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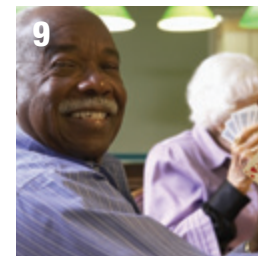
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Tuxedo Park Community Association meetings are held on the second Thursday of every month, except July and August (no meetings). Meetings start at 7:00 pm. All community residents are welcome to express their concerns, meet some of your neighbours, or sit in and hear what's happening in and around your community. Hall Rentals: communications@tuxedoparkcommunity.ca



THE CHRISTMAS PICKLE

There's a tradition in the U.S. to hang a pickle-shaped ornament on their Christmas trees. The first child to find the pickle on Christmas morning receives an extra present from Santa or will have a year of good luck.

CLOTHESLINE

Not sure what to do with your clutter? The Clothesline program in Calgary collects gently used clothing, electronics and small household items-where proceeds support the Canadian Diabetes Association. To donate and schedule your free pick-up, call 1-800-505-5525 or visit www.diabetes.ca/clothesline.

LETTER FROM THE EDITOR



Happy Holidays, Tuxedo Park! The winter season is upon us again and that means the return of shoveling and de-icing walkways. As a reminder, the City of Calgary does enforce snow and ice removal from the adjacent City sidewalk or pathway that runs in front of or along the side of the property within 24 hours after the snow stops falling. If you are planning on a vacation over the holiday season, make arrangements for someone else to shovel your sidewalk while you're gone so that you don't face a warning or additional charge from the City.

The City also has a Snow Angels program that encourages Calgaryans to help neighbours and older adults with snow and ice removal. If you'd like the opportunity to become a Snow Angel or nominate someone as a Snow Angel, contact the City by dialing 311. I hope everyone has a restful and relaxing holiday season and a great start to 2018!

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



As we look towards the New Year, the Tuxedo Park Community Association is busy planning new programs, courses, and events at our hall. These range from Parent & Baby Yoga to Marketing for Business workshops to Dance classes. Keep an eye on the Tuxedo Park Gazette and www.tuxedoparkcommunity.ca every month to see what's new—and join us! We're excited to see these programs develop, grow, and bring more neighbours into our hall. With the renovations underway, this space is looking better than ever—stay tuned to see the final phase begin once the spring thaw is complete.

With 2017 coming to a close, I find myself reflecting on all we've accomplished this year and couldn't be prouder of the work our board has done. As 2018 dawns, we're facing the New Year with stronger policies and practices, a brand-new set of bylaws, a business plan that will grow with us, and an invigorated sense of enthusiasm for the volunteer work we do. Thank you to the directors who have worked so hard to accomplish these goals, and the community members who have come out to support us!

On behalf of the Tuxedo Park Board of Directors, I wish you and yours a very happy, healthy, and safe holiday season!

Anne Johnson
 President



TUXEDO PARK EVENTS

Tuxedo Park Events

TPCA General Meeting: Thursday, December 14 at 7 p.m.
 TPCA General Meeting: Thursday, January 11 at 7 p.m.
 Jelly Bean Dance: Friday, February 23

Weekly Events:

Mondays 9:00 – 10 a.m. Walk 15 Fitness with Nancy, upper hall, please arrive early to sign waivers
 Mondays 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. – Yoga Mondays
 Tuesdays 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. – Senior's Fitness
 Wednesdays, 9:00 – 10:00 am Qi Gong with Saranga

TUXEDO PARK NEEDS YOU!



Are you interested in getting to know your community and neighbours? Do you want to give back to your community? Be the first to know about developments coming into Tuxedo Park? Have a voice in the decisions made at City Hall about Tuxedo Park?

Join the Tuxedo Park Community Association Board of Directors! We're looking for forward-thinking, fun-loving, community-minded volunteers who can spare just a few hours a month to help us improve our neighbourhood (and beef up their resumes in the process). We're looking for:

- Board Members: as our AGM approaches in March, the TPCA has a couple Director positions open. This is a great time to join our board, learn board procedures, beef up your resume, and help your community;
- Volunteer Coordinator: The volunteer in this role will help recruit and organize community volunteers for specific events and fundraising activities;
- Programming Committee Members: volunteers to help develop and facilitate the fantastic free programming offered through the TPCA;
- Membership Committee Members: People-focused volunteers to help recruit and maintain members for the TPCA;
- Social Committee Members: Volunteers who love a great event are welcome on our Social Committee;
- Finance Committee Members: Fiscally minded volunteers with accounting experience who can help maintain the financial health of our Association;
- Communications Committee Members: people to join our existing Communications Team to help spread the word about how much Tuxedo Park has to offer.

Contact Anne at president@tuxedoparkcommunity.ca today to see how you could work with and join our team today! Or, just drop-in to one of our open General Meetings—the next one will be Thursday, November 9th @ 7pm.

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HISTORICAL TUXEDO PARK SURVEY

Tuxedo Park, like many Calgary communities, has seen many changes through the years. One change includes street names. Prior to the current numeric system that we have adopted and use today, many Calgary streets used names as markers. Rick Charland, a Tuxedo Park resident, submitted the following residential survey that shows some of the original street names in Tuxedo. Centre Street, for example, was previously called Tuxedo Boulevard. The document was given to him and his wife by the grandson of the original owner of their house that was built in 1929.

Can you spot your street and house lot on the survey? Thank you to Rick and his wife for submitting this historical gem!



Photo credit: Rick Charland.

PROGRAMS AT TUXEDO PARK HALL



For more information on any classes or programs, call or email Shannon: 403-277-8689 gm@tuxedoparkcommunity.ca.

Membership required for all programming

(Resident and non-resident memberships available, arrive early to sign waivers)

ONGOING CLASSES:

Walk 15 Fitness with Nancy

Mondays 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. Upper Hall

FREE, all welcome

Walk 15° is a low-impact, walking-based group fitness class that's easy to follow yet effective in results – it's an exercise program that virtually anyone can do. Our 15-minute mile is the foundation of the program, and we use the best features of low-impact, aerobic style group exercise in a format set to music that makes working out fun. It's new. It's different. It's exciting!

Yoga Flow Monday Nights with Steph

Mondays 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

FREE, all welcome, *space is limited*
No Yoga on holiday Mondays

A great class to get moving and connecting to breath. The flow of postures will keep you on your toes as you explore natural movement of the body and expand your practice with lots of modifications to compliment your comfort level. Suitable for beginner to intermediate practitioners.

Yin Yoga Monday Nights with Steph

Jan 8 - Mar 26 2018 (3 months, 11 sessions)

Mondays 7:45 - 9:00 p.m.

(runs Jan through March, no Yoga Jan 1 and Feb 19)

- \$71.50 for Resident Members;
- \$93.50 for Non-Resident Members

Limited space, this class fills up quickly, register early.

Seniors' Fitness with Marianne

Tuesdays, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. Upper Hall

(arrive early to sign waivers).

FREE, all welcome, space is limited.

INTERMITTENT PROGRAMMING:

Modern Masters, 5-7 yrs

Wednesdays, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

January 10, 17, 24, 31 | February 7, 14, 21, 28, 2018

Background: We will explore artists such as: Warhol, Kadinsky, Cezanne, Rousseau, Picasso, Van Gogh, etc. Creating personalized pieces influenced by these masters. We will work with techniques of sketching, painting, sculpting and mixed media.

- \$45 for Resident Members
- \$55 for Non-Resident Members

Limited space

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DECEMBER

TUXEDO PARK COMMUNITY CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 Santa Breakfast TPCH @ 9 a.m.	2
3 Walk 15 Fitness with Nancy, Upper Hall @ 9:00 a.m., Yoga Mondays @ 6:30 p.m., Yin Yoga @ 7:45 p.m. for registered participants	4 Seniors Fitness @ 10:30 a.m.	5 Qi Gong with Saranga @ 9:00 a.m., TPCA Modern Masters Art Program – Art Show @ 5:30 p.m.	6	7	8	9
10 Walk 15 Fitness with Nancy, Upper Hall @ 9:00 a.m., Yoga Mondays @ 6:30 p.m., Yin Yoga @ 7:45 p.m. for registered participants	11 Seniors Fitness @ 10:30 a.m.	12 Qi Gong with Saranga @ 9:00 a.m.	13 TPCA General Meeting @ 7 p.m.	14	15	16
17 Walk 15 Fitness with Nancy, Upper Hall @ 9:00 a.m., Yoga Mondays @ 6:30 p.m., Yin Yoga @ 7:45 p.m. for registered participants	18 Seniors Fitness @ 10:30 a.m.	19 Qi Gong with Saranga @ 9:00 a.m.	20	21	22	23
Christmas Eve New Year's Eve	24 Christmas Day – No classes	25 Seniors Fitness @ 10:30 a.m.	26 Qi Gong with Saranga @ 9:00 a.m.	27	28	29
	31					30

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Be a Snow Angel. When you clear your walk - clear a neighbour's at the same time. It helps people get around and makes a community proud!	Calgary.ca/SnowAngels	
The pathway across the Glenmore Dam was closed to the public on September 30, 2017, and then until the work is complete in 2020.	Calgary.ca/Glenmore Upgrades	
Learn about The City's accessible programs including accessible transportation, accessible recreation facilities and classes, assisted listening devices and much more.	Calgary.ca/Accessibility	

TUXEDO PARK MEMBERSHIP



TUXEDO PARK BUSINESS MEMBERSHIP



Please complete and return this form, with \$100 cheque payable to TPCA: 202 29th Avenue NE T2E 2C1 or register online at www.tuxedoparkcommunity.ca

Business Name: _____

Address: _____

Postal Code: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Website: _____

Business Category:
 Restaurant Retail Accounting Spa/Health Services
 Fitness Home Services Other

Would you be interested in supporting TPCA special events with sponsorships, prizes, or volunteers? _____

I would like to receive emails from TPCA regarding programs, events, and community information.

Personal information collected by TPCA will be kept confidential and will not be used or disclosed to third parties.



TUXEDO PARK MEMBERSHIP

Please complete and return this form, with cheque payable to TPCA: 202 29th Avenue NE T2E 2C1 or register online at www.tuxedoparkcommunity.ca

Please check one: New Member (Resident) New Associate Member (Non-Resident) Renewal
 Type of Membership: Family \$20.00 (max. 2 adults with children) Individual \$10.00

Name(s): _____

Address: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone #: _____ Email: _____

2nd Email (optional): _____ Date: _____

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INTERMITTENT PROGRAMMING CONT'D

Modern Masters, Level 2, 7-10 yrs

Wednesdays, 7:00-8:00 p.m.
January 10, 17, 24, 31 | February 7, 14, 21, 28, 2018

Background: We will explore artists such as: Warhol, Kadinsky, Cezanne, Rousseau, Picasso, Van Gogh, etc. Creating personalized pieces influenced by these masters. We will work with techniques of sketching, painting, sculpting and mixed media.

- \$45 Resident Members
- \$55 Non-Resident Members

Limited space

Adult Vision Board Class with Jenn

Saturday, January 20, 2018, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Ages: Adults Only

Background: The purpose of this class is to create a vision board. A vision board is a powerful visual tool to assist you in guiding your career, life planning. We will utilize artistic elements to personalize and make your board a visual masterpiece.

- \$25 for Resident Members or \$35 for two people - bring a friend!
- \$35 for Non-Residents, or \$40 for two!

Valentine's Card Class with Jenn

Saturday February 10, 2018, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Background: Kids will make Valentine's cards for their classmates. Each student will make 15 cards and 1 teacher card. Kits for additional cards will be available for purchase (please order ahead).

- \$15 for Resident Members
- \$18 for Non-Resident Members

Baby and Me Yoga with Steph

Fridays 9:30-10:30 a.m., Jan 5 - Feb 23, 2018
(8 sessions)

- \$52 for Resident Members
- \$60 for Non-Resident Members

TPCA Business Workshops

TPCA is pleased to launch our business workshops. Join us for 1 to 2-hour workshops on various topics including Social Media Marketing, LinkedIn Basics and Writing and Editing and much more! We are planning our workshops for 2018 so watch our website and upcoming newsletter for more information.

2nd Monday of the month 6:00-7:30 p.m.

First workshop will be on Feb 12, 2018 - Twitter 101 (Basics)

Free for all members (resident and non)

Cardio Dance with Rebecca

Tuesdays, 6:30-7:30 p.m. starts in Feb 2018

Drop-in rate: \$6.50 for resident members, \$8.50 for non-resident members

** First two classes are free! Feb 6 and Feb 13 join the class for free!**

A fun, full-body aerobic workout that will tone and shape your muscles through specific movements. Come dance and get fit!



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Women's English & Social Group

Meet your Neighbours & Practice English!

The New Friends and Neighbourhood Group program is a safe and fun environment for immigrant women to improve their English and meet new women in the community.

- Free registration, join anytime
- Once a week for two hours
- Learn about community resources
- Make new friends
- No minimum English requirements
- Free childcare provided (6 months - 6 years)
- Learn new things and have fun!

Judith Umbach Library Group 6617 Centre Street N

Mondays 10:00am-Noon

For more information or other locations throughout the city please contact:

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New Friends and Neighbourhood Groups

Calgary Immigrant Women's Association

Phone: 403-444-1752

Email: debrac@ciwa-online.com

Visit our website: www.ciwa-online.com



NORTHMINSTER UNITED CHURCH EVENTS

Northminster United Church Events

Merry and Bright Caroling Night - Wednesday December 20th - gather at 7 PM in the warmth of our sanctuary to sing your favourite Christmas tunes with a mug of hot chocolate.

Seniors Christmas Lunch - Thursday December 21st - come at 11:30 AM for a bowl of hearty soup and great conversation to warm you inside and out! Lunch is on us, but please call the office to reserve your seat.

Northminster United Church
3311 Centre Street North
403-277-0322
www.northminster.ca

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Off-Leash Ambassador Program Volunteer Recruitment

We are recruiting volunteers to participate in the Off-Leash Ambassador program.

The Off-Leash Ambassador program is an innovative approach with a volunteer-based, citizen-led initiative to promote responsible pet ownership in Calgary's 150 off-leash parks.

Volunteers in the program will:

- Promote responsible pet ownership, positive pet interactions and safety in off-leash areas through the provision of information and demonstrations
 - Answer questions regarding Calgary's bylaws in off-leash areas
 - Act as positive role models in off-leash parks in terms of adhering with Calgary's bylaws
 - Provide an avenue for citizens to express concerns and pass along concerns to City staff
 - Promote the work of Calgary Community Standards and the services available at the Animal Services Centre, such as animal adoption and licensing
- Ambassadors will receive training to familiarize themselves with bylaws, canine body language, as well as tactics to communicate with the public.

Visit us at: www.calgary.ca/offleashvolunteer.



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During the year we hold a number of parties and events, which are all run by our parent volunteers. Face painting, bouncy castles, crafts and a visit from Santa are some of the activities the kids can enjoy at our parties.

We meet in the Lower Hall from 9:00 - 11:00 am and the program runs Monday to Friday. Visit the MPCA website, look for playgroup (under Our Community) and register to join us!

mpca.ca ▶ Our Community ▶ Playgroup



Community Babysitting Providers:

Lynn R. 403-229-1691
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Josie 587-228-4608
Daughter has Babysitters Course.

Marilyn 403-295-0304
Mature woman would enjoy babysitting babies up to 2 years of age.

Sam R. 403-988-7507
Daughter has taken Babysitters Course.

Susan G. 403-542-1213
Son has taken Babysitters course.

Chrystina L. 403-244-2418
Son and daughter have babysitting course.

Kristina. 403-690-2572
Adult woman, provides childcare evenings and weekends. Enjoys doing crafts with kids.

Parents: If your child, or children, have babysitting experience and would like to be in our babysitting registry, please contact Chrystina at 403-244-2418 or volunteer@tuxedoparkcommunity.ca.

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MUSIC LESSONS FOR ALL: The Lydian Studio of Music is accepting new students in piano, guitar, ukulele, voice, violin and cello. Join our exceptional instructors who are professional and highly skilled. Additionally, group classes are available: beginner guitar, ukulele and cello. Call Christine at 403-230-2708. www.grouplessonscalgary.com.



Help Neighbours in Need this Holiday Season with the Calgary Food Bank

Every year we at the Federation of Calgary Communities along with our city's community associations, and other community partners across the city, join Mayor Naheed Nenshi in the Mayor's Annual Christmas Food Drive, in support of the Calgary Food Bank.

Last year, over 35 community associations participated in the event and with the generosity of their residents helped raise more than \$14,000 in food and funds for The Calgary Food Bank!

We invite *you* to help us raise even more this year by donating non-perishable food items at your local community association throughout the month of December!

In Alberta, one in ten individuals experience food insecurity, with 17% of children living in food insecure households. In Calgary, 47% of Calgary Food Bank clients are families with children. These are our neighbours from across the city. Let's step up to help them this holiday season. Every little bit counts!

Items on this year's "Holiday Wish List" include canned fish and vegetables, soup, rice, pasta, pasta sauce, boxed macaroni and cheese, peanut butter, fruit juice, baby food and formula, and diapers.

In addition to your local community association donations can also be made at any of the Calgary Food Bank partners including Safeway, Co-op, Superstore, Sobeys, Costco, and many more.

Visit calgaryfoodbank.com for more information on items to donate and drop-off locations.

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Pure Poinsettias

Poinsettias are indigenous to Mexico, and were originally used by the Aztecs for red dyes, medicine, and represented purity. Later in the 16th century, they were adopted by Mexican Franciscan friars as a Christmas symbol.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE MODERN MASTERS ART PROGRAM



Many local and community children recently participated in the Modern Masters Art Program, held at the TPCH. A variety of renowned works were shared with the students to provide inspiration, including: Picasso, Monet-Water Lilies and Van Gogh-Starry Night.

The program will return in 2018 for registered participants. For more information on the upcoming program or to register, call or email: 403-277-8689/gm@tuxedoparkcommunity.ca.



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Government by Albertans, for Albertans: help Alberta's government better reflect the province's diversity and strengths!

You might remember that our government has been working to review Alberta's agencies, boards and commissions to ensure they work for Albertans. For far too long, many of these positions were used to reward politically connected individuals with high salaries, numerous perks, and gifts of golf games and hockey tickets. The current government's review of these practices has already saved \$33 million over three years.

Our government has opened appointments to agencies, boards, and commissions to the public. This means you, your friends, colleagues, and community leaders can apply to positions on boards. It's important that the boardroom tables of our agencies reflect today's Alberta. Boards need equitable, inclusive representation to put our diversity and strengths to work. This can only happen when all Albertans are aware of board opportunities, and feel welcome to apply. Albertans who care about their communities need to step up and serve.

The steps we're taking with agencies, boards and commissions are making a difference. In March 2015, only one-third of board members were women. Today, that number is 48 per cent. By opening up the appointment process, we're already beginning to see our boards better represent Albertans. With a greater diversity of ideas, Alberta's boards will lead to better decisions, better bottom lines, and better results for the people of Alberta.

If you're interested in participating in one of Alberta's boards, I invite you to consult boards.alberta.ca to search and apply online for opportunities. A notification tool on the website can send you email alerts when specific board opportunities arise.

As always, our office is happy to hear from you, and may be reached at calgary.klein@assembly.ab.ca or 403-216-5430.



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I wish to take this opportunity to acknowledge and thank each and every one for your support. This past year seems to have gone by so quickly. It has been busy and full, with each of us in our own way having faced challenge, opportunity and change. It is by your actions and contributions that I am continually reminded of our collective strength in sustaining a sense of stability and "can do" philosophy. This is evidenced in the support and good work of people across our community, coupled with the achievements of our younger generations. I am inspired by the wisdom and inquiry of those 'young and old' who have visited my office or sent emails of concern or inquiry. Responding to hundreds of emails and meeting with numerous constituents have kept me apprised of your priority areas requiring attention. I appreciate your thoughtful comments and commitment to bring issues forward.

And now, December is upon us. This is such a special time of year—a month when millions of homes all around the world are decorated with Christmas trees, lights and candles. This is Christmas. It is a time of when we remember others, when we make extra effort to contact all those special people who quietly support us in so many different ways throughout our life. It is a time to slow down...to fill some of our days with fun, family, friends and festivity.

For me, this festival celebrates the birth of Jesus Christ. Over the years, Christmas has become a time of gift giving and rejoicing in peace. We have taken many customs from different places around the world and mixed them together to form our modern celebration of Christmas. But one tradition remains universal—the tradition of sharing and love, in fellowship and togetherness. It is in spreading the warmth in our hearts to touch the lives of others with joy and good cheer that the true meaning of Christmas unfolds.

I hope we can pause to consider our blessings often forgotten or taken for granted...take some time to think about and plan for a future that encourages opportunity, is sustainable and values family and community...where we can share ideas, listen, learn and preserve a quality of life we all hold dear.

I am truly honoured to represent you in the House of Commons. I will continue to work to the best of my abilities to be sure your voice is heard in government.

My family and I join in extending our very best wishes to you this holiday season. May the wonderful blessing of Christmas be with you throughout the coming year.



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Happy Holidays from Ward 7!
On October 23rd, a new City Council was sworn in to represent Calgarians. It is an honour to serve the residents of Ward 7, and I look forward to delivering on a shared vision for a more sustainable, progressive, and resilient Calgary.

On Election Day, Ward 7 boundaries changed. We say goodbye to departing communities and wish them the best of luck in Ward 4. Ward 7 welcomes Montgomery, University Heights, University District, University of Calgary, Tuxedo Park, and Winston Heights/Mountview. I am excited to work together to enrich all of our neighbourhoods.

It is also that time of year when we gather 'round the kitchen table to spend time with friends and family. We reflect on good fortune and happy times, as well as look forward to an even better 2018.

Sadly, not all of our neighbours will be as fortunate this holiday season. Whether due to the recession, loneliness, poor health, or other challenges, many Calgarians could use a kind word and a helping hand. Here are just a few of the ways we can help:

- Call 211 (www.ab.211.ca) to access social programs and services.
- Make a donation to a non-profit. For information on charities and their finances, visit www.cra-arc.gc.ca/charitiesandgiving/.
- Volunteer! From visiting seniors' centres to reading to children, you can make a difference. Call 211 to connect to volunteer opportunities.
- Start a conversation about poverty. To learn more about poverty in Calgary, visit www.enoughforall.ca.
- Learn what it feels like to live in poverty at www.makethemonth.ca; *Make the Month* is a simulation that shows how Canadians living in poverty face choices that make or break their monthly budgets.
- Watch for people in your neighbourhood who could use help shovelling snow and lend them a hand. You can recognize a neighbour's good deeds at www.calgary.ca/snowangels.

From the Ward 7 family to yours, we hope all Calgarians can enjoy a happy and compassionate holiday season.



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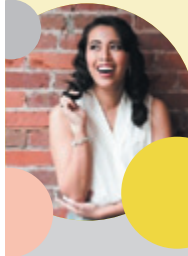


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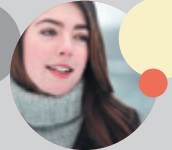
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