

Become a Woodcroft Community League Member
Woodcroft Community League: Promoting a safe and active neighbourhood

COMMUNITY LEAGUE MEMBERSHIPS ARE
\$20.00 FOR FAMILIES
\$10.00 FOR SENIORS AND SINGLE PARENT FAMILIES
SENIORS OVER 70 YEARS: FREE!

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

POSTAL CODE: _____ PHONE: _____

CHILDREN'S NAMES:	DATE OF BIRTH (DD/MM/YYYY)	GENDER (M/F)
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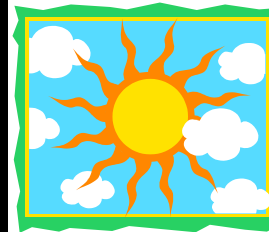
Advantages of Being a Member:

- 20% discount off annual passes and 15% discount off multi admission passes to City of Edmonton sports and fitness facilities.
- Free skating at all outdoor community rinks in Edmonton (non-members \$2.00)
- Eligibility for community sports programs
- \$50.00 reduction on hall rentals when you rent for an 8 hour day (\$350 instead of \$400)

TO BECOME A MEMBER CALL BILL YUELL @ 455 - 0045
 Or complete the form above and drop it off or mail it to
 Bill Youell, 13751-118 Ave. Edmonton, Alberta T5L 2M1
 PLEASE MAKE ALL CHEQUES PAYABLE TO
 WOODCROFT COMMUNITY LEAGUE

Membership has its benefits!

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Newsletter June 2007
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**KICK OFF TO SUMMER
 BARBEQUE!!!**
 Mark your calendars now!
 Thursday July 5th - 5- 7
 PM!

An old-fashioned summer picnic with neighbours and friends! Free hamburgers & hot dogs. Please bring a salad OR dessert for the pot luck! Don't miss it! We will have fun games and activities for children of all ages. There will also be a square dance with a live band!

Please call Heather at 451-8240 if you are able to help with any of the following: preparations before the day of the picnic; bring your barbeque; barbeque at the picnic; set-up (4-5PM) or clean-up (7-7:30 PM). Can't wait to see you all there!



Big Bin Event

Woodcroft Hall 13915-115 Ave

Saturday June 9
 Sunday June 10
 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Big Bin Events are held in various communities to collect large household items that can't be set out for regular collection.

WOODCROFT IS ON THE WEB!

Get your community updates at:
www.woodcroftcl.org

Our printed version will be supplemented by the website starting this fall.

Woodcroft Community League Meeting

Every 3rd Wednesday of the month
 June 20, 2007 at 7 p.m.

Woodcroft Community Hall: 13915 - 115 Avenue

Message from the President, Patricia Grell

I had an interesting conversation with Dennis Mark of Traffic Operations recently. He was discussing the evolution of a road. A dirt road as it gets used more and more, becomes designated a local road. Once that local road experiences a greater volume of traffic it gets designated a collector road. Based on figure 2 of the Metropolitan Edmonton Transportation Study of 1963, the community of Woodcroft had no collector roadways. The community was bordered by the major arterials of 118 Ave. and 142 St. and the two expressways of Groat Road and 111 Ave. Today, we have 3 collector roads within Woodcroft—139 St., 115 Ave. and 114 Ave. A collector road literally collects the traffic from the community's local roads to bring residents to and from arterials. They are not meant for outside vehicles to cut through to somewhere else. That is what arterials are for. Arterials take vehicles from one community to another and beyond. Dennis Mark stated that there is every possibility that the collector roads within Woodcroft could evolve into arterial roads if the City sees that more and more drivers are choosing our community as an easily accessible way to and from the amenities in the Southern part of our community and beyond. If we do not do something about the volume and speed of traffic within Woodcroft now, we may not be pleased with the results of our inaction in 10 years.

The Transportation Master Plan of 1999 predicted that in the year 2020, Edmonton's rush-hour traffic would triple. In 1997 when a study was done of our arterials, 2% were at 90% capacity. Today about 4% are at capacity and by 2020, the TMP predicted that 6% would be at capacity. These numbers were derived prior to the boom — who knows what percentage will be at capacity in 2020 given the unprecedented growth Edmonton is now experiencing. This growth in traffic is bound to impact our community unless we take action today.

A representative of the city's Transportation Department told me that in 1999 the Transportation Dept. decided to focus on upgrading roads outside the city's core in the hope that Edmontonians would choose to use transit. The hope was that with the new and improved transit system inaugurated by Horizon 2000, more Edmontonians would leave their cars at home, creating less wear and tear on the city's roads. It didn't happen. People didn't choose transit and the roads on the interior of the city just got more and more worn down. The wear and tear on our roads has been exacerbated by the recent boom.

The City's Transportation Master Plan states that the City will lessen the impact of transportation on communities. It also states that it will try not to divide communities using arterials. The problem is, the City is about 10 years behind its own philosophical statements. For example, ETS has turned our community into a major bus route. Is this how the City lessens the impact of transportation on our community?

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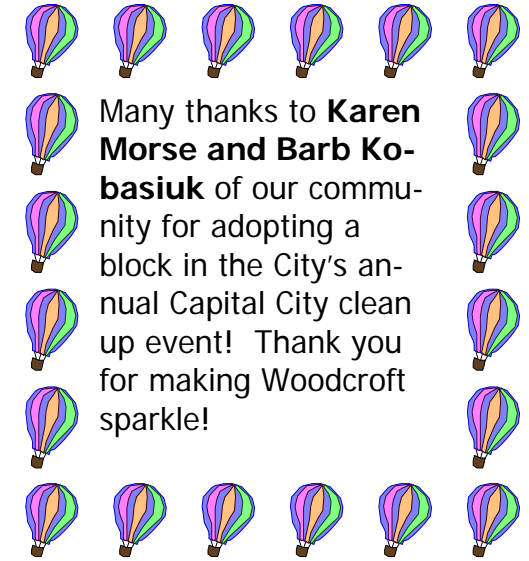
BIG BIN EVENT!

Big Bin events are held in various communities city-wide to collect large household items that can't be set out for regular collection. Examples include old couches, mattresses, broken lawn furniture, large and small electronics (computers), large/small appliances (dishwashers, toasters) and yard waste.

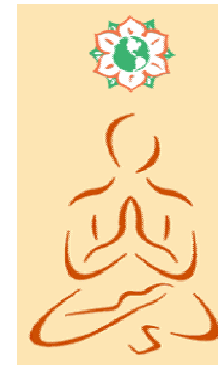
Will take just about anything **except:**

- Household hazardous waste like paint, varnish, used oil, and antifreeze (bring these to the eco station off 142 St.)
- Used clothing

For more information, visit
www.edmonton.ca/capitalcitycleanup



Many thanks to **Karen Morse and Barb Kobasiuk** of our community for adopting a block in the City's annual Capital City clean up event! Thank you for making Woodcroft sparkle!



Yoga with Denise Paré
Westmount Fitness Club
 12840-109 Avenue

Tuesdays, July 3 – Tuesday, August 28, 2007
 6:30-7:30 p.m.

\$81 for one class per week for 9 weeks

Register by Friday, June 15 by calling
 Denise at 454 9696

Outdoor day time classes available!

Coming Soon: *Babysitting Registry*

Do you want to babysit? Are you 12+ years old and have taken the babysitting course? Want to make a little money? Call Heather at 451-8240 to register your name for the Woodcroft Babysitting Registry. It will appear in the next newsletter.



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Personal Actions Identified by our Traffic Concerns Committee:

I will drive slowly through the community.

I will make the City aware of the problems that exist.

I will walk or ride my bike more often.

I will get to know more of my neighbours.

I will watch within the community for safety concerns.

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Providing quality care and developmentally appropriate program for school age children

--- SUMMER SCHOOL PROGRAM 2007 ---

Summer School for July and August, 2007 at Woodcroft Elementary School

We will provide lots of fun learning activities for your child / children.

Part time and full time care is available.

Bring Summer Fun & Education Together!!

Outdoor Education

Nature walk, Hiking & Picnic, participating in outdoor sports and taking in some summer fun.

Indoor Education

Craft, Painting, Science experiments, Educational movies, Reading, Dance, Ball play, etc.

Field Trips

Swimming, Nature walk & Picnic, Festival, Zoo, Library, Fort Edmonton Park, Lot's of fun and learning!

Registration begins June 1st, 2007.

Programs for 4^{1/2} - 12 years old

Call Mayumi: 937-7471

We also provide new sessions starting September, 2007

(4^{1/2} - 12 years old, subsidies available)

This summer, make it count!

Are you interested in composting, gardening, reducing waste and saving the environment?

On Sunday, July 22 at 1 p.m. join Amy Roy Gratton, Master Composter with the City of Edmonton for a tour of an urban garden and active garden compost.

Pictures, tips, tools, and techniques will be shared.

Pre-registration required

Please call 637-8847 after June 17

Location TBA

If you are at all concerned about the increasing volume and speed of traffic in our community, come to the next **Woodcroft Community League meeting on Wednesday, June 20, 7:00 pm at the Community Hall 13915-115 Ave. Representatives from the Transportation Dept. will be available to discuss what they are willing and not willing to do for us to address our traffic issues.** If you cannot make it to the meeting, express your opinion by calling me at 454-8680 and I will be sure to pass it along at the meeting.

In other news:

- **On Saturday, June 2, a group of residents will be tearing down the old rink.** All are welcome to help!
- **A walking map of Woodcroft will be developed at a workshop on Saturday, June 16th 10 am—12 noon** at the hall for all interested residents — especially children — who wish to add their local point of interest.
- **Telus World of Science is holding a meeting on Wed., June 27, from 7-8:30 pm to discuss it's plans for expansion with our community.** RSVP Nichole at 452-9100, ext. 2256 or email at ndawes@telusworldofscienceedmonton.com by Monday, June 18.
- **A Summer Kick Off BBQ will take place on Thursday, July 5, 5-7 pm** Come one, come all!
- we have learned that the **City will groom cross country ski trails through Coronation Park** possibly as soon as this winter but for sure by next winter .
- Woodcroft Elementary School is willing to work with our community to plant **some shade trees at the school playground** next to the tables.
- The playschool and the community will establish a **playground building committee by September**
- **A Fall Welcome BBQ will take place on Sunday, September 16** where Community League Memberships can be purchased.
- **We now have a new Community Constable named Duane Hunter** who is very willing to discuss our crime issues with us. An opportunity will be created for our community to meet him — perhaps at the Fall BBQ.
- **Check out our new web site —www.woodcroftcl.org.** Many thanks to Stephan Martynkiw and his father for getting us up and running !

HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!



Contacts for Woodcroft



<p><u>Westmount Community Police Station</u> 496- 8504 , 13326-114 Ave. Mon – Sat. 8:00 am – 8:00 pm Sun. 10:00 am – 6:00 pm *Report crimes not-in-progress: 423 – 4567</p>	<p><u>City of Edmonton Photo Radar</u> Carol at 421 - 2811</p> <p><u>Community Social Worker</u> Rosemarie Solomon 496-4859</p>
<p><u>Community Recreation Coordinator</u> Una Bryce 496-1911 or Una.bryce@edmonton.ca</p> <p><u>Walkable Edmonton Coordinator</u> Ian Hosler 944-5339</p> <p><u>EPCOR</u> To report street light outages call 412-4500 or go to www.epcor.ca</p> <p><u>Citizen Action Centre - 496-8211</u></p>	<p><u>City of Edmonton Bylaws</u> 496-5161</p> <p><u>ETS</u> 496-5796 or email Manager Charles Stolte at charles.stolte@edmonton.ca to report a not-in- service bus/speeding bus/bus not using proper bus routes — please get the number of the bus, direction and location</p> <p><u>Woodcroft Community Hall</u> 13915-115 Ave. Edmonton, AB T5M 4B6 Hall Rentals: 451-1473 Hall and Rink Shack: 451-8312</p>
<p><u>Woodcroft Community League Executive 2006 – 2007</u></p> <p><u>President</u> Patricia Grell 454 - 8680 <u>Past President</u> Duane Sharp 453-2050 <u>Vice President</u> Vacant <u>Secretary</u> Daria Maluta 455-6140 <u>Treasurer</u> Stephen Pacarynuk 488-4748 <u>Social Programs</u> Heather Mackay 451-8240 <u>Newsletter/Publicity</u> Amy Roy Gratton 637-8847 <u>Memberships</u> Bill Youell 455-0045 <u>Hall Rentals</u> John Winchar 451-1473 <u>Soccer Coordinator</u> Kim Cordeiro 452-2500 <u>Playschool Liaison</u> Susan Larison 453-1933 <u>Neighbourhood Watch</u> Zenon Martynkiw 453-1090 <u>Bingo Coordinator</u> Gail Taylor 220-3337</p> <p><u>Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues</u> 7103 - 105 St. Edmonton, AB T6E 4G8 Phone: 437 - 2913 Fax: 437 - 4710 Email: info@efcl.org Web: www.efcl.org</p>	<p><u>Provincial Representative, Bruce Miller Edmonton-Glenora MLA</u> #207, 10110-124 Street Edmonton, AB T5N 1P6 Tel. 455-7979 Fax. 455-2197 edmonton.glenora@assembly.ab.ca</p> <p><u>Member of Parliament, Laurie Hawn Edmonton Centre Constituency Office</u> 11156-142 St. Edmonton, AB, T5M 4G5 Tel. 442-1888 or hawnl1@parl.gc.ca</p> <p><u>Office of the Mayor, Steven Mandell</u> 496-8100</p> <p><u>Councillor Kim Krushell</u> 496-8136 or kim.krushell@edmonton.ca</p> <p><u>Councillor Ron Hayter</u> 496-8128 or ron.hayter@edmonton.ca</p>

CHILDREN and YOUTH OF WOODCROFT —

Come to a fun map making event at the community hall to have your favorite places marked on our new Walking Map of Woodcroft.

Saturday, June 16, from 10 am to 12 noon.
For more information see the ad for "Active Edmonton" in this newsletter.



*June is
Bike
Month!*

**Bikeology Festival June 23
Noon to 5 pm
@ Beaverhills House Park,
Jasper Avenue & 105 St.
For a full listing of events
visit:
www.edmonton.ca/cycling**

TELUS WORLD OF SCIENCE

Invites our community to a meeting to share their plans of expanding their facility on Wed., June 27, 7-8:30 pm at the Telus World of Science. RSVP Nichole at 452-9100 or ndawes@telusworldofscienceedmonton.com by June 18.



WOODCROFT EARTH SCHOOL

13750 Woodcroft Avenue, Edmonton, AB T5M 3M4 Ph. (780) 455-4690 Fax (780) 452-4996

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Woodcroft School is now taking registrations for the 2007-2008 school year. Children registering for kindergarten must be 4 years old before March 1, 2007.

If you wish to register, come to the school office and bring your child's birth certificate. Alberta Health Care cards are not accepted as proof of age.

If you know any parents of prospective kindergarten students in your community please let them know of this date.

If you have any questions, please call the school office at 455-4690.

Employment Opportunities P/T & Casual at McQueen Place 10938-142 Street

Work with us and discover the gratification that comes from helping others! McQueen Place Seniors' Residence requires workers in various departments including (kitchen, dining room, housekeeping, and office/reception). Previous experience in these areas is desired; however, training is provided.

Staffed 24 hours per day, we are interested in applicants for all shifts, particularly those who are able to work days and/or evenings. Strong written and verbal English skills are a must and criminal record checks are mandatory. The wage range for these positions is \$10.70—\$13.55 per hour + additional premiums for evening and night shifts.

Application forms can be picked up anytime from: www.housingforseniors.org

Babysitting And Beyond



Ages: 12-17 yrs
12:00-5:00pm
Days: June 9 & 10
Cost: \$45.00
Dovercourt Hall



Description:

Learn what it takes to be a great babysitter! This well rounded course covers basic child care, first aid, and introduces participants to the importance of play in child's life.
Lesson #1 **Caring for Children**
Lesson #2 **Safety & First Aid**
This session will cover artificial respiration, choking, burns, poisoning, wounds, bleeding, and safety. Each lesson will be taught by a qualified instructor and will include role playing, brainstorming, and hands-on exercises.
**Please bring a lunch or snacks, a doll or teddy bear to class.*
Certificates will be awarded upon successful completion of the program.

Traffic Facts

- there has been a 24% increase in the number of collisions on Edmonton streets over the past two years (Ed. Journal, May 15/07)
- Friday was the most collision-prone day of the week (Alberta Traffic Collision Statistics 2005)
- The number of traffic fatalities increased 20.4% from 2004-2005 (ATCS, 2005)

Woodcroft Community League Hall Rentals

Contact Woodcroft Hall Rentals
John Winchar @ 451-1473

Woodcroft Community Newsletter Advertising

Contact Amy Roy Gratton
637-8847

or email amy.roy@shaw.ca

Deadline for August Newsletter:
Wednesday, July 25, 2007
(No newsletters published in July)

For Profit Organizations:

Business card: \$25.00
¼ page: \$50.00
½ page: \$100.00
full page: \$175.00

Non-profit Organizations:

Business card: \$15.00
¼ page: \$25.00
½ page: \$50.00
full page: \$75.00

Page size = 7"x 8 1/2"
circulation: 910 households

Did you know that the sidewalks in Coronation Park were designed to resemble a monarch's sceptre? The sidewalks were installed in this shape and the park was named "Coronation Park" in honour of the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II (Source: George Smith, President and CEO of Telus World of Science).

Lawn Moving Registry

Are you interested in moving lawns for the summer and making a little extra cash? Join our lawn moving registry by calling Heather at 451-8250. The registry will be published in the next newsletter.

WE NEED YOU!



Next Woodcroft Bingo:
Sunday, June 24

What do bingos do for our community? It means we can have more events, spend more time *doing* rather than just *dreaming*, and *improve* the hall—not just maintain it. We need 15 volunteers for each bingo. Your involvement makes a difference!

**To volunteer contact
Gail at 220 3337**

Many thanks to Gail and all the volunteers who helped out with the April bingo!



Call 423 4567 to report a crime not in progress. Fill in a report over the phone. The police need this information to target "hot spots".

Join our Playground Committee!
If you have some great ideas for renovating our community league playground and wish to be on the playground committee, call Heather at 451-8250.

