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New schools in Tuscany and Panorama Hills are named

CALGARY – The Board of Trustees of the Calgary Board of Education approved the names for two new schools in Calgary’s northwest. Eric Harvie School in Tuscany and Buffalo Rubbing Stone School in Panorama Hills are expected to open their doors to elementary students in September 2016.

Two school naming committees, comprised of CBE Trustees, parent and/or community representatives and members of CBE administration, gathered stakeholder input on possible names before making their recommendations to the Board of Trustees.

The CBE is pleased to name one of our new schools after a prominent Calgarian, who was known for his love of western heritage, at the same time as we name a new school for a local geological feature that represents an important part of our province’s history.

Eric Harvey (b. 1892 – d. 1975) was a Calgary lawyer, businessman and philanthropist, who gave back to the community through several foundations, including the Harvie Foundation and the Glenbow Foundation. Harvie founded the Glenbow Museum to share his passion for artifacts from all over the world, and in particular those from Western Canada. He also supported the creation of Heritage Park, the Calgary Zoo, the Banff Centre School of Fine Arts, and the Luxton Museum. In carrying on with his legacy, his family’s ranch land was designated a provincial park, Glenbow Ranch Provincial Park, by the Government of Alberta in 2008. In 1914, Harvie enlisted in WWI and served as a Lieutenant and a Captain. Following WWII, he was appointed Honourary Colonel with the Calgary Highlanders and in 1967 he was made an Officer of the Order of Canada.

Buffalo Rubbing Stone is a large glacier rock sitting in the middle of a small park in the Panorama Hills community. It is close to the intersection of Panorama Hills Way and Panorama Hills Rd. NW. Also known as Crater Rock, Buffalo Rubbing Stone was used, just as the name suggests, by the buffalo to rub against. It is estimated that approximately 60 million buffalo once roamed the Great Plains in North America. This name honours the significance of the buffalo in the history of Alberta.

Both schools will serve students in kindergarten to Grade 3 when they open and will add more grades in future years. Both schools will have capacity for 600 students.

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