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Inspiration of the Month

"The truth does not change according to our ability to stomach it."

- Flannery O'Connor

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What's Happening in Calgary_(and area)...

Calgary, August 1, 2014 - According to CREB (referencing metro Calgary stats only)...Residential sales this month totalled 2,336 units, a record level for July activity. However, year-over-year sales growth slowed to 3.18%.

Active Listings as of August 1, 2014*

	Count	Average Price	Ave. DOM
Single Family	6,062	\$750,517	68
Condominium	2,220	\$424,476	57
Combined Residential Active Listings	8,282		
Rural With Home	124	\$412,840	193
Rural Land	593	\$936,973	184
Total Rural	717		
Total MLS Active Listings	8,999		

Sales for July 2014*

	Count	Average Price	Ave. DOM
Single Family	2,281	\$535,935	41
Condominium	981	\$335,460	42
Combined Residential Sales	3,262		
Rural With Home	9	\$219,322	89
Rural Land	31	\$474,693	132
Total Rural	40		
Total MLS Sales	3,302		

* All numbers gathered for the Listings and Sales stats are compiled from metro Calgary and rural southern Alberta areas

Many Factors Can Affect Your Electricity Usage in Your Home.

USE THIS CHECKLIST AND SEE HOW MUCH YOU CAN SAVE.

- Turn off your computer, lights, TVs and other appliances when they aren't being used.
- Replace regular light bulbs with energy efficient, compact fluorescent light bulbs.
- Use motion sensors and dimmer switches.
- Don't open the oven door while it is in operation.
- Ensure your refrigerator door seals tightly.
- Leave 25cm of space on either side of your refrigerator for optimal airflow.
- Don't position your refrigerator or freezer near a heat source, such as a radiator, heating vent, stove or dishwasher.
- Update appliances with more energy efficient models
- Set your oven to convection whenever possible to reduce baking times.
- Turn the oven off a few minutes before cooking is complete—the heat in the oven will finish the job.
- Use the energy saving cycle on your dishwasher, and only start it with a full load.
- Clean the drains and filters in your dishwasher regularly.
- Air-dry your dishes instead of using the heat dry option.

CIR REALTY TIPS

Keep Your Home Cool for Less

With temperatures in the 30's recently most of us have been trying to keep cool but it can come at the cost of higher energy bills. Here are a few ways to cut those costs.

1. Buy a Programmable Thermostat

Setting your thermostat so that your air conditioning is on only when your home is much cheaper than letting it run all day when no one is home to enjoy it.

2. Keep Your Curtains Closed

If you get direct sunlight on any of your windows your house is going to roast if you keep your curtains open. Some curtains and blinds are even designed to block the sunlight that heats your home.

3. Use Your Ceiling Fan Properly

Most people use ceiling fans to keep cool, however they won't actually lower the temperature of your home. Fans are designed to circulate air and cool the room with a breeze. Again, turn off your fans when you're not home.

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