



Woodcroft Community League Newsletter

Winter 2022

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Message from the Community League Board of Directors

Our Annual General Meeting was held virtually on October 25th and the Board of Directors would like to thank all of the community members who attended. We would like to acknowledge and thank two board members who will be leaving us. Our sincere thanks to Jessica McMinn who has assisted us with moving to Google suites, the website, hall rentals, volleyball rentals, and the communication and social committees. We are happy she will be staying on as a volunteer with some of the committees. Our deep thanks to Jason Shine who has helped us these past two years during COVID and was one of the community members who assisted with the COVID Community Support Team - you will also be missed. We would like to welcome Brandy Yanchyk to our Board of Directors. Brandy has been assisting us with social media and the Abundant Community Book Club. We look forward to having her passion on our board. We are also excited to have René Provençal joining us on the Woodcroft Board. We are sure René's experience from living in the community will help us in the upcoming years.

The Board of Directors has decided to slowly re-open

the hall to our programs. By doing so, we must follow Alberta Public Health rules and will be implementing the Restrictions Exemption Program, requiring proof of vaccination or a negative COVID-19 test result for all over the age of 12. These measures are in place to stop the spread of COVID-19 and protect our community members as best possible. We look forward to safely returning to offering programs to the community. Please check out some of the upcoming programs below. More details will be shared via our social media, website, and community league sign board located at 13915 115 Ave.

With winter clearly here, we wanted to remind everyone to keep their sidewalks free of snow and ice. There is sand at the hall (no cost) that you can use for your sidewalk, it is located outside of the main door in a green bin (13915 115 Ave). If the sand box is empty or near empty, please call 311 and report it so they can have it filled.

On behalf of the Board, we would like to wish all of our community members a Happy Holidays and best wishes in 2022. ✍



CALL for VOLUNTEERS

- SATURDAY, JANUARY 15
- SUNDAY, JANUARY 16
- CASINO YELLOWHEAD

The Woodcroft Community League could use your help! We are seeking volunteers for our upcoming casino fundraiser. A variety of positions are available. Positions include: chip runner, cashier, banker, and count room staff. Meals and refreshments are included. Shifts are from 11AM– 6:30PM and 6:30PM–3:30AM, and count room shifts are from 11PM–3:30AM

This casino generates important funds to support the Community League's work to offer community programs and help keep our community league building - our community's gathering place - in good condition. This Community League only receives a casino once every two years and it is our major way we fundraise.

Interested? Contact Julia for more info or to sign up. **Julia Vos, 780-243-5867, julia.vos@woodcroftcl.org**



Photo: Brandy Vandyk

Community Outdoor Rink

It appears that winter is here to stay which means we are working on our ice rink to have it ready for community members to use. As a member of the league, there is no charge for using the rink as long as you have your skate tags with you. **For memberships or skate tags, please contact Linda at linda.thiessen@woodcroftcl.org.**

There is a minimal cost of \$2 for non-members without skate tags.

Please follow us on social media or visit our website for the opening date of the rink. Hours of the rink will be Monday-Friday from 5-9PM, and Saturday-Sunday from 9AM–9PM.

Accepting donations of skates & hockey equipment

If you have used but good condition skates, helmets or hockey sticks and would like to donate them, please contact **Roger at 780-983-1128.**

Events

New Years Eve Fireworks

Join us on New Year's Eve for skating and fireworks! We will have skating during the day & evening followed by fireworks at 9:00PM. More information to come. Follow us on social media, our website and our sign board to stay up to date.

Date: December 31, 2021
Location: 13915 115 Ave, Edmonton
Time: 9:00PM (Fireworks)
Cost: Free

Community Skating Evening

Join us for an evening of skating & hot chocolate! Keep warm by the fire and celebrate winter. The formal community skating will take place from 4-9pm with fire pits for warming. Skating will also be available during the day as usual.

Date: January 15, 2022
Location: 13915 115 Ave, Edmonton
Time: 4:00PM–9:00PM
Cost: Free

Skating & Outdoor Movie Night

Join us for skating, hot chocolate, popcorn and an outdoor movie (weather permitting). Skating will take place from 5–6PM followed by a movie starting at 6:30PM. More information to come. Follow us on social media, our website and our sign board to stay up to date.

Date: February 12, 2022
Location: 13915 115 Ave, Edmonton
Time: Skating—5:00PM–6:00PM;
Movie & pizza—6:30PM
Cost: Free

Woodcroft Swim Program

Woodcroft is entering into a new swim program with the City of Edmonton. We will have processes in place by January 1st and all community league members will have the month of January to apply for their passes. Check us out on social media and the website for more information.

Photo: Rory Lee



Edmonton Public Library (EPL) News

All locations remain open at regular hours with limited in-person capacity and masks or face coverings Library Takeout is also available if you prefer to get your items curbside – just phone ahead or when you arrive at the branch. epl.ca/hours

Sign up for our online Classes to get tips on how to enhance your day-to-day skills from finances, digital learning, health and wellness, food prep and more! You can also attend an online class with your baby, toddler and preschooler and participate in fun, early literacy activities. epl.ca/events

Capital City Art: EPL offers free space for local artists to display their works. We also provide space for exhibits through partnerships with not-for-profit arts groups, educational institutions and community organizations. Woodcroft Branch has 2 huge spaces for exhibits, so please submit a request if you are interested - whether you are an amateur or professional. epl.ca/capital-city-art

If you (or someone you know) can't make it to an EPL branch for over three months, we'll bring our collection to you. EPL provides home service where you live, whether that's an extended care facility, a seniors' lodge or your own home. epl.ca/epl2you

Contact the Woodcroft Branch:
11434 114 Avenue NW | 780-496-1830

Your Community League Needs Your Help! *Volunteers Needed*

Our Community League is looking for volunteers for a variety of positions. Positions we need assistance with:

- **Membership Coordinator**– manages memberships in the community
- **Facilities Coordinator**– takes bookings for hall, rink and beach volleyball
- **Social Committee Volunteers**– help plan and organize events
- **Recreation Committee Volunteers**– help plan and organize recreation events
- **Civics Committee Volunteers**– advocates and engages in civics issues affecting Woodcroft Community

For more information or to volunteer, please contact Arlene at arlene.huhn@woodcroftcl.org



We've been having so much fun with our series **#WoodcroftCLTALENTS!**

We are looking for more people in the community of Woodcroft to celebrate and promote. Please send us some ideas of people you know that live in the neighbourhood who are doing something remarkable when it comes to a hobby or their work. Please contact us with your suggestions on social media or by emailing Brandy.yanchyk@woodcroftcl.org.



Woodcroft Festive Winterscape

Edmonton is the northernmost city in North America with a population over 1 million. As a Winter City, we encourage you to celebrate winter by joining your neighbours and decorating your home for winter and/or the holiday season.

Starting December 1st, we encourage you to walk (or drive) around our community and enjoy our community with all of the winterscapes and nominate some of your favourites.

There are 3 ways you can nominate:

- * Online at woodcroftcl.org
- * Email arlene.huhn@woodcroftcl.org
- * Drop the attached nomination form into the mailbox at the **Woodcroft Community Centre** (13915 - 115 Ave).



**Please submit your nominations by December 30th
Prizes will be awarded in the new year
You can nominate as many homes as you would like**



Woodcroft Festive Winterscape Nomination Form

Please submit by **December 30th** (you can nominate more than 6 homes)



Your Name _____

Address of Residence _____

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