

GREEN SHACK PROGRAM

ANOTHER GREAT YEAR FOR THE GREEN SHACK PROGRAM IN PRINCE RUPERT!

We have had another great summer of attendance at the Green Shack Program. The Prince Rupert Community would like to thank our volunteers for taking time to supply a snack in the shack for the children at the green shack program, and recognize Emily for her great work as playground leader this summer. The Green Shack Program is a free drop-in program that is open to any child wishing to participate and will run until August 14th, 2008. Hours are from 10am to 5:30pm Monday through Thursday, and 1:30 - 5:30pm on Friday. New participants are always welcome, so stop by and have some fun in the playground this summer!

UPCOMING FESTIVALS & SPECIAL EVENTS: IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD

AUGUST 4 - 8 GREEN SHACK PROGRAM

AUGUST 9 & 10 SUMMER LATINO FESTIVAL

Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish
11310 - 111 Avenue

This is the fifth celebration of this unique and different festival in Edmonton, organized as a fundraising/community building initiative.

AUGUST 11 - 14 GREEN SHACK PROGRAM

AUGUST 23rd PRCL BIG BIN EVENT

SEPTEMBER 3rd CENTRAL LIONS SENIOR CENTER HOMECOMING

This is a welcome back for the senior participants of the centre and the day will be filled with activities. If you are a senior in the area, this is a perfect opportunity for you to meet new people and find out what programs are available for you.

OCTOBER 3rd PRCL HALL FUNDRAISER

Great food, silent auction and so much more! Mark your calendars - this will be an evening to remember!

IN EDMONTON

AUGUST 7 - 10 EDMONTON FOLK MUSIC FESTIVAL - www.efmf.ab.ca

AUGUST 8 - 10 EDMONTON CARIBBEAN ARTS FESTIVAL - Call 780-421-7800 for more information.

AUGUST 14 - 24 EDMONTON INTERNATIONAL FRINGE THEATRE FESTIVAL - www.fringetheatreadventures.ca

AUGUST 15 - 17 DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL - Call 780-493-8158 for more information.

SEPT 20 & 21 STANLEY A. MILNER DOWNTOWN FALL BOOK SALE - www.epl.ca

SEPT 29 - OCT 4 FRENCH SONG FESTIVAL - www.edmontonchante.ab.ca

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PRCL Community News

**A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO ALL
OUR COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS!!**

The Prince Rupert Community League would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all our volunteers, executives and families who have helped with events, programs and fundraisers this past year.

We hope you know how much we truly appreciate all that you do, and without you, our community could not be as great as it is.

Thank you!



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Prince Rupert
COMMUNITY LEAGUE

PRCL CRIME WATCH

Recent anecdotal evidence suggests that crime may be up in our community – issues like graffiti, vehicle break-ins and thefts, just to name a few. However, when compared to other communities, the police statistics have Prince Rupert listed as a low crime area ... possibly because some of these events are being considered nuisances and are not being reported to the police. The EPS urges all residents to report these issues by calling **780-423-4567** to ensure accurate statistics and thus appropriate police resources for our area, so please take a few minutes to report these issues, should they impact you or your family.

What else can we do as a community? Research seems to support the theory that an active neighborhood is less appealing than a quiet one, so by simply getting out for a short walk around our community we can all benefit from both the health and safety benefits. By this, we don't mean track and chase suspicious individuals, but simply the presence of groups of individuals walking in the area can be a deterrent for criminals, who would prefer a quiet target with no potential witnesses. Also, get familiar with your neighbors and their vehicles, so that a stranger or strange vehicle lingering in the area does not go unnoticed. Overall, just try to be more aware of your surroundings, and follow up in the appropriate way if you notice something is amiss.

Cst. Greg Lewis, the Community Liaison Constable, will be speaking about personal safety and fitness for walking groups on Oct. 8 at 6:30pm, preceding the PRCL general meeting.



COMMUNITY LEAGUE MEMBERSHIPS: JOIN/RENEW NOW TO ENJOY THE BENEFITS!

2008 - 2009 COMMUNITY LEAGUE MEMBERSHIPS NOW AVAILABLE!

It's that time of year again to purchase your new 2008-2009 Community League membership. Purchase of a membership provides so many benefits and opportunities to your family:

- first hand knowledge and updates of what is occurring in your community
- an opportunity to have a voice in your community
- free participation in community events
- sense of belonging and good community spirit
- **discounted prices** for programs and special events
- **discounted entrance fees** at Tier 3 Community Leisure Centres
- community league memberships are required to register children in sports throughout Edmonton (soccer, hockey, etc.), and are often required for registration at area daycares and community playschools
- Community League Game Day deal for the Edmonton Eskimos game on October 4th: Bronze seat ticket, hot dog & pop for only \$19!
- free skating for the entire family at our huge outdoor rink
- and so much more!

Memberships are only \$20 for individuals and families, and individuals who have lived in the community for more than 50 years are eligible to receive a complimentary membership. For more information on memberships, or to purchase one, please contact Demetrius, the Membership Director, at 780-474-5348 or email him at membership@princerupertcommunity.ca. You can also sign up online at www.princerupertcommunity.ca.

Prince Rupert Community League Memberships expire on August 31, 2008 so get your new one soon!

COMMUNITY INFORMATION: NUMBERS TO KNOW

City of Edmonton Information Services ... 311
 Citizen Action Centre ... 780-496-8200
 Community Services Dept - Gen, Info/Bookings - Press 2 ... 780-496-4999
 Community Recreation Coordinators and Social Workers ... 780-496-1901
 Edmonton Transit ... 780-496-1611
 Edmonton Police Service ... 780-423-4567 (non-emergency)
 Graffiti Management Program ... 780-442-5302

WHAT'S COMING UP? BIG BIN EVENT II

THE BIG BINS ARE BACK TO HELP CLEAR UP THE CLUTTER!

- WHERE:** Prince Rupert Community League Hall parking lot
WHEN: Sat. Aug 23, 2008 - from 8AM to 4 PM (or until they are full)
WHO: This opportunity is open to all residents of the PRCL and surrounding area with a valid community league membership.
WHAT: These bins are provided by the PRCL with the help of the City of Edmonton to provide a convenient location for residents to dispose of unwanted items. This includes large items like old couches, building materials, debris from summer projects, junk that has been building up in the basement, beside the house, beside the garage and on the driveway. We cannot accept hazardous items like chemicals, paint cans, fridges, air conditioning units, batteries or tires. These types of items still need to go to the ECO Stations.
WHY: To help keep Prince Rupert and the City of Edmonton clean.
HOW: Push, pull or drag in your garbage, junk, tree trimmings, or scrap whatever to the PRCL hall parking lot. Volunteers will be on hand to assist with unloading. There is ample room for all vehicles to pull in and unload. New 2008-2009 membership cards will be available to purchase at this event.

For the Big Bin Event this year, we will also have volunteers with a truck that will come to your residence if you do not have a way to get your stuff over to the community hall. Please contact Laura at 780-455-3327 or president@princerupertcommunity.ca for information and to book a pick-up time at your house.

Materials must be outside and ready for pick-up, as the truck will only be running between 10am -12pm. Deadline to schedule the truck pick-up will be August 16, 2008.

Would you like to volunteer help clean up Prince Rupert? Opportunities to put in a 2 or 4-hour shifts are available. Lend a hand on the truck to pick up at a neighbours house or help them unload at the bins. Interested? Contact Demetrius at 780-474-5348 or membership@princerupertcommunity.ca

FOR OUR LITTLEST COMMUNITY MEMBERS: KIDS' CORNER

Q. WHY DID JOHN WALK BACKWARDS TO SCHOOL?	Q. WHAT IS AN EIGHT LETTER WORD THAT ONLY HAS ONE LETTER IN IT?
A. IT WAS BACK TO SCHOOL DAY!	A. ENVELOPE!
Q. WHY WAS 6 AFRAID OF 7?	Q. WHICH TRIANGLES ARE THE COLDEST?
A. BECAUSE 7 8 9!	A. ICE-SO-COLD TRIANGLES!



GRAFFITI TROUBLES?

3 R's FOR GRAFFITI PREVENTION: RECORD, REPORT AND REMOVE.

RECORD: If you find graffiti on your property, take a picture of it for police evidence and insurance purposes. Note the location and any other details you can recall and if possible, make a note of when the crime happened.

REPORT: If you see graffiti vandalization in progress, call 911. Should you find it on your own property, call the police at 780-423-4567. Finally, if you spot graffiti anywhere else in Edmonton, whether on public or private property, call the city at 780-496-8200.

REMOVE: Under the city's new bylaw 14600, property owners who don't remove graffiti within a reasonable time may be fined \$250. Keep a record of your paint brand and colour so you can easily cover it up or hire a private contractor. You can also call the Graffiti Management Program at 780-442-5302 to ask about a graffiti removal kit or to sign up for a Graffiti Wipe-Out event.