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Your SECA Board of Directors would like to wish everyone a great summer and encourage you to participate as we continue with great events such as our recent flagship Stampede pancake breakfast plus exciting new local programming and community activities. We encourage everyone to....

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SECA

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Brad Smith, President, SECA

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# HERE IS WHAT YOUR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION (SECA) DOES:

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- Hosts the June Stampeded Breakfast at South Gate Alliance Church (free for SECA members)
- Sponsors the Annual June "Community Parade of Garage Sales"
- Sponsors Community Clean-up in September at South Gate Alliance Church
- Provides input and authorizes monthly Community Newsletters delivered to all 3000+ households
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- Provides SECA members with a 10% discount on Cardel Rec Centre South programs
- Provides a director for Trico Centre for Family Wellness
- Works with Cardel Homes, Graywood Developments and the City to try to ensure that Shawnee Park is developed in a way that melds with our existing community as well as is possible
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Deborah	17	403-619-7037	Yes
Ella	20	778-212-9102	No
Emmalie	14	403-998-1051	Yes
Faith	18	403-805-6988	Yes
Faith	18	403-805-1985	Yes
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Jeffery	17	403-256-7828	Yes
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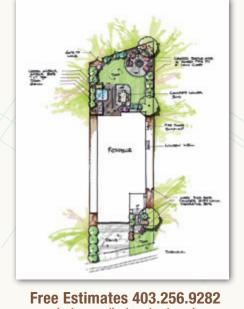




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August 7 from 3-7 p.m., at Prairie Winds Park (223 Castleridge Blvd N.E.). Learn more at calgary.ca/playday.

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# For tickets and more information visit www. friendsoffishcreek.org/event/autumn19

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Registration Required and fees apply. For more information or to register visit *www.friendsoffishcreek.org/ programs/birding-course* 

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#### Walking and Minibus Tours

Through both public and private tours, members of the public have the opportunity to participate in guided walks or hop on our minibus, the latter of which ensures that those with limited mobility also have the opportunity to enjoy the vast area of the park. Here is a quick look at what we have to offer this year, as we bring back some old favorites and introduce some new opportunities - ReWilding for Restoration, Leave it To Beaver, A Park is Born and more! *www.friendsoffishcreek.org/programs* 

#### Shaw Birdies of Kids presented by AltaLink

The Friends of Fish Creek are pleased to announce that we were selected as one of more than 120 local charities to participate in the Shaw Birdies for Kids presented by AltaLink program! This matching donation program will run until the closing of the Shaw Charity Classic Golf Tournament on September 1, 2019. Through Birdies for Kids, the Shaw Charity Classic Foundation will match every dollar contributed up to 50%, and all funds raised through our BFK partnership will support outdoor learning experiences for children here in Fish Creek Provincial *Park.* www.friendsoffishcreek.org/ birdies-for-kids

#### Fish Creek Community Showcase Featured Artist – Jim Pescott

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# LEARNING TO SELF-SOOTHE

It is very common to see a child sucking their thumb for comfort; its both adorable, and deeply unhygienic. We are not the only species to do this. It has been found that baby elephants suck their trunks for the very same reason. Additionally, it provides the baby elephants with the opportunity to get used to moving their trunks, which can be tricky, given that the trunk utilizes over fifty thousand different muscles!

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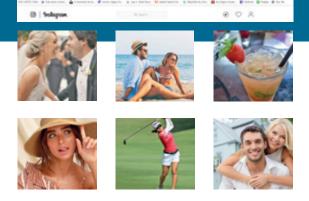
# Is Social Media Making Us Miserable?

By Jocelyn Taylor

Forewarning, I really do enjoy social media. I'm a millennial, so the majority of my formative years were spent with some type of social media, be it Nexopia (throwback), Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram. These platforms were built on the idea of bringing people together through increased communication and connectivity. Today, however, many of these platforms create substantial problems for users. Between advertisements, celebrity endorsements, and materialistic posts, these websites do a very good job at reminding us of what we don't have. But, somehow, these posts seem manageable, possibly because their extravagance creates a barrier between *average* people, and those in positions of *prestige*. This is where the low-key insidiousness of social media creeps in. I understand this sounds dramatic, but hear me out...

I feel confident that most active users can relate to this feeling- you add a new photo or post on social media, it gets a like, or a positive comment, and it makes you feel good, right? And in turn, you remember that feeling, and want it again, thus causing you to post more. In my research, I uncovered that this is because platforms are designed to be hard to resist, creating maximum effectiveness. This has been referred to as a 'social-validation feedback loop,' which exploits vulnerable aspects of our psychology. Social media utilizes the same neural circuitry that is activated when using slot machines, or cocaine. This concept can be seen in the recent Instagram update that removed the number of likes on posts; as much as we don't want to admit it, we're likely better off being blissfully unaware of how many people have liked a given post. These statistics are relatively meaningless, yet, we are invested because they make us feel better, or more powerful, thus maintaining our engagement on the platforms.

So, social media already has us in its grips due to the human need for validation; however, we do not exist in a bubble on any of these platforms. For better or worse,



social media has made us more connected with real people from our everyday lives. Remember that girl you met once at a party, or the guy you went to school with in second grade? These two people, who likely never inhabit substantial time in your consciousness, exist in your social media sphere. Why does this matter? Isn't connectivity the goal of social media? This is where intention lacked practicality; very few people post average, or less positive aspects of their lives on social media. Instead, we consume a curated, picture-perfect piece of a life we don't know, creating envy or a desire to emulate it.

No one has a perfect life, yet our social media profiles omit these imperfections. This creates the sense of envy, which is often a biproduct of low self-esteem, and can cause physical and mental health problems, in conjunction with difficulty maintaining relationships. Additionally, those curating their content this way strive to create a version of themselves that they deem superior, making it difficult to accept the less-than-perfect person they truly are. This has been referred to as duck syndrome, which refers to the way a duck appears to glide effortlessly through water, while below the surface, their feet are working frantically, invisibly struggling to stay afloat. Social media gives us a false sense of being social, when it really seems there is more harm than good being committed.

Don't worry, I'm not advocating for the elimination of social media. It provides opportunities for engagement and connectivity that is invaluable. But with the average age of usage consistently decreasing, it's important to know the problematic aspects that also exist. Social media is a vignette of a life, not the entire picture. Social media is one-dimensional, and portrays a limited view of our lives, making it important to remember all that exists outside of these platforms, since, ultimately, we all deserve lives we would want to give a like to.

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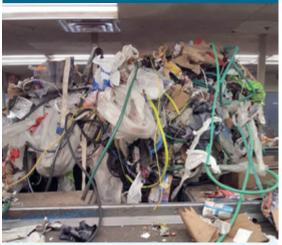
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WHY? They make for a major mess at the sorting facility. These cords and hoses end up wrapping around all the good recyclables. This creates a giant 'hairball' that stops the sorting line and is a real hazard to clean up.

Put broken cords and hoses into your black cart as garbage.



#### by Alexa Takayama

I have a hard time deciding if Japanese mythology is stranger or equally as strange as Western mythology. Western myths can be bizarre and disturbing when you take the time to think about them, but we're familiar with the stories, so they don't seem so out there. But I'll let you be the judge. This month, you guessed it: Japanese mythology! Specifically, three gods from Shintōism: Amaterasu, the sun goddess; Tsukuyomi, the moon god; and Susanō, the god of storms.

Amaterasu, Tsukuyomi, and Susanō were born after their father, Izanagi, returned from the underworld, *Yomi*, in an unsuccessful attempt to revive his dead wife, Izanami. He needed to purify himself and when he washed his face, he gave birth (as one does) to his children. Amaterasu out of his left eye, Tsukuyomi out of his right eye, and Susanō from his nose. Now, spontaneous generation is not an unusual origin of gods and goddesses in any mythology, but what always struck me as odd was the stories about these siblings. Both brothers

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# Kyōdaigenka (兄妹喧嘩): Celestial Sibling Squabbles

each have a relationship with their sister, but I've never come across as story where they interact with each other—if such a story ever existed, either I can't find it or it has been lost.

Susanō and Amaterasu have a verv aggressive sibling rivalry. According to the stories recorded in a work entitled Koiiki. Amaterasu was selected by Izanagi to succeed him as the sovereign deity. Outraged by this, Susano challenged Amaterasu to a competition, of which Amaterasu was declared the winner. Further angered, Susano went on a rampage, flooding and destroying the gods' rice fields. He also threw a flayed pony (gross) at Amaterasu's loom, destroying it and killing her servant in the process.\* Amaterasu was so traumatized by this whole experience that she locked herself in a cave and refused to come out, which created lots of problems for everyone because she is the sun goddess. She was eventually coaxed out when the gods threw a rowdy party outside the cave, which piqued her curiosity. When she came out again, and the sun shone once more, the other gods decided it was probably best for everyone if Susano was kicked out of the heavenly plane, Takamagahara. Eventually, Amaterasu and Susano reconciled when he presented a sword—acquired on one of his adventures on the earth-to Amaterasu as a gift.

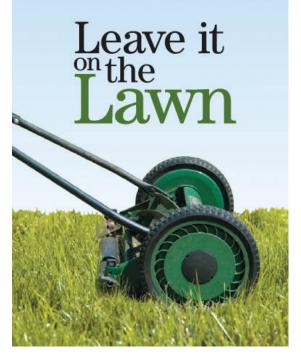
Tsukuyomi and Amaterasu's relationship, on the other hand, was more of a Cersei and Jamie Lannister sort of relationship, if you catch my drift. But they too had a falling out, which was never reconciled. Amaterasu had sent Tsukuyomi as her representative to a feast hosted by the goddess of food, Ukemochi. Ukemochi had prepared the food for the feast by transfiguring herself into various places that held food-the ocean, a forest, a rice field—and then as those places pulled food out of her mouth, nose, and from—*ahem*, where the sun doesn't shine. Even though the food looked delicious, Tsukuyomi was so disgusted that he killed her.\*\* Amaterasu was furious with Tsukuyomi and absolutely refused behold his face ever again. And this is why the night and day are separate and the moon and sun never rise and set at the same time.

Given the tumultuous relationships, short fuses, and overreactions, I can only imagine how Tsukuyomi and Susanō got along. But now you know a little bit about some of the earliest known deities in Japan's native religion. Be careful when you wash your face before bed tonight.

\*I have **so many** unanswered questions about this. Why a pony of all things? Was that culturally significant to the listeners of this story? Did Susanō kill the pony, or did he just happen to find a dead flayed horse lying around? Why was it flayed? Who flayed it? Why did he throw it at Amaterasu's loom was that deliberately targeted, or is that just where it happened to land? Was the loom significant? Who was this servant?

\*\*Which is apparently the only rational, sensible, reasonable thing to do.

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