COMMUNITY LEAGUE NEWS SOUTH

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2nd Annual Hazeldean Lantern Parade

Saturday, January 14, 2017: Build-a-lantern at 3:30 pm / Parade starts at 5 p.m.

Mark your calendars for the 2nd Annual Hazeldean Lantern Parade on Saturday, January 14, 2017. After three months of Edmonton's long winter nights, it will be time to welcome back the light!

Join your family, friends and neighbours at the Hazeldean Community Hall (9630 66 Ave.) to create your own lantern at 3:30 p.m. Then we'll take our creations and wander down the greenway to Mill Creek Ravine at 5 p.m. to show them off!

Bring your own travel mug so that you can have some hot chocolate and cider. Come early so you have lots of time to create your masterpiece.

Let's light up the neighbourhood together!



Ice on Whyte is back January 2017

The Ice on Whyte festival returns to Strathcona on January 26, 2017. The 14th edition of Ice on Whyte will evolve around "Ordinary People... Extraordinary Stories as part of the celebration of winter and Canada 150".

The Strathcona Centre Community League is pleased to be partnering with the festival again, welcoming the international ice carving competition, nightly entertainment and winter fun to our Strathcona neighbourhood.

Details about the festival can be found on our website strathconacommunity.ca and the Ice on Whyte website iceonwhyte.ca for festival details.

Any questions or comments are most welcome by emailing community@iceonwhyte.ca, or phoning 780-439-1501.

WHEN is the Ice on Whyte festival?

Dates: January 26-29, 2017 | February 2 – 5, 2017

Hours: Thursday & Friday 2pm to 10pm - | Saturday & Sunday 10am to 10pm

WHERE does Ice on Whyte take place?

End of Steel Park: Gateway Blvd (103 Street) and Tommy Banks Way, Edmonton, Alberta. The festival entrance is located in the southwest corner of End of Steel Park (Gateway Blvd and Tommy Banks Way

HOW WILL THIS AFFECT LOCAL RESIDENTS?

Tommy Banks Way will be closed to both traffic and pedestrians from January 17 to February 8. The festival area will be fenced-in early to mid-January for construction of the site.

There is NO festival parking available in the Strathcona Centre Community League parking lot. Please be a good neighbour and refrain from parking in the Strathcona Centre Community League neighbourhood as this causes congestion for residents.

FREE PARKING is available to festival patrons except during Farmer's Market shopping hours (Saturdays from 8 am to 3 pm).

WHERE IS THE ALTERNATE WALKING PATHWAY?

There will be signage directing users of End of Steel Park around the Strathcona Community Hall once the site fences go up. The walkway will lead you along the sidewalk on 87 Avenue through the Strathcona Centre Community League grounds to Tommy Banks Way.

QUESTIONS?

Communication points are set up for the neighbourhood and are monitored by Ice on Whyte and the Strathcona Centre Community League.

Phone: 780-439-1501 or Email: community@iceonwhyte.ca



Ritchie'S NY Resolution is to Have Even More Fun... And We're Starting Farly

Live music, booze, Ritchie's finest... need we say more??? The League is going to bring in 2017 in style and we can't do it without you.

Get your tickets for Ritchie Community League's New Year's Eve Party while you still can: yeglive.ca

We'll have the Secretaries playing their 10-year anniversary show, Bebop Cortez, Bad Buddy and The Ripe Fruits of the West. Saturday, December 31st @ 8:00pm. It's a catered event for 18+.

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Board meetings are held on the second Monday of each month, September to June, at 7:00 p.m. All community league members are welcome to attend. For more information phone 780-439-1501 or e-mail at info@ strathconacommunity.ca

To join our community e-mailing list, contact sccl.social-request@lists.gno. org This list enables the Community League to deliver information about programs and community events to our members in a timely and reliable manner, and enhances our ability to develop and deliver these programs. Postings to the list are screened, and are kept to a minimum.

The Strathcona Community League is on Facebook. Follow us on Twitter @StrathconaCL

If you can help with any of the vacant positions, please contact a member of the executive.

The copy deadline for the Feb/Mar issue of Community League News is Jan.20, 2017. Please contact Donna Fong, Newsletter Editor, at 780-433-5702, or by e-mail at donnafong@shaw.ca



Hall Rentals

• *Main Hall:* Max capacity 105 With tables and chairs will hold fewer people (number will depend on set up) Amenities include hardwood floors, balcony, stage, and a bar. \$150 - \$400

• *Lounge*: Seats 30 -35

Overlooks the End of Steel Park and sunsets over the river valley

Amenities include a bar, fireplace, television and piano. \$75 - \$260

• *Concession/Small Meeting Room*A small meeting room (concession) on the main floor seats 10-12. \$20 - \$75

To check rental availability and for rate details, visit www.strathconacommunity. ca/facilities/hall-rentals

To rent hall facilities, please download and review the Hall Rental Agreement Form (PDF) and contact Helen Gillespie, Hall Manager, at 780-439-1501. If you need clarification on any item, please email hall@strathconacommunity.ca However, all rental agreements are made with the hall manager.

Community League members of at least 6 months receive a discount on rates. Rentals are not confirmed until payment is made and the rental contract signed.

If your event is public, we can help you advertise. Contact the hall committee chair to have your event posted to our website.

Indoor Soccer

Our community league is a member of the EMSA South East zone. For more information, contact Strathcona soccer director, Conrad Nobert, at strathcona@ southeastsoccer.ca For news, visit http:// emsasoutheast.com/



Redevelopment Proposal for Wild Earth Site

By Maureen Duguay, President Strathcona Community League

A 28-story condo development is being proposed for the site and adjacent property on 89 Avenue. We currently know this site as Wild Earth Bakery and Grocery. This property is currently zoned as low rise apartment zone and convenience commercial zone. The proposed DC2 Site specific development control provision will allow this tower to be built. This proposal represents a significant change to the Area Redevelopment Plan.

A public meeting had been held on December 6 at the Strathcona Community League hall. If you were unable to attend the open house at the hall, please express your opinions to Belinda Smith, Planner, of ParioPlan at belinda@parioplan.com

Phone: 780-423-6824 Fax: 780-423 6850

A 28-story development here will set precedence for the rest of Old Strathcona. Highrise development is also proposed for Plan Whyte at 99st and 82 Ave and has already been approved for a site just off of Whyte Ave. I strongly encourage everyone in the community to provide input into this proposal.

Strathcona Centre Community League Public Group | Facebook https://www.facebook.com/groups/sconaCL/

In the media:

28-storey condo tower proposed for Wild Earth Baker site on 99 Street

By Gordon Kent, Edmonton Journal, December 7, 2016

http://edmontonjournal.com/news/local-news/28-storey-condo-tower-proposed-for-wild-earth-bakery-site-on-99-street

Strathcona Playgroup

The Strathcona playgroup hosts a playgroup (September-June) twice a week at the hall, 10139 – 87 Avenue. Enter via the ramp on the north side of bldg.)

- Mondays and Wednesdays, 10am till noon (closed on school holidays)
- Free but you must be a member of a community league (memberships sold on site \$20/family)
- Large room for the kids to run around, lots of toys to play with
- Bring a snack for the kids, and a coffee for your-self
- Meet other parents/caregiver
- Any age welcome babies, toddlers, pre-school For more information, contact programs@strathco-nacommunity.ca

Winterfest 2017

The annual Winterfest will be held on Sunday, February 26, 2017, 2-5 pm, so mark your calendars! Winterfest will be at Strathcona Centre Community Hall and grounds, 10139 87 Avenue.

As usual we'll have sleigh rides, carnival games, skating, burgers/hotdogs/hot chocolate and snow carving. Our cook-off theme this year will be macaroni and cheese – so dig out your traditional recipe, or experiment with something new and creative. Prizes available in both categories.

We need many volunteers to make this great event happen, so please help out if you can.

Volunteer jobs:

- BBQ'ers
- Kitchen workers
- Carnival games helpers
- Cook-off organizer
- Set-up helpers
- Clean Up helpers
- Sleigh ride supervisors
- Snow carving helpers
- Request prizes from businesses

If you can help, or wish to enter the macaroni and cheese cook-off, contact social@strathconacommunity.ca or Jeanie at 780-803-0900.

Community Planning and Civics

Grant Moore, Chair of the Civics and Community Planning Committee, maintains a database of building developments, planning and transportation issues, urban design projects, and community initiatives.

If you would like more information, please contact Grant at 780-434-3772, or email civics@strathconacommunity.ca

Development Permit Compliance The City of Edmonton does not do routine checks to ensure that new developments follow regulations.

To a great extent, the city relies on leagues and nearby neighbours to report building developments which are not in compliance with regulations in the zoning bylaw and the development permit.

Call 311 with your inquiry if you suspect abnormalities. Perhaps a building appears abnormally large or too close to the property line, or you are concerned about other problematic irregularities.

Current City Surveys

Help the City of Edmonton build an even better city by becoming a member of the Edmonton Insight Community. Complete online surveys on City policies, initiatives and community issues. Open to all Edmontonians, over the age of 15. Registration is quick and easy at www.edmontoninsight-community.ca

In addition to the Edmonton Insight Community surveys, the City of Edmonton uses a range of survey tools and approaches to gather input from Edmontonians. To view and complete these surveys as they appear please visit and bookmark: Edmonton.ca/Surveys

Community League Memberships on Sale

The new membership year started Sept 1, so volunteers (where possible) have gone door-to-door to sell memberships. Membership fees remain \$20/family, \$15/single, \$5/senior.

You can also purchase memberships

- online through the EFCL: go to www.EFCL.org, then click on League Membership Purchase (the EFCL charges a \$5 admin fee)
- through one of our Membership Directors: membership@strathconacommunity.ca, or ph Jeanie McDonnell (780-433-0521) or Lois Hameister (780-439-5774).

Discounts/Community Swim: Your current year membership can be used to get a discount when purchasing a multiuse pass at City of Edmonton recreation centres (e.g., Kinsmen), to purchase a new Outdoor Pools Season Pass http://www.edmonton.ca/activities_parks_recreation/outdoor-pools.aspx or for free community swims at outdoor pools:

Annual membership fees are \$20/family, \$15/single, \$5/senior.

What does the Strathcona Community League Membership give you?

- Sports: Soccer, skating
- Discounts: Community League Wellness Program, Ice on Whyte
- Pub Night usually the third Friday of each month at the community league. Meet your neighbours.
- Playgroup held at Community League hall Mon. & Wed. mornings.
- A voice in your community transportation, zoning, housing.
- Free swimming at Edmonton's outdoor pools (certain times)
- Social events community picnics, winter carnival, etc.

League Programs and Activities

YOGA CLASSES

Yoga is a holistic practice that can open & strengthen your body, revitalize your energy and bring peace to your mind. Hatha Flow & Yin styles of yoga are taught by certified yoga instructor Corinne McNally. These classes are perfect for both beginners and seasoned practitioners, and are taught in a friendly and supportive environment.

All Levels are Welcome!

Instructor Corinne McNally lives in Old Strathcona and has been teaching for over 10 years. She is a member of the Yoga Association of Alberta and has experience in various styles of yoga including Restorative, Yin, Hatha, Ashtanga & Pre/Postnatal. She holds an E-RYT500 Teacher Certification.

Wednesday Strathcona Community League 10139 – 87 Avenue 7:00 —8:15pm January 11 - February 22, 2017 7 weeks Drop-in: \$14/class

Friday Holy Trinity Church 10037 – 84 Avenue 9:30 - 10:45am. January 13 - February 24, 2017 Drop-in: \$14/class

To Register or for more inform ation please contact Corinne: corinnemcnally@gmail. com

www.lotusmoonyoga.ca

PUB NIGHTS

Pub nights are held on the 3rd Friday of each month, 8 pm. Meet in the Lounge, upstairs at the Strathcona Centre Community League, 10139 87 Ave (use south door). It's casual, and a great way to unwind from the week and meet or reconnect with others from the community.

Friday, December 16

Christmas

Celebrate the Christmas season with a hot mulled wine and a visit with a neighbour, and maybe we can talk Vic into playing some Christmas carols. If you want, bring an hors d'oeuvre to share.

Friday, Jan 20, 8pm Wine Tasting

Friday, Feb 17, 5 pm Family Skating and hot dogs

Friday, Mar 17, 8pm Theme TBA

For announcements about upcoming social events, meetings, and news, subscribe to the feed at http://strathconacommunity.ca/feed/ Contact social@strathconacommunity.ca if you have any questions.



Welcome to our New Board

The Strathcona Centre Community League elected new members to the open board positions at the Annual General Meeting of November 14, 2016. Welcome to Maureen Duguay (President), John de Haan (Secretary), Delianne Meenhorst (Communications Chair), and Vahid Avan (Social Chair). A full list of the board and committee members is available on Page 2 of Community League News South.

Maureen Duguay President

Maureen is pleased to step into the position of President of the Strathcona Community League. "I am fortunate to be leading a dedicated and experienced board. My experience as an educator, my experience as part of the executive team with a school board and as a community representative presently with E4C will contribute positively to me in serving the community."

Maureen has lived in the community since 1980. Maureen and her husband Gary have been married for 42 years and they have raised three children in the community. She has served as president of the Strathcona Nursery School. Maureen's family has been involved in a number of community activities, soccer, Sparks, Brownies, Guides and basketball.

"There are many challenges facing our community in the near future. I am confident that the SCCL board is in an excellent positon to deal with those challenges," says Maureen.

Delianne Meenhorst Communications Chair

Delianne has worked as a Communications and Marketing Consultant for a variety of companies and charities in construction, software, healthcare, retail and government. Before Delianne moved to Edmonton in the spring of 2016, she lived for 12 years in London, UK. She originally comes from the Netherlands. Delianne joined the Strathcona Community League because she is "interested in the people and the developments that make a busy neighbourhood as Strathcona great to live in."

City Services & General Information

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- Inspections, licenses, permits
- Comments, commendations, bylaw com-
- Roadway & waste management informa-
- Program registrations and bookings
- Transit information
- 311 agents are available 24 hours a day, every day.

Social Chair

As Transportation Engineer with a PhD degree, Vahid has over 16 years academic and industrial experience. "It's just part of the DNA of my profession to be working with people and their needs and demands. I am member of "Development and Peace" and "Alberta Council for Global Cooperation". I volunteer with EPL, APEGA, Habitat for Humanity, and Canadian Society for Civil Engineering (SCE-Edmonton Section) to network with many people from all layers of the society."

Vahid is excited about getting involved in the SCCL board for extending social activities and public involvement in our community. As a Master Composter Recycler, he is eager to create new green social events through the community to promote waste management culture for a sustainable environment.

Lois Hameister Membership Co-chair

Lois has served on the Board and committees with the Strathcona Community League for more than 25 years. She currently co-chairs the membership position with Jeanie McDonnell. "I enjoy getting to know new people and always looking for people to sell memberships on their block." Lois came from a small town and she joined the Board to work on making this community one where people know and look out for each other. "My children grew up in this community and made their best friends here."

Lois works as an Education Design Consultant at Alberta Agriculture and Forestry as well as a tutor in human resource management, and occupational health and safety.

SCCL Rink Hours of Operation

Schedule as of December 2, 2016

HOCKEY RINK

Parent/Children Mon & Wed 3:30 - 7pmTuesday 3:30-9pm Thurs 6-9pm Sat & Sun Noon-4pm

Kids Scrimmage Thurs 2:30-6pm

Fun Skate (no hockey) 3:30-9pm

Adult Co-ed Hockey Mon & Wed 7-9 pm Sat & Sun 4-6 pm

SMALL RINK

Skating Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri 3:30-9pm Thurs 2:30-9pm

Sat & Sun Noon-6 pm

Christmas/holiday schedule:

During the school holiday break – Dec 27 to Jan 6 - the rink is open:

- Weekdays from 1pm until 8pm:
- Weekends as per the schedule below
- Exceptions:

Dec 24, 25, 26 - No set hours Dec 31 – check back with us for New Year's Eve hours

Jan 1 – no set hours in the afternoon; 6pm-

Regular hours resume on January 9th.

When there are no set hours, contact Ann (780-433-0767) or Jeanie (780-803-0900) to have the building opened or the lights turned on. Go ahead and skate whenever you want if you don't need to access the building/rink lights on.

Skaters are welcome on the ice prior to opening times if ice maintenance is not in progress. Shoveling may be required. The rink will be closed when the temperature, including wind chill, is -23 C or colder.

Community Safety

The Strathcona Centre Community League and the Edmonton Police Service (EPS) highly encourage citizens to report all suspicious activities and crimes as crime statistics will allow EPS to better allocate policing resources.

Citizens can report certain crimes online at the EPS website www.edmontonpolice.ca/ reportacrimeonline

Reportable crimes include Damage/Mischief to Property, Damage/Mischief to Vehicle, Lost Property, Theft under \$5000, and Theft from Vehicle under \$5,000, and Theft under \$5000.

For other types of crimes, call 9-1-1 for an emergency or a crime in progress. For nonemergencies, please visit a police station, enter #377 from a mobile device or call 780-423-4567 from a landline.

EPS has developed the Neighborhood Crime Mapping Website for the public to view crime in neighbourhoods across the city. http://crimemapping.edmontonpolice.ca/ By accessing this timely information on reported crime, you will be able to know what is happening in your neighbourhood. By knowing what is going on, we can work together to reduce and prevent crime. For more information about community policing, visit www.edmontonpolice.ca/ communitypolicing.aspx



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Playground Fundraising

SAVE THE DATE: JANUARY 21, 2017 — for the Robbie Burns Dinner and Dance.

The Playground Redevelopment committee will be holding another of their fun events in support of the Playground Fund. We encourage everyone in Argyll, and anyone you know, to come on out and enjoy the fun. A DJ service will provide dance music. It's a night of rousing music and a lovely meal. All proceeds go toward the playground fund.

Tickets will be available soon from both Liz Halpenny at 780.628.5530 and from Nikki Maurer at 780.469.8569. Tickets will be \$40.00 per person with Kids under 15 at \$12.00.

More details will be posted as they are finalized. If you are able to help with this event please contact Nikki Maurer by email at: <nikkimaurer@shaw.ca> and give her your availability details and contact information. We encourage our neighours near Argyll to join in and help us raise funds for the playground in whatever ways you can find.

Parent & Tot Playgroup

Our Parent and Tots program operates in the lounge area of the community centre every Friday from 10:00 AM – 12:00 Noon. This volunteer run program is for parents/caregivers and their young children (ages 0-5) to drop by and make friends with other families in Argyll; as well as have fun together!

This is a free program for community residents with no snacks & beverages. If you would like to help out contact: Erin Raudebaugh by e-mail at: < mack 329@ yahoo.com >

Art Classes for Kids to resume in January

Our popular program for kids will continue in the new year. If you want to know more about these classes, or are interested in when they will resume, then get in touch with our resident Art Guru, Alison Service by phone: 780.906.8500.

Argyll YOGA

The new program begins in January. Classes are on Mondays at Argyll Hall between 7:30 – 9:00 PM. This is Hatha Yoga with a focus on alignment, core stability and awareness of body and breath. Our instructor is Renee Giammarioli who is a Yoga Association of Alberta certified yoga instructor and is also a physiotherapist. To inquire, call Renee at 780.431.1916.

Community Swimming - Fall / Winter

Things have changed. Again. We have recently been informed that the Pool at the Mill Woods Recreation Centre will be closed for routine maintenance from the middle January right through to April. This means our swim time will not be available to us while they are working on the pool.

By popular request we have changed the location and the time for our Fall and Winter community swim. Members of Argvll Community League are eligible for family swimming in the Mill Woods Recreation Centre Pool each Saturday from 2:00 -3:30 PM. We have also learned that this is a shared community swim time set aside for each of the communities who requested time in the pool. We will be exploring the possibility of making this exclusive to Argyll in the future as well as having the swim time changed to be more agreeable to our younger residents who are often taking a nap by that time of day. We will report on this in greater detail in the summer of 2017.

Winter Sand

Normally the City provides free sand for residents to use to handle icy sidewalks in winter. A recent decision by the maintenance people has removed this service and is asking people to travel out to the maintenance yards to pick up their own personal

at our last Executive Board meeting it was decided to pursue the alternative of having our own box of sand and refill it ourselves as a service to residents. We will try this for a year or so and see if it remains useful to residents. Just bring your own buckets to fill and carry your sand back to you home for use there. If we find not many are using our box, then we may follow the lead of the City and promote the acquisition of sand from the public boxes at various locations across the city.

Argyll Executive

President: Dave Trautman 780.463.9310

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Director: Hope Ungarian

Past-President: Michael Leedham

Argyll Online

As always you can monitor our web site for more current information. Check-in weekly to see what's changed. Send us things you think the community would be interested in. The web site address is: www. argyllcl.ab.ca

If you wish to be added to our EVENTS e-mail distribution list get your name into argyll.social@gmail.com. There is a sign-up link on the EVENTS web page. Also look for our Twitter feed and the Facebook page for Argyll CL.

86 Street Intersection

Residents from Argyll met with the City in early December to investigate the possibility of changing the traffic light patterns at 86 St and Argyll Road. Many residents expressed concerns at the AGM regarding re-alignment of the intersection not going far enough to protect drivers or pedestrians when leaving the neighbourhood and turning left (East) onto Argyll Road. Transportation has committed to coming back with what options we might have for changing the way traffic uses this intersection in January. If there is a need to consult more residents then we will let all residents know should a public meeting be set up. Look for more information about this in the new year.



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CHRISTMAS MUSIC AT NOON BENEFIT CONCERTS

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• Wednesday, December 7 A/B Jazz Trio

Thom Bennett, Daniel Davis, Josh McHan, Guests: Ryan Davidson and Caleb Nelson

• Wednesday, December 14

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Kimberley McMann, Julia Davis, Merrill Tanner,

Timothy J. Anderson

Guest: Ernst Birss

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hot apple cider, Christmas treats.

These Benefit Concerts are in support of E4C School Lunch Program.

Admission is free

CHRISTMAS MUSIC SERVICE

Sunday, December 18 - 10:30 a.m.

THE MUSIC OF TAIZE – THE LONGEST NIGHT

Music by Candlelight Sunday, December 18 - 6 p.m.

CHRISTMAS EVE BY CANDLELIGHT

Saturday, December 24 - 7:30 p.m.

CHRISTMAS MORNING

Sunday, December 25 - 10:30 a.m.

NEWYEAR'S EVE BENEFIT CONCERT

Saturday, December 31 - 7:30 - 10:30 p.m. A family night of folk music, refreshments, kids activities.

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} Admission: Donations to the Edmonton Food\\ Bank \end{tabular}$

McDougall United Church 10025 — 101 Street & Macdonald Drive Phone 780-428-1818 www.mcdougallunited.com

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December 1 - 31, 2016

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Hazeldean News

Hall Rental

9630-66 Avenue,

Hazeldean Community Hall offers reasonable hourly, weekend, wedding and special event rental rates! We offer a full kitchen, seating capacity of 250/220 with alcohol, free parking and wheelchair accessibility. Our newly renovated Community Room is also available for rental with a maximum capacity of 50. We also have a new large and attractive private patio area directly off of our community room which is perfect for outdoor events.

Hazeldean Board

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(24-hour answering machine) Web: www.hazeldean.org E-mail:hazeldeanleague@shaw.ca

For more information about Hazeldean Community League visit our website: www.hazeldean.org or join us on Facebook.

Seeking snow shoveler!

Are you between the ages of 13-16? Hazeldean Hall is seeking a part-time snow shoveler. Contact Dawn at 780-439-0847 for more information.

Free Kids Activities with the Green Shack Playground Program at Hazeldean Hall!

December 12 – January 8 on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays

Cost? Free

Age? 6-12 years old (under 6 accompanied by parent/guardian)

When? December 12 – January 8 every Monday and Wednesday (3:30 p.m. – 6 p.m.) and every Saturday (1 – 5 p.m.)

The Green Shack Playground Program is coming to Hazeldean Community Hall! Join in games, sports, crafts, music, drama, and special events. You'll find a list of upcoming activities and special events posted on the side of the Green Shack each week. If there's a game or activity that you'd like to play, just ask the Program Leader. They are there to make your time a fun one!

Programs are led by City of Edmonton staff who:

- ☐ Ensure participants play safely. Parents are responsible for their children at all times and must be available in the event of an emergency.
- Are easily identifiable by their blue shirts and name tags and may be assisted by volunteer leaders in training.
- Have completed a security clearance process, are trained in first aid and are certified specialists in FUN!

Programming will be cancelled during severely inclement weather. Learn more about the Green Shack Playground Program at: https://www.edmonton.ca/activities_parks_recreation/green-shacks.aspx

Sign up for our volunteer email list!

Want to get involved, but don't want to make a huge commitment?

Well our Volunteer List is perfect for you! We send out notices prior to events, like our summer BBQ and Winter Fun Fest, asking people to sign up for an hour or two to help out. It's always fun and you meet great people! If you would like to be added to the list to receive emails with upcoming volunteer opportunities, just drop Toby-Anne an email at: volunteers@hazeldean.

Stay fit and active this winter

When the cold weather sets in and Old Man Winter is howling at your door, it is tempting to stay inside and curl up on the sofa. But don't turn into a couch potato! Fitness and yoga classes with instructor Justine Van Ruskenveld are now taking place at Hazeldean Community Hall, 9630 66 Ave NW!

Classes currently offered include: Yoga classes on Mondays, 6 p.m. - 7:15 pm Get Fit group fitness classes on Tuesdays & Thursdays, 6-7 pm

Space is limited! Visit Justine's website for more details on her classes at Hazeldean Community Hall and to sign up: www. getfitwithjustinevan.com/contact

Free Community Movie Night: Secret Life of Pets on January 7, 2017



Looking for a free evening out for the kids? Join us at Hazeldean Community Hall on Saturday, January 7, 2017, as we show Secret Life of Pets on the big screen!

Cost? Free for all!

When? Saturday, January 7, 2017. Hall opens at 6.15 p.m. Secret Life of Pets will start at 6:30 p.m.

Where? Hazeldean Community League Hall (9630 66 Ave)

What? Bring bean bags, blankets, pillows, or (low) lawn chairs to sit on. We also have plenty of chairs at the hall! The concession with popcorn, drinks etc. will also be open.

The Hazeldean Winter Fun Fest is back!

Join us at Hazeldean Community Hall this February for a fun day for the whole family.

Saturday, February 25, 2017 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. Hazeldean Community Hall, 9630 66 Ave. Free for all!

There will be winter activities, games for families, kids' crafts, fire to keep warm around, s'mores, hot chocolate, hot apple cider and much more. Interested in volunteering an hour or two of your time to help make this event a success? We'd love to hear from you! Email Toby-Anne at volunteers@hazeldean.org.

Winter Event Calendar Save the date!

We have plenty of fun events coming up this winter season! Keep an eye on our website (hazeldean.org) and our Facebook and Twitter pages for all the details and to stay in touch.

- The winter 2017 Free Community Movie Night at the hall is Saturday, January 7, 2017, with Secret Life of Pets. Doors 6:15 p.m. / Movie: 6:30 p.m.
- The Hazeldean Winter Fun Fest is on February 25, 2017! Join us at Hazeldean Community Hall for family-friendly winter fun including crafts, smores, activities, games, hot chocolate, and more!
- Soccer Registration is February 11, 2017. Watch for details on our website in the new year.
- The spring 2017 Free Community Movie Night is planned for March 31, 2017, so mark your calendar. More details coming soon on our website!





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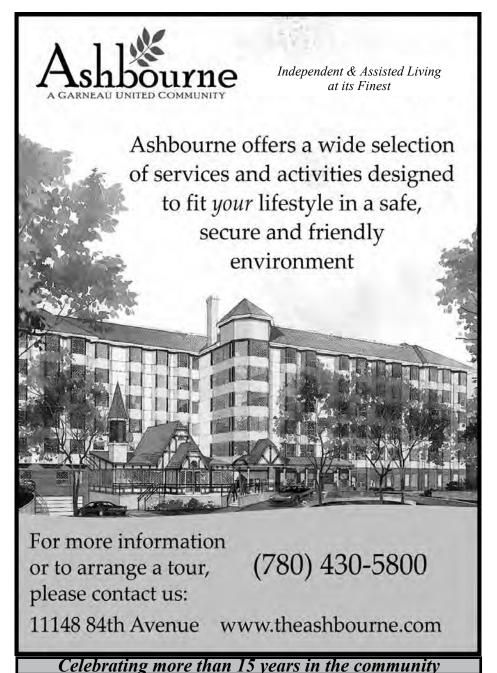
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Monthly Meetings

Meetings are held at 7 p.m. on the first Thursday of every month at Ritchie Hall. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend!

CONNECT WITH RITCHIE COMMUNITY LEAGUE

- Co-ordinates: 7727 98 Street NW | Edmonton, AB | T6E 5C9 | 780-433-7137
- By e-mail: ritchiewebsite@gmail.com
- Online: www.ritchieCL.com
- Facebook: facebook.com/WelcometoRitchie
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Hall Co-ordinator: Keri Walmsley
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venue for family and community events,
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fewer guests. Both rooms have access to
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doors. The facility has ample parking
and is wheelchair accessible. Best of all,
rent is discounted for Ritchie community league members!

To book a room, fill out the online rental request form at www.ritchiecl.com. You can also phone the league office and leave a message at 780-433-7137.

Newsletter Submissions

Email ritchienewsletter@gmail.com with submissions or to receive our e-newsletter.

Ritchie Community League Memberships



Become a member of Ritchie Community League today! Individual memberships are \$10, family memberships are \$20, and seniors are free. New this year: Associate memberships (\$20) for groups or non-resident individuals who want to support the Ritchie Community League. *Prices subject to change.

You can purchase your membership in person at Ritchie Foods (9606-76 Avenue) or online at bit.ly/joinCL through the Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues.

Community league membership has its benefits: The Community League Wellness Program provides current community league members with admission incentives to enjoy City of Edmonton sports and recreation facilities. Simply present your valid Edmonton community league membership card at any one of the City of Edmonton's sports and fitness facilities and choose from the following Community League Wellness discounts:

- Annual Pass: 10% discount on Adult, Family, Child and Youth/Senior Annual Passes
- $\hbox{$\bullet$} \qquad \hbox{Multi-admission Pass: 10\% discount on our already discounted multi-admission pass (10+ visits)}$
- Continuous Monthly Pass: 10% discount off an on-going monthly membership pass using our convenient Pre-Authorized Debit Program

***THE BUZZ...

***Swanky New Website!

Yup...our new RCL website is up and running and we couldn't be happier!

This has truly been a labour of love (with a sprinkle of frustration) for some of our most dedicated Ritchie residents and board members. Peter Willets, Jeff Marvin, dallas Bartel, thank you for your patience, goodwill and hours of slaving at the keyboard.

Please take the time to check out our new look: ritchie-league.com

***Year Round Green Shack!

That's right! If you like to play games, do cool crafts and hang with other kids Hazeldean is the place to be.

December 12 - January 8 Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:30 - 6:00pm and Saturdays from 1:00-5:00pm. Ages: 6-12 years (children under 6 must be supervised by a parent or guardian)

***FREE SWIM

Community League Swim! Change of location and time due to Bonnie Doon year-long renovation. This change will be in effect until the end of December. Show your Ritchie Community League Membership and gain free entry at:

Mill Woods Recreation Control

Mill Woods Recreation Centre 7207 - 28 Ave

Saturdays: 2:00 - 3:30 pm Please note that Mill Woods pool will be closed from January 2 to March 15.

***FREE Learn to Skate!

Okay, so winter took a bit of time to arrive...but we are pretty certain it is here to stay.

Come to the RCL rink on the following days for some free learn to skate drop-in lessons:

Feb 4 2:30-5:30 pm Feb 11 2:30-5:30 pm Feb 18 2:30-5:30 pm

***Ritchie Connects with Abundant Communities Edmonton!

Last month we had an Abundant Communities presentation at the hall.

It was great to learn more about this City of Edmonton initiative, which seeks to build a culture of connection one neighbourly conversation at a time

In the spirit of connection, we prom-

ise to keep you posted on our progress in this area, but in the meantime, feel free to check out new Abundant Communities section on our website http://www.ritchie-league.com/abundant-community-ritchie and our Welcome to Ritchie Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/WelcometoRitchie/.



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email: martin@bonniedoonbowling.com www.bonniedoonbowling.com

***RCL Board Member Spotlight – Dave Woo

We are taking the time to introduce some of the fantastic people who are making Ritchie a great place to live. Here's what Dave Woo had to say about his role on the Board.

- 1. What is your Role on the Board? I'm the Soccer Director for Ritchie.
- 2. Why did you volunteer?
 Jeff Ollis and I wanted to try to keep the soccer program going in the event Val Stark, the previous Director, decided to step down.
- 3. How long have you lived in Ritchie? We've been here just over a year and we've loved every minute of it.
- 4. Why did you pick this neighbourhood? We wanted to be closer to our son's school ... because apparently being six blocks away was too far.
- 5. What is the best thing you've discovered in Ritchie?

All the amazing volunteers who work so hard to put on events throughout the year.

6. What is your wish for the next 5 years in Ritchie?

That we have a new Community League Hall that can facilitate more programs and events to help build an even greater sense of community.

- 7. What is your favourite Ritchie Event/program and why?
- I love the summer barbeques and Community League day.
- 8. What do you do when you aren't volunteering?

I take care of two very energetic kids and I help manage my father-in-law's business.

- 9. What book did you read last?
 The first two Game of Thrones books. I wanted to see what all the fuss was about. I'm still not sure why the series is so popular...
- 10. What's the one thing you can't live without?

My family. A close second is beer from Belgium.

***SAVE THE DATES!

Check ritchie-league.com for more details.

Dec 9 Redeemer Church Community Carol Singalong

Dec 11 SCONA Christmas Craft and Bake Sale

Dec 31 RCL New Year's Eve Bash

Jan 12 RCL Board Meeting

Jan 14 South East Winter Fest @ Kenilworth

***Ritchie Programs

RCL programs are back and better than ever. Come and check out what's on offer:

Boot Camp: Come out and get in shape with your friends and neighbours! Mondays from 8:30-9:30pm at the hall. RCL Members pay \$60 for 6 weeks, non members pay \$75.00. Our last session for 2016 will be held December 12. For more information, email: ritchieprograms@gmail.com.

Bingo: Join us every second Wednesday from 6-9pm. Head down to the hall on December 7 and on December 21 when you'll have a chance to win a TUR-KEY!!! Bingo will take a short break over the holidays and resume on January 4. For more information, email Joanne: j_niederhaus@hotmail.com.

Bridge Club: Play continues at Ritchie hall with up to 25 tables playing every Friday. Doors open 11 am. Games start at noon. Newcomers are welcome. Please note that our last game of 2016 will be held on December 9th. Play will begin again on January 6th. Contact Al: 780-433-6969.

Cribbage Club: We are continuing to meet bi-weekly at the hall. Doors open at 12:30 pm. and we start playing at 1:00 pm. For more information please call Kate - 780 433-0977 or Maryann - 780 462-8582.

Home-school Playgroup: Please join us on every second Tuesday from 1-3pm. The playgroup is for school-aged kids and their younger siblings. Activities include: Lego challenges, free play, drama performances for parents, active games, as well as arts and crafts with our other homeschooled buddies. Homeschoolers from neighbouring communities are also welcome! Mark your calendar, we will have our last playgroup of 2016 on Dec 6 and will reconvene on January 17. Email karendwhitehead@gmail.com for more information.

Fit for Life (Formerly Older Adult Fitness) Classes: Tuesdays and Fridays from 9 - 10am. Move to the oldies in this

mixed-level class offering exercise for every body! The workout includes components of cardio, strength training, balance and flexibility for a well-rounded one-hour workout! Last class of 2016 will be December 23 but we will return on January 10. For more information, email Lynn Lindsay: lynnlindsay828@gmail.com or call 780-996-2182.

RCL Preschool Playgroup: The (free!) pre-school play group at Ritchie Hall happens on Wednesdays from 10 am-12pm. Bring your children between the ages of 0-5 years to the Ritchie Community League to meet and hang out with other Ritchie parents, have your kids play together, and enjoy complimentary coffee and snacks as well! Please note, we'll take a short break for the holidays after our Dec 14 play but will return on January 11. For more information contact Stephanie at couture.stephanie@hotmail.com

Teen Art Night: Join us for Teen Art Night once a month on Tuesdays from 5:00-7:00pm at the hall. This program is perfect for budding artists 12 and over. On December 8 we will be creating a small Christmas/winter themed painting using acrylics. The cost is \$12 per class and includes a light meal. Register here!

Yoga: Join Kristal every Wednesday from 7:15-8:30pm for a fantastic yoga class at Ritchie Hall. All you need is a yoga mat (mats are available or bring your own) and some comfortable clothing. We look forward to seeing you there! We will take a break from the holidays - last class is on December 21 but we will be back on January 4. For additional information visit the website or contact Kristal at kristalcforrest@hotmail.com.

Zumba at Ritchie Hall: Jump start your January resolution to get active and healthy with Zumba! Please join us Mondays 7-8 pm. No dance experience necessary, all levels of fitness welcome! Please bring indoor shoes and a water bottle. Please note class on Dec 26th is cancelled but feel free to break a sweat shopping for your new active wear so you can start 2017 in style. More questions? Email Margareta Jesse: zumbamj@outlook.com. Drop-ins are welcome. Fees apply.

***In Our Community

Edmonton Bicycle Commuters' Society (EBC): EBC will recognize all Ritchie Community League 2015-2016 membership cards as equal to EBC membership cards. Ritchie members can now access the following EBC services at discounted rates: Use of EBC shop tools, stands and volunteer support: \$2/hour. Workshop and course registration: now \$5 less than nonmember fee! Check out the EBC web site: edmontonbikes.ca.

Edmonton Reptiles and Amphibian's Society: Meets on the third Tuesday every month at Ritchie Hall from 7:30 - 9 p.m. For more information, contact Tim.

Scona Seniors: SCONA Seniors offers a variety of recreational and social activities at Ritchie Hall. This active group has a varied and changing schedule, so stay up to date by emailing Cathy or call 780-433-5377

Yoshinkan Karate for Families: Ritchie Community League Hall is home to a Karate school that provides lessons for adults, children (age 7+) and families. Everyone is encouraged to come and try TWO FREE classes at any time.

Classes run until June on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. Classes are taught by certified Black Belt instructors and focus on fitness, self-defense and fun in a safe and social atmosphere providing our members with a place to develop their bodies, minds and spirits while learning traditional Karate.

Please visit www.KarateInEdmonton.com, or call 780-913-1652 for more information. New students are always welcome.

Also, see our website or ask about our discount for Ritchie Community League Members! Please note final class of 2016 will be December 15 and we will be back at it on January 10.







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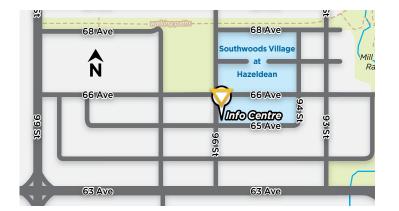
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