

NORTHEAST VOICE

*Serving the community leagues of
Evansdale, Kilkenny, McLeod, Steele Heights.*

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Upcoming Events in Northeast

Feb:

Jan 21-Feb 5: Stan Gantar Hockey Tournament at Kilkenny Rinks

1: EPL Londonderry – Tech Time 730pm

10: EPL McConachie – Book Club 1030am

14: Kilkenny Board Meeting at Kilkenny Hall 7pm

18: Family Festival at Kilkenny Hall noon

18: Family Movie at Kilkenny Hall 330pm

20: EPL – All Locations – Family Day Fun at 1pm

20: EPL Londonderry – Odd-Lot Puppetry 2pm

22: McLeod Sports Registration 6pm

23: EPL McConachie – Games Night 7pm

24: Blood Donors Needed – Clinic at Northgate Lions Seniors Rec Centre 330pm to 730pm

27: EPL Londonderry – Lego Robotics 4pm

27: McLeod Sports Registration 6pm

28: Kilkenny Sports Registration 630pm

Mar:

2: EPL Londonderry – Renting in Alberta 630pm

3: Indoor Soccer Wrap-up Party at Kilkenny noon

8: McLeod Sports Registration 6pm

10: Kilkenny Sports Registration 10am

10: Clareview Rec Centre, Working in your

Community Employment Information Fair 2pm-5pm

17: Kilkenny Movie Night 630pm

Upcoming Events in Northeast

Location Addresses:

CentrepoinTE Church – 5940 159 Ave

Clareview Rec Centre – 3804 139 Ave

Evansdale Hall – 14811 95A Street

G Edmund Kelly Spray Park – 15005 79 Street

Kilkenny Hall – 14910 72 Street

Kingsway Legion – 14339 50 Street

Lago Lindo Hall – 17123 95 Street

Little Mountain Cemetery – 16025 54 Street

Londonderry Hall – 14224 74 Street

Londonderry EPL – in Londonderry Mall

McConachie EPL – 16607 50 Street

McLeod Hall – 14715 59 Street

North Edm'n Seniors Asscn (NESA) – 7524 139 Ave

Northmount Hall – 9208 140 Ave

Ozerna Park – 7010 158 Ave

Steele Heights Hall – 5825 140 Ave

If you have an event upcoming that you would like to see on this list, please e-mail

secretary@mcleodcommunityleague.ca

Evansdale Outdoor Soccer Registration : March 1, 4 & 15th, 2017

Registration for outdoor soccer will be starting very soon! You will be able to do the on-line registration on the EMSA portal when it opens shortly. Please ensure you complete this registration before you attend the community registration on March 1, 4, and 15th at the Evansdale rink shack.

(More information page 3)

Kilkenny - Think Spring- Think Outdoor Soccer

I know it is hard to think about outdoor soccer when we are in the middle of a deep freeze, but it is closer than we think. Kilkenny Soccer Spring registration for Outdoor soccer will take place on February 28 from 6:30pm to 9:00pm, March 4 from 10:00am to 1:00pm and March 9, 2017, from 6:30pm-9:00pm at Kilkenny Hall.

(More information page 5)

McLeod Outdoor Soccer

Spring registration for Outdoor soccer will take place on February 22, February 27 and March 8, 2017, from 6pm-9pm at McLeod Hall.

(More information page 8)

Kilkenny Neighbourhood Reconstruction Pre- Construction Open House

Kilkenny residents and property owners are invited to a final open house prior to Neighbourhood Renewal beginning in spring 2017. Renewal will include reconstruction or resurfacing of roadways, streetlight upgrades and reconstruction of sidewalks, curbs and gutters.

This meeting will be an opportunity to learn about the final neighbourhood design, the Local Improvement process and construction timelines.

Tuesday, January 31, 2017

6:30–8:30 p.m. (Presentation 7 p.m.)

**Father Leo Green Elementary School
(7512-144 Avenue NW)**

McLeod Supports the Miller Seniors Housing Development

For those of you who live in the Miller community, you will have noticed a sale sign on the corner of 50 Street and Matheson Way. The City has posted a public offering for this former surplus school site in the hope of moving forward with the development of seniors housing. In order to ensure community input, the City has included a requirement from each proponent that they include a plan on community engagement throughout the design and development process.

Miller Community Director, Jennifer Mayan, McLeod President, Leanne Rosinski, are the contacts from the community on behalf of McLeod Community League. You are welcome to contact them at miller@mcleodcommunityleague.ca and president@mcleodcommunityleague.ca to provide feedback. We will keep you updated via this newsletter and on McLeod's website: www.mcleodcl.ca.

For more information about this pilot invitation for submissions, please contact buildinghousingchoices@edmonton.ca. We will also post the invitation on our website and Facebook page.

A Flu-free New Year

It's not too late for your influenza immunization
You resolve to start the year healthy. To eat well, be active... but what about your flu shot?

Influenza season is here. As of December 10, 2016, more than 774 lab confirmed influenza cases have been confirmed in Alberta and 5,323 people with influenza-like symptoms have been reported. Of these cases, 189 have been hospitalized.

No matter how healthy you think you are, if you haven't been immunized yet this season, you're at risk of contracting influenza too.

The good news? Influenza immunization, or the flu shot, is still available, free of charge, to all Albertans six months of age and older.

Start your year healthy and stay that way; get immunized today.

For more information, including local clinic schedules, visit <http://www.albertahealthservices.ca/influ/> or call Healthlink at 811.

Evansdale Community League News

Serving: Evansdale – Belle Rive – Eaux Claires

Evansdale Community League Board & Committees

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E-mail address: www.evansdale.ca

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Terri	Hall Rentals	780-478-4444	hallrentals@evansdale.ca
	Skating Rink	780-478-2577	

Hall Rental Information

Evansdale Hall 9111 150 Ave.



Evansdale Hall is a beautiful facility at 9111 150 Avenue. For more information visit our Hall Rentals page at www.evansdale.ca

Weekend rates:

Friday 12noon to Sunday 3pm

\$500 damage deposit

\$550 rental

Saturday/Sunday

\$400 damage deposit

\$425 rental

Monday – Friday

\$275 damage deposit

\$275 rental (\$150 members)

Use of dishes: \$100

Meetings: \$35/hour

References may be requested. Discounts available for community members of one year or more. Contact Teri at 780-478-4444 or hallrentals@evansdale.ca

Memberships

Get your membership anytime!

Membership makes you part of an amazing community of people who care about and help look after our community!

- \$25 family
- \$10 single
- \$10 seniors
- \$15 single parent
- \$15 couple with no children

Contact Elaine Sarac at membership@evansdale.ca or 780-476-7442 to get your Evansdale Community League membership. Please leave a message with your name and phone number. You can also buy memberships at the Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues website: www.efcl.org

Benefits of Community League Membership

- Free community league swims:
 - o Londonderry Pool (14528 66 Street) Sundays 4:15-5:45 pm
 - o Grand Trunk Pool (13025 112 Street) Sundays 4:15-5:45 pm
 - o O'leary Pool (8804 132 Avenue) Saturdays 4 – 6 pm
- Discount on City of Edmonton annual wellness passes
- Hall rental discount
- Discounts for community league events and programs
- Play community sports such as soccer
- Receive emails of upcoming community events and programs

Secretary Wanted

We are still looking for a secretary to take notes at our executive meetings. If anyone is interested, please contact Jeff Muiselaar at 780-478-1759.

Evansdale Rink Schedule

Monday to Friday - 6:00 pm. to 9:00 pm

Saturday - 12 noon to 9:00 pm

Sunday - 12 noon to 6:00 pm

Rinks closes at -20°C including windchill. Please call 780-478-2577 to confirm schedule.

Skate tags are available by purchasing a community membership or presenting a valid community membership card. Those without tags will be charged \$3/adult and \$2/child or student.

Visit Our Website and Facebook Page

Get the latest information, our most recent newsletter, contact information and lots of other great stuff! Also get involved, join us on Facebook!

Website: www.evansdale.ca

Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/evansdalecommunityleague



Start the New Year with Yoga

Yoga is a great way to gently strengthen and tone the body while improving balance, flexibility and overall well-being.

You don't need to be an expert to do it! Come try it out in this supportive, friendly environment and see for yourself. All levels welcome, no previous experience required.

Thursdays, 7:30-8:30pm

Evansdale Hall, 9111-150 Ave

\$13/class drop-in fee

To register or for more information, please email evansdaleyoga@gmail.com.

Edmonton Leisure Access Program

(free admission to city of Edmonton Recreation facilities and attractions)

What is the Leisure Access Program?

The program gives low income adults, seniors, youth and children from Edmonton free use of City of Edmonton recreation facilities and attractions including: 9 swimming pools, fitness centres, Edmonton Valley Zoo, and Fort Edmonton Park. And it provides discounts on registered programs (day camps, art classes, swimming lessons, etc.) for one year.

Who can get a card?

You may qualify if you meet the following:

- if you are currently on an approved government program (AISH, income support, health benefits, etc.)
- have low income
- are a recently landed immigrant or refugee

How can I get a card?

You will have to apply for the program by submitting an application form and required documents.

How can I get an application form?

- at any City of Edmonton leisure sports & fitness facility
- www.edmonton.ca/lap
- 780-496-4918

Ask Charles

I saw an ad saying a real estate professional will buy my house if it's not sold in 90 days. Should I be wary?

Wary might not be the best word, but you do need to make sure you understand the details of the offer. This type of offer is a guaranteed sales agreement, and while there is nothing illegal or wrong with a real estate company offering this kind of arrangement, it is rarely the best option for consumers.

In a guaranteed sales agreement, a real estate brokerage agrees to buy a piece of real estate from a seller at a previously agreed upon price, if it hasn't sold to someone else before a certain date. Only real estate brokerages can offer these agreements, not individual real estate professionals.

If you're selling your home to buy another one, you may be interested in a guaranteed sales agreement for the home you own now. It could help you avoid owning two homes and paying two mortgages. A guaranteed sales agreement might give you the confidence to proceed with your new home purchase before selling your current one.

What sellers need to keep in mind in these arrangements is that the real estate brokerage wants to minimize its risk.

For example, it's rare that a guaranteed purchase price will be based on the property's listing price or the property's market value. In most cases, the brokerage calculates the guaranteed purchase price using a formula where legal fees, carrying cost, and commission on the resale are subtracted from the purchase price. This minimizes the brokerage's risk, but it can also greatly reduce how much that seller receives for their home.

Brokerages that offer guaranteed sales programs are required to have policies for those programs. Those policies should include how the brokerage sets the guaranteed sales price and who is in control of the property's listing price during the listing period; it may not be the seller. It's not unusual for a guaranteed sales agreement to include a clause that requires a seller to lower their listing price during the term of the listing. Remember, your real estate brokerage wants to minimize its risk. It prefers to sell your property to a buyer rather than to use the guaranteed sales agreement, and lowering the listing price can sometimes help that happen.

If your real estate brokerage offers you a guaranteed sale agreement, it's up to you to decide whether you're interested. Before you do, make sure you read and understand all of the fine print.

"Ask Charles" is a monthly question and answer column by Charles Stevenson, Director of Professional Standards with the Real Estate Council of Alberta (RECA). RECA is the independent, non-government agency responsible for the regulation of Alberta's real estate industry. We license, govern, and set the standards of practice for all real estate, mortgage brokerage, and real estate appraisal professionals in Alberta. To submit a question, email askcharles@reca.ca.

Soccer and Sport Explorerz Registration Coming Soon

President's Column

I would like to wish everybody a happy new year! As I write this article, the wind is howling outside with a temperature of -20C. It's been bitterly cold this last week and I can't wait for the weather to change so we can open up the rinks again and enjoy the outside.

SOCCER - Registration is coming up soon. Ray Costley, our Soccer Director, has published the registration dates in a following article.

The SPORTS EXPLORERZ spring program for 3 to 5-year-olds will be registering at the same time and place as soccer registration. If you require more info about this program, visit our webpage at www.Evansdale.ca.

DRAINAGE FOR BELLE RIVE FIRST PLACE SITE - Home drainage concerns have been identified on the City land adjacent to the Belle Rive First Place site. The City and the home builder are diligently working together to resolve these issues before the end of winter 2016, which would allow for design engagement to begin in 2017.

The first place program, which started in 2006, provided homes for first-time buyers on 20 vacant school sites in Edmonton. One of these chosen sites is located in Belle Rive. These homes are affordable for first-time buyers because the land cost is deferred for five years. Homes must be owner-occupied during that time period (i.e. no rental).

The design engagement will include representatives from the City, Evansdale community league, home builder, and a small group of interested Belle Rive residents.

The home builder is working on several innovative designs that will be brought forward for discussion as part of the design engagement process. The home builder is also working with the City to explore opportunities to retain existing trees on the building site. If some trees need to be relocated or removed, it will be done strictly following guidelines under City of Edmonton's "Tree Policy".

If anyone is interested in becoming an Evansdale community league liaison for this redesign project, please contact me (Jeff Muiselaar) at 780-478-1759.

SURPLUS SCHOOL SITE - No further updates as of January 11, 2017 for the surplus school site at the Evansdale community located at 150 ave and 87th st.

Jeff Muiselaar
Evansdale president
president@evansdale.ca

Outdoor Soccer Registration : March 1, 4 & 15, 2017

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Just a reminder that you are allowed to play in any community you want but you must first register on-line via your community and attend your community's registration session before you can be transferred to the community of your choice.

I will be at the hall on Wednesday January 25 from 7-9pm to help anyone having problems with the on-line registration only. We will not be as lenient with late registrations as last year so please get your registrations on time and tell all your friends!

Registration Process

1. Register online in the EMSA Soccer Portal. If you have played in the past year and a half, you will have an account. New players must create an account.
2. Print two copies of the player summary confirmation and bring them to registration. If you can't print the player summary, then ensure the player summary confirmation email is in your inbox on your mobile device.
3. Attend your home community's registration session to purchase a community membership (if necessary), sign up for a volunteer commitment, and pay your soccer registration fees.
4. Please bring government ID to verify the player's date of birth.
5. Proof of address is required - driver's ID or a piece of mail with your Evansdale address on it.
6. A signed but undated cheque is required to secure each volunteer service such as bingos, casinos, community events, and ENZSA.

Please complete the on-line registration as soon as possible so we can get a general idea of the number of players we have. If you have any problems registering on the soccer portal there is an instructional video or e-mail me at soccer@evansdale.ca and I will walk you through it. Furthermore, if you are wanting to transfer to another community, it is advisable to register as early as possible.

WANTED : Coaches with Community Spirit!

Our biggest challenge each year has been to find coaches - and the bottom line is - if we have no coach, we can't have a team! It's especially hard in the younger age groups where both players and parents are new to the program and parents are reluctant to get involved as they've never done it before.

Evansdale will pay for coaching clinics available from EMSA to teach you the basics. It takes a tremendous amount of time to phone all the parents on each team and try to talk a parent into coaching.

If we don't have a coach in place by the end of the last registration then we will not be creating a team. We had some success last year with parents getting a relative or friend that was knowledgeable about the game to step up and take on the coaching duties for them so that is an option as well.

Let me tell you from personal experience that it is easier to start at the younger ages than to start at the older levels with no experience. For those players that have quit playing, a good enjoyable way to stay in the game is to get into coaching and mentoring a team just as someone had done for you when you were playing.

I will meet anyone interested in coaching at anytime to discuss what is involved and what supports are available. I will also be at the hall from 7 - 9pm on February 8th to meet with anyone interested in coaching.

Also Seeking Female Soccer Players and Coaches

We are, like most other North End communities, seeing a large decline in female soccer players. If you know of any girls that would like to play, please encourage them to register.

We also need females to coach and mentor them as well. We would like to have our U8 girls have a girls team rather than be forced to play with the boys on a mixed team. We also require female coaches, especially on these all-girl teams that wouldn't require a male coach (mixed teams require a male and female coach)

If you have any questions, please e-mail me at soccer@evansdale.ca.

Ray Costley
Evansdale Soccer Director

Kilkenny Community League News

Rink Hours

Kilkenny Rinks are now OPEN for the season. For rink information call 780-478-1271 (during operating hours) or email IceRink@Kilkenny.ab.ca. Please note: rinks will be closed during inclement weather or if the temperature is below -20°C.

Public Skate Hours:

- Monday – Friday: 5:00 pm – 9:00 pm
- Saturday – Sunday: 12:00 pm – 5:00 pm
- Closed: stat holidays

Public Shiny Hours (all abilities welcome!):

- Monday – Friday: 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm
- Saturday – Sunday: 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm
- Closed: stat holidays

Hockey Practice:

- Monday – Friday: 8:00 pm – 9:00 pm
- Please contact the rink during operating hours or email IceRink@Kilkenny.ab.ca to book your ice time.

Cost:

- Community League members: FREE (please ensure you have current skate tags)
- Non-Community League members
 - o Skating \$1.00 per person
 - o Shiny \$2.00 per person
- Ice rink rental: \$50.00/hour
 - o Please contact the rink during operating hours or email IceRink@Kilkenny.ab.ca to book your ice time.

KILKENNY COMMUNITY LEAGUE IS NOW ON FACEBOOK AND TWITTER

Please follow us on Facebook and Twitter to get up to date information on what's happening in our Community.

Facebook – Kilkenny Community Hall
Twitter - @KilkennyComLeag

Kilkenny Events

January 26-February 5, Outdoor Stan Gantar Hockey Tournament-free admission
January 31st, Neighbourhood Renewal Meeting, Father Leo Green School, 6:30 p.m.
Saturday February 18th, Family day celebrations 11a.m.-3p.m.
Saturday February 18th, Family movie at 3:30 p.m.
Friday March 17th, Movie night, 6:30 doors open
Saturday, May 13th, Ladies Night- details to follow soon

Hall Rental

Rates (Subject to change without notice, please email for more information.)
Rental deposit is also required which is equal to rental amount.

Times	Auditorium	Meeting Room	Both
Weekdays/Weeknights	\$150	\$75	\$225
Fridays (after 5 pm)	\$400	\$100	\$500
Saturdays	\$550	\$100	\$650
Sundays	\$400	\$100	\$500
Two Day Wedding/Gift Opening	\$750	\$100	\$850
Full Weekend (Fri @ 5pm – Sun @ 6pm)	N/A	N/A	\$1000
Hourly Rate (3 hours or less)	\$35	\$20	N/A

Discounts available for those who hold a consecutive membership for a minimum two years with Kilkenny Community League.

For all Auditorium & Meeting Room rentals, please check our sidebar Calendar for availability and email President@Kilkenny.ab.ca

The 24th Annual Stan Gantar Memorial Tournament *January 26th to February 5th, 2017*

The tournament is held as a tribute to the late Stan Gantar who was always prepared to help in the community programs no matter if it was pounding nails to build the first rink shack (a garage), making ice, caretaking, helping to tie the children's skates, sitting on the Community League or Sports Club executive, to assisting or coaching children in both hockey and soccer. Stan passed away, July 5th 1990.

We trust that everyone will find the Tournament refreshing after a good Minor Hockey Week and that the players will grow through the experiences of renewed or newly made friendships, exhibiting good sportsmanship, and striving to reach for the ultimate goal of fair play in life as well as sport.

These are traits of people such as Wayne Gretzky who shows his love of the game, sportsmanship and respect for people, be they opposing players, anxious fans, even under the most stressful conditions. This Tournament is intended to promote friendship and encourage sportsmanship and fair play through participation in hockey.

This tournament will feature 32 teams from the hockey program with children ranging in age from 5-17 years; the majority will be under the age of 11. Some 480 kids will be directly involved.

We are always looking for corporations and local businesses that could possibly help in the following ways:

Category Sponsorship (4 teams) by providing some of the following: items for treat bags, such as vouchers, coupons, posters, lapel pins, flags, pencils.

Category Trophy (remains with Tournament-sponsor prominently acknowledged)

Contribution towards the purchase of individual souvenir token (60 required)

Hosting one round of refreshments for the players and coaches (72 required)

Door Prizes- Appropriate for children

Raffle Prizes

Tournament Sponsorship-similar to category sponsorship but allowing for distribution of items provided to 480 participants. Possibly some of your present promotional materials might be appropriate.

Sponsorship through advertising- in the Souvenir Program that will provide your business with direct exposure to some 3000 persons in the community.

The Stan Gantar committee would appreciate your consideration of any of these areas of sponsorship. All sponsors will be formally recognised in both the Souvenir Program as well as on site on our Sponsorship board.

To register a team, discuss sponsorship or any other inquiries, please contact 780-475-7915 or email outdoor.hockey@gmail.com or check the Kilkenny Website for updated information at www.kilkenny.ab.ca

Cookie Dough Still Available!!!

Love Baking, but don't have the time for baking?

J.A.Fife school has you covered. In-Dey-Go frozen cookie dough is delicious, made in Alberta, and has no preservatives.

They have 3lbs tubs of dough, pre-portioned (48) pucks in a variety of yummy flavors!! All for \$15 each. One more thing checked off your list all while supporting a neighborhood school.

Please call the school 780-476-0775 or email schoolcouncilfife@gmail.com for more information or pick up at the school at 15004 – 76 Street.

Kilkenny Community League Website

Serving the Mayliewan, Ozerna, & Kilkenny neighbourhoods since 1970

Our website & emails are up and running! Loaded with information for where you live, work & play! Visit us online at: www.Kilkenny.ab.ca

You'll be in the know on Upcoming Events, Hall Rentals, Ice Times, Free Family Movie Nights, Neighbourhood Renewal Project links & updates, Sports Registration dates, Memberships, and more!

You can also find links to our Facebook & Twitter accounts as well.



Taking time for yourself is important

It sounds obvious but many of us may forget to take time for ourselves. People have all sorts of expectations for themselves and the drive to meet those can make it hard to take time.

Taking a little “me” time is an important part of managing life’s stresses.

While most of us may not enjoy feeling stressed, it’s not always a bad thing. Stress is a biological reaction to what is going on around us and it is a part of how we function. Some stress is good, but chronic stress is not. When you begin to feel overwhelmed or burnt out, one of the best things you can do is call a timeout, step back and take a moment for yourself.

When you take time for yourself, you are really making space for yourself in your life — giving your mind and body a break and time to re-energize. It’s meant to be about you.

There is no reason to wait until you are feeling burnt out to make time for yourself a priority. Building breaks into your days can help keep stress from mounting.

Whether it is a busy day at the office, at home or life in general, take the time to step away from whatever you are doing and focus on yourself. Make it a part of your everyday schedule and don’t skip it — those breaks are just as important as any deadlines, homework, errands or other activities you have going on.

Kilkenny Playschool Ready, Set, Grow!

Kilkenny Playschool has made some exciting new changes to our program! Parent involvement is

still required, however there will be no parent roster days. Have your child learn kindergarten readiness

skills while having fun and making friends all under the care of a well experienced teacher!

• 3 and 4 year old class; Tuesday and Thursday – 9:30am – 12:00pm

This class focuses on following a classroom routine, various social skills, as well as some preprinting

skills, number and letter recognition and of course free play and having fun!

If you have any questions please call 587-590-6204 or email kilkennyplayschool@hotmail.com

(A \$50 non-refundable registration fee will be required)

Kilkenny Indoor Soccer 2016 – 2017

Happy New Year!!! The indoor soccer season is quickly coming to a close. We are in our final round of the indoor season, where the coaches and players can see the play-offs in the near future. Cities final will be played the weekend of February 25 – 26, 2017 at all Indoor soccer centers. If you have not been able to come down and watch a game, there is still time left. Don’t miss the chance to watch some great soccer and cheer on the black and green Kilkenny Cougars. Please keep an eye on the next issue of the Northeast voice to see how all the Kilkenny teams do.

The great thing about community soccer is watching the bonding that forms not only on the field, but off the field as well. Watching the siblings in the stands playing cards, visiting, and just having fun. The moms who bake cookies for the whole team or the dad that brings the coffee. All the parents that cheer on every child like their own.

We always thank the coaches and players every season, but I will also like to thank the parents, grandparents, siblings, and all the families that come out in - 40 for 7:00am games. They drive across the city in a snow storm to watch the kids play. I know the players appreciate every single person in the stand. Thank you for all our support.

Again thank you for supporting Kilkenny Soccer. Please keep an eye on the next issue of the Northeast voice to see how all our teams fair. Come out and support these kids and get to watch some great soccer. Grab a coffee and come cheer on the Kilkenny Cougars. If you have any ideas to make the Kilkenny Soccer Program better, please see me at soccer@kilkenny.ab.ca

*Amber Fink
Kilkenny Soccer Director*

Kilkenny Is Looking For Female Coaches

Over the last few season the North Soccer Zone has seen a decrease in the numbers of girls that are playing soccer. All communities are gathering ideas on how we can get more girls involved and stay in soccer. Kilkenny feels like the first place to start is having more Women coaches. Women coaches are role models for girls and teach them to celebrate being a female athlete. Please contact us if you know of any girls/women who would like to coach, help us increase the number of girls involved in soccer, and be a role model for young girls. We are hoping to have female coaches for the younger age group who will move up with those same girls. If you have any other ideas that can help girls get involved in the soccer program, please email me at soccer@kilkenny.ab.ca

*Thank You
Amber Fink
Soccer Director*

Think Spring- Think Outdoor Soccer

I know it is hard to think about outdoor soccer when we are in the middle of a deep freeze, but it is closer than we think. Kilkenny Soccer Spring registration for Outdoor soccer will take place on February 28 from 6:30pm to 9:00pm, March 4 from 10:00am to 1:00pm and March 9, 2017, from 6:30pm-9:00pm at Kilkenny Hall. All players must be associated to an account represented by the primary email address used by the player’s guardian. After February 1, 2017, please go to the EMSA North website at www.emsanorth.com, click on Play at the top of the page, click on Register in the dropdown menu and then follow the instructions. If you are returning from the 2016/17 Indoor season, you will already have an account and will simply need to register players for the outdoor season. Laptop computers will be available for you to create your account and register online at the registration sessions if you haven’t registered ahead of time. Preprinted registration forms will not be available for you to complete at the registration sessions. Please bring to Kilkenny’s payment session, two signed copies of the player registration summary form, identification for proof of birthdate, payment (cash/credit/debit only - cheques are not accepted as payment for soccer registration), an un-dated but signed cheque for volunteer commitments and Kidsport/Jumpstart applications if applicable. Last outdoor season, our program consisted of 300 players on 22 teams. We will most likely be short coaches in the younger age groups, so please consider coaching. Coaching younger age groups is about making new friends, having fun and snacks. All new coaches are enrolled in coaching clinics where you’ll learn soccer basics to ensure you’re successful. Many of our 2016 outdoor coaches will be returning again for the upcoming season. Each Player registered with Kilkenny will receive socks and shorts to keep. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions about registering or coaching: soccer@kilkenny.ab.ca.

*Thank You
Amber Fink
Kilkenny Soccer Director*



Your Voice in Ward 4



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McLeod News

Hall Rentals in McLeod

McLeod Community Hall
14715-59 St NW
Edmonton, AB T5A 1Y3

The McLeod Hall is available for rental for events, meetings, weddings and other social functions. Please go to www.mcleodcommunityleague.ca and choose the "Hall Rental Inquiries!" tab. Most of your questions are already answered in the information posted. You can also check the website to view a calendar to show when the hall is available.

What is McLeod Community League?

McLeod CL is a group of volunteers who come from any of our five neighbourhoods: Hollick-Kenyon, McLeod Park/Matt Berry, Miller, McLeod and Casselman.

We organize social activities, run sports & athlete development programs, and give our voice on community improvement and civic issues.

Anyone who is a resident is able to purchase a membership online for \$30 through our umbrella organization Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues (EFCL) at www.efcl.org

City Services & General Information

Visit www.edmonton.ca/311 or call 311 for information and access to City of Edmonton programs and services such as:

- Inspections, licenses, permits
- Comments, commendations, bylaw complaints
- Roadway & waste management information
- Program registrations and bookings
- Transit information

311 agents are available 24 hours a day, every day.

McLeod Outdoor Ice Rinks

Subject to conditions, the ice rinks are open from December to March each year. The rink shack telephone number is 780-473-8993 and the answering machine is updated regularly on the rink status. Please call the rink shack before you come.

When operational, the ice rinks behind McLeod Hall are open:
Monday to Friday, 4-9pm
Saturday and Sunday, 12-5pm

Major snow-falls and temperature extremes (cold: -20 C including wind chill, warm: ice melting) will result in temporary rink closures.

A concession is available in the rink shack so you can get a snack or some hot chocolate to warm up on a cold day.

Please access the rinks by going to the back of the hall. There is no access through the hall.

Rules for McLeod Rinks

- Skaters under the age of 18 must wear helmets while on rinks and on ice paths.
- No inappropriate behavior or language permitted.
- No alcohol or illegal drugs permitted.
- Clean up any mess you make, use the garbage cans, put empty beverage containers into the recycling bins.
- No playing tag or British Bulldog on rinks.
- No playing hockey or stick handling of pucks on any of the ice paths that lead to the rinks.
- No playing on the snow piles or ice surfaces inside the fenced rink area – this facility is for skating only.
- Report any problems to the rink attendant.

Failure to follow the rules will result in skaters being asked to leave the rink. Continued disregard will result in a complete ban. If you appear intoxicated, you will be asked to leave. Please respect your facility. Skate at your own risk.

McLeod Community League Rink Use Policy

McLeod maintains two ice rinks during the winter for community enjoyment. The rinks are open to the McLeod community league members, other community league members and the general public. As McLeod pays for the cost of the rink attendant and rink maintenance, we charge a nominal fee to non-community league members to assist in offsetting the operational costs.



Fee: \$2.00 cash per visit payable to the rink attendant

Free: With the purchase of a McLeod Community League single/family membership (cash only) from the rink attendant, you will receive skate tags accordingly. Affix the skate tag to your skates and skating is free for the entire season.

If you are from another community league, please show your current membership and/or your skate tag(s).

If you do not have your community league membership with you, please pay the nominal \$2.00 fee per skater. You will need to ensure you connect with your own community league to get skate tags to avoid paying the fee each time to access our rinks. The rink attendant does not have the discretion to waive the fee.

Receipts are available upon request from the rink attendant.

Access:

1. The BIG rink is for shinny.
2. The SMALL rink is primarily for public skating.
3. The SMALL rink may be partitioned for dual use – shinny and public skating.
4. There is no blanket schedule for either rink.
5. Team practices are not permitted. Rinks are not available for rental.
6. Usage of the rinks is determined on a night-to-night basis by the rink attendant.

McLeod President's Message

Our new website as well as our email addresses are now up and running thanks to our Communications Director Kevin Moffitt! As always, please follow us on Facebook: McLeod Community League for lots of extra information and quick updates on what is happening in our communities and Edmonton.

Our outdoor ice rinks are now open Monday to Friday, 4:00-9:00pm and Saturdays and Sundays, 12:00-5:00pm. Major snow-falls and temperature extremes (cold: -20 C including wind chill, warm: ice melting) will result in temporary rink closures. Please call the rink shack before you come 780-473-8993. Fee: \$2.00 per visit or free with ANY community league membership card.

The Board of Directors has created a new voting position of Civics Director and Donna Ballantyne, who is also the Matt Berry Community Director, has filled this important position. Thank you Donna for your continued support of the work of this league!

A big "thank you" goes out to Tim Boschman who donated \$300 to our soccer program through the EPCOR Helping Hands Program. We also thank GFL Environmental for their continued donation of the big red dumpster in front of our hall. MLA Heather Sweet has donated goodies for our Halloween and Christmas parties and we thank her for her support of our community events.

We continue to look for volunteers to help out with the increased worker requirement at Castledowns Bingo.

If you want to get vouchers for upcoming registration or just want to help us out, please contact Sandy at bingo@mcleodcommunityleague.ca.

Stay warm!
Leanne Rosinski

this
journey
will

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North Central Early Years Coalition

Did you know—Early experiences are built into our brains and bodies to affect a lifetime of learning and health?

Join us for our free

Early Childhood Brain Development Workshop

Thursday March 9 - 1:00pm-4:00pm or 5:30-8:30pm

Prince of Wales Armoury—10440 108 Ave NW

Email or call to register! ncearlyyears@gmail.com, 780-478-5022 ext. 903

To learn more about the Coalition or to get involved please contact us at:

www.earlychildhoodedm.ca/northcentral/ https://www.facebook.com/ncearlyyears/



McLeod's Multicultural Neighbours

The Edmonton Multicultural Coalition (EMC) has partnered with McLeod CL to develop a Neighbourhood Intercultural Connections Program. We are looking for involved citizens in the area to help plan and initiate activities that will connect people, no matter their background, to their neighbors.

Melanie, from the EMC, said "By fostering these intercultural connections, we hope to enhance social inclusion, improve newcomers' access to mainstream services, and create a widespread appreciation for the diversity in our neighbourhoods."

If you'd like to help bring neighbours together, please contact Melanie at melanie@emcoalition.ca or phone 780.760.1973

FAMILY DAY FESTIVAL

Monday February 20th | Steele Heights Baptist Church
12 noon - 4:00 pm | 5812-149 Avenue

Pancake Breakfast from 10 - 12 noon
at McLeod Community League

Old Fashioned sleigh rides, farm animals, penny carnival,
crafts, special music, door prizes, pioneer food & activities.
Bake sale and cake walk in support of the Mosaic Centre.

PIONEER FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!



For more info go to shbc.ca or call 780-478-1553
(sleigh ride provided by McLeod Community League)



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McLeod Outdoor Soccer

Spring registration for Outdoor soccer will take place on February 22, February 27 and March 8, 2017, from 6pm-9pm at McLeod Hall.

As per the last two seasons, we will be using the EMSA Soccer Portal to register players for the upcoming season. Please go to the EMSA North website at www.emsanorth.ca, click on Play at the top of the page, click on Register in the dropdown menu and follow the instructions. If you are returning from the 2016/17 indoor season or the 2016 outdoor season, you will already have an account and will simply need to register your child for the outdoor season.

Please bring to McLeod's payment session, one signed copy of the player registration summary form, identification for proof of birthdate, payment (cash/credit/debit only - cheques are not accepted as payment for soccer registration), an un-dated but signed cheque for volunteer commitments and Kidsport/Jumpstart applications if applicable.

Registration fees are as follows.

Age Category	Birth Year	Playing Days	Early Bird Fee	Fee Effective March 1
U6 Mixed	2011 – 2012	Tues & Thurs	\$125	\$150
U8B & U8G	2009 – 2010	Mon & Wed	\$125	\$150
U10B and U10G	2007 – 2008	Mon & Wed	\$135	\$160
U12B and U12G	2005 – 2006	Tues & Thurs	\$175	\$200
U14B and U14G	2003 – 2004	Mon & Wed	\$205	\$230
U16B and U16G	2001 – 2002	Sun & Thurs	\$210	\$235
U18B and U18G	1999 – 2000	Sun & Tues	\$210	\$235

Last outdoor season, our program consisted of 542 players on 37 teams. We will most likely be short coaches in the younger age groups so please consider coaching. Coaching younger age groups is about making new friends, having fun and snacks. All new coaches are enrolled in coaching clinics where you'll learn soccer basics to ensure you're successful. Many of our 2016 outdoor coaches will be returning again for the upcoming season.

We will also have socks, shin pads, and shorts available for sale for first time players and for those that have outgrown their current apparel.

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions about registering or coaching: soccer@mcleodcommunityleague.ca

*Todd
McLeod Soccer Director*

McLeod Thanks Local Businesses for Support

If it wasn't for the support of businesses in our area our Kids Christmas Party couldn't have been such an AMAZING success!

A heart warming thanks to the following for their Gift Certificates:

- Save On Foods at Londonderry Mall
- Save On Foods at 50 St and 167 Ave
- Save On Foods in Namao

Food donations were greatly appreciated from:

- Sobeyes at Hollick-Kenyon provided us with hot dogs and buns, ketchup, mustard, onions and icing to feed all our children at the Christmas Event!
- Sobeyes at Namao Centre fed all our volunteers with meat, cheese, fruit and veggie trays!

*Cheers!!
Elizabeth O'Quinn
Social Director*

McLeod Gets Walking

Jane's Walk is a movement of free, citizen-led walking tours where people tell stories about their community, explore their city and connect with neighbours. This year's Jane's Walk activities are on May 5, 6 and 7. Check the website for this year's Edmonton times and locations. www.janeswalk.org

The Wildrose Ramblers Walking Club meets Tuesday morning each week for a 60 to 90 minute outdoor walk at various Edmonton city parks and trails. The leader picks a nearby restaurant for lunch afterwards (participation optional).

Although on a hiatus over the cold winter months, you can get prepared for fresh air spring walks to see the budding leaves! The club is non-profit and lead by volunteers, and affiliated with the John Janzen Nature Centre. Some people from Matt Berry and Ozerna are already members.

You can email Sharon at srvpisesky@gmail.com and they do have a facebook page you can follow.

Proper Registration Process for McLeod Soccer

There is a misconception that parents must attend the registration session of the community they'd like their child to play in if it's a community other than their home community.

The EMSA Soccer Portal has been designed to capture a requested community to play in along with friend or coach request. The portal will automatically place an entry in a transfer queue for both the home and requested community's to approve. The home community approves the transfer out, followed by the requested community approving the transfer in.

It is recommended parents attend a community league's first registration session to provide the best opportunity to be placed on their desired team.

Below are the general guidelines for registering for community soccer.

- 1) Register online in the EMSA Soccer Portal.
- 2) Print two copies of the player summary confirmation. If you can't print the player summary, then ensure the player summary confirmation email is in your inbox on your mobile device.
- 3) Attend your home community's registration session to purchase a community membership (if necessary), sign up for a volunteer commitment, and pay your soccer registration fees.
- 4) Be prepared to show government id to verify the player's date of birth.
- 5) A signed but undated cheque may be required to secure volunteer commitments such as bingos, casinos, community events, ENZSA events.
- 6) Determine your community's valid payment methods. McLeod's valid payment methods are cash, credit and debit. Other communities may accept cheques.

Please contact me at soccer@mcleodcommunityleague.ca if you have any questions or concerns.

*Todd
McLeod Soccer Director*

Benefits of Community Soccer

Parents often ask "Why sign up for community soccer?"

The most obvious benefit of community soccer is exercise. The average season goes from May 1st to June 30th, with post season opportunities in July for older teams.

Players can expect one practice and two games per week, each approximately one hour in duration.

The community program focuses on friends playing with friends and having fun. When registering for the McLeod soccer program, players can request to play with a certain

friend. We try to honour the request as best as possible. There are occasions when friend or coach requests cannot be filled, as every team has a team player limit. Players can expect fair field time in regular season games. There are other leagues out

there that organize players by skill level and age with an emphasis on winning and unfortunately not all players get an opportunity to play or play with their friends.

Community soccer is very affordable. In addition to registration fees, players are responsible for their own footwear, shin pads, socks, and shorts. McLeod will provide jerseys that will be returned upon season end with the exception for U6 and U8 players who keep their jerseys. Parents will be required to purchase a community membership and sign up for one community service per child to a maximum of two per family. Other soccer programs will have more expensive registration fees, require you to purchase jerseys, and participate in multiple volunteer/fund raising activities.

McLeod soccer acknowledges our players have many interests, with soccer only being one. Our older players, for example, often have part time jobs to earn spending money. McLeod soccer does not penalize players for missing the odd practice or game and we're grateful for them making as many soccer events as possible. Other soccer leagues have been known to bench players for missing practices or games.

We hope to see you at one of our upcoming registration sessions starting in February 2016. For more information, please see the McLeod website at www.mcleodcommunityleague.ca.



EMSA Online Registration and Payment for McLeod Soccer

When registering for soccer using the EMSA Soccer Portal, do not select the Credit Card (Online Payment) option. Select the payment option of Other and pay at McLeod hall during a community registration session. If you do select the Credit Card (Online Payment) option, a \$10 surcharge will be added to your registration fee.

The EMSA Soccer Portal contains a feature allowing registrants the ability to pay their soccer registration fee online. Proceeds from the online payment are directed back to the player's home community, not the community the player ultimately plays in. This becomes problematic when registration fees are paid online and players register directly with communities other than their home communities. Soccer Directors must then contact the player's home community and request the registration fee be transferred. Occasionally, home community Soccer Directors become frustrated when registrants do not follow proper protocol, registering with the home community, signing up for a home community volunteer commitment and then requesting a transfer. Additionally, registration fees vary by community. This leads to confusion regarding registration fee discrepancies when attending the desired playing community's registration session.

Fees paid online via the EMSA Soccer Portal are subject to a credit card transaction fee, much like retailers pay. ENZA subtracts the credit card fees from the registration fees remits the remaining amount to community leagues. When paying registration fees at McLeod community league by credit or debit card, the community will absorb the transaction fees and they are not charged back to the sports programs.

For the outdoor season, McLeod will add a \$10 surcharge to registration fees when the EMSA Soccer Portal payment option of Credit Card (Online Payment) is selected to accommodate credit card fees and administrative overhead. This surcharge will not be added to registration fees when paying by credit or debit card at McLeod hall.

Here are the definitions for the EMSA Soccer Portal payment methods.

Credit Card (Online Payment) – Credit card information will be collected and credit card will be immediately charge the fees posted on the EMSA Soccer Portal. ENZA will forward the soccer registration fee less the credit card transaction fee to the home community.

Cheque – Player registration fees will be paid by cheque at a community league payment session.

Cash – Player registration fees will be paid in cash at a community league payment session. **Funding Plan Request** – This is an informational checkbox indicating a subsidy request will be made at a community league payment session. The EMSA Soccer Portal does not contain functionality to complete or submit a subsidy application.

Other – This indicates a payment method other than those listed above will be used to pay player registration fees at a community payment session.

To summarize, McLeod community members selecting the Credit Card (Online Payment) option will incur a \$10 surcharge as payment is made directly to ENZA. All other payment options will result in payment at a McLeod community league payment session. Valid payment methods for McLeod community league are cash, credit, or debit. Those paying by credit or debit at a McLeod hall will not incur a \$10 surcharge.

McLeod Purchases Access to the Clareview Recreation Centre

We are pleased to announce that McLeod had purchased into the community league access times at Clareview Recreation Centre. We have partnered with seven community leagues of Clareview Area Council – Bannerman, Evergreen, Fraser, Hairsine, Homesteader, Horse Hill, and South Clareview – to reduce our costs for access.

September 10, 2016 to September 2, 2017
Saturdays 6:00-8:00pm

This includes full access to the facility: pool, gym, indoor courts, free weights, weight machines, cardio machines, running track, kids' indoor playground.

You must show your McLeod Community League membership card to enter the facility. To purchase a membership, you MUST reside within the leagues boundaries (communities of McLeod, Matt Berry, Hollick-Kenyon, Miller, Casselman). Please go here to purchase your membership: http://mcleodcommunityleague.ca/index.php/membership_manager.

If you do not live within our boundaries, we cannot sell you a membership. If you want your community league to look into purchasing access, please contact them.

McLeod 社区取得了Clareview 健身中心使用权 (many thanks to Rosemary Wong for the translation!)

我们非常高兴的宣布McLeod取得了Clareview 健身中心社区活动的使用权。我们和Bannerman, Evergreen, Fraser, Hairsine, Homesteader, Horse Hill, and South Clareview 这七个社区合作组成的Clareview 区域委员会共同降低了我们使用健身中心的费用。

2016年9月10号到2017年9月2号

每个周六 晚上6点到8点

这包括免费使用下面任何设施：游泳池，体操房，室内场馆，哑铃，健身器，跑步机，室内跑道，小孩室内游乐场。

进入健身中心你必须出示McLeod 社区会员卡。只有居住在包括 McLeod, Matt Berry, Hollick-Kenyon, Miller, Casselman这些社区界限内的才可以购买会员卡。请到以下地址购买会员卡：<http://efcl.org/membership>。您如果不居住在我们这个社区界限内，我们不能出售给你会员卡。您如果希望你的社区有权使用健身中心，请联系您的社区委员会。

McLeod Thanks MLA Heather Sweet for Donations

A big thanks from the McLeod Community League to Heather Sweet, and all her amazing staff for providing us with treat bags for Halloween and Christmas and Pizza for our annual Kids Christmas Party!

McLeod Free Rec Facility Times

Show your McLeod CL membership card for free recreation access to these facilities:

1. Clareview Rec Centre (all facility access)
Saturdays from 6:00-8:00 pm
2. Londonderry Pool
Sundays 4:15 – 5:45 pm
3. O'Leary Pool
Saturdays 4:00 – 6 pm
4. Grand Trunk Pool
Sundays 4:15 – 5:45 PM

City Indoor Ice Rinks

Search www.edmonton.ca for Public Skating Online Schedule for current free skate times at Clareview Area, Londonderry Arena, new Downtown Area etc.

McLeod Outdoor Rinks

Call the rink shack at 780-473-8993 for hours and ice conditions at our two outdoor rinks behind the hall. Please show any community league membership card or skate tags or pay \$2 per person.



Shared Gardening in McLeod

The Casselman community garden volunteers continue to meet once a month, even in winter!

Whether you are interested in growing vegetables and flowers or learning to compost, you are welcome to come and pitch-in.

All skill levels are appreciated, from beginner to experienced hands.

Please contact Andrew, master composter, at 780-298-2523 or akfwong@hotmail.com anytime to get information and join the group.

Chris Nielsen MLA Edmonton-Decore

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McLeod Community Safety Director

Welcome 2017. It's been a cold start to the new year. I thought I would start off with a message regarding warming up your vehicles.

Thank you to those that are brushing the snow off your vehicles and ensuring your license plates are not covered and your windows and mirrors are clear.

There have been multiple thefts of running motor vehicles across the province including here in Edmonton.

If you leave your vehicle unlocked and running there is a good chance it might not be there when you are ready to go. It takes mere seconds to for a thief to jump in and drive off with your vehicle.

I recommend you have a car starter installed. If that isn't an option, then cut a spare key and ensure the doors are locked. In addition, you can purchase and place a steering wheel club lock on the steering wheel.

Ensure any valuables are not left in plain site (loose change, cell phones, iPods, iPads, Cd's, garage door openers).

I wanted to talk about license plate covers. License plate covers clear, tinted, or reflective are illegal under the Traffic Safety Act.

License plates must be secured, visible and un-obscured at all times. License plate covers can be removed and seized as evidence. Fines can be from \$155 to \$465 dollars.

This can also apply to those that have their Chevrolet/GM spare tire access cover open blocking the last digit of the license plate, hitch balls, hitch bike carriers and mud or snow.

Friendly reminder – the government does not send out registration or drivers' license renewal reminders anymore.

Daily walk around of your vehicle will help you to remember when to renew your license plates.

I suggest you view your driver's license and insurance card monthly to ensure they are up to date and on your person when operating a motor vehicle.

When you register or renew your registration ensure you put the month and sticker on your license plate. Displaying an expired license plate could get you a Violation Ticket for \$310.00 dollars.

MB Facilities Committee Public Consultation – February 21st

The Matt Berry Facilities Committee, after two years of gathering survey results, is ready to present the results of our surveys. This is an important step that will allow the project to continue and allow the Committee to take our project to the City of Edmonton for implementation.

We invite you to join us at CentrePointe Church (5940 159 Ave) on February 21st for our Public Consultation. From 7pm to 730pm we will have our poster boards on display and the public is invited to check out our results and discuss the plan. From 730pm to 8pm there will be a presentation to those in attendance. From 8pm to 830pm, the Committee will be available for one-on-one questions and discussion.

The Committee is still recruiting members. We are specifically looking for:

- Families in the Matt Berry or Hollick-Kenyon neighbourhoods
- Architects
- Project Managers or those with similar experience
- Grants experience

If you are interested in joining the committee, or just helping out, please email secretary@mcleodcommunityleague.ca All are welcome to the Open House.

McLeod's Library News

The Londonderry Library and McConachie Library both have programming for all ages from baby lap time to teen & adult gaming. Check their website to see specifics at www.epl.org.

BOOK CLUB: The McConachie group has been meeting monthly to have a lively discussion about a book that everyone read the previous month. Meetings are once a month, on a Thursday evening at 7pm.

The next books being discussed are:

Mar.2 The Giver by Lois Lowry

Apr.6 Brooklyn by Colm Toibin

May 1 Open Heart, Open Mind by Clara Hughes

June 1 Coppermine by Keith Ross Leckie

Phone, on-line, or stop by the library to register for the book club. McConachie Library is at 16607-50 St, ph. 780.442.5314 Happy reading!

McLeod's Snow Angels

Thank you to all the neighbours who are prompt snow shovellers! It helps ensure safe conditions and mobility for everyone. Sidewalks should be cleared within 48 hours after the end of a snowfall.

SNOW ANGEL AWARDS: Thank you letters and Edmonton Oil King double guest passes were mailed out to those nominated by their neighbour as a "snow angel". We hope you enjoyed the game and checking out the new Rogers Place Arena downtown. **PLOWING DAY:** Like garbage collection, neighbourhood blading operates on a weekly schedule throughout the winter. If work cannot be completed on your designated day, crews will be back that weekend to finish up. If you live in a cul-de-sac, your road will be cleared on your snow day, but snow may not be removed until a later time. **FRIDAY** is blading day for the McLeod CL area, when snow conditions warrant.

FREE GRIT: If you bring your own pail and shovel, you can pick up free grit for icy sidewalks at a city maintenance yard 13000-56 Street. The City no longer provides or maintains sand boxes at community halls.

PARKING BANS: When cars are parked on the street the equipment can't clear the roads efficiently. A ban can be declared anytime until March 15. Please park in your garage and driveway, especially on neighbourhood blading days and during seasonal parking bans.

The City has a Snow and Ice Control policy at edmonton.ca/snowinthecity or call 311.

Embracing air and winter activities

As temperatures drop across the province, many people are content to put on an extra pair of socks, settle in with a hot cup of cocoa and grumble about the weather.

Some good advice for anyone with the winter blahs is to get outside and get moving—and breathing deeply. You really can't have too much fresh air in the winter.

One of the great things about winter is the refreshing bite of cold air when you step outside.

It's exhilarating, and when you're dressed for the season, that coldness quickly disappears with a walk to the convenience store or a climb up a toboggan hill.

Try getting outside every day for a week for 10 to 30 minutes at a time. Move with purpose: shovel the walk. Shovel the neighbour's walk. Look for birds, stars or big snowdrifts.

Mark Your Calendars for Upcoming McLeod Events

NOTE: Subject to change, please check current details on our website www.mcleodcl.ca or Facebook page: McLeod Community League.

Friday, February 17 – Movie Night
Doors open at 5:00pm, movie starts at 6:00pm. Concession available. Movie TBA.

Monday, February 20, 10:00am-12:00noon – Family Day Pancake Breakfast
Free while supplies last. Please bring a cash or non-perishable food donation for the Food Bank. Head over to the Steele Heights Baptist Church next door from 12:00noon-4:00pm for Pioneer Days and enjoy activities and the sleigh ride sponsored by McLeod.

Tuesday, February 21, 7pm-830pm – Matt Berry Facility Project Open House at CentrePointe Church, 5940 159 Ave

February 22, 27, and March 8, 6pm-9pm – Sports Registration at McLeod Hall

April 2017 (Date TBD) – Spring Dance – details will be available at sports registration

Walk the kids to or from school if you can. Put on a pair of skates, skis or snowshoes. Slide, glide and embrace the season. And share it with family and friends.

Winter can be fun. Get out there enough and you could find yourself a little reluctant to say goodbye to winter when spring rolls around.

Using your own two feet to get around is good for you and for the air around us. The less you drive, the fewer emissions in the air. And if you have to drive, try to cut down on the idling. Turn the engine off when you run into the store for a cup of coffee or are waiting to pick up someone.

You might think you're just one person in one vehicle, but you'd be amazed at how small changes add up to big differences to your life and your community.

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Steele Heights News

Steele Heights Community League

www.steeleheightscommunity.com

We have approximately 4000 residents within our boundaries which are 66 Street on the West, 144 Avenue on the North, 50 Street on the East, and 137 Avenue on the South. We encompass all of York Neighbourhood and portions of Clareview Towne Centre.

Email us at steeleheightscommunity@gmail.com
Twitter: Follow @SteeleHeightsCL
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The League is a volunteer organization with Executive Board members and Directors elected annually. Our current board:

Jeff – President, Sports Director & Changeable Copy Sign
(contact him directly at jsgokie@hotmail.com)

Heather – Past President & Spray Park Committee Chair

Jon - Vice President

Dinah - Secretary

Cecil G - Treasurer & Civics Director

Denise - Membership Director & Neighbourhood Watch

Gwenna – Facilities Director

Marcus – Communication Director

Tyler – Program & Event Director

Trish – Social Director & Newsletter Editor

Robin - Director at Large

Cecil P – Director at Large

Jennifer – Director at Large

Please e-mail steeleheightscommunity@gmail.com or call (780) 475-3553 with any questions for any of the members of the Steele Heights Community League executive board.

• **Monthly Meeting at the Hall** – Third Monday at 6:30pm (except Holiday Mondays where it is held the week before)

• **Hall Address**

5825 140 Avenue NW

Edmonton, AB

• **Mailing Address**

Steele Heights Community League

PO Box 70005 RPO Londonderry

Edmonton, AB T5C 3R6

• **Membership & Associate Membership Information**

Family (immediate family members) - \$25
Individuals / Single Parent Family (0-64 years) - \$20

Senior (65 years+) - \$15

Call 780-475-4188 to purchase a League membership.

Visit our website for details on benefits.

Hall Rentals

Do you have friends, families or co-workers that are in need of a space to hold their next function?

Steele Heights Community League is happy to accommodate renters. We have a fully equipped commercial kitchen with two microwaves, cooler and deep freeze.

Our recent renovations and upgrades enable us to offer you great rates for a size of space that works for you. We have the rink-side multipurpose room with a smaller seating capacity and the ability to also rent the enclosed, outdoor fenced area. Equipped with barbques and with our main hall, there's room for over 200 people.

Main Hall Rental Fees :

Sunday thru Thursday a full day rental will be \$300 per day
- starting at 10am and ending at 5pm

Friday and or Saturday a full rental day will be \$400 per day
- starting at 4pm until 9am the next day

Friday and Saturday rental together will be \$500 for both days
- starting at 4pm Friday and ending Sunday at 9am

Friday and Saturday and Sunday rental together will be \$650 for all three days
- starting at 2pm Friday and ending Sunday at 5pm

Media or Boardroom Rental fees :

Monday thru Thursday rental per hour of \$40 per hour up to 5 Hours .
- other days of the week and length of rental are available

Multi-Purpose Room and Outside Rink Area Rental Fee :

Monday thru Sunday rental per hour of \$35 per hour up to 8 hours

- this includes use of the multi-purpose room and the outside rink area as well as the mini kitchenette

- there are also bbq's for rent at \$35 for 1 and \$50 for use of 2 during your rental time frame

If you have any questions or concerns please contact the Facility Rental Director.



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