

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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:NUMBER OF SKATING TAGS: _____ (FOR FREE SKATING)

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 YOUPELL @ 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!

Woodcroft Community League
Newsletter May 2007
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Transit Meeting
Tuesday, May 15, 2007, 7:00 pm
at the community hall
13915-115 Ave.

ENTRA Consultants which is undergoing a review of ETS this year, will be coming to our community to discuss our concerns regarding bus traffic. All are welcome!



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.

Traffic Concerns in our Community?

Contact your City Councilors

Kim Krushell at 496-8136 or
kim.krushell@edmonton.ca
 Ron Hayter at 496-8128 or
ron.hayter@edmonton.ca

If you are concerned about the traffic in the alley between 133 St. and 134 St. which connects up to Westmount Village Mall, contact Steve Ruggles of Edgecombe Properties Inc. at 403-660-5929 or email him at sruggles@edgecombe.ca. Your voice on these matters will make a difference!

Woodcroft is on the Web!

Get your community updates at:
<http://Woodcroftcl.org>

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

Woodcroft Community League Meeting

Every 3rd Wednesday of the month
May 16, 2007 at 7 p.m.

Woodcroft Community Hall: 13915 - 115 Avenue

Message from the President, Patricia Grell

I received a call recently from a concerned resident about my discussion of the numerous buses passing through our community. **No one is trying to take away a community bus route here in Woodcroft.** Woodcroft used to have a community bus route until about 10 years ago, when a review was made of ETS and a new plan put in place. The plan was called "Horizon 2000". This plan called for high frequency bus service on arterials (arterials are the 4 lane roads that allow vehicles to travel at least 60 km/hr). Smaller community routes would then feed into these higher frequency bus routes. Although Horizon 2000 was created with input from communities and was approved of by our City Councillors, it was not implemented—Charlie Stolte, Manager of ETS told me this himself. Instead of using Horizon 2000, the management of ETS decided to add more and more buses to new cross- town routes to service the City at large. This led to the current system that we have now in Woodcroft with buses passing through our community at a rate of over 100 buses per day. **During peak hours this means that 1 bus every 4 minutes is passing by our local elementary school and playgrounds as children go to and from school.** David Kun, the Principal of Woodcroft Elementary School told me recently that parents are concerned about the buses bumping the center marking guard ("Cleo") used at the school crosswalk. The Cleo is the size of a child and is used by the children on cross walk duty. When it falls down, the children must run into the street to set it upright again. He also reported that parents are concerned about the speed of the buses as they pass by the school. The residents who live along the bus routes on 139 St. and 115 Ave. are dealing not only with safety issues but quality of life issues – the buses begin running at 5:45 am and continue on until 11:05 pm at night. This was not always the case -- the buses used to stop at 6:00 pm. Because our community collector roads were not built to handle fully loaded buses, residents experience their homes vibrate and their windows rattle as the buses pass by. Other residents have had to move their bedrooms to their basements or the back of their houses in order to get a good night's rest.

Woodcroft residents were not consulted when ETS chose to disregard Horizon 2000 and implement their own plan. **Woodcroft needs to get a community bus route which would serve not only residents on the West side of the community but the East side as well.** If ETS would implement a grid system of bus service as was outlined in Horizon 2000, then there would be high frequency bus service available on all sides of our community: 118 Ave. to the North, Groat Road to the East, 142 St. to the West and the Westmount Transfer Station to the South. **With high frequency bus service on our arterials as well as a community route to service all of Woodcroft, we will be well served by ETS. Come to the meeting with ENTRA on Tuesday, May 15, 7:00 pm at the hall to offer your input into the kind of transit service you wish for Woodcroft.**

Brice Stephenson, the Manager of Transportation Planning has denied our community's request for temporary traffic calming measures on our busier streets and avenues. They will however, assist us with this project if we survey our residents and find that 60% are in favour of something being done to reduce the speed and volume of traffic cutting through our community. More details of this survey will be forthcoming. Another possibility is that we could get funds for temporary sidewalk extensions from the Alberta Traffic Safety Fund. Our Traffic Concerns Committee will be submitting a request for funding for at least 3 intersections within the community. If you wish to offer your input on this subject, come to our next Traffic Concerns Meeting, Thursday, May 17, 7:00 pm at the hall. If you want something done about the traffic in our community it is important to let our City Councillors know your concerns. Call them or email them today! Their contact information is on the front cover of the newsletter.

The Woodcroft Community League Executive has cancelled the free Grant MacEwan swim which was included as a perk if you purchased a Woodcroft Community League membership. We have had to cancel it because of lack of interest. It costs the community \$1,000 per year for this service but only 100 visits/year were made under this program. I am researching other possibilities for a community swim elsewhere in the City.

EDMONTON

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

RE-USE FAIRS

Saturday, May 12 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
North Glenora Community League
13535-109A Ave

For more information call
496 – 5678

SPRING CLEANING?

Woodcroft Community Hall kitchen is in need of some supplies. If you have any of the following **new or gently used items** you would like to donate, please contact Heather at 451-8240.

- Pots and pans - all sizes
- Serving bowls - all sizes
- Casserole dishes
- Platters - any kind, all sizes
- Serving utensils
- Dessert bowls - individual serving size

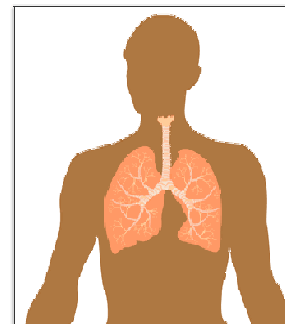
Kid's Connect is looking for:

- Clean, complete sets of kid's/ adult's outdoor games
- Balls - clean kid's balls - all sizes/ types
- Frisbees
- Clean bean bags
- Smocks for team games- all sizes

DO YOU HAVE MODERATE ASTHMA?

WE ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO TAKE PART IN A UNIQUE STUDY
EXAMINING THE EFFECTS OF FRAGRANCES ON ASTHMA

The study is being run by Toxcon Health Sciences Research Center Inc..



- Your participation would involve:**
- 8-10 Sessions
 - Approximately 40 Hours
 - Daytime Commitment

For Inquiries:

435-9028 x 230 jevans@toxcon.com

You will be compensated for your time

Providing quality care and developmentally appropriate program for school age children

--- SUMMER SCHOOL PROGRAM 2007 ---

Summer School for July and August, 2007.

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 after June 17

Location TBA

Contacts for Woodcroft



Westmount Community Police Station

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**

Community Recreation Coordinator

Una Bryce 496-1911 or

Una.bryce@edmonton.ca

EPCOR To report street light outages call 412-4500 or go to www.epcor.ca

Citizen Action Centre - 496-8211

Woodcroft Community League Executive 2006 – 2007

President Patricia Grell 454 - 8680

Past President Duane Sharp 453-2050

Vice President Vacant

Secretary Daria Maluta 455-6140

Treasurer Stephen Pacarynuk 488-4748

Social Programs Heather Mackay 451-8240

Newsletter/Publicity Amy Roy Gratton 637-8847

Memberships Bill Youell 455-0045

Hall Rentals John Winchar 451-1473

Soccer Coordinator Kim Cordeiro 452-2500

Playschool Liaison Susan Larison 453-1933

Neighbourhood Watch Zenon Martynkiw 453-1090

Bingo Coordinator Gail Taylor 220-3337

Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues

7103 - 105 St. Edmonton, AB

T6E 4G8

Phone: 437 - 2913

Fax: 437 - 4710

Email: efcl@telusplanet.net

Web: www.efcl.org

City of Edmonton Photo Radar

Carol at 421 - 2811

Community Social Worker

Rosemarie Solomon 496-4859

City of Edmonton Bylaws 496-5161

ETS 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

SIDEWALKS By-laws 496-5200

Property owners are required to remove all snow and ice within 48 hours after last snowfall.

Provincial Representative, Bruce Miller Edmonton-Glenora MLA

#207, 10110-124 Street

Edmonton, AB T5N 1P6

Tel. 455-7979 Fax. 455-2197

edmonton.glenora@assembly.ab.ca

Member of Parliament, Laurie Hawn Edmonton Centre Constituency Office

11156-142 St.

Edmonton, AB, T5M 4G5

Tel. 442-1888 or hawnl1@parl.gc.ca

Office of the Mayor, Steven Mandell 496-8100

Councillor Kim Krushell

496-8136 or kim.krushell@edmonton.ca

Councillor Ron Hayter

496-8128 or ron.hayter@edmonton.ca

Woodcroft Community League Hall Rentals

Contact Woodcroft Hall Rentals
John Winchar @ 451-1473

Woodcroft Community Newsletter Advertising

Contact Patricia Grell (June only)
454 8680

or email patnlarry@ocii.com

Deadline for June Newsletter:

Wednesday, May 30, 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

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!*

Woodcroft Family Programs Something for Everyone!



Kite Making

Kite making was a success
with many children coming to take advantage of the wind!

Coming up Next:

Sunday, June 17 from 1-3 p.m.
Play some outdoor games after learning
playground etiquette. Under 12.

Free!

WOODCROFT

E A R T H S C H O O L

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.

Woodcroft Walking Club Resumes

Every Wednesdays
beginning

Wed. May 9, 2007

3 p.m. weather permitting
Please meet at the hall.

For more information call:

Perry Rydman at 455-7947

Call 423 4567 to report
a crime not in progress.
Fill in a report over the
phone. The police need
this informaton to tar-
get "hot spots".



Report from Recreation Meeting May 1, 2007

Proposed Changes to Recreation Facilities in Coronation Park

The City of Edmonton is proposing a number of changes to Coronation Park which will include a new recreation facility currently reserved for the tennis courts and additional parking on the land now reserved the Ross Sheppard playing fields adjacent to the Westmount Transfer Station. Additional parking will be placed North and East of the existing Peter Hemingway Fitness and Leisure Centre. The new recreation facility will include a gymnasium; a fitness centre; multi-purpose areas including child minding spaces, party room, concession, commercial retail and services; twin arenas with a walking/jogging track above the arenas.

If these developments go through, a road will be built so that users of these facilities can access them off of 111 Ave. Drivers will continue to be able to access these facilities through our community and down the park road.

The City of Edmonton is eventually looking at developing a district water park immediately across from the community league parking lot and a cricket pitch to the West of the community hall. The lawn bowling club would like to build a year round facility on the current bowling greens. **There are also plans for the Telus World of Science to expand their facility in the near future. A meeting with Telus World of Science and our community will be announced in the next 4-6 weeks.**

Some residents have expressed concerns over the gradual loss of our green spaces and the increasing amount of traffic that these new developments will create through our community.

If you would like to voice your interest or concerns over these developments to the City of Edmonton, you may see the maps and answer a questionnaire on line at www.edmonton.ca/FutureRecreationPlans until May 14, 2007.



**"Spring greetings
to Woodcroft
residents!"**

T: 780-442-1888  HawnL1@parl.gc.ca

Laurie Hawn, MP · Edmonton Centre

Arial View of Coronation Park

