical Activity:

Adapt to the summer climate with adequate hydration, proper clothing, and exercising during cooler hours to prevent heat-related issues and maintain overall fitness.

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JULY'S *Property* SHOWCASE



\$649,900



4 Beds
 3 Baths
 1640 sqft

4122 Road 79N - RM of Woodlands



"Uncover the Splendor of a Western Red Cedar Log Home"

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\$699,900



4 Beds
 2.5 Baths
 2318 sqft

70032 Meridian Road - RM of Rosser



"Discover Your Dream Home In A Country Paradise"

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\$439,777



3 Beds
 2.5 Baths
 1600 sqft

10098 Rd 74NW - RM of Woodlands



"Welcome To This Stunning 10 Acre Property"

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\$499,900



3 Beds
 2 Baths
 1425 sqft

3 Kurelek Crescent - Stonewall



"Luxury Bungalow in Quarry Ridge Park"

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204-782-8869



\$469,900



3 Beds
 3.5 Baths
 1750 sqft

39 Oak Bay - Stonewall



"Sparkling Cab-Over On Large Beautifully Treed Lot"

Susan & Brandt McKillop
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204-782-8869



\$299,900



3 Beds
 1.5 Baths
 1400 sqft

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Create an irresistible first impression with our experienced professionals. They skillfully highlight your home's unique features, creating an inviting atmosphere that captivates potential buyers and leaves a lasting impression. Trust our expertise to make your property shine and attract the right attention.

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Market UPDATE

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ACTIVE LISTINGS
19 HOMES, 9 LOTS, 5 TBB

\$466,731

AVERAGE
LIST PRICE

\$467,225

AVERAGE
SALE PRICE

4

HOMES SOLD

18

DAYS ON
MARKET

2.7

MONTHS OF
INVENTORY

Experience "Picture This" with The McKillop Team

When it comes to selling your home, choosing The McKillop Team means choosing a seamless and rewarding experience from start to finish. With meticulous attention to detail and a commitment to exceeding expectations, we handle every aspect of the selling process, allowing you to focus on what matters most: your family and moving forward.

As the local experts in real estate, with a combined experience of 70 years, we are deeply rooted in our community. Our dedication extends beyond the real estate market as we proudly sponsor events like the Children's Miracle Network, Touch a Truck, palliative care, hockey, and more. By choosing us, not only will you receive the best in multi-media services, but you will also contribute to these meaningful causes, as we donate a portion of our commissions with every sale.

We take pride in our unparalleled reputation and exceptional team, which has propelled us to become the gateway to real estate success. With a track record boasting an impressive 80% of business from repeat customers and referrals, our clients trust us time and again. Our team excels in multi-media marketing, promotion, communication, and negotiations, ensuring maximum financial return with minimal stress.

Experience the difference of working with a full-time, full-service real estate brokerage that goes above and beyond for our clients. Trust us to provide unmatched service and guide you through a smooth, rewarding real estate journey.

Call The McKillop Team today and let's turn your real estate goals into a reality. Together, let's support local and make a difference in our community. (204) 467-8000 - www.mckillop.ca

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