



What's up in woodcroft

All programs take place at Woodcroft Hall 13915-115 Ave. unless otherwise specified

President's Message

This will be my last message to you as President of Woodcroft Community League. I will be stepping down on October 21, 2010 at our Annual General Meeting. I leave feeling very satisfied with what I have been able to accomplish with the help of some very dedicated community league members. When I took over as President 4 years ago, I realized that we would never be able to achieve our goal of building a new playground at the hall because all our casino money was being poured into the utilities and maintenance. Knowing that it would cost \$400,000 - \$600,000 to replace the playground, I set about finding a way to raise money to offset the cost of running the hall. The answer came one day when I read in the Edmonton Journal that 6 non-profit groups housed in the Armories were in need of new homes due to renovations required to stabilize the Armories' roof. I discovered that one of these groups - the Alberta St. George of England Society - was very interested in sharing our hall. To make a long story short, their rent coupled with the rent from the Woodcroft Playschool has allowed us to invest our casino money from the last 3 casinos (\$240,000) in GICs. Using this money plus the money from our residents' generous donations to match government grants, our playground committee is now well positioned to begin building in the summer of 2011.

The rink was also an area that I focused on. We had a beautiful facility built by the previous Board but there were a few things that needed attending. Firstly, at my suggestion, our Board approved a budget for hiring a Rink Coordinator who would be responsible for all the details involved with running the rink. This would eliminate phone calls about the rink coming to me as President (I had enough to do!). The Rink Coordinator is given a fair wage and hires assistants to help with the maintenance of 2 rinks - one for those who wish simply to skate, leaving the boarded rink for those who wish to play hockey etc. Our Board approved the purchase of a new snow blower and sweeper, skates were donated by a generous resident and the equipment shed floor was replaced by my 2 brothers (free of charge!) Last year I established free Friday night skating parties, which were well attended and enjoyed by several families in the community. So I step down as President knowing the rink is in good shape to serve the growing number of families moving into our community.

Another area in which I feel we have made progress, is in taming some of the traffic that has been cutting through Woodcroft. The first step in achieving this goal was to find out if it indeed was a goal not only for our traffic committee but for the community as a whole. The Quality of Life survey confirmed that a majority of residents believed that the high level of traffic was contributing to a lower quality of life here in Woodcroft. Our committee therefore forged ahead. Fifty not-in - service buses and now route 122 have been rerouted around the community. We are piloting a 40 km/hr lower residential speed limit. With some help from the police to enforce this limit, perhaps this will make a difference. The 118 Ave. traffic circle at St. Albert Trail is being revamped to include an additional turn lane to reduce the congestion which causes drivers to cut through the 4 communities around the traffic circle. The city will include additional safety features on the design of our roads when they rebuild our roads in 2011/2012. A meeting showing the new road design will be set up for the Fall.

Finally, I am proud to have a hand in setting up a weekly Mom and Tot's Play Group, bringing Sportball to our community and establishing a Social Committee. The Social Committee has had several very well received programs including Movie Nights and the Easter Egg Hunt. They are currently working on our Sept. 18 Community League Day. See this newsletter for more details.

Lastly, I was instrumental in getting Lehigh (formerly Inland Cement) to use our hall for their air quality testing equipment. They have had to move out of the Queen Elizabeth Planetarium due to renovations of that facility. The rent they will be paying for the use of a small corner in our rink shack storage room will amount to an additional \$18,000 per year in revenue for our League.

We have accomplished a lot in a short amount of time and so I want to thank those who shared and helped me realize my vision. Now I think it is time for someone else to share their vision for our community. I hope that some of you reading this message will think seriously about stepping forward to be President of Woodcroft Community League. I can assure you that I will be there for you, just as others were there for me. We can accomplish so much when we work together!

Finally, I must mention that many, many of the changes that have occurred in our community could not have happened without a lot of help from Kim Krushell, our Ward 2 City Councillor. Whenever we reached a road block with some of our projects she stepped in without hesitation to help and the road blocks were removed. Conscientious politicians like Kim Krushell are making a difference. Please remember this on October 18 and make sure you take the time to vote!

St. George of England Society – English Pantomime – King Arthur

Once again, the St. George Society is putting on a real English Pantomime in January. Anyone interested in participating is invited to the casting call on:

- Wednesday, August 25, 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM, and Sunday, August 29, 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Community members of all ages are welcome to participate. Act, sing, dance or paint; make your presence felt. Starting September 5, rehearsals for the pantomime will be held on:

- Sundays from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM, and Wednesdays from 7:30 PM to 9:30 PM

For information call Tom at (780) 439 – 1631

Movie Night for the Grown-Ups

Enjoy an evening without the kids. Share an evening at the movies with your friends and neighbours. Watch the website: www.woodcroftcl.org for information updates.

Date: Friday, October 15, 2010
Time: To be announced
Location: Woodcroft Hall, 13915 – 115 Ave.
Cost: Free

Family Movie Night

Children of all ages and their parents are invited to our Family Movie Night complete with free popcorn and juice. Come in your pajamas and bring your favorite blanket.

Date: Saturday, October 16, 2010
Time: 6:00 PM (Movie starts at 6:15 PM)
Location: Woodcroft Hall, 13915 – 115 Ave.
Cost: Free

Contact Cindy at 488 - 6943 if you have any questions. Watch the website: www.woodcroftcl.org for information updates.

Deck the Hall

'Tis the Season! Get into the Christmas spirit. Come out and help us decorate the hall. We will also have Christmas crafts for kids of all ages to complete.

Date: November 27, 2010
Time: 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM
Location: Woodcroft Community Hall
Cost: Free

Watch the website: www.woodcroftcl.org for information updates.

Build a Gingerbread House

How would you like to spend an afternoon building a gingerbread house with your child (children)? If there is sufficient interest, we will organize an event for December 5th. Please contact Kelley at 780-435-2705 before November 20th so we can determine what ages we will be working with and how many kits to purchase. If you have any experience building with ginger bread, your assistance would be greatly appreciated. Watch the website: www.woodcroftcl.org for information updates.

Family New Year's Eve Party

Ring in the New Year with your neighbours, friends and family at the Woodcroft New Year's Eve party planned for December 31. Watch the sign board and the website: www.woodcroftcl.org for information updates.

Playground Fundraiser Event

If anyone is interested in participating in the next fundraising event for the new playground, please contact Chelsea at 780- 905 –2695.

Date: November 2, 2010
Time: 4:00 PM – 10:00 PM

Woodcroft Community League General Meeting Schedule

The League meets every 3rd Thursday of every month from 7 - 9 PM. Everyone is welcome to check out what is happening in our community, although only board members can vote on issues. The next meeting is on **September 21, 2010**.

St. George of England Society

Many of the activities organized by the St. George Society are open to Woodcroft Community members. Some of these activities include:

- Monthly Book Club meetings
- Weekly Choir
- Outreach Programs
- Twice weekly Pantomime rehearsals
- Weekly Tap Dance
- Several weekend social events

Some of these activities will be posted on our website: www.woodcroftcl.org, and on our community sign board. Information can also be found on the St. George Society website: www.ocii.com/~stgeorge
 Please contact the specified St. George society co-ordinator for details on any activities or events of interest to you.

Mom's and Tot's Group

In the past, this group met Wednesday mornings from 10 AM to Noon. It enabled Moms/Parents to get together with their young children to share ideas and to give their children an opportunity to play with others their age. We have a good collection of toddler toys and a large space for children to run! Moms running day homes are welcome.

We are looking for a new coordinator for the Mom's and Tot's Group. If you are interested, please contact Cindy Stewart by phoning (780) 488-6943 or e-mailing her at lucystew@shaw.ca

Please note that there other dates and time slots available if Wednesday mornings do not work for you.



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Woodcroft Community League Annual General Meeting

Our annual general meeting will be held on **October 21, 2010** where anyone holding a community league membership is able to vote on issues and any open council positions. If you are interested in becoming more involved, express interest at this meeting and be a part of the Woodcroft Community League Council. This is also a great chance to bid fair well to our outstanding President Patricia Grell and to thank her for her 4 years of dedicated service to our community.

Kim KRUSHELL

Re-Elect

"Effective October 18, 2010, Ward 2 Boundary's Will Change... and this affects YOU!"

I believe you should run where you live and I live in the new Ward 2. I have worked hard to help over 10, 000 constituent concerns. I research issues before making decisions and apply common sense. I ask for your continued support to be your City Councillor in Ward 2.

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Woodcroft Community League Contact List 2010

President	Patricia Grell	454-8680
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Member at Large and Hall Maintenance	Dan Ethier	993-9377
Member at Large	Wendy Smith	455-3348
Member at Large Membership Coordinator	Mark Tofsrud	497-7728
Member at Large and Web Site Administrator	Linda Thiessen	
Playground Committee	Arlene Huhn	481-4420
Newsletter Editor	Kelley Propp	435-2705
Hall Maintenance	Sandra Johanson	433-2027
Announcement Board	Linda Thiessen	452-4460
Mom's Group	Vacant	
Hall Rentals	Cindy Stewart	488-6943
Walking Club	Perry Rydman	455-7947
Rink	Gerry Morse	453-2863
Soccer	Kim Cordeiro	452-2500
Traffic Concerns Committee	Carol and Bob Watson	454-7662
Cards/Welcoming Committee	Marlo Miles	454-0947
Community Constable	Trish Gagne	426-8043, ext 2
Alberta St. George Society Liaison	John Slade	430-3694
Community Recreation Coordinator	Una Bryce	496-1911
Playschool		452-9964
Community Social Worker	Lou Kinkartz	910-5105
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 full page: \$175.00 full page: \$75.00

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AGES:

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- FREE SKATING AT ALL OUTDOOR COMMUNITY RINKS IN EDMONTON (NON MEMBERS \$2)
- ELIGIBILITY FOR COMMUNITY SPORTS PROGRAMS, PLAYSCHOOL REGISTRATION
- 10% OFF THE ADULT DAILY RATE AT THE COMMONWEALTH LAWN BOWLING CLUB IN CORONATION PARK

FOR QUESTIONS REGARDING YOUR MEMBERSHIP CONTACT OUR MEMBERSHIP COORDINATOR MARK TOFSRUD AT 780-497-7728

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Drop this form off at 13916-115 Ave.
Please make all cheques payable to the Woodcroft Community League.

Woodcroft Community League Hall Rates:

We are currently only renting to residents of Woodcroft

Sunday - Thursday

Full Day Rental: (8 hrs or more)

\$200 /\$250 w/o membership.

Half Day Rental: (4 hours)

\$100 /\$125 w/o membership

Less than 4 hours:

\$25/hr/or \$30/hr w/o membership

Friday & Saturday

Full Day Rental: (8 hrs or more)

\$300 /\$350 w/o membership.

Half Day Rental: (4 hours)

\$150 /\$175 w/o membership

Less than 4 hours:

\$45/hr/or \$50/hr w/o membership

Hall capacity -

154 with tables and beverages

195 with unfixed tables and chairs.