



Prince Rupert

COMMUNITY LEAGUE NEWSLETTER

Issue: April, 2011

PRCL Annual General Meeting (AGM)

The Prince Rupert Community League AGM will be held on April 27, 2011 at the PRCL Hall (11245 113 Street) and is open to all residents of the Prince Rupert Community. The meeting will start at 7:00 pm and will include an update of the past year, discuss several other pressing issues affecting our community and the election the PRCL Executive Board. The executive positions for election will consist of the following positions:

1. President
2. Vice President
3. Secretary
4. Treasurer
5. Membership Director
6. Winter Sport Director
7. Summer Sports Director
8. Social Director
9. Communications Director
10. Casino Director
11. Neighbourhood Watch Director
12. Directors at Large



Volunteering in your community shows commitment and a desire to give back. Please consider getting involved in our community. The Community League is always looking for new volunteers with new ideas.

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Memberships

Prince Rupert Community League 2010/2011 memberships are on sale. They can be purchased at Servus Credit Union on Kingsway Avenue or you can leave a message at the PRCL Hall, 780.455.3327 and someone will contact you to arrange dropping off your new membership. You can also buy one online by going to efcl.org and click on League Locator.

Memberships are just \$20 per household and with your membership you can enjoy these many benefits. Here are 11 great reasons to join our Community League:

- A Great Place to Meet Your Neighbours
- Social activities & events shared with your community at large
- Programs and recreation opportunities
- Community skate & swim times - check for outdoor rinks near you
- Discounts at City Recreation Centers and Tourist Attractions read more
- Safety programs and Crime watch cooperation
- Build new facilities for public use
- Input for planning your parks, green spaces, and urban development
- Discount tickets to major league sports games - Oilers, Oil Kings, Capitals
- Discounts at Telus World of Science
- Hall Rentals

Cineplex Movie Deals at Servus

Buy your Cineplex movie ticket packs for only \$24.70. You will get two tickets, two pops and one regular popcorn. This deal is available at your local Servus Credit Union on Kingsway Avenue. Their hours are 9:30 am to 5:00 pm, Monday to Friday.



Facebook

The Prince Rupert Community League is now on Facebook. We are continually updating our Facebook page with valuable community and city information as well as PRCL events and activities. It is a great way to get information out immediately. If you are a Facebook member you can search "Prince Rupert Community League" under pages and you can become a fan. If you cannot find it, you can email communications princerupertcommunity.ca and we will send you the link.



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A dramatic sunset sky with orange and red clouds. The text "BECOME A MEMBER" is centered in a white, stylized font.

BECOME A MEMBER

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Are you uncertain what the rules are for walking dogs in the City of Edmonton? The City of Edmonton has very specific rules for dogs set out in the Animal Licensing Bylaw and the Parkland Bylaw. Rules for dogs are in place for the safety of your community and the safety of your pet. It's actually pretty simple.

- o In the City of Edmonton, you must license your dog.
- o You must clean up your pet's defecation.
- o You can walk your dog on parkland so long as your dog is:
 - o Leashed and on a trail;
 - o Leashed and on a boulevard;
 - o Leashed and in an area governed by signage permitting dogs (our rink area is off limits).

Outside of designated off-leash areas, dogs must be on a leash at all times. For everyone's safety and at all times, dogs must be kept at least 10 metres from any playground, sports field or picnic site. Your dog must be on a leash no longer than 2 metres in length. Visit edmonton.ca/parks and click on Off Leash Park Sites for more information.

If You Have Community Wide Traffic Concerns:

Talk to your neighbours first, and then approach your community league to discuss your concerns. If the community agrees there is a neighbourhood wide issue, get their support to initialize the CTMP process by organizing an Expression of Interest, signed by a minimum 25% of household units within the area of concern. The request should also include a letter of support from your Community League or representative community association.

The Expression of Interest is required to begin a CTMP because it helps raise public awareness of the transportation issues in the community and ensure residents are engaged in the CTMP process. When a signed Expression of Interest is complete and you are ready to proceed with a CTMP, call 311.

The City of Edmonton supports livable and healthy communities, which all its residents are able to enjoy. As Edmonton continues to grow, additional demands are placed on the existing transportation network. The transportation Master Plan seeks to appropriately mitigate the impacts of the transportation network on existing and future residential communities.

To avoid congested arterial roadways, some motorists use local roadways to cut through neighbourhoods. As a result, communities may experience increased traffic volumes, traffic noise, shortcutting and higher traffic speeds. When local traffic patterns change, residents often raise concerns regarding the safety and quality of life in their neighbourhood.

Where traffic concerns are minor or isolated the City can work to improve the issue by:

- o Building awareness in the community
- o Enforcing traffic laws
- o Improving traffic control signs and signals

More complex community wide traffic concerns and issues that impact the entire neighbourhood are addressed within a Community Traffic Management Plan (CTMP). CTMP's have a vital public participation process outlined in the Public Participation Guidelines for The Community Traffic Management Process.



In several past editions of the PRCL newsletter we have talked about the Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues (EFCL) and realized that perhaps many residents are not aware of this organization or the role and relationship they have with community leagues. The role of the EFCL is to speak on behalf of all community leagues. EFCL assists and supports the work of community leagues through program development and delivery, workshops, regular communications, advice on issues and opportunities, joint purchase of supplies, and attraction of sponsorships.

EFCL focuses its work on:

- o Issues that have a citywide implication for community leagues. These include sports and recreation programs and facilities, zoning bylaw changes such as secondary suites regulation, the Municipal Development Plan, Joint Use Agreement, Transportation Master Plan, the parks management strategy, public involvement policy, affordable housing policy, public transit systems and municipal community league grants;
- o Issues that affect a majority of community leagues either directly or indirectly. Examples include mature neighbourhoods redevelopment, oil and gas facilities, river valley and top-of-bank policy, school closure policy and processes, LRT system, noise wall standards, Tripartite License Agreement and SOCAN legislation; and
- o Issues that will affect future community leagues where there is none now to represent their long-term interests. These include suburban neighbourhood design guidelines, area structure plans and school/park sites planning.

The EFCL works on behalf of the community leagues by:

- o Informing community leagues of projects and emerging issues/events,
- o Checking with and gathering feedback from community leagues,
- o Consulting with partners (e.g. minor sports organizations, area councils, public safety and security agencies such as Neighbourhood Watch, Safedmonton and Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED), senior citizens' associations, cultural groups and government staff) as appropriate,
- o Considering advice and recommendations of EFCL staff,
- o Determining a decision through the EFCL Board of Directors or by community leagues through a general meeting and/or special resolution, and
- o Ensuring the EFCL Board of Directors presents and upholds the decision.



EDMONTON

Child supervision for Prince Rupert AGM

April 17
7:00-9:00pm
Ages: 6-12

Games for children during Prince Rupert AGM

Want to go to the AGM, but are not sure what you are going to do with your children? Bring them with you and City staff will play fun outdoor games and keep them safe, while you go to the meeting.

Date: Wednesday, April 27, 2011

Times: 7:00-9:00 pm

Ages: 6-12

Location: Prince Rupert Community League 11444-119 Street (AGM in Hall)

Cost: FREE!



THE EDMONTON HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY
IS HOLDING ITS SECOND ANNUAL

COMPOST SALE

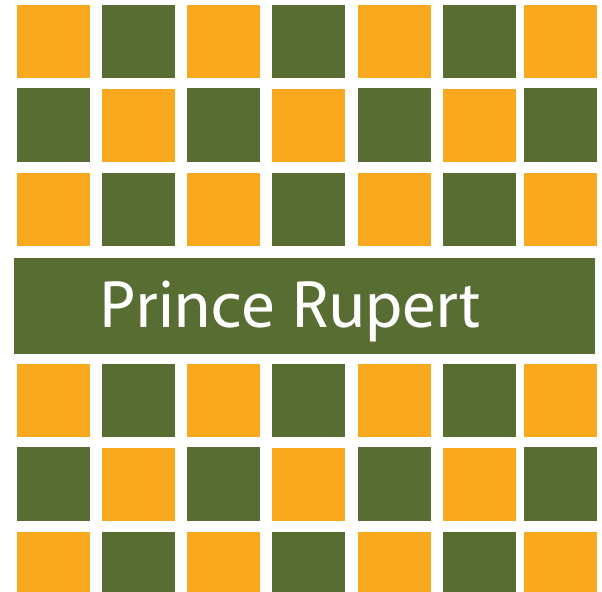
Organic Soil™

5 - 40lb bags for \$40
3 - 40lb bags for \$25
1 - 40lb bag for \$10

DATE: Saturday, May 14th 2011
TIME: 9:00 am - 2:00 pm
LOCATION: Parking Lot,
Central Lions Seniors Rec Centre
11113 - 113 Street

 Cleanit Greenit Composting System produces a Grade "A" compost, which has achieved the Ecologo certification as an "Environmentally Friendly Product". The compost contains essential nutrients and organic matter and is excellent for lawns and gardens.

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Boring days of summer? Not this year! July 4–22, 2011

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EDMONTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS R11-0970

R11-0970 Metro Summer Cool School Ad
Publication: Prince Rupert Newsletter
Size: 3.7 x 4.4
Run Date: April 15, 2011

Connections 2011: Thursday May 5th

Mark Thursday, May 5th on your calendar to take in Connections 2011 at City Hall and Churchill Square. The City of Edmonton's annual interactive trade show connects Edmontonians with City projects, programs and services that make their neighbourhood great. You'll learn more about flood prevention, road repair, recreation opportunities, parks, fire and police services & library programs. You can talk taxes with City experts & celebrate your good neighbours at the Good Neighbour Awards Ceremony!

Thursday, May 5, 2011, 4:00-8:00 pm

Good Neighbour Awards at 6:30 pm

Main Floor, City Hall

PRCL Summer Green Shack Program

This year's Green Shack Program will be held at the Queen Mary Park location only. Prince Rupert residents are encouraged and welcome to attend the program at this location. As an added bonus, QMP offers the spray park for those hot summer days. Keep in mind that the Playground Programs Opening is July 5, 2011.

Queen Mary Park

Spray Deck and Green Shack Program

10844 117 Street

Monday to Thursday 10am–5:30pm

Friday 1:30–5:30pm

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September 17, 2011 is Community League Day!

Last September's community League day was great success. The PRCL hosted the community with food, activities for adults and kids. This year community league day will be held again along with other community leagues within the city of Edmonton. Community League Day is a citywide, Neighbourhood-based festival. Stay tuned to this page for details of prizes, promotions, and a great fall promotion.

Abbotsfield Youth Project

The Abbotsfield Youth Project (AYP) will be starting a FREE ARTS program in April for children ages 6-12. This registered program provides an opportunity for your child/children to learn strategies and skills to develop their creativity and self-esteem. Some of the topics include Drama, Painting, Sculpture, Dance, Writing and much more! The program will run out of Clareview Community Room at 600A Hermitage Road Clareview Site, Community Services

Building. Tuesday's grades 1-3 will meet from 4-6pm, and on Wednesdays grades 4-6 will meet from 4-6pm. This is a new and exciting program where your child/children can enjoy, play and broaden their artistic abilities!

For your registration package or if you have any questions, please call Abbotsfield Youth Project at 780.479.6499 or stop in and meet them. They are located in Abbotsfield Mall 3210- 118 Ave upstairs, room #246.

2D CHARACTER ANIMATION CLASSES START: MAY 16



Ricky's ALL DAY GRILL



Receive 10% discount off your food order

Please Join us for Prince Rupert Community League's Restaurant Night

Date: Friday April 15th, 2011

When: 6:00 pm

Where: Ricky's All Day Grill

11431 Kingsway Avenue

Who: Residents of Prince Rupert Community

Families Welcome!

Reserve your spot by April 14th

To RSVP or for details contact

Marilyn at:

socialdirector@princerupertcommunity.ca

Or call 780-455-5278



The past 18 months have been particularly productive and rewarding for the Prince Rupert Community League, with numerous events and our exciting New Hall Project initiative. Our major source of revenue, for both operating and capital expenses, is the casino fundraiser, which is generally held every 18 months.

The Province of Alberta has adopted the charitable gaming model for casinos, bingo, raffles and pull tickets. These gaming activities may only occur when eligible charitable or religious groups apply for and receive licenses to conduct the gaming activities.

Our upcoming Alberta Gaming & Liquor Commission (AGLC) Casino is slated for Saturday, July 2 & Sunday, July 3, at CASINO YELLOWHEAD, 12464 – 153 Street.

We need 30 volunteers for this key fund-raising event – therefore we kindly ask you to help! Please also ask your neighbours and family members (over 18) to volunteer for the Saturday, the Sunday, or both, as follows:

- o Work one, two or more shifts in a pleasant, social, non-smoking environment, raising approx \$2,000/shift! Most shifts are between 6 & 8 hours in length.
- o Complimentary meal can be ordered at the Casino Deli or restaurant
- o Training and support will be provided by the friendly Casino Advisors and Casino staff; if you have worked Casinos before, we may need you for one of the key positions, such as General Manager, Banker or Count Room Supervisor
- o Volunteers must pass a security clearance check through the AGLC and be competent in handling cash

There are 6 different volunteer positions for which we will need your contact information (phone number and email address). All volunteers will be required to bring their Driver’s License or other government photo ID to the Casino on the days they will work. The dress code is business casual - no jeans, shorts or t-shirts. To work as a General Manager, Banker, Count Room Supervisor and Cashier positions, you must fill out and sign a Casino Volunteer Worker Application form, which we will provide.

Please contact our Casino Chairperson, Demetrius Garanis at 780-993-5348 or by email at casinodirector@princerupertcommunity.ca) to sign up as a volunteer for one or more shifts or to ask any questions.

Shifts are typically 11 am – 6:30pm, 6:15pm - 3am or 9:30pm – 3:30am so if volunteers would like to work together, we will accommodate them when possible.



All meetings are held at the PRCL Hall (11245 113 Street) and are open to all residents of the Prince Rupert Community. Members and non-members are always welcome to attend. Remember if you are a member you can vote at our meetings and anyone can open a discussion about community issues. To have appropriate issues added to the agenda, please contact the PRCL President by email president.princerupertcommunity.ca or leave a message at 780.455.3327. The meetings start at 7:00 pm and generally last for about 2 hours. You can attend to contribute or just to listen in. The Monthly meetings will be held on these Wednesday nights.

o May 11, 2011

o June 8, 2011

Celtic Romp - Introducing our fabulous show "A Celtic Floral Fantasy" in the Feature Pyramid, enjoy the mystery of Stonehenge, and the designs of the Celtic lands all done with flowers. For the wee ones, face painting, a petting zoo, stories and more.

When: April 25, 2011 12:00 pm to 4:00pm

Where: Muttart Conservatory

Cost: Regular Admission

Hop to It - Come visit different Easter babies including chicks and bunnies in the indoor petting zoo and check out the live Butterfly Exhibit. Drop by the craft station to construct an Easter craft, butterfly wings, or butterfly antennas and then enjoy a variety of games and activities for young and old. There will be live music, face painting, Easter treats, animal encounters, and much more.

When: April 25, 2011 from 12:00 pm to 4:00pm

Where: Edmonton Valley Zoo

Cost: Winter Admission

Sweet Treat Hide & Seek - A great family event that includes looking for Easter treats, games, crafts, music and fun activities for the whole family. Construct Easter crafts, hop in the bouncy Castle, face painting and roving musician.

When: April 23, 2011 from 12:00 pm to 5:00pm

Where: Fort Edmonton Park

Cost: Families \$28.00, Adults \$10.00, Children \$5.00, 0 to 23 months free.

For Information on these events: Call 311 or go to edmonton.ca



Women's Only Public Swim and Swim Lessons

Available at Eastglen Leisure Centre ONLY!

11410 68 Street

780-496-7326

Women and girls, come enjoy a recreational swim in an all female environment at Eastglen Pool. With an all female staff provided, all ages can feel comfortable and enjoy this special offer. Drop in recreational swim – No registration needed and takes place Sundays from 5:30 to 7:00 pm.

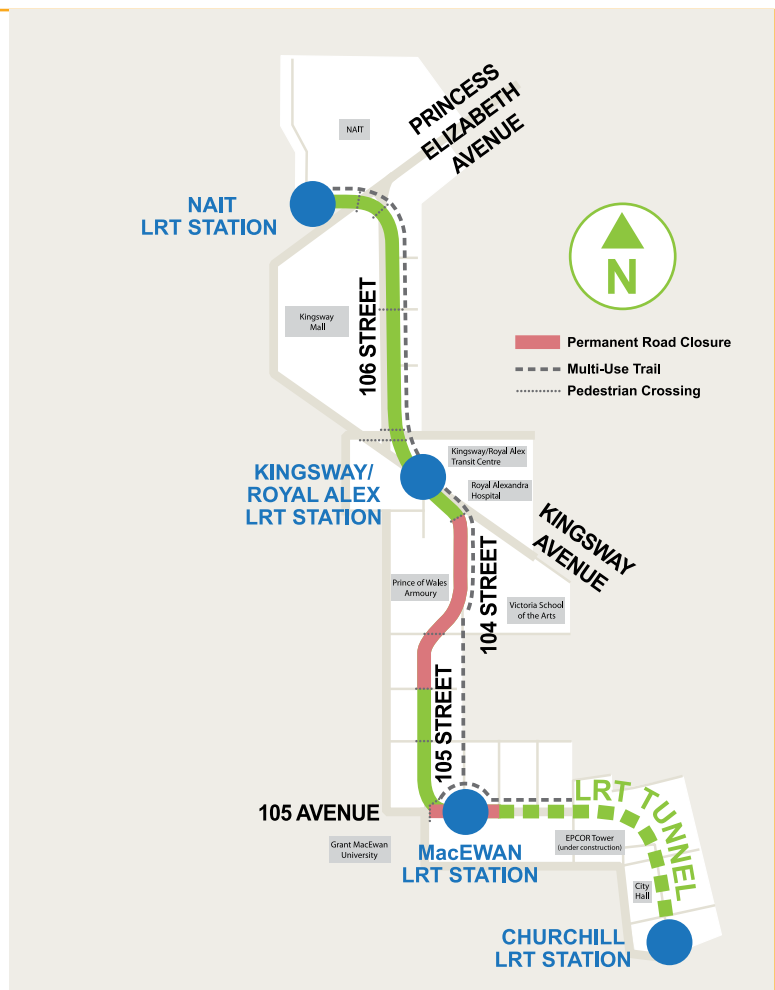
As well registration is now open for beginner swim lessons at Eastglen Pool. It is for females only, aged 10 and up, and takes place Sundays from 4:45 – 5:30 pm for the following dates: April 10 – May 15, 2011 and May 29 – June 26, 2011

This is your chance to have swimming lessons and enjoy the pool in a completely female atmosphere. All females are welcome. Please note that the Eastglen Pool's Leisure Access Program allows eligible low-income users to access the drop in recreational swim FREE and the swimming lessons for 75% off the regular cost. Contact the Eastglen pool for more information on this program.

North LRT Construction

The City of Edmonton is building a 3.3 km LRT extension northwest from Churchill Station in downtown Edmonton to new LRT stations at Grant MacEwan University, the Royal Alexandra Hospital and NAIT. The North LRT to NAIT is expected to open to public service in 2014. Roadwork will be ongoing on 105 Avenue, 105 Street and 106 Street and their adjacent roadways at various locations.

Starting in May 2011, sections of Kingsway Ave will be closed completely between 101 Street and 111 Avenue for about six months while City contractors shift Kingsway traffic lanes several metres to the south to create space for the future Kingsway/Royal Alex LRT Station. Bulletins will be posted as events warrant.





Reg. #2919 Constable Reid NICHOL

I received a letter to the editor of the Rat Creek Press late in the month of May. The writer stated that their vehicle, as well as a number of other vehicles had been broken into along their block; the writer went on to state that this was the second time that this had happened. What I found most interesting, however, were these statements:

“Please report, every little bit helps; next will be our garages and homes.”

“I just think it’s really important for our neighbors to report even the smallest things, it seems like it escalates from this point”

In this case, the writer identified one of the most important things that you, as a resident can do when you or a neighbor is the victim of any type of crime – Report it! Further, the writer identified that both the frequency and severity of occurrences will increase if they are not dealt with.

The importance of reporting crime and disorder, no matter how big or small is absolutely vital for the EPS, and for you! There are numerous resources within the EPS that look at crime and disorder, and analyze it for patterns and then send the information out to our front line members so that they can go to the areas that have been targeted by offenders. On a daily basis, this information is provided to the members you see driving or walking in your community. Each day, our crime analysts review each file that is drawn by the members of Downtown Division, looking for patterns, links, and trends in crimes, including crime types, locations, and methods. From this, target areas are identified, and further, on numerous occasions the individuals responsible for the crimes are also identified. The final result, although it is not always seen, is often arrests, whether it is in relation to the original crime reported, or for other occurrences. You can see these maps on the Internet at crimemapping.edmontonpolice.ca

Each day, the analysts put together a map of the division, which records and illustrates each and every crime that occurs in the division. Further, each report of a disorder issue is also documented in a similar fashion. Each week, the Community Liaison Constables, Community Sergeants, Beat Sergeants, as well as divisional management meet, review, and discuss crime patterns and emerging hotspots that have been identified. From these meetings strategies are discussed and then utilized by the members of Downtown division to try and curb or solve the issues that have been identified.

Proactive patrols, beat patrols, Proactive policing events, and even large-scale events like the “Keep The Lights On” project, which happened in May, are responses to the emerging crime and disorder patterns that are documented. In many cases, when you see a police car or a police officer in your neighborhood, they are on their way to a target area.

The key to all of this is the initial reporting of an incident. The writer was completely correct in the statement that reporting is key; I have always stated, and will continue to state that the EPS cannot address crimes or hotspots if we don’t know about them. Reporting an incident can take as little as 15 minutes. The 15 minutes that you spend writing or calling in a report, along with the report of other residents allows the EPS to see where hotspots are, and take measures to address the issues in your community. Again, reporting a crime or disorder issue, big or small, allows the EPS to respond to your concerns. Reports can be made by attending a community station, Downtown Division front counter, or, calling in to the police dispatch line any time at 780-423-4567.

The Edmonton Police Service is proud of its partnership in your community. If you see a police officer, take the time to stop and say hi. We work hard in your community to make it a safer place to be 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.



Get ready community leagues, for another fun set of activities that can help attract new members, develop community spirit and maybe even land your league some great prizes. The year's Community Challenge is scheduled for June 3-5 and will feature four or five main activities and a social mixer. The challenge will start with a kickoff on the Friday evening, with activities running Saturday from 9-5PM and the finale will be on Sunday from 9-3PM.

Last year thousands of dollars were given away in prize money for leagues that assembled the most contest points. Events included a food art display, photo scavenger hunt, a community clean up event and bike repair workshop. Details about this year's activities will be announced at the EFCL's Annual General Meeting (April 4, Woodvale Community League). The PRCL will provide more details in the coming weeks about the Community Challenge and how you can get involved.

Big Bin Event

The Fourth Annual PRCL Big Bin Event will take place all day Saturday, August 20, 2011. This event is just one of the ways we are raising awareness and participation in our community. We are always looking at maintaining and improving our neighbourhood for all of us to enjoy, appreciate and of which we can be proud.



The Spring Clean Up involves the coordinated efforts of several city departments working on separate parts of the cleanup. Remember that the Spring Clean Up may be interrupted by inclement weather.

Parks crews sweep sand, dirt, and debris from city boulevards, tucking the debris into the curb areas for street sweepers to clear. The Edmonton Police Service and Traffic Safety support Parks cleanup on major arteries and freeways with barricades and street closures where necessary. Road crews start street sweeping on a road after the boulevards are cleaned.

Sand is picked up and cleaned from 4,700 km of Edmonton streets each Spring and approximately 80% of the sand is reused on Edmonton's streets. The rest is reused for other purposes like concrete or gravel, less than 5% is waste that goes to the landfill.

City bylaws require property owners to clean up their property and the boulevards adjacent to their property in order to keep our city looking great. This includes litter and graffiti.

Residents are required to tightly secure loads on their truck or car when taking things to the dump, so that nothing falls off and becomes a hazard to other drivers.

Living Green 101

Beacon Heights Community League is proud to present Living Green 101, April 17, 2011 at the Beacon Heights Community League Hall, 4418 – 118 Avenue. The event will be kicking off earth week festivities in Edmonton this year. Firstly Living Green 101 is about increasing awareness in the community. We want people to come out to find out about the small changes that they can make to their homes and lifestyles to reduce their eco footprint. Since the event is centred around the idea of community it is being offered at no charge to the public and it is also focused on accessibility to all income levels, family structures, and housing situations. Living Green 101 will provide access to a diverse crowd of experts and partners covering food, transportation, energy, conservation, advocacy, recycling and waste, gardening and other environmental initiatives.

The Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues (EFCL) is pleased to report that the City of Edmonton has launched a new capital program and has significantly increased the operating grants for Edmonton's 154 community leagues.

The changes were approved by city council during the 2011 budget deliberations and a joint EFCL – Community Services task force has developed criteria for the allocation of funds.

Beginning with the capital budget, the city is providing \$1.5 million per year in matching funds for the construction of new facilities or the repair of existing facilities on land licensed to the leagues. An emphasis will be placed on projects that are ready to go and fill a demonstrated need in the community. Leagues will need to show how they will raise the matching funds and how they will cover the operating costs. The city will also want to see how the facility will be used, either by the league or through a partnership with one or more non-profit societies.

On the operating side, the city has agreed to boost annual grants to leagues by 40%. This will take the average annual operating grant from \$10,800 per league to \$15,200. It should be noted that leagues will need to sign a new license agreement with the City of Edmonton before they are eligible for the capital fund or the increase in the operating grant. A special general meeting will be held in May to vote on the new agreement.



2011 Edmonton Spring & Summer Programs

Boys and Girls Program for ages 5 – 14 years of age from April – July at Foote Field.

Low Registration fees – Includes t-shirt, mouth guard, socks and league fees.
* \$35 if FH&FHC membership was not paid in October.



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Crime Prevention, Neighbourhood Watch & Community Safety

A Town Hall Meeting on **Community Crime Initiatives** was held at the Calder's Senior Centre on Monday, March 14th, 2011. The event was well attended, and constructive and informative discussion covered topics such as policing numbers, community crime-watch programs, and the future of public safety in Alberta and in Edmonton-Calder.

Guest speakers included:

- Hon. Frank Oberle, Solicitor General and Minister of Public Security
- Teri Uhryn, Inspector, North-East Division, Edmonton Police Services
- Paul Lepine, Executive Director, Edmonton Neighbourhood Watch
- Brent Rathgeber, MP Edmonton-St. Albert
- Doug Eniski, MLA Edmonton-Calder

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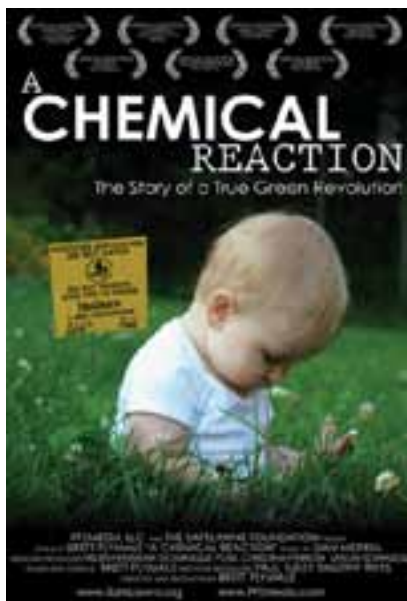
What crime are you most likely to be a victim of?

Vehicle theft and theft from vehicle crimes have almost doubled in some downtown areas and continue to be the most likely crime an Edmonton resident will be victimized by.

Many will have their vehicle stolen or items stolen from their vehicle numerous times – however, these crimes are almost 100 per cent preventable. Follow the below information to drastically reduce the opportunity for thieves to target you or your vehicle:

- o Always take your keys with you - never leave them in the car. Nearly 20% of all vehicles stolen had keys in them.
- o Always lock your car. Approximately 50% of all vehicles stolen are left unlocked.
- o Never hide a second set of keys in your car. Extra keys can easily be found and thieves take the time to look.
- o Park in well-lit areas. Over half of all vehicle thefts occur at night.
- o Purchase a visible steering wheel lock, such as the Club. They prevent vehicle theft by rendering the steering wheel immobile, and are well worth the minor cash investment.
- o Don't leave the registration or insurance papers in your car. A car thief can use these to sell your stolen car or steal your identity.
- o Never leave your car running, even if you will only be gone for a minute. Vehicles are commonly stolen out of driveways, at convenience stores, gas stations, ATM's, etc.
- o Completely close your car windows when parking. Don't make it any easier for the thief to enter your vehicle.
- o Don't leave valuables in you vehicle. Thieves will break into and search a vehicle for any item, even 50 cents in change.
- o Park with your wheels turned towards the curb. Make your car tough to tow away. Wheels should also be turned to the side in driveways and parking lots.
- o If your vehicle is rear-wheel drive, back into your driveway. Front-wheel drive vehicles should be parked front end first. On four-wheel drive vehicles the rear wheels sometimes lock, making them difficult to tow.
- o Use your emergency brake when parking. In addition to ensuring safety, using the emergency brake makes your car harder to tow.
- o If you have a garage, use it. Your vehicle is more vulnerable outside.
- o When parking in a garage, lock the garage door and your vehicle - the chances of deterring a thief will greatly improve.
- o Use special license plate 'locking screws' to prevent thieves from stealing your license plate to use in other crimes. These screws are available for free at all Edmonton front counter divisional and community police stations.

Remember - criminals prey on opportunity – don't give it to them.



Join Us for a Film Screening on April 17th

The Environmental Law Centre and partners invite you to the Edmonton premiere screening of the film A Chemical Reaction.

The film depicts the struggle that the Quebec town of Hudson faced as it became the first municipality in Canada to adopt a bylaw banning the non-essential use of pesticides in 1991.

ADMISSION IS FREE. Following the film, Executive Producer Paul Tukey will join Dr. Raquel Feroe and other local experts to discuss the film and the health, environmental and legal issues it raises.

Date: Sunday, April 17, 2011

Time: 1:30 p.m.

Location: Stanley Milner Library Theatre, #7 Sir Winston Churchill Square, Edmonton

For more information, contact Leah Orr at: lorry@elc.ab.ca.



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Canadian Association of Physicians for the Environment

Are you concerned about the future well being of mature neighbourhoods? Have you got ideas on what needs to be done to revitalize our schools, businesses and our neighbourhoods in general? Contribute to the Mayor's Task Force on Community Sustainability by attending the May 10th Community Sustainability Workshop organized by EFCL. It will begin 7 pm in the Alberta Avenue Community Hall, 9210 118 Ave. The Mayor's Task Force will be there to hear your ideas. Register by contacting Bev.Zubot efcl.org or 780-437-6930. Additional information will be sent to you.

Chaired by Michael Phair, former City Councillor and current Director of Community Relations at the University of Alberta, the committee seeks to build innovative partnerships and plans across jurisdictions to recommend solutions for core neighbourhoods and to begin to chart a path toward renewal.

"One of the biggest challenges facing our city is the strain on core neighbourhoods where schools and communities need support to revitalize neighbourhoods," said Mayor Stephen Mandel. "This task force will take an important first step by building bridges between stakeholders and finding unique ways to challenge and inspire new innovations and new partnerships that will help sustain and grow these vital neighbourhoods."

The committee's work will take place over the next six to nine months, with a goal of having a final report to present to City Council and partner stakeholders by the end of the year. City staff and university researchers will support the committee's efforts and broad-based outreach will occur as part of the committee's mandate.

"Our task is to provide a blueprint which the City and other partners can implement jointly," said Michael Phair. "The benefit of having all partners part of the same process is a unique collaborative approach using everyone's energy on the same issues. I am so pleased with how well all partners have enthusiastically come to the table to focus on this important challenge."

Easter Chocolate Nest Recipe

These chocolate nests are a perfect way to enjoy Easter, and kids will love making and eating them.

Ingredients

- o 100g butter, cubed
- o 1 tbsp cocoa powder
- o 50g milk chocolate buttons
- o 75g golden syrup
- o 4 Shredded Wheat
- o 36 mini chocolate eggs

Method

1. Put the butter into a medium bowl, then add the cocoa powder, chocolate buttons and golden syrup. Microwave on high for 1 minute 30 seconds, or until melted, then stir to mix everything together.
2. Hold 1 Shredded Wheat over the bowl and squeeze in your hand to crumble it. Repeat this process with the other 3 Shredded Wheat. Stir to mix evenly.

3. Line the patty tin with 12 paper cake cases and put a generous tablespoonful of mixture into each of the paper cases. Press the centre of each nest with your fingers to make a slight dip, and then arrange 3 mini chocolate eggs in each of the dips.

4. Chill for 30 minutes before eating.



Successful February Wine Tasting

This past February the PRCL hosted a wine tasting event at the community league hall in which several different wines were sampling. Everyone had an amazing time and special thanks to Derek Tansley, Sheryl Campbell and Victor Dorian from our community for organizing this event and sharing their wine knowledge. Many people are looking forward to next tasting. Derek works with Vinomania who was able to get us great deal for the wine for the tasting. Vinomania has an amazing wine selection and is located at 11452 Jasper Avenue or you can check them out online at vinomaniawines.com.





Emergency
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Window & Balcony Safety

With the return of warmer weather, Alberta Health Services EMS would like to remind parents of an often overlooked hazard in the home – open windows. Every year, paramedics respond to emergencies where a child has fallen from an open window in their house— often from the second floor. Falls such as these are preventable by taking time to assess your home and ensuring windows are safe.

Windows and screens

- Move furniture such as cribs, beds, stools, and change tables away from windows to prevent access to them.
- Keep drapery cords out of childrens' reach. Wrap excess cord around cleats or tie-downs to avoid a choking hazard.
- Remember: screens are designed to keep bugs out, NOT to keep children in!

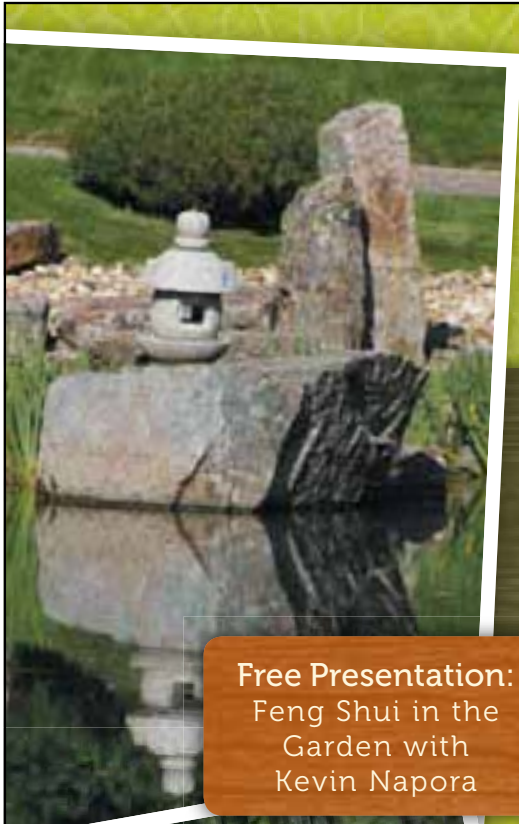
Balconies

- Do not underestimate a child's ability to climb. Furniture and other items stored on balconies and decks can be used to climb resulting in falls over the railing.
- Consider installing a balcony guard to eliminate access between the vertical bars of a balcony or deck.

Further prevention tips

- Children aged one to four are at highest risk of falling from a window or balcony.
- Direct supervision of children is the single most effective way to prevent falls from windows and balconies.
- Consider installing safety devices which limit windows opening to a maximum of 4 inches or 10 centimeters.
- Ensure the safety device can be released quickly so the window can be used for escape in case of fire or other emergency.

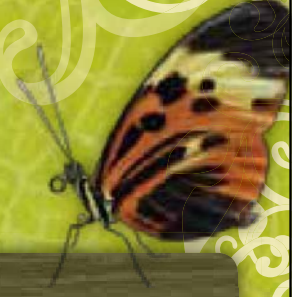
AHS EMS is proud to be a member of the **Partners Promoting Window and Balcony Safety**. Take time to assess your home for window and balcony hazards and eliminate the risks before a preventable fall occurs.



Free Presentation:
Feng Shui in the
Garden with
Kevin Napora



Devonian Botanic
GARDEN



A special invitation to an **EVENING IN THE GARDEN**

July 13, 2011, 5 to 8 pm

We have reserved an evening
at the Devonian Botanic Garden exclusively
for members of Garden Clubs and Garden
Societies. Come out and enjoy!

- Half-price admission for members and guests of Garden Clubs and Societies in the greater Edmonton region
- Enjoy a stroll through the Garden on a tranquil summer's evening
- Free tram tours offered on a first-come, first-serve basis (with priority given to elderly or disabled guests)
- Learn the fascinating history of the Kurimoto Japanese Garden on a free guided walking tour
- Feng Shui in the Garden presentation with Kevin Napora at 7 pm in the Pine Pavilion
- Complimentary refreshments and goodies
- Door prizes
- Dinner special starting at 4:30 pm at the Careit Deli Concession on the patio

So we may have enough refreshments on hand,
please RSVP to 780-987-3054 ext. 2259 or email
info.devonian@ales.ualberta.ca by July 6.

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Over the past two years, your Executive has worked faithfully towards furthering the new hall project. The current PRCL building (known to most as the rink shack) is undersized and was assessed to need costly major repairs to bring it to standards within the next five years. In order to finance the new hall, applications to granting agencies, such as the Community Facility Enhancement Program (CFEP), are underway. An exciting new development with this project is the partnership we are developing with the Alberta Thai Association (ATA). The ATA is willing to share a substantial portion of the hall construction and future upkeep costs. They are a vibrant group, with similar values to Prince Rupert Community League and of course wonderful food!

Here's where your input is urgently needed! The declaration of the 57 year-old Prince Rupert School and grounds as surplus by the Edmonton Public School board will have a considerable impact on our community. If no other school boards indicate interest in purchasing the land by May, the City of Edmonton will have six months to decide whether to purchase it.

Although we have received approval to build our new hall near our current rick shack, we could request permission to build it on the school site - provided the City purchases the property. This is more likely to happen if our community shows a strong interest in building at that location, given the high cost of the Prince Rupert School grounds. Needless to say, a central location for our new hall and the skating rink has strong advantages (the rink was built to be portable and could be moved from its current location to the school site, if that is what our community decides).

If the city declines purchasing the school lands, the current owner, the Edmonton Public School Board, will be able to sell it to anyone. This could result in the possibility of residential or commercial development. From then on, the Prince Rupert Community would have a limited impact on how the land will be used.

Therefore involvement from Prince Rupert residents will be important at this early stage, both from the community at large, as well as from a strong Executive. We will address this crucial issue at our AGM on April 27, and we need you to be part of the discussions. Your input will help determine the right direction for Prince Rupert. Therefore, a large turnout from our community for our AGM will be critical, in order for our residents to make the best-informed decisions.

You can complete this survey by going to princerupertcommunity.ca and clicking on Community Poll. If you are unable to complete the online survey you can complete the one below and drop at the PRCL Secretary's home mailbox at 11440 112 Avenue. Please complete the survey but Monday, April 25, 2011, as your input is crucial.



The Prince Rupert School Survey

After reading the article, "The Prince Rupert School Property and You", please give us your thoughts by completing the survey below.

HALL LOCATION I prefer the new community hall to be:

- Please select one from the list below
- On the Prince Rupert School grounds
- Near our current building (on our licensed area)
- It does not matter to me where we build, as long as we get a new hall

PRINCE RUPERT SCHOOL GROUNDS:

- Please select one from the list below
- I am concerned about the alternatives, if our new hall cannot be built at that location
- I have another use in mind for these lands
- It does not matter to me how the grounds will be used

YOUR INTEREST: Would you like to be involved in advocating for Prince Rupert Community's best interest involving the future use of the PR School Site?

- Please select one from the list below
- Yes
- No
- I cannot help right now, but would like to stay informed

If you would like to be kept up to date or contacted to help, please provide your contact information:

Name

First Last

Email

Phone Number

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If you have further questions or comments, or you would like to be involved, please contact us at secretary@princerupertcommunity.ca or call 780-455-3327. We will require your name, as well as your email address and/or phone number, so we can follow up with you regarding your concerns or interest.

Thank you,
Prince Rupert Community League Executive



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