Darkview COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER August 2⁰²⁰

A MESSAGE FROM PVCL'S PRESIDENT

As of our last newsletter, there were still many questions as to when and how the COVID-19 restrictions would be lifted. Because of these restrictions our league was not able to offer the same programming we normally would. However, it was important for us to provide ways for the community to come together.

As a result, we decided to start our Friday fireside chats. Each Friday between 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. we will have our outdoor natural gas fireplace lit up for the community to enjoy and meet their neighbours. We also decided to try something new this year and for our July 3rd fireside chat, we had local musician Martin Kerr. It was great to see people come out and take in the good weather and music. Due to the restrictions we did not advertise the concert much, so it was interesting to see the crowd grow as his set progressed. We will be bringing another musician in during the month of August. Watch our Facebook page for information.

Over the past few months several restrictions have been either lifted or relaxed. The caution tape has been removed from the playground and we have been able to reopen our community hall to for rentals. With the hall open we were able to have our first summer camp of the season, and with the increased size restrictions a smaller version of our food truck event was held on June 27th. Our community swim times should be available again soon. We are just waiting for the City to finalize their plans as to how this program will operate.

Enjoy your summer!

Derek Kramar, President, Parkview Community League



June 27 Food Truck Event

Martin Kerr performs at the July 3 Fireside Chat

Colouring contest winner! Rachel Byker (age 5)



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COMMUNITY PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES

Many of our programs are currently suspended due to COVID-19. Please check our website PVCL.ca and our Facebook or Instagram for update and Fall programs.

COMMUNITY SWIM IS BACK!

FREE Swim is BACK for Parkview Community League Members (with a few changes) Saturday and Sunday evenings at Jasper Place Leisure Centre! Read the new rules, restrictions, and policies at PVCL.ca. You NEED to book your family's swim time. If you show up without a scheduled time slot, you will be asked to leave.

ANNUAL PARKVIEW EVENTS

August 29 - Food-Truck Summer Solstice Party

September 19 - Pancake Breakfast

October 24 - Fundraiser Event

November 21 - Christmas Bake and Craft Sale

December - Parkview Family NYE Party

January - Dinner & Skate Party on New Year's Day

February - Family Winter Party

*The Northern Lights Folk Club will not be starting again until 2021. We will miss you this fall!



Do you have a suggestion or idea for a program? We would love to hear about it!

Email communcations@pvcl·ca



PLEASE JOIN US!

The Board meets at 6:30 p.m. on the 3rd Tuesday of each month, usually at the Hall. However, for now we will meet via Zoom. All are welcome! Please email if you would like to attend.



Parkview Community League relies on your support and participation! Only 1 in 5 households are PVCL members, yet everyone benefits from a strong Community League.

Contact Tracey at info@pvcl.ca to renew/receive a new membership.



We are currently looking to fill the following volunteer positions:

- **1.** Tot-Time Coordinator (Note: Tot-Time is cancelled for the remainder of the school year. Programming will start up again in September if there is a volunteer to run the program)
- 2. Parkview Community League Board of Directors, Members at Large

For more information: info@pvcl.ca



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Contact us at communications@pvcl.ca

AVAILABLE FROM 11:35AM-4:35PM

PARKVIEW HALL 9135-146ST

FULL TIME \$500 (PART TIME





NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING/ SUBMISSION DEADLINES

Advertisign Deadlines: January 1st, April 1st, July 1st & October 1st

Contact: parkview.advertising@gmail.com

Submission Deadlines: January 15th, April 15th,

July 15th & October 15th

Contact: pvclnewsletter@gmail.com

PARKVIEW COMMUNITY HALL RENTALS

Some rentals are available again with precautionary measures in place.

For complete information, visit: pvcl.ca/facility-rentals or email Tracey at hallrentals@pvcl.ca



DID YOU MISS OUT ON AN EVENT?

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UPDATE: TREE DESTRUCTION AT VALLEYVIEW POINT

8403-142 Street Edmonton, AB

I know many of you saw the news coverage regarding some trees that have been removed from our River Valley, and I want to provide you with a status update. When I was first notified of this in April, I had a meeting with staff from our Bylaw, Parks, and Forestry teams to review different actions that we could take to both catch the people responsible for this while also trying to prevent this from occurring in the future. Here is the latest update:

INVESTIGATION STATUS

The Park Rangers have been the lead investigators for this file, as it is an offence under the Parkland Bylaw. Under Section 8 of Parkland Bylaw 2202, it is illegal to cut or remove trees and vegetation from parkland. Section 4 of the Unauthorized Use of Parkland Bylaw 12308 also prohibits unauthorized use of parkland. Fines could range between \$100-\$10,000. Rangers have been in close contact with Corporate Security and the Edmonton Police Service as part of the investigation.

REPLANTING

Natural Areas Operations is planning to plant some native tree species in the area to supplement the regeneration of the poplars that will naturally occur. This will occur later into the spring/summer.

FUTURE WORK

There have also been conversations with our Corporate Security and Privacy Office staff in regards to the installation of surveillance cameras in the area. This is something that they have not done in the past to protect natural assets located in a passive park area, however, given the repeated loss to our important Urban Forest canopy, it may be a possibility. To set-up and operate this surveillance, there would need to be additional Privacy Impact Assessments conducted, as there is the potential that other passive site users would have their images captured. We are completing more work on this before proceeding with the options and feasibility of camera coverage and potential locations.

I know many of us, particularly those who live in Parkview, are upset at the loss of the trees. This is a serious issue because the loss of those trees impacts the stability of the bank. This is not something that is being ignored and my hope is that the actions listed above will help prevent this from occurring again.

If you have any other questions, please let me know. Just a quick caution for any comments: I have received some correspondence that makes assumptions about who did this. Our Park Rangers are investigating and if they are able to gather the necessary evidence, they will hold the appropriate people accountable. So I ask that any questions or comments are more general. If you have any information about who might have done this, please contact 311 and the Park Rangers will contact you. Thanks everyone.

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