

Windsor Park Community Newsletter

December 2009



Message from the President...

Membership Drive

I would like to extend heartfelt thanks to all of you who have helped out with this year's membership drive. Not only do the monies raised during the drive help us run the league's programs, the membership numbers also support our work with the City. Thank you, thank you and thank you for your efforts on the league's behalf.

Bottle Drive

I am pleased to announce that Windsor Park is again going to have a bottle drive, to be held early in the New Year. Saving your returnables for pickup will not only help to support a worthy cause, it will also reduce the number of non-residents in our alleys. Details inside.

Relax, It's Not Oobleck

It's that time of year when I again ask that we all do our best to keep our sidewalks clear for our friends and neighbours. Snow and ice on sidewalks are dangerous for everyone, especially seniors and the disabled. Property owners are required to clear the walks around their properties, down to the pavement, within 48 hours of a snowfall. Remember that some people find it difficult to keep their walks clear due to physical limitations. Consider becoming a Snow Angel to help your neighbours and community.

If you are having a problem with an uncleared walk, you can call 311. When a complaint is filed, the City will investigate and issue a warning notice asking the owner to clear the walk within

seven days. If the owner does not comply, a \$100 ticket is issued and the City may clear the walk at the property owner's expense.

If you are a senior who needs help, or if you can help seniors, contact one of the following groups:

Seniors Association of Greater Edmonton (SAGE) 780-701-9011,
Seniors Caring About Seniors
780-465-0311

Lifestyle Helping Hands Seniors Association 780-450-2113.

Playground Redevelopment

We are just starting the process of planning the redevelopment of our playground. We have had our first meeting, and Isobelle Vonder Muhll has kindly agreed to chair the committee. It's not too late to get involved, and we'd love to have your ideas. The new playground will last for the next 20 or more years. Help us to get it right! Contact me at the coordinates below for more information.

Fade to Heroine Tied on Tracks and Cut!

At the conclusion of our last exciting episode, the narrator revealed that the old shopping center had a new building manager. Well, the silly chump (the narrator, me, not the building manager!) got the phone number wrong. Paul at Hair Plus is the new manager, and his correct phone number is: 780-439-1284. My apologies to Paul and the, I can assure you, entirely innocent people at the number I did publish!

Please feel free to contact me with your concerns and comments by phone (780-433-1270) or email (jbcollier@shaw.ca).

---John Collier

Community League Executive



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Groucho Marx wouldn't have,
but ...

We're glad you decided to join the club, when your WPCL volunteer canvasser came knocking. Some 43 people blanketed the 55 blocks of our neighbourhood during the fall months, signing up new and renewing community league members and collecting the small fees and donations that add up to a big help in supporting WPCL's programs.

To all those who dedicated their time and shoe leather to this year's drive, many thanks -- you did a terrific job! With almost all blocks now having reported in, it looks like we've once again signed up an impressive share of all residents -- we'll report the final tally in the next newsletter.

If your block's canvasser didn't happen to catch you at home, never fear! You can still purchase a membership. Please visit the Edmonton Federation of Community League's website at www.efcl.org for on-line service, or contact me, Janet Millar, any time, at 780-433-1270 or jlmillar@shaw.ca.

Margie Ritchie
Champion of the World

Windsor Parkite, Margie Ritchie, has had a string of stunning victories this year. In August, she won the Canadian Triathlon in her age group. This was followed by the fantastic win at the World's in Australia. Margie was 19th after the swim, 4th after the bike leg then overtook the three leaders in the run.

And Margie continued to impress Windsor Park and the World. She went on to win the Duathlon in North Carolina.

What To Do When You See
Criminal Activity

(Developed in consultation with the Edmonton Police Service)

Always contact police when you see trouble occurring.

Call 911 if it's an Emergency or crime is in progress.

780-423-4567 when a crime is not in progress

Be as detailed as possible when explaining the incident. Provide the 5 W's --

Who, what, when, where and why.

Don't be afraid to:

Ask the **name** of the person you are speaking with and write it down.

Ask if they are **sending a car**. If not, ask why not.

Ask to speak to a supervisor if you feel a car should be sent out.

Indicate whether you wish to remain **anonymous**. Explain why

Say if you would like to be informed of the **outcome** of police attendance.

If you are in contact with the attending police officer, **record** the name and file number.

Keep a diary of incidents in a book.

Please record the following:

Date, Time and Location of the incident.

Description of persons involved.

Name and address of suspects if known.

A complete **description of events:**

(5 W's -- Who, what, when, where and why)

Who you contacted to report the incident and **what they said**.

Name of police officer, if one came out, and if you know the **File number**.

ST. GEORGE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

We are a church community committed to experiencing Christ through worship, service, laughter, learning, and love

11733 – 87 AVE.
780-439-1470

The Rev. Susan Oliver
Interim Priest-in-Charge &
University Chaplain

Service times

Wed: 9:30 am--Holy Eucharist & Bible Study

Sun: 8am--Holy Eucharist;
10 am--Holy Eucharist; Sunday School

Advent & Christmas services:

Dec. 20, 7 pm: Lessons and Carols
Dec. 24, 2 pm: Children's Christmas service
Dec. 24, 7:30 pm: Holy Eucharist with carols & special music

Garneau United Church (Ashbourne Chapel)

11148 84th Avenue
Tel: 780-439-2501
email: garneauuc@shaw.ca

Come and celebrate with us!

Sunday, Nov. 29 - 1st Sunday in Advent;
10:30 a.m. Worship Service.
Sunday, Dec. 6 - 2nd Sunday in Advent;
10:30 a.m. Worship and Communion Service.
Sunday, Dec. 13 - 3rd Sunday in Advent;
10:30 a.m. Worship Service - featuring the Church School Christmas Pageant and White Gift Sunday (unwrapped gifts for needy children and adults).
Sunday, Dec. 20 - 4th Sunday in Advent;
10:30 a.m. Worship Service.
Tuesday, December 22 - Informal Community Carol Sing, with storytelling, hot spiced punch and Christmas baking.
Thursday, Dec. 24 - 7:00 p.m. Family Christmas Eve Service.

THE GROCERY BAG



The Grocery Bag• is a new grocery delivery service offered by Edmonton Meals on Wheels.

The Grocery Bag is a convenient and reliable way for seniors or homebound individuals to have groceries delivered when getting to the grocery store is difficult.

There is a minimum order of \$15.00 and a service fee of \$5.00 for each order. All orders must be prepaid by cheque or cash (in person) or credit card (by phone).

Grocery orders may be placed by phone and delivery will occur the following week.

For more information on the Grocery Bag program call Edmonton Meals on Wheels at 780-429-2020 or check our website at www.mealsonwheelsedmonton.org.

BE IDLE FREE
A minute or less is best.



Be Idle Free

A Minute or Less is Best

is the message encouraging Edmonton motorists to turn off their car's engine if they think they will be sitting idle for more than one minute, except in traffic.

The new campaign is starting small but it's hoped that through the City's partnerships with schools, and by providing information to local community leagues, the program will help motorists understand that idling for more than a minute is not only harmful to the environment, it also wastes gas and is damaging to car engines. Information provided by the Alberta Motor Association (AMA) shows that not only does idling harm car engines through the build up of water condensation and fuel residue, but that idling a car to warm it in the winter is not even useful since parts like the transmission and wheel bearings only warm with driving.

Be Idle Free: A Minute or Less is Best.
Check out more information at
www.edmonton.ca

MINKA Sweater Sale/Open House
Saturday December 5th, 2009
Windsor Park Community Hall, 11840-87 Ave.
9 a.m- 3 p.m.



Come see beautiful hand knit sweaters, shawls, scarves from women's cooperative in Bolivia, poorest country in South American. Pure alpaca / pima cotton.

ALL PROCEEDS return to knitters.

THE GIFT THAT GIVES BACK !

What is Minkha?

In 1989, in Bolivia, staff and volunteers of Save the Children Canada brought together a group of expert knitters and founded the micro industry **Minkha**. Through their skill and hard work, the women of Minkha have made their cooperatively owned enterprise self-sufficient and continue to provide for themselves and their children.

Contacts - Linda 780-436-5732, Bev 780-433-3206. www.minkhasweaters.com

Councillor Jane Batty



*Best Wishes for
a wonderful
Holiday Season*

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Ladies, would you like to eliminate your stress?

Mady Mooney is a wholistic therapist. She offers a full range of services that includes counselling, art therapy, massage therapy, cranio-sacral therapy, foot reflexology and reiki. Mady practices in the Belgravia area. Initial consultation is complimentary. Call Mady at 780-242-6065 or e-mail madymooney@shaw.ca for your appointment.

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- ◆ 3-year-olds on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
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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 information, call 780 439 0910.

Need To Care for Yourself?

I offer therapy for individuals, couples, and families.
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Everyone is invited to the
**Windsor Park Christmas Carol
Party**
Sunday December 6, 2 till 4 pm



In the Community League Building

**Carol singing, live chamber orchestra, story telling,
refreshments**

**Admission Free, Donations to the Food Bank will be
appreciated**

Volunteer musicians who would like to join the orchestra (with one hour of practice just before the concert) are most welcome and should get in touch with Sarah Nyland (780-433-2211) or Linda Toal (780-433-1377)

Coming Events
Snow Flake Festival
Saturday, February 20

Summer Sizzle Party
Saturday, June 5

REMINDER CASINO VOLUNTEER WORKERS NEEDED

Our Windsor Park Community League Casino is scheduled for Friday March 26 and Saturday March 27, 2010 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 may also be given to other charities.

If you can volunteer please contact:
Betty Millar
9303 Saskatchewan Drive
Phone 780 439 0130



Babysitting Course

Thursday, Feb 25 for 8 hrs. This will be held in conjunction with Belgravia and McKernan communities at Belgravia Elementary School (116 St and 74 Ave). You must be 11 or older to take this course.

Details to be given in the next newsletter.

Baby Sitter Needed

Family with 8 month baby girl looking for babysitter. Also interested in sharing babysitting and baby activities with other families.

Contact: Dana and Martin at
dana@cs.ualberta.ca

Fabric wanted

Windsor Park quilter needs cotton fabric remnants for charitable projects. Call Ronnene Anderson 780-433-8632 or leave fabric on front porch at 8738-117th St.

Smiles

What's the most popular wine at Christmas?
Do I have to eat my Brussel sprouts?

What's an ig?
An eskimo's home without a loo!

What do snowmen wear on their heads?
Ice caps.

What kind of bird can write under the Antarctic Ice Sheet
A ball point pen-quin.

What do snowmen like on their burgers?
Chili Sauce

What do snow children eat for breakfast?
Ice Krispies.

Next Newsletter Deadline January, 2010

Windsor Park members can advertise personal items, such as garage sales, music lessons, babysitting services, etc. **FREE** in this Newsletter.

Do you have a business, product or service you would like to advertise in this Newsletter? Advertise your messages to Windsor Park residents at very competitive rates: *Full page: \$60, Half: \$30.00, Quarter: \$15.00*

To place an ad please contact
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