

Windsor Park Community Newsletter



February 2008

Message from the President...

A Few Good Windsor Parkites

The WPCL will be holding a casino on March 17 and 18, 2008. We need just a few more volunteers so that everyone only has to do only one shift. The funds generated by these volunteer-staffed casinos are used to run and maintain programs and facilities in Windsor Park, as well as to assist other programs in the Edmonton area. Please fill out the casino volunteer form in this newsletter, and deliver it to

Ed Holmes, 11902 – 89 Avenue

FAX: 474-8001.

lynxwolf@shaw.ca

Your help will be much appreciated.

A Winter's Tale

A community league does not run on executive members alone. Community volunteers are the people who really get things done in this city and in Windsor Park. For more years than I have been in the neighbourhood, the Miller family has been running and maintaining our ice rink. On those cold winter evenings when we'd all like to be curled up in front of a warm fire with a good book, Joe and his sons are out clearing and flooding the ice surface. To my way of thinking, anyone who wields a water hose in cold temperatures is going above and beyond the call of duty and Windsor Park is much the better for it. Thank you.

EFCL

The Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues is funded in large part by the City of Edmonton. Recently, at least one councillor and the mayor have apparently said that perhaps the

City should not be funding groups that may end up opposing some of the City's proposed bylaws and regulations.

While I can understand that the EFCL's opposition at times can be frustrating for City Council, the voice of experienced community members is an important one, and has often helped change proposed bylaws for the better. One example that comes to mind was a proposed bylaw to deal with the redevelopment of contaminated sites (largely decommissioned gas stations). The EFCL's planner played a key role in examining and drafting responses to the bylaw as it wound its way through the system. In the end, the EFCL was instrumental in seeing through amendments that put the safety of citizens first, as well as reducing the City's future liability exposure.

If you find yourself talking to one of your councillors, please let him or her know how you feel on this issue. City Council needs to hear from you, regardless of whether you support the EFCL or not, so it can make informed choices about our future.

Fare-thee-Well

I was sorry to learn that we are losing an active, long-term community member. After forty years in Windsor Park, Dr. Helen Hays is planning to leave Edmonton this spring. The WPCL executive would like to thank Dr. Hays for her many contributions to the community and our city, and to offer our best wishes for the future.

Please feel free to contact me on any issues. I can be reached by phone, 433-1270, or email, jbcollier@shaw.ca.

---John Collier, Windsor Park

Community League Executive



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jean_frost@yahoo.com

Increasing Our Affordable Housing Stock

Too many people live in sub-standard housing or places they can't afford, so when they do pay their rent or mortgage, they have little money left over for food and clothing, let alone holidays!

Council, in December, passed a bylaw which I hope will be one small step toward increased supply of affordable housing. We passed Bylaw 14750, allowing secondary and garage suites in some parts of the City. The rules have been relaxed so that more people can be housed, more affordably. This is an important step that will make a big difference in some people's lives. Secondary suites include basement suites or parts of a house, and also garage suites. This is being applied in a two-stage process, now it applies to newer parts of the city and to areas near industry or apartment buildings. Next year Council will be revisiting this and consider extending that permission to all areas of the city. An estimated 10% of homeowners may take advantage of this to provide more housing in the form of a small suite in their existing property.

I argued that we should apply this to owner-occupied dwellings only, but this did not pass. Council decided both rental properties and owner-occupied properties can have secondary suites.

Some also argued that approval of suites should be discretionary, and that neighbours should have a right to appeal granting permission for a secondary suite. This also did not pass, as the majority of Council felt it was important enough to increase the affordable housing stock to leave it as non-discretionary. However, building codes and other regulatory standards will still apply, and substandard housing is not encouraged. In fact this will allow us to ensure that many of the sub-standard unofficial suites can be brought up to code.

I know this is only one step toward more affordable housing, and that we need a far larger involvement of our federal and provincial governments, but with this step the City of Edmonton has taken one important step that will bring some results.

You can always contact me at ben.henderson@edmonton.ca or phone 496-8146.

--- Ben Henderson, Councillor, Ward 4

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All the Best in the New Year

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REGISTRATION – Windsor-Garneau SOCCER – 2008

Saturday, February 23 Community League Hall 1 to 4 p.m.

Or email to Swemsa—please check web for address

Name	Date of Birth	Female _____ Male _____
Address / Postal Code		Home Phone
Email		Fees

PARENTS/GAURDIANS

1) _____ Last Name	_____ First Name	_____ Home Phone (if different)
2) _____ Last Name	_____ First Name	_____ Home Phone (if different)

TEAM FEES

Play start near the end of April, weather and fields permitting

Team	Year of Birth	Game Times	Fees
Under 6 (mixed only)	2002 or 2003	Mon, Wed @ 6:15	\$60
Under 8 (mixed only)	2000 or 2001	Tues, Thurs @ 6:15	\$65
Under 10 (mixed or girls)	1998 or 1999	Mon, Wed @ 6:15	\$75
Under 12 (mixed or girls)	1996 or 1997	Tues, Thurs @ 6:15	\$80
Under 14 (mixed or girls)	1994 or 1995	Mon, Wed @ 7:30	\$85
Under 16 (mixed or girls)	1992 or 1993	Tues, Sunday @ 5:00 or 7:30	\$90
Under 18 (mixed or girls)	1990 or 1991	Thurs, Sunday @ 7:30	\$95

Make cheque payable to:
Windsor Park Community League

REGISTRATION FEES: Cheque: _____ Cash: _____

COACHES and VOLUNTEERS are crucial to making Windsor-Garneau Soccer a success. Please volunteer for one or more of the following. We cannot accommodate all players without enough volunteer coaches?

Name of Volunteer/Phone#

_____ Team Coach*	_____ Referee Coordinator	Tournament Volunteer _____
_____ Assistant Coach*	_____ Field Marker	Equipment Coordinator _____

In consideration of acceptance of this registration, I, for myself, my child and anyone claiming for my child or myself (collectively "we") hereby waive all claims we may have at any time against the Windsor Park Community League, SWEMSA, EMSA, ASA (the Soccer Organizations) or any director or officer or member of any of them, the soccer co-coordinator, coach, referee or other person assisting in the Windsor Park soccer program at any time for damages caused by or resulting from participation of my child in the 2007 Windsor Park soccer program and any subsequent Windsor Park soccer program in which my child is registered, and I indemnify the Soccer Organizations and individuals for any such claims made against them on behalf of my child by anyone. I understand that 1) information collected on this form will be used by officials of the Soccer Organizations to establish my child's eligibility to participate in the soccer program and to contact me when required for the Windsor Park soccer program; 2) the information will not be disclosed except to officials of the Soccer Organizations, 3) the names, address(es), and phone number(s) on this form may be shared with members of the team that my child plays on; and 4) personal information will be held one year in case my child re-registers for Windsor Park soccer, and then destroyed if my child does not register in the next year. I consent to the disclosure and use of this information to the extent and only to the extent noted here.

Name: _____ Date: _____

Friends: (1) _____ (2) _____ (3) _____

Every effort will be made for your child to play with his/her friends.

CASINO VOLUNTEER WORKER

Our Windsor Park Community League Casino is scheduled for Monday March 17th and Tuesday March 18th and is being held at the **Palace Casino – West Edmonton Mall.**

We need approximately 40 people to help with the casino.

Proceeds from the Casino will be used for building upkeep, playground upgrade, rink repair and joint School/League projects. Some funds will also be given to other charities.

If you can volunteer please complete the Information/Availability sheet below.

FORM RETURNED TO **E. S. Holmes**
 11902 – 89 Avenue **FAX: 474-8001**
 T6G 1A3

Or email to lynxwolf@shaw.ca

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____


PHONE:
 (Day) _____ (Evening) _____

Have you worked casinos previously?

AVAILABILITY/PREFERENCE	Monday March 17	Tuesday March 18
Dayshifts: Approximately 10:30 to 7pm		
Evening/Nightshifts: Approximately 7pm to 2am <u>Or</u> Count Room 9pm to 3:30am		

**Please indicate ALL time preferences and your availability.
 We will assign positions when we have all applications.
 Indicate your job preference if you have one.**

Thank you.

<p style="text-align: center;">WELLNESS</p> <p style="text-align: center;">University Acupuncture Clinic</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Suite 305 College Plaza, 8215-112 St. Tel: 432-1800</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">Dr. Yu-Cheng Chen</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Former Physician in Charge & Neurologist in Shanghai “Longhua” Medical Teaching Hospital</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Dr. Shu-Long He</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Expert in soft-tissue injury & more Reg. Acupuncturists, TCM Doctors</p> <p><i>We offer over 25 yrs exceptional clinical experience & many unique formulas of TCM herbal medicine, Acupuncture & Acupressure to treat the following:</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Multiple sclerosis</u> <u>Rheumatoid arthritis</u> <u>Stubborn soft-tissue injuries & strain</u> <u>Backache/Sciatica/Arthritis</u> <u>Anxiety & panic attacks/Insomnia</u> <u>Sinusitis & Rhinitis/Allergies</u> <u>Headaches & TMJ syndrome</u> <u>Acne /Eczema/Psoriasis & more!</u></p> <p>Patient Testimonials:</p> <p>1) “Nearly half our staff have been in your clinic”—Staff member of U of A Medicine.</p> <p>2) “You helped me lose 35 lbs. & my blood pressure decrease from 180/110 to 125/85. My 20 yrs neck & shoulder pain is gone.”-- A senior staff of U of A.</p> <p>3) “I had constant shoulder & back pain for 5 years since the car accident until I had 4 treatments from you. It’s really amazing!”— A Director of U of A</p>
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Windsor Park Garneau Soccer

Saturday, February 23 Community League Hall 1 to 4 p.m.
Or email registration to Larry Burnstad <weslar@telus.net>



Although the ground is covered in white and the only soccer balls you can see outside are, in fact, big bunnies, it is time to think about the beautiful game.

Please see the registration form on page 7.

To run a great programme we need volunteers! If you can help by coaching, allotment of players, equipment, jerseys, field marking, please contact:

Larry Burnstad
455 4013
wslar@telus.net

Playschool News



The Windsor Park Co-op Playschool offers two morning programs:

- ◆ 3-year-olds on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
- ◆ 4-year-olds on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Our teacher has an ECE degree, and our emphasis is on learning through play, with seasonal themes, topics like health, safety, and nature, and related field trips. For more information, call 433-4754.

Windsor Park History

The house built in 1931 for Morden Long, the first professor of History at the University of Alberta, at 11615 Saskatchewan Drive was designed by Cecil Burgess. Two other houses, one next door at 11619 Saskatchewan Drive and another across the lane at 11620 Edinboro Road were built for Cameron & Morrison, professors of mining and civil engineering at about this time and have similar 2 storey facades, symmetrical about their front entrances. They might be Burgess' work. As you know he was living less than a block away at this time. All three wood-sided houses have additions which don't appear to parts of the original design.

By David Cruden

Next Community League Meeting

The Windsor Park Community League Executive will meet on **February 19** and **March 18** @ 7:00 p.m. in the Community League building. Community members are welcome to attend.

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