

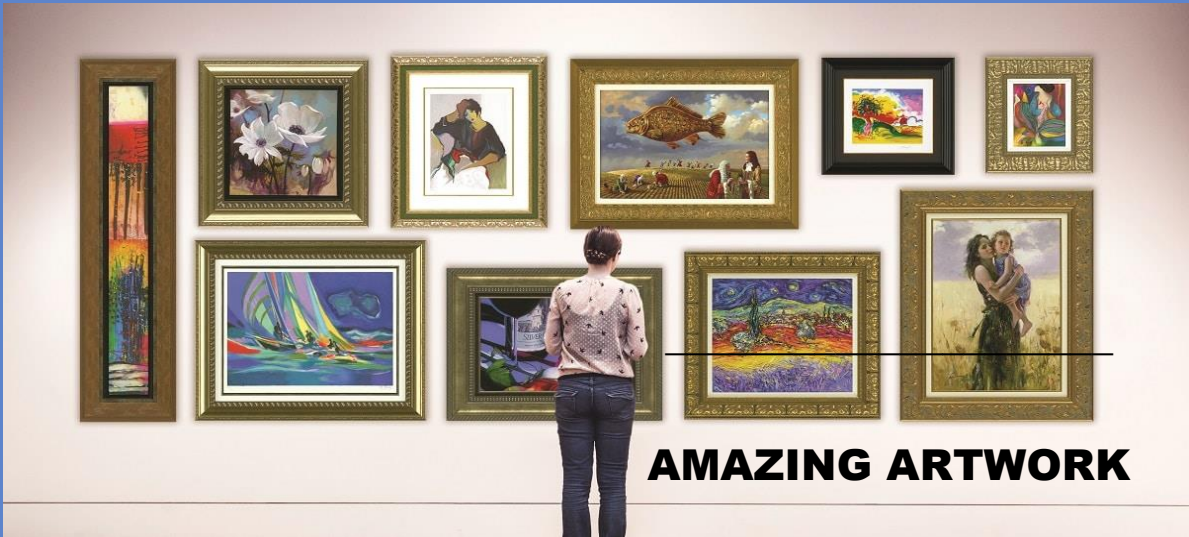
# THE NORTHSTAR CHRONICLE



**EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEWS**  
INTERVIEWER: ABBIE KORNELSEN



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## Chronical Staff Interviews

Hello! This week I was able to steal a few minutes from a few of our chronicle staff, to interview them! These interviews are designed to help you get to know the wonderful people behind the super creative chronicle. Hope you enjoy getting to know our staff! Thanks so much to the staff who agreed to be interviewed!  
In Christ- Abbie Rae

### **Simeon Buchner: Grade 9 student**

Interview by Abbie Rae Kornelsen

#### **How long have you been with NorthStar?**

I have been with NSA for 1 year. This is my first year.

#### **What has been your biggest highlight about being with NorthStar?**

I like everything about NSA.

#### **What is your role with the Chronicle? (What section do you write etc.)**

I give riddles.

#### **Is there anything you would like to see added to the Chronicle?**

I would like to see an outdoor section added to it.

#### **What is your favourite bible story?**

My favourite story is the Easter story.

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Michaelyn's  
Easter  
Project!



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Springtime  
~Michaelyn Redgwell

## Ski Resort Review: Nakiska

Benjamin Widish

There's no doubt about it, skiing is a daunting sport. Especially for first-time skiers, who have never, or seldom tried the sport. Say you've decided to try the sport. Where do you go? It may be tempting to ask Google, but why do that when I'm going to tell you all the pros and cons of the four ski resorts close to Calgary: Nakiska, Norquay, Sunshine and Lake Louise. I will be using these criteria here:

1. Layout of the runs/lifts
2. Lodge/rental shop
3. Snow conditions/season
4. Proximity to Calgary
5. Lift Ticket Cost/Season Pass

Let's get started with Nakiska.

### NAKISKA

Marketed as "Calgary's Closest Mountain", Nakiska really doesn't fall short on that promise. With over 1,000 skiable acres, it's one of Alberta's most popular resort destinations, for good reason.

#### 1. Layout of the runs/lifts

Nakiska has a very logical lift system. All runs (excluding those off the bronze chair) lead down to the lodge. This means that if you need to get to the lodge, you aren't hindered by a long lift line-up. With three high-speed detachable chairlifts, the lift system at Nakiska is very efficient. The only problem I have, is that the bronze chair, (the beginner chair) is old, slow, and often forms large line-ups. However, if you're willing to move past the bronze chair, the rest is perfect. Experts runs can be found on the Gold Chair, intermediate runs on the Silver and Olympic chairs, and easy runs on the Silver and Bronze chairs. Nakiska has a wide selection of terrain.

I give Nakiska 1.5 out of 2, the lost points being due to the Bronze Chair and the line-ups it gets.

1.5/2

#### 2. Lodge/Rental shop

Nakiska's lodge is old, cramped, and often hard to find a table to eat at. While ski hill food is often pricy, Nakiska is an exception, as often a burger and fries will set you back around \$15 (for somewhat mediocre food, I think). The interior of the lodge is dark, and it's crowded with tables (most of which are full on weekends). The washrooms are actually fairly decent though.

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The rental shop isn't that much better, if it's a busy day, expect to be waiting for awhile. However, it's not the end of the world, just sometimes annoying when you want to get on the hill.

I give this category a 1 out of 2, because while the lodge leaves some to be desired, the bathrooms are good, and the rental shop is okay.

1/2

### 3. Snow Conditions/Season

With the wonders of modern technology, Nakiska is able to often open very early in the season. While some years the resort will open in November, other years, the resort has made it to an October start (which is quite impressive). The ski hill generally closes mid-April. While Nakiska doesn't get dumped with snow, it's generally pretty decent snow. The only times you have to watch out is skiing at the very end of the season, but that's to be expected.

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### 4. Proximity to Calgary

From the Calgary city centre, it's around an hour drive to Nakiska, which is very doable for a day trip (keep in mind that it will be less time if you live in the west side of Calgary). The Trans Canada Highway conveniently takes you off until the turnoff to Nakiska.

There is also conveniently a Tim Hortons on that turnoff, so if you get hungry when driving to or from the ski hill, you'll be covered.

2/2

### 5. Lift Ticket Cost/ Ski Pass Price

Ski lift tickets are expensive anywhere you go. Unless it's a day trip for a big mountain resort, I would highly recommend purchasing a season pass. For an adult, a day ticket at Nakiska is around \$78, which, while expensive, is somewhat reasonable. A season pass for a family of five is somewhere in the proximity of \$700 - 1,000. (The 2021-22 pass prices have not yet been announced).

1.5/2

Overall Rating  
8/12, or 4/6

Nakiska is a good ski hill. Obviously, not everything's perfect, but no place is going to be perfect. I would highly recommend trying Nakiska, even if you've never been there before.

## **Leah Brown: Grade 11/12 Student and Editor of the Chronicle**

Interview by Abbie Rae Kornelsen

### **How long have you been with NorthStar?**

By the end of this semester it will have been three years!

### **What is your role with the Chronicle? (What section do you write etc.)**

My role is the editor, so I edit all the articles, artwork etc., arrange them so they look pretty, and also manage our newspapers website!



## **Benjamin Widish: Grade 11 Student**

Interview by Abbie Rae Kornelsen

### **How long have you been with NorthStar?**

3 years, since grade 9.

### **What has been your biggest highlight about being with NorthStar?**

I enjoy the flexibility to learn on my schedule, not to be hindered by traditional school constraints.

### **What is your role with the Chronicle? (What section do you write etc.)**

I mostly write about ski resorts, mainly lost or abandoned ones, but I'm trying to diversify my writings :)

### **Is there anything you would like to see added to the Chronicle?**

I've seen a lot come and go through the chronicle but something I'd like to see added would be some school outing reviews (i.e. activity day reviews etc.).

### **What is your favourite book that has been turned into a movie?**

Personally, I don't watch the movies after I've read the book or vice versa. I think the only one I did watch and read and liked both was the Twilight series.

### **What is your favourite bible story?**

Hmm my favourite bible story has to either be the book of Hosea or Samson.

### **Anything you would like to tell the other staff/readers?**

Thank you for all your support whether you're on the team or reading our work!!





**Is there anything you would like to see added to the Chronicle?**

Everyone here contributes so much, and honestly, with the people who are committed to it, I don't think it needs anything more.

**What is your favourite book that has been turned into a movie?**

The Hobbit is pretty good, I quite enjoyed watching that movie.

**What is your favourite bible story?**

Elijah on Mt. Carmel. It reminds me of God's sovereignty and power over every situation.

**Kate Fersovich: Grade 12 Student**

Interview by Abbie Rae Kornelsen

**How long have you been with NorthStar?**

I started doing school with NorthStar in Grade 6

**What has been your biggest highlight about being with NorthStar?**

My biggest highlight would have to be the fact I can move as fast as I want in school.

**What is your role with the Chronicle? (What section do you write etc.)**

I am mainly an artist in the Chronicle however in previous years I have done 1 report on the Tesla truck with Daniel Hindle.

**Is there anything you would like to see added to the Chronicle?**

I love the chronicle as it is, more colour and chaos would be awesome maybe like a comic cover?

**What is your favourite book that has been turned into a movie?**

Hunger games

**What is your favourite bible story?**

The story of Ruth

**Anything you would like to tell the other staff/readers?**

I am oddly awkward Hehe.

## Raspberry Yogurt Muffins!

Sean Umbaar

### Ingredients

$\frac{3}{4}$  cup vegetable oil  
1 cup brown sugar  
3 eggs  
2 cups yogurt  
2  $\frac{1}{2}$  cups oats  
3 cups all-purpose flour  
1 Tsp baking soda  
 $\frac{3}{4}$  Tsp baking powder  
 $\frac{1}{4}$  tsp salt  
2 cups frozen raspberries (or  
cranberries)

### Directions

Mix oil and sugar well add eggs individually and beat until light.

Mix in the yogurt.

Combine the dry ingredients with frozen berries.

Mix dry and wet ingredients lightly. Do NOT overmix!

Fill greased muffin cups and bake at 350 degrees for 25 minutes.

Makes 18 muffins.

## Answer to Last Editions Riddle!!

Simeon Butchner

“You are a prisoner in a room with 2 doors and 2 guards. One of the doors will guide you to freedom and behind the other is a hangman --you don't know which is which.

One of the guards always tells the truth and the other always lies. You don't know which one is the truth-teller or the liar either.

You have to choose and open one of these doors, but you can only ask a single question to one of the guards.

What do you ask so you can pick the door to freedom?"

**Answer:** Ask a guard what the other guard would say if you asked which leads to freedom. Then pick the opposite door.

- **Explanation:** The guard that tells the truth would have to tell the truth so they would say what the other one would say, the door on the left. The guard that tells a lie would have to tell a lie so they would also say the door on the left. You would pick the opposite door because you know one guard always tells the truth and you asked what the other guard would say and they both said the same answer, the wrong one.



## **Thank you for Reading!**

So much talent in this months Chronicle! Isn't it amazing what these people can do?! I hope everyone's school year is going amazing and that these chronicle editions add some happiness to people's lives! I hope everyone had a great easter spending time with family and friends and remembering what Jesus did for us. COVID has thrown a wrench into many of our lives (mine included!), but we can't give up. Keep trusting in the Lord!

-Leah Brown

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