# COMMUNITY VIEWS

Serving the community leagues of Blackmud Creek, Blue Quill, Heritage Point, Twin Brooks & Yellowbird



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## Callaghan Playground Fundraiser - Golf Tournament

2nd Annual Callaghan Golf Tournament Friday, August 19th ; Red Tail Landing Golf Club Texas Scramble shotgun start at 8:30am Breakfast and Steak Dinner Included Silent Auction, Raffle Draw and 50/50

Register today: www.callaghangolf.ca



# BQCL CASINO May 14th/15th, 2016 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!

# THE GREAT NEIGHBOUR RACE

Sponsored by Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues Saturday, April 30, 2016

What's the best registration fee deal in town - especially for a running event? Simple. That would be the #efclGreatRace. A family can enter for only \$40! And if you don't want to run, walk or jog - why not volunteer? There's plenty of opportunity to help out, so join us and enjoy a "great" day with family and community friends - old and new. For details and to register go to www.efcl.org





## www.blackmudcreek.ca



we are the community league for the eighborhoods of Allard, Blackburne Creek Callaghan, Richford, Royal Gardens at Blackmud Creek, and Southbrook.

# PROGRAMS DIRECTOR

Want to be involved in social and family events in the neighbourhood? Volunteer with Blackmud Creek Community League as our Programs Director! For more details about this volunteer board position please email blackmudcreek@gmail.com.

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\*Participants must have their

own bikes. A CSA

approved helmet

is mandatory for

participation\*

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# Free Drop-In Bike Safety Program

Blackmud Creek Community League 660 Allard Blvd SW Program will take place at the Allard Rink.

Free and fun basic bike safety skills are the focus. For participants of all ages on 2 wheels or 4 wheels! Children 5 and under require a parent or guardian to attend the program. Families are encouraged to participate!

> Saturday June 4, 2016 Time: 2:00-5:00pm

Participants can stay for the full 3 hours or drop-in for a short while! \*The program may cancel due to inclement weather\*

## EDMONTON



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## **Community League Wellness** Program

The Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues and the City of Edmonton are pleased to offer the Community Wellness Program exclusively for community league members.

The Community League Wellness Program offers community league members opportunity to purchase an annual pass or multiple admission pass packages to City of Edmonton sports and recreation facilities at a substantial savings.

Annual Pass – Community League Members receive a 10% discount on Adult, Family, Child and Youth/Senior Annual Passes (applies to new purchases only).

Continuous Monthly Pass - Community League Members enjoy a 10% discount using a convenient Pre-Authorized Debit Program.

Multi Admission Pass - Community League Members receive a 10% on the City's already discounted multiadmission pass (10+ visits)

Facilities and amenities include swimming pools, wave pool, dive tanks, whirlpools, fitness studios, cardio areas, weight rooms, racquetball, squash, badminton, tennis and basketball courts, indoor running tracks, gymnasiums and pro shops.

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- Roadway & waste management information
- Program registrations and bookings
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# **Blue Quill Community League**

Serving Blue Quill, Blue Quill Estates, Skyrattler & Sweetgrass

The BQCL Community Hall is located at 11304 - 25 Avenue, Edmonton, AB, T6J 5B1 (780)438-3366

## **BQCL Board Members**

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The Blue Quill Community League serves the neighborhoods of Blue Quill, Blue Quill Estates, Sweet Grass and Skyrattler. Anyone living in one of these areas is welcome and encouraged to become a member.

Your BQCL membership benefits include:

• Eligibility to enroll in any of our programs such as soccer, martial arts, basketball, playschool, tennis (program fees are required for each program)

- Reduced rental rates at the BQCL hall
- Use of the BQCL tennis courts

• Free skating on any outdoor community league rink (always take along your skate tags)

• Free indoor skating at Confederation, Kinsmen, Millwoods, Southside & Tipton arenas

• Free Swimming at Confederation Pool (Saturdays and Sundays from 16:00 - 17:30 year round).

Membership fees are \$35 per family, \$25 single, and free for seniors. You can purchase memberships online at bqcl. org, in person at the hall, or call (780)438-3366 for more information.

## Blue Quill Board Positions Available

Do you have talents you're willing to put to use? Would you like to contribute to the well-being of your community? Want to make new friends and learn about neighbourhood events?

If so, why not consider a board position with the Blue Quill Community League? If you're interested in learning more, contact Travis Ball at president@bqcl.org or call Kathryn at the Blue Quill office: 780-438-3366.

Positions needing to be filled are:

Program Director – duties primarily include general supervision of all programs of the League using the facility on a regular basis.

Facilities Director-Vacant - responsible for supervision of hall rentals and maintenance, development of the hall, rinks, parking lot and playgrounds, and supervision of property contracts in conjunction with the Vice President.

Civics Director – acts as the liaison with Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues, South West Area Council and City Council, and chairs Ad Hoc Committees relating to specific development issues.

# **Blue Quill Hall Rentals**

One of the largest in the City, the Blue Quill Community Hall is available for functions on Friday evenings, Saturdays and Sundays.

There's a large main hall, complete with a full-sized kitchen, that can hold up to 205 people for events that are licensed or have food present. The capacity of this room is larger for events without food or drink - please inquire. Three smaller rooms are also available - upstairs loft and two in the basement.

Located in South Edmonton just off of Saddleback Road and 25 Avenue, the BQCL Hall is easily accessible from 111 Street or 23 Ave. We have PLENTY of parking.

The Main Hall and Kitchen can be rented for \$525 per day, or \$90 per hour. BQCL members receive discounted rates of \$425 per day and \$60 per hour!

The upstairs loft at BQCL is an ideal meeting space as it can accommodate up to 60 seated and has tables, chairs, a sink and full A/V services (projector, screen, laptop video/audio hook-ups, satellite, blu-ray player). This space can be rented on a weekday evening for \$85 (non-member) or \$75 (member). Weekend rental rates are the same as other rooms in the hall (\$75 per hour for non members and \$40 per hour for members).

The outdoor rink can be rented by BQCL members only. A rental fee of \$50 per hour applies for a minimum of 2 hours. An extra \$50 fee applies if the ice needs to be cleaned/flooded beforehand. The flooding will need to be coordinated with the schedule of the rink attendant.

Smaller rooms can be rented for \$90 per hour. BQCL members receive discounted rates of \$60.00 per hour!

To rent the hall, send an email to rentals@bqcl.org or call (780) 438-3366, and leave a message telling us when you'd like to rent the hall (think of giving us 2 preferred dates) and where/when we can get in touch with you.

If interested, you can arrange a viewing with the BQCL Hall Representative.

# Perennial Exchange Skyrattler Park, May 14

Are your flower beds overgrown? Bring your extra perennials to donate.

Wish you had more plants? Come and get some for free.

Meet neighbours, exchange gardening tips, and turn your brown thumbs green!

By the Skyrattler Park playground, 10 am to 3 pm.



Blue Quill's annual Community Garage Sale was a great opportunity to meet friends and neighbours while finding the best bargains around! Thank you to all the volunteers and to Mosaic House Church for providing free coffee and treats to everyone.



**Zumba:** Tuesday PM 6:45 – 7:45pm 2016 (10 sessions).

April 5th to June 7th,

Lose yourself in the music and find yourself in shape as you get your groove on to Zumba Latin rhythms: Salsa, Cumbia, Merengue, Hip-Hop, Pop, Reggaeton and Fusion. No dance experience is necessary – just be ready to have fun, and be open to learn. All levels welcome.

## Barre Body Sculpt (18+): Tuesday PM 8:00-9:00pm

April 5th to June 7th, 2016 (10 sessions).

This barre class infuses ballet, yoga, Pilates, and strength conditioning to help you sculpt your body and get the toned results you are looking for. Please bring a yoga mat or a towel. All levels welcome.

#### Open House: March 22nd from 7:00pm-8:15pm. Jump into Spring by experiencing a taste of the Fitness Classes

Lisa van Vliet will be offering this April at Blue Quill Community League. This event is FREE. There will be door prizes, healthy refreshments, and free class demonstrations (45-50 mins) of the Zumba and Barre Classes. All registrations this night - and this night only - will be on special for "10 classes for the price of 9" (NM: \$106.00/ M: \$90.00). So invite a friend and kick-start your exercise program here at BQCL.

# Price for each Fall Class: Non-members: \$118.75/ BQCL Members: \$100.00

For more information, contact Lisa van Vliet at (780) 935-3058 or at lisawelcomesyou@shaw.ca or on Facebook: Let the Music Move You Group Fitness Instructor - Lisa van Vliet.

# Tennis

Tennis is back at Blue Quill Classes will be offered at the standard rate of: \$10/hour Any Age \$5/30 min Any Age \$5/hour for classes of 2 or more at the same time Please watch our website for more info!



# **Used Book Fair**

The Blue Quill Community league will be hosting a " used" book fair on Saturday May 7th. A great opportunity to clear off those shelves of out grown children's books, adult books, comic books etc. The cost of the tables will be \$25.00. Please contact bqcladmin@bqcl.org or 780-438-3366 for more information.



# **Dear Parents**, **Re: BABYSITTING** TRAINING!!

Is your child excited about learning about Babysitting? Are they ever left home alone? There is a very exciting course coming up that can benefit every student in Grade 6 or higher. There appears to be a keen interest in offering the students of our school a Babysitting Course! The school has looked into the program and is pleased to have Second Chance CPR and First Aid offer the Canadian Red Cross Babysitting Course.

To try and accommodate the very busy schedule of most parents and students, the Babysitting Course will be offered on March 31, 2016 from (8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m), to meet the 8 hour total time requirements of the course. The details are on the following page.

Does your child baby-sit other children or their own brothers and sisters? Do you want to feel confident that they have learnt the skills to be left home alone to care for themselves?

A Babysitting course is a great way for young people to develop skills to better care for themselves and others. The course is available for students in grade 6 or older. Therefore, if you have sons or daughters that have a genuine interest in the course, they may register by adding their names to the registration form and returning it to the school with the corresponding payment, by March 24, 2016.

The course consists of the following topics

**Rights and Responsibilities** First Aid Skills for Caring **Injury Prevention** Skills for Getting Along Personal Safety and Security Safety Handling Emergencies

The following materials are included in the cost of the course:

- Babysitter Manual (120 pages)and workbook
- Certification Card
- Babysitter Information Sheet.

If you have any questions, please call Kathryn at 780-438-3366. We are pleased to offer our students this tremendous opportunity! \*\*Payments by Cheque or Debit are not accepted!!

Sincerely, Blue Quill Community League

# **Skyrattler Neighbourhood Association Annual General Meeting & Forum** May 5, 7:00 pm

Are you a resident of Skyrattler? Interested in what's going on in our neighbourhood? Want to help shape the future of our community?

Save the date for our AGM and a continuation of the discussions we had last year. Get updated on park use plans, traffic issues, our mini-library, walking program and other activities. Have a say on future events and programs which could include a neighbourhood Speed Watch, Community Garden, and other programs depending on interest. Special guests include our City Councillor Michael Walters and MLA Hon. Richard Feehan.

May 5, 7-9 pm, at the Blue Quill Community Hall. Skyrattler is a neighbourhood in the Blue Quill Community League.



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# Blue Quill Community League (11304-25 Avenue)

# April 21 - June 23 (10 Thursday classes)

Level 1 or Level 2 @ 6:30-8:00 pm

\$150 league members / \$185 non-members

## To register: Vanlee - 780-907-0477 contact@sistersofthesahara.com

Bellydance Level 1 An introduction to bellydance that is suitable for all ages and body types. Students will learn the proper posture and acquire a repetoire of moves such as hip circles, hip bumps, snake arms, shimmies, and many more that focus arms, simmines, and many more that focus on developing muscle control, balance, and strength. All moves are broken down into easy to follow steps and repeated in each class. The class consists of warm up, drills, instruction and practice, and cool down. A short choreography is taught in the latter classes allowing students to utilize belly dance moves to music and learn how to twonsition battures moves. how to transition between moves.

Bellydance Level 2 A continuation of Level 1 with added exploration of complex hip movements, layering, isolations and combinations including new moves such as the <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> shimmy and variations of the figure eights. Introduction to finger cymbals (zills) and additional uses of the veil.



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#### Find us at: <u>www.heritagepoint.ca</u>

Join us at Facebook: Heritage Point Community League

P.O. BOX 22510 Southbrook Post Office Edmonton, AB T6W 0C3

## **Community Garden Volunteers**

Spring has spring, and our community has shown a strong interest towards planning and developing a Community Garden located within the Rutherford or MacEwan neighbourhoods.

We are looking for 5 community members to help us organize and bring this garden to fruition that will be open to all members of the community. The League needs your help and has many great opportunities to support this project.

We are looking forward to seeing as many of you supporting your community in building this community garden.

To join the committee please contact: president@heritagepoint.ca

## Edmonton Police Alarm Green Stickers

We've noticed that a number of people have alarm company stickers by their front door, but no green Edmonton Police Permit Number sticker. Police will NOT respond to non-permitted, non monitored alarms unless a indication of criminal activity is present. Make sure you register your alarm with the Police. For more information go to

http://www.edmontonpolice.ca/alarmpermits

## Heritage Point Community League Membership Information

Heritage Point Community League (HPCL) covers an area with a rapidly expanding population. Our boundaries are James Mowatt Trail on the East, Anthony Henday Drive on the North, and Whitemud Creek on the West. Communities currently included are MacEwan, Rutherford,

DesRochers, Chapelle Gardens, Paisley and Creekwood Chapelle.

#### **Privileges of Membership:**

• Community League Members receive discounts at any City of Edmonton Leisure, Sports and Fitness Facility. This includes a 10% discount on \*Annual Passes, 10% discount on \* Continuous Monthly Passes and 10% discount on \*Multi Admission Passes (5+ visits). \*Applies to NEW purchases only.\*

- (www.edmonton.ca/wellness)
- Free swimming and skating at City leisure centers
- Summer swimming for 2016 at outdoor pools
- Sports hockey, soccer, softball, and more
- Special events and activities for the whole family
  Development and enhancement of local parks, playgrounds and facilities
- Input on neighborhood opportunities, issues and challenges
- Neighbourhood Watch programs that reduce crime
- Workshops and learning opportunities
- Recognition of volunteerism and community service
- Child and adult recreational and art programs

#### Purchase a Membership:

Membership costs are \$30 per family for one year (running from September to August).

You can purchase/renew a membership on-line by clicking the "Register or Renew Membership" link on the right. After you enter your personal information you will be taken to the PayPal website to make your payment. Please note that there is an added fee for online payment processing.

When you pay online you will receive a confirmation e-mail from PayPal.

Please note - at this time, membership cards are still issued manually and you will receive yours in the mail within 2 weeks of your on-line transaction.

Members who want to be able to print out their card immediately still have the option of buying on-line from the Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues at www. efcl.org. Click on "Join Now!" in the upper left hand corner.

Questions regarding membership may be directed to Heritage Point Community League's Membership Director (Oksana Stetsa).

Thanks to all volunteers who did a great and wonderful job at the soccer registration/membership sale events on February 10th and 20th, 2016 at Rugby Club.

# Mini Referee Course - Soccer Players

Twin Brooks is hosting two Alberta Soccer Association Referee Training courses on 30-Apr-16 (This session is full now full) and a new one 15-May-16 from 9am to 2:30 pm

Players are welcome to take this course provided they are 12 years of age before 15-May 2016. There will be no fee for Twin Brooks Community Soccer Players even if they have been transferred in or out to another community to play. All others, the fee is \$25. Once completed the participants can be paid to ref U8 games (paid fees differ between communities) in EMSA organizations. HPCL players of U12 or above who play in Twin Brooks can be entitled for the free course.

In Twin Brooks these Mini Refs can also be assigned to a U8 Mixed, U8 Girls, U6 Mixed, U5 Mixed or U4 Mixed team as a Jr. Ref / Jr. Coach. These will be paid positions.

To register:

Go to: http://www.refcentre.com/alberta/ Search: 14-May-16 to 16-May-16 Select: Register #992 Edmonton Southwest Min

# The volunteer gardeners at the Green & Gold Community garden,

on the University of Alberta South Campus, are making plans for our eighth gardening season! The garden, an initiative of the University's Faculty of Agricultural, Life and Environmental Sciences, is totally volunteer run. Virtually all of the seeds, plants and equipment used are donated. The vegetables, herbs and flowers are "spray-free" (no pesticides or artificial fertilizers are used). Anyone is welcome to 'purchase' their vegetables at the garden and all of the money raised - that's 100% goes to the Tubahumurize Association, a non-profit organization in Rwanda that provides socially and economically marginalized women with vocational training, counselling, life-skills coaching, health care education, and opportunities for sustainable income generating activities. Most individuals who benefit from Tubahumurize are genocide survivors and many are widows or orphans, HIV infected, and survivors of physical and sexual violence. To date, the garden has raised over \$100,000 for the Tubahumurize project. We are now gearing up for the 2016 gardening season, and are looking for new volunteers to join us at the garden. Both novice & experienced gardeners are welcome. If you aren't interested in gardening, but would like to help in other ways (distributing produce, promoting the garden, donating seeds or garden tools) please contact us at:

E-mail: gggarden@ualberta.ca/ Phone: 780-492-4087

Web site: www.greengoldgarden.com

If you would like to receive garden e-mails when produce from the garden is available this summer please send us an e-mail at the above address with a request to be added to the e-mail list.

# Neighbourhood **Summer Daycamps**

## At South Pointe Community Centre (11520 Ellerslie Rd SW)

#### AND.....Action

Calling all budding actors and actresses! Spend the week creating an award winning movie by building and decorating sets, coming up with a script, and showing off your acting skills. At the end of the week, you can unveil the movie to your family at the red carpet premiere

Date: August 2-5 Time: 9 am - 4pm Ages: 6-10 yrs Cost: \$114 Corse Code: 559881

#### Little Top Circus

Come clown around at this camp filled with circus adventures! Play crazy carnival games, sing silly songs, make creative crafts, and end the week with a parade! Come one, come all!

Date: Aug 22-26 Time: 1:30-4 pm Ages: 3-5 yrs Cost: \$74 Course Code: 559696

Registration opens March 16, 2016. Register early to avoid disappointment! Browse all camps at edmonton.ca/daycamps









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- planting a community garden
- having a community BBQ
- performances or storytelling in a park
- hosting an outdoor movie night

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# Friday, May 27

9-Hole Best Ball Format 2:30pm Shotgun Start





All proceeds and donations will go towards Snow Valley's Community Initiatives Program. Register your team TODAY at snowvalley.ca!



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Hong Park Tae Kwon Do College is not just a Dojang. It is a community of individuals committed to making a positive change in their lifestyle. The philosophy of our school is encompassed in family, tradition, respect and love. Grand Master Park has been teaching traditional **tae kwon do** in Edmonton for over 35 years and continues to do so in a new state of the art building for individuals from as early as 4 years old and up.

Our school is dedicated to individuals who are looking to challenge not only their physical state but their mental state as well. Mind, body and spirit are worked together providing a centered soul. Our society is very fast paced and has lots of demands. Hong Park Tae Kwon Do provides a safe, fun and creative environment to escape the daily rush to improve the quality of one's life.

Adults are not the only ones who benefit from our program. Our Childrens Program is designed to encourage self-respect, discipline and perseverance through positive reinforcement and gentle encouragement. The structure and tradition taught through the practice leaves a lasting impression on each student and their lives.

Classes offered are as follows:

Little Tigers (4 – 5 year olds) Children Program (6 – 14 year olds) Adult Program (15 years old and up)



If you are not sure if our program is right for you, give us a call (780-433-6567) to set up a free trial class.

# EDMONTON

# Family Fun!

Join the Run Walk Ride for Vision Zero and raise awareness about traffic safety.

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Family-friendly 5K run/walk. Bicycles, strollers and dogs are welcome. First 250 registrants receive sling backs and safety lights. Everyone gets a medal. **Date:** Saturday, April 23, 2016

**Time:** 9am - Noon. Race starts at 10am **Where:** Concordia University College

Information and Registration:

www.rwr4trafficsafety.com

Race proceeds go to the Memorial and Traffic Safety Fund which supports community traffic-safety initiatives.

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# **TWIN BROOKS** Community League

### Twin Brooks Board

**President:** Mike Lanteigne Vice President: Greg Tilley Secretary: Gonzalo Zambrano-Narvaez Treasurer: Annie Dei Membership: Kelly Cassault Facilities: Jim LeBlanc Sports: David Murray Sports Assistant: Vacant Programs Director: Vacant Social: Monika Langer Communications: Natasha MitrovicVolunteers Coordination: Shauna Nichols Finance Committee Chair:Vacant Fundraising Coordinator: Vacant **Casino Volunteers Coordinator:** Jamie Popowich **MEETINGS:** Meetings held monthly September through June. Contact volunteer@twinbrooks.ca for times and

Twin Brooks Community League 11341-12 Ave NW Edmonton, AB T6J 6W8

locations.

## Community Soccer Program

Dave Murray Sports Director is currently working on finalizing the upcoming soccer season, teams, coaches, volunteers, coaching clinics and referee clinics. The season is fast approaching and many things still remain to be done.

We are looking for a few volunteers that are willing to run our concession stand for the upcoming soccer season at the Twin Brooks Community Center. The Twin Brooks soccer fields will be full of players, spectators and families and we would like to open up our concession stand. Offering our players and visitors refreshments before and after the games. We would like to run the concession Monday - Thursday 530-830pm and Saturday's from 10 -1pm. If you are interested and or require more information please contact Dave at sports@twinbrooks.ca or Natasha Mitrovic at communications@twinbrooks.ca. Your time helping run the concession stand can go toward your volunteer commitments as a soccer parent.

## **Message from the President**

Good Day to All Residents of the Twin Brooks Community,

"Remember that the happiest people are not those getting more, but those giving more."

- H. Jackson Brown Jr.

Welcome to Spring 2016!

This is an exciting time for our fantastic community as we prepare to celebrate the Grand Opening of our NEW Twin Brooks Community League Centre! It started with a vision, former president Karan Nikhanj had for our community and today it's our community's living reality.

It was just a mere twelve years ago that the Community League Center was just a concept, thousands of hours donated by passionate, hard working volunteers, community league members, TBCL Board members (past and present) and many others over the past 12 years.

Since 2004 the Twin Brooks Community League Board of Directors have participated in project discussions, community feedback, volunteer hours, fundraisers and community engagement to arrive at the realization of our common goal: a modern, functional and inviting centre for all in our community to enjoy.

The Community League Board partnered with the municipal and provincial levels of government to obtain operating and construction grants, without these grants, what started with a dream and a vision, would not be a reality. As we reflect on what together we have been able to achieve, we are not only grateful but also thankful to have been awarded the resources to make our dream a reality. We are thankful for the hours put in by the many volunteers, grant writing is not a quick task, filling out grant applications and gathering copious amounts of supporting information and documentation to even be considered a recipient without any guarantee, is a huge under taking. In the spirit of partnership, we recognize the significance and contributions of the many people.

In honour of all the volunteers and their dedication of time, we the Twin Brooks Community League, Board of Directors, would like you to join us and all the Twin Brooks residents, including those from our surrounding communities, in celebrating our Grand Opening & ribbon cutting ceremony.

Saturday, April 30th, 2016 4:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Twin Brooks Community League Centre 11341 - 12 Avenue Edmonton

Come and have some fun, meet your neighbours, old friends and new friends, we will have refreshments, food, music, fireworks, face painting, speeches, presentations and much more, for you and the entire family.

Please visit www.twinbrooks.ca for more details.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Thank you for making Twin Brooks a wonderful place to call home!

Sincerely,

-Mike

# The Community League Centre is available for rental requests for private events.

Rental requests and enquiries for the facility or rink can be made by visiting http://www.twinbrooks.ca/index.php/ facilities/index

RATES:	Members	Non-Members
Community Hall	\$300.00/ 8 hour day or	\$420.00/ 8 hour day or
_	\$140.00/ 4 hour (1/2 day)	\$220.00/ 4 hour (1/2 day)
	\$40.00/hour	\$55.00/hour
Damage Deposit:	\$250.00	\$250.00

Community Centre Features

1150sqft of open space for multipurpose use

• Public washrooms, kitchen with outdoor concession window,

Outdoor patio

• Table (folding 6' and 8' rectangular) and folding chairs

• Occupancy Capacity – 99 people, 60 people seated

# **Program Updates**

We have run several programs out of the Twin Brooks Community League Center since opening our doors to the residents in December. In partnership with the City of Edmonton we hosted the Green Shack Program, the Learn to Skate Program and we brought to you Tai Chi, Zumba Fitness and Yoga.

We have asked for your feedback, thank you for kindly sharing your views and insights. Based on what you have said we have made some changes to the times that we run our weekly fitness classes.

Yoga Tuesday's from 730-830pm Tai Chi Wednesday's from 7-8pm Zumba Saturday's from 10-11pm Visit www.twinbrooks.ca for more details and online registration. Registration is open and ongoing. Not sure about the classes, just pop in on the night of the class and check it out!!! No cost for observations

We are currently working on offering a certified babysitting course for tweens that are interested in babysitting. We are also working with the City of Edmonton, finalizing programs that we will be running in partnership with the city, more details to come as we confirm the programs along with dates and times. If you have suggestions for programs you would like to see offered in our community please contact Alex Kandathil Programs Director at programs@twinbrooks.ca.

## **Spring Has Sprung!!!**

Interested in gardening? Want a piece of a community garden plot? Did you know that Twin Brooks has a community garden group and garden plots? The garden group is hosting a Spring Social and Registration Event.

## Thursday, April 14th @ 6:30pm George P Nicholson school library

Plot Renewals for returning gardeners will take place that night.

If you are new to Twin Brooks or new to gardening and are interested in a garden plot this season, please email garden@twinbrooks.ca.

All gardeners are encouraged to stay, meet and mingle with fellow gardeners. It's going to be a fantastic growing season!!!





# Age Friendly Edmonton – S I F Event

Held on February 27, 2016 at the Twin Brooks Community Center celebrating Chinese New Year and Black History Month was another successful event with over 120 attend-

ees. The response has truly been overwhelming. We know that this program is really an inter-generational program brought to you by the two noteworthy seniors, Dlane Bowen and Ida Richards, who serve as the Planning and Implementation group, the rest are younger, heads of families who subscribe whole-heartedly to the idea of community involvement, multi cultural, multi generational, embracing and celebrating cultural diversity.



The theme on February 27 was inspired by food, art, culture and the timing was perfect

as people around the world prepared to celebrate Chinese New Year and Black History Month and we did it in our community, Twin Brooks. Together we celebrated not only

our ethnic and cultural backgrounds and experiences, but our diversity, our stories, bringing us together, as we discover we have much more in common then our visible differences.

The event had an excess of 50 volunteers that included the Twin Brooks YMCA Out of School Program and the kids teaching attendees the art of origami.

We would like to celebrate and highlight the efforts of the many people that donated their time energy in making this a successful S I F Event.

Maggie Mengzhe, Mother Jae, husband Feng Rong, kids Kathy and Sophie, neighbours and friends, 16 volunteers that worked from January 30 - February 27, making 2000 Chinese Dumplings! Wow!!! Job well done!!! They were delicious!!!

Gonghchen Li, Mamdouh Mohamed, wife Mona, kids, Fahd and Fareda, who looked after setting up and tearing down community center.

Mani Abkari, husband Ali and son Kion for capturing the moments of the event.

Nidhi Wahawan, Director of the Twin Brooks YMCA Out of School Program and her YMCA staff, children and parents. Nidhi and her team organized a Black History Month display, origami and served hot chocolate.

Evelyn Bowe and Lori Bodsworth from George P. Nicholson School supported the event with their display of Picture Books for Black History Month.

#### Next Event

Saturday April 2 from 2-5pm at the Twin Brooks Community Center an afternoon featuring an International Movie and Refreshments.

If you would like to get involved with Age Friendly Edmonton Group you can reach out directly to Gongchen Li at 780-935-2410 or Laurabelle Robinson at 780-952-4995.





# Bicycle Helmet Safety

Head injuries are a leading cause of serious injury and death to children riding bicycles\*. Most injuries occur when a cyclist suffers a fall, strikes a stationary object, or collides with another cyclist/pedestrian. Remember – it's the law in Alberta that cyclists under the age of 18 must wear a helmet (and highly recommended for all ages). Helmets should be CSA approved and worn during recreational activities such as skateboarding, in-line skating, or cycling.

### Getting informed

• Wearing a helmet while cycling can prevent a serious injury, or even save a life;

• Brain injuries can cause permanent disability or death;

• Reduce your risk by always wearing your helmet;

• Replace any helmet that has been involved in a crash, even if it appears undamaged.

### Getting started

• Allow children to assist when buying their helmet. Cyclists who choose their own helmet are more likely to wear them;

• Start the habit early. Young children learning to ride tricycles need to wear helmets;

• Parents must lead by example – always wear a helmet when cycling.



Getting the right fit

• Take the time to properly fit and adjust your helmet to ensure maximum protection in case of a crash;

• When worn properly, helmets should fit level, not tilted up, or down over the forehead;

• Helmets should feel snug, but not too tight. To test the fit, the helmet should not fall off when you shake your head from side-to-side while the straps are unfastened;

• Adjust the chin straps to form a "Y" below and slightly forward from the ears;

Only one finger should be able to fit under the chin strap when it is fastened;
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Twin Brooks Community Centre Grand Opening Celebration April 30, 2016 4:30 – 9:00pm!!!



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# **Hall Rental**

YECL offers a bright window lit hall with an adjoining kitchen, bar and outdoor patio. Folding chairs and 5-ft circular tables are available for use. 10710 - 19 Avenue NW Friday, Saturday, Sunday Non-members \$500 per day/\$75 per hour Members \$450 per day/\$60 per hour Deposit: same as fee A multi-purpose room or furnished board room may be rented separately for smaller groups. Please call Connie at 780-438-1318 or email office@yellowbirdcl.com for more information.

# **Using Neighbourhood Interactive Map**

Explore Edmonton using the neighbourhood interactive map. http://edmonton.ca/ for\_residents/neighbourhoods/neighbourhood-maps.aspx

Find the City amenities - swimming pools, sports fields, parks, playgrounds, golf courses and spray parks - that are in your neighbourhood. Locate fire stations, police stations and bus stops anywhere in the city.

You can mark your current location or home address with a red pin and search for City amenities within a 0.5km to 10km range. Type in your address, click on the red pin and get your property assessment and waste collection schedule.

# **Parents and Tots** Playgroup

Join us for a drop-in playgroup at Yellowbird Community Hall, for moms/dads or caregivers and their little ones 0-6 years old.

\$2.50 per child, per visit, with your community league membership Tuesday mornings, 9am - 11am



**Yellowbird Yoga** 

Classes run Thursday evenings from 7:00pm to 8:15pm. Six week session is only \$75.00. Classes are tailored for all ages and and all levels from beginner to advanced. For information and to register please contact Ruth at 780-237-6730.



# **Free Community** Swim for Members

Every Sunday at William Lutzky YMCA from 3-5 pm. Show your community league membership card at the door. Free access to YMCA indoor playground from 3-5 pm on Sundays.



Join the party! Wednesdays 9am-10am Yellowbird Hall (10710-19Ave) Contact Jen 780-436-2287 zumba.yellowbird@gmail.com

# Want to make a difference in your community?

Join our progressive and fun team! New members are always welcome. Next meeting Tuesday April 12, 7pm at Yellowbird Hall.

# **Yellowbird Community Garden**

The community garden group is actively preparing for spring construction! This month we began surveying the area for the garden, and as soon as possible we will begin building the beds themselves. New members are always welcome. Contact garden@yellowbirdcl.com.

Next meeting April 11, 7pm, at Yellowbird Hall.

# **Community Garage Sale Day**

Last year we ran a garage sale day, where any community member could hold a garage sale and we would advertise for the neighbourhood. It was a great success! We are excited to be running it again. This year it will be held on:

Saturday June 4 9am-4pm

Stay tuned for more information as the date approaches.

# **Building Choices in Keheewin**

Discussions continue regarding the building site next to Keheewin school. Visit our website for the full story: www.yellowbirdcl.com



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