



PARKVIEW NEWSLETTER



Spring 2009

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President's Message

By David Smith
Parkview President

In the fall newsletter, I mentioned the Community League has advanced \$70,000 to the Parkview Redevelopment Society (PRS) to cover the cost over-runs on the parking lot paving. There was a snag last July during Phase 2 of the project when our contractor uncovered some boggy ground that refused to dry out enough for the planned paving. The fix to the problem added an unexpected 10% to the project's budget, which the executive voted to advance to the redevelopment society. The PRS has a sound plan for generating funds to underwrite Phase 3 and the executive was confident that some of that funding would reimburse the community league.

We met again on the subject with city officials in January. While the city was reluctant to offer any cash reimbursements as a result of the overruns, project of-

ficials from the city were helping the redevelopment society to turn the money we'd already put "in the ground" into leverage on new funding. Moreover, there was \$25,000 in grant money that the city held on behalf of the redevelopment society that may be returned to the community league (that's a little more than a third of the loan).

At our January meeting, the community league executive voted to accept the cash reimbursement as offered and to provide the outstanding funds from the loan to the redevelopment society as an advance on Phase 3 (we would have funded part of Phase 3 anyway). In the meantime, the redevelopment society continues to work with the city to use our investments from Phase 2 as a means to generate substantial new funding for Phase 3.

There has also been talk of



addressing the skating rink at the community league hall (fixing or re-

placing) as a priority in redevelopment Phase 3 planning. I've had a few calls in recent months about the poor condition of the rink, the unwanted attention it draws in off-hours and conversely about why we are not using it this year. So it's a community service that has its risks and benefits. A final decision on what's involved in Phase 3 redevelopment activity, however, will depend a lot on plans generated in conjunction with the City.

Programs and Program Leaders

The executive gladly welcomes Brian Mulder to the position of Outdoor Soccer Coordinator for Parkview. Brian is taking this role over from Yvonne Seethram and we are grateful to have him

with us in this important position. Welcome Brian!

There are still vacancies including Indoor Soccer Coordinator, Adult Programs Coordinator, Traffic Liaison and Special Events Coordinator, so let me know which one you'd like to fill.

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Adult Programs Coordinator	VACANT		
Traffic Liaison	VACANT		
Special Events Coordinator	VACANT		
Volunteer Coordinator	VACANT		

Newsletter Deadlines

The Parkview/Valleyview Community League newsletter is published four times a year and distributed to members of the community league.

The advertising and copy deadlines are:

- Spring: February 1**
- Summer: May 1**
- Fall: August 1**
- Winter: November 1**

Advertising Rates:

- Full back page**\$200
(7 1/4" wide by 9" deep)
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7 1/4" wide by 4 1/2" deep)
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(3 1/2" wide by 2" deep)

Please note that we do not accept advertising inserts.

To submit articles

contact:

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wendy.travis@shaw.ca

To place ads contact:

Allan Davis
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Calling all Volunteers



Executive Positions

With the retirement of some Executive members, Parkview needs some fresh faces! Please volunteer and have fun, meet new people..

- Volunteer Coordinator
- Special Events

- Coordinator
- Traffic Liaison
- Indoor Soccer Coordinator

Parkview is a great community and your Community League makes it better. Be a hero! Pitch in and do your part for a better community!!

Contact David Smith at 780-444-0217 or davidbsmith@shaw.ca



President's Message cont'd



Spring Garage Sale and Community Clean-up

Spring is just around the corner and we are planning on hosting a community garage sale and clean-up in early May (Saturday, May 1 and Sunday, May 2), so start thinking about clearing out those garages, closets and playrooms. Other communities in Canada have put on similar events; ours goes to support the redevelopment of our community league property. May 1 is planned for the garage sale (with lots of other fun activities) and May 2 is planned for the community clean-up. What you cannot sell on Saturday, you can pitch on Sunday. If you donate \$100

of your sale proceeds to the Parkview Redevelopment Society, you'll get a tax receipt and your garage sale table rental is FREE! What a deal, what a steal. Plus, it's all in the name of reducing, re-using and recycling.

Summer programs

We've also settled on the children's programs for this summer for the hall as follows:

Wonderful World of Wheels

June 29 – July 3
(preschool, morning)

Einsteins and Frankensteins

July 10 – 14
(child, afternoon)

Little Nature Nuts

July 27 – 31
(preschool, morning)

Green Thumb

July 27 – 31
(preschool, afternoon)

Adventure in the Valley

August 17 – 21
(child, all day)

We had great turnout last year on these one, so we went with the same winning combination. You might notice we have two preschool programs running July 27 – 31; one in the morning, the other in the afternoon. That might seem like a lot for preschoolers in the same time frame, but it was the result of the city program calendar and our programs selections. If it doesn't work out, we'll look to change it to something else next year.

WLRT

Finally, the city was planning to present its new thinking on the West LRT alignment (that is, the proposed routes for the LRT trains through West Edmonton) at a meeting for the West Edmonton Communities Council in February. There will be no meeting in February, however, and WECC will incorporate this information into its next regular meeting planned for March 15th, 7 p.m. at the Crestwood Community Hall. Please come out and see what's in store. Your community (and maybe even your property) could be affected by the WLRT alignment proposals. Otherwise, stay tuned and we'll keep you posted on that.

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Some Community League Membership Benefits include:

- Free community swim for one hour on Sundays from 5-6 p.m. at Jasper Place Pool until May 26th, 2009.
- Free public skating at selected City of Edmonton

indoor rinks (see page 23 of this newsletter for more information).

- Outdoor skating rink access.
- Children’s Halloween and Christmas parties.
- Weekly Tot Time program.
- Seniors Card Sharks afternoon.

**Memberships are required for community sponsored programs.

Please note that memberships are now available **online** at www.pvcl.ca. Or, you can mail or drop off the form below to Wendy Sweetland, 9007-143 Street, Edmonton, Alberta, T5R 0P3,

Memberships are also available at registration for the following programs: Sparks, Brownies, Guides, Karate, Tot Time, Senior Card Sharks, Indoor Soccer, Basketball, or Playschool.



Parkview Community League Membership Form

Please complete and MAIL this FORM and CHEQUE to:

Wendy Sweetland
9007-143 Street
Edmonton, Alberta
T5R 0P3

Cheque made payable to: **Parkview Community League**

Type of Membership: Two Parent Family - \$40.00 Adult household - \$20.00
 One Parent Family - \$25.00 Senior household - \$5.00

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____ POSTAL CODE: _____

TELEPHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

CHILDREN: _____ AGE: _____

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I AM AVAILABLE TO ASSIST WITH COMMUNITY EVENTS? YES _____ NO _____

Parkview Community League

Event Calendar 2009-10

April

Community League Meeting
3rd Wednesday of the month

May

Summer Newsletter Deadline
May 1st

Community League AGM
3rd Wednesday of the month

June

No Community League
Meetings

July

No Community League
Meetings

August

Fall Newsletter Deadline
August 1st

No Community League
Meetings

September

Community League Meeting
3rd Wednesday of the month

Local Programs start:

- Scouts
- Tot Time
- Indoor Soccer Registration
- Basketball Registration

October

Community League Meeting
3rd Wednesday of the month

Tot Time Halloween Party

November

Community League Meeting
3rd Wednesday of the month

Christmas Craft and Bake
Sale

December

Community League Meeting
3rd Wednesday of the month

January

Community League Meeting
3rd Wednesday of the month

February

Spring Newsletter Deadline
February 1st

Outdoor Soccer Registration

Community League Meeting
3rd Wednesday of the month

March

Community League Meeting
3rd Wednesday of the month



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Parkview Redevelopment Society

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- Contact Tracie Millar at jtmillar@telusplanet.net

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Send to:
Parkview Redevelopment Society
% Val Bright
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Project Directors

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- Treasurer, Val Bright, tvbright@shaw.ca or call 486-4337
- Project Director, Cathie Crooks, call 484-5240
- Communications, Louise Clarke, call 481-2842 or louiseclarke@shaw.ca

Playground Update:

The Parkview Redevelopment Society would again like to thank Parkview residents for celebrating the park grand opening held last September and for their ongoing support to the park revitalization project. The journey began in 2004 and now, entering the fifth year, phase III planning is in our sight lines.

We have been extremely pleased with the completion of phases I and II. The playground installation was completed August 2007 with a final cost of \$402,000. In Spring 2008 we forged ahead on phase II, which involved the parking lot and basketball court relocations, and much more. Following a few issues and a red hot economy, final costs paid out for this second phase totaled \$765,000. All of this work was funded through various grants, contributions from the Parkview Community League and the generous donations of Parkview families and businesses.

Today our community has a challenging new playground for kids of all ages; a new parking lot to help address safety and crime concerns; new basketball courts; additional benches and picnic tables; and paved trails for walking, biking,

skateboarding or rollerblading. Improvements also include better accessibility to the hall, playground and surrounding grounds, as well as many new plantings to make the space more attractive. We are also pleased to have an engraved rock recognizing our donors and will be installing two more rocks with plaques within the park honouring the equipment purchases and the Emma Richartz memorial.

Since wrapping up phase II, the Parkview Redevelopment Society has spent the winter months researching what funding may be available and preparing for the upcoming grant cycles. While there is still no formal plan in place for the next phase, the intent is to redevelop the old parking lot site between the hall and playground. In February, City of Edmonton representatives will be present-

ing preliminary designs for a patio area extending from the hall's south side and considerations for the remaining space. The committee is still deliberating on a water spray park in light of a potential City of Edmonton Aquatic Strategy grant. The cost for this aspect of the project is significant and also brings with it ongoing water costs and maintenance issues.

Moving forward on phase III is dependent on the amount of funding that can be secured. As we are in a new tax year and a new phase of work, your donations are welcome to establish seed money for future grants.

As always, we welcome your input and inquiries and thank the many donors who have helped us to get this far. If you have questions, concerns or comments, please feel free to contact



Not an empty seat over the entire three hours. Hay rides compliments of Parkview Community League



any of the project directors (see page 6).

Did you know?

The City of Edmonton has been a major contributor to the success of the park redevelopment project. The City has given grants as well as provided services including project design, testing services, recognition rock installation, consulting services and everything in between. The park received additional tree plantings free of charge, along with the watering and maintenance of the new plantings. The dollar value of the city's services and contribution, to date, sits around \$180,000. Thank you, City of Edmonton.



A good marshmallow roast.

All wrapped up - Christmas Craft & Bake Sale brings out record numbers

The seventh annual Christmas craft and bake sale was held November 29th. Terrific weather helped bring out a record crowd for this wonderful Parkview tradition.

Children of all ages were kept busy either with the



Yummy pies for the friends & family at Christmas

coloring contest, visiting Santa, roasting marshmallows and hotdogs, or making gingerbread houses. Hay rides, compliments of Parkview Community League, were also a very popular event with lineups for seats on the horse-drawn wagon.

The craft sale provided a great venue for Christmas shopping. This year's offerings included 27 tables of hand-crafted items such as jewelry, pottery, Christmas decorations, purses, candy bouquets, and much, much more. Many took home the scrumptious homemade pies, perogies, cookies, loaves, squares and assorted goodies available at the community table.

The women of the community also prepared a Ukrainian lunch which brought in record sales. Good job, ladies.

Val Bright, event coordinator, was very pleased with the attendance. "This event takes a lot of planning but I am pleased to contribute because I know so many families truly enjoy this fun-filled day."

"I thank everyone for coming out and the many volunteers who helped with the event. A special thanks goes to those who donated baking to the bake sale." Val adds, "If I had one wish, I would hope that more people would help with baking as it sells so quickly."

The event is another fundraiser for the Parkview Redevelopment Society, which is now planning Phase III of the park renewal and revitalization project.

THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

Thanks to the following who donated baked goods for the community table:

- Michelle Pollock
- Marcia Bercov
- Hellena Fedoretz
- Kathey Newman
- Nancy Davis
- Val Coenen
- Gillian Culham
- Christine & Josh Bashow
- Laura Verbeek
- Madeline MacGougan
- Louise Clarke
- Sue Pasemko - special thanks for making all those wonderful pies

Thanks to the youth who volunteered to run the children's activities:

- Caitie Talty
- Anna Davis
- Natasha Pasemko
- Jamie Pasemko
- Peter Birzgalis
- Justen Lackey
- Tori Alfaro
- Lizzie Quinn
- Elise Seethram

Parkview Redevelopment Society thanks the entire roster of volunteers who helped out with this event. All of your efforts are appreciated.





Parkview 2009 Outdoor Soccer Registration and Volunteer Information

The new outdoor soccer coordinator for Parkview is Brian Mulder. He can be contacted at brian.mulder@telus.net.

There is still a need for volunteers to fill various positions, some of which are listed below. Please contact Brian if you are interested.

**Coach Coordinator, Equipment Manager, Age Coordinators, Field Coordinator
Referee Coordinator etc**

Registration sessions will take place as follows.

Date	Location	Time
Friday February 20, 2009	Parkview Community League (9135 146 St)	6:00 – 9:00 pm
Saturday February 21, 2009	Westmount Shopping Centre (on Groat Road and 111 th Ave)	10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Age Group	Years of Birth	Fee	Times (tentative)
Under 4	2005	TBA	Wed 6:15
Under 5	2004	TBA	Wed 6:15
Under 6	2003	TBA	Mon Wed 6:15
Under 8	2001, 2002	TBA	Tues Thurs 6:15
Under 9	2000	TBA	Mon Wed 7:15
Under 10	1999	TBA	Mon Wed 7:15
Under 11	1998	TBA	Mon Wed 7:00
Under 12	1997	TBA	Tues Thurs 7:30
Under 14	1995, 1996	TBA	Mon Wed 6:15 and 7:45
Under 16	1993, 1994	TBA	Girls Sun Thurs 6:15 and 7:45 Boys Sun Tues 6:15 and 7:45
Under 18	1992, 1991	TBA	Sunday and Thursday

Required Information:

- Active community league membership. Can be purchased at registration.
- Alberta Health Care number
- Proof of age, address, phone number
- Emergency contact
- List of any health concerns
- Cheques:
 - One Registration cheque **per player**
 - One Uniform deposit cheque of **\$50.00 for each player**, dated July 1, 2009 (Note U4, U5 and U6 do not require uniform deposit cheque.)
 - One Volunteer deposit cheque of **\$100.00 per family** dated December 31, 2009
- List of 3 players your child would like to play with. (No guarantees can be made.)
- \$30.00 late registration fee will apply to all late registrations.
- Incomplete registrations will not be accepted.

Check www.pvcl.ca for updates.

Community Garage Sale & Spring Clean Up

Reduce - Reuse - Recycle



Spring is just around the corner... Start clearing out those garages, closets & playrooms to get ready for our Community Garage Sale & Spring Clean Up

Join us May 2nd at 10 a.m. at the Parkview Community Hall for another fun-filled, family event with activities, yummy treats & refreshments!

Rent a table for just \$25 & come sell all your unwanted treasures for CASH!



Don't want to rent a table? Donate your slightly used goods or baking to PVCL and the proceeds will be donated back to the community

Charity donation bins will be on site

Support the redevelopment of our park. Donate \$100 of your sale proceeds to the Parkview Redevelopment Society and receive a tax receipt PLUS your table rental is FREE!

To reserve your table call or email: Val @ 780-486-4337 or email: tvbright@shaw.ca

TIPS on "Buying & Selling" at Garage Sales

Pricing:

Garage sale items should be priced as inexpensively as possible. Remember that the sentimental value you place on something has nothing to do with the actual value a potential buyer may see. For example, if you paid \$20 for a pair of Osh-Kosh overalls for your new baby boy, you can expect to receive between 50 cents and a dollar in return, depending on how worn they are. Also, make sure items are well marked, especially if you have a large garage sale. This will help shoppers as they browse through all that you have available.

Negotiate prices:

People are looking for a deal, don't take it personal if they think that the prices are set too high - let people negotiate! People love to feel like they have gotten a bargain. So if you want \$10 for an item, let someone negotiate it for five instead of dragging it back into your home.

Have a \$1 Bin:

Post a sign saying, "Some items for a dollar". Use your \$1 Bin as a way to draw people in.

Make sure you have seasonal merchandise: This means understand that Christmas decorations during the sum-

mer may not be a big seller. Price them accordingly.

Good & Poor selling items:

Baby clothes sell VERY WELL at garage sales, as do baby toys and other baby items. However, adult clothes and shoes tend to not sell well, as adults are more wary of worn out clothing and shoes. Avoid trying to sell adult clothes, and instead, donate them. All charities are good causes, and your clothes will go to better use than they will at a garage sale.

Bring cash:

If you are buying, know that many owners will not accept checks, so make

sure you have cash on hand. If you are selling, have enough of a float to make change. Make sure you set your prices in easy numbers to make change.

Ask questions.

If you are looking at a mower or another type of appliance, find out what type of condition it is in. Also, check to see how many kids went through a child's car seat, as well as how used the wheels are on the tires of the bike you want to buy. Be wary of those who don't have answers, and definitely negotiate these items. If the owner is unwilling to negotiate or cannot answer your questions, walk away.



Parkview/Valleyview Park

Thank You to ALL Redevelopment Donors for Your Support.

All donations \$20.00 and more are eligible as a tax deductible donation. A receipt will be issued by The City of Edmonton.

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Fire Pit Missing



After the craft sale, the fire pit that was used to roast marshmallows went missing.

If anyone knows its whereabouts, please take it to the community league. Otherwise, the City will charge us \$120 for that fire pit. Thank you.

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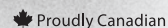
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Parkview Playschool

(Located on the 2nd Floor of Parkview Community Hall)

Tami Lackey
Playschool President

Our registration evening was held on February 18, 2009, for the 2009-2010 school year.

Please contact **Tamra Simons, our registrar** for information about available spots in our great program!

Parkview Playschool provides programming for 3 and 4 year old children, primarily from the Parkview and Valleyview communities, although all children are welcome to apply, space permitting. As a parent of the cooperative program, there are a number of expectations:

- Roster duty (approximately once every 14-16 classes)
- One toy wash per year
- Participate in the "Dessert Auction Fundraising Event"
- Participation in special events and/or field trips



4-Year-old Program Specifics

Children must be four years of age by March 1st, 2010. This is the current entry deadline for the school system.

Class times: Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons from 1:00-3:30

OR

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings from 8:50-11:20

Cost is \$85.00/month

3-Year-old Program Specifics

Children must be three years of age and toilet-trained by the first day of school.



Class times: Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 8:50-11:20

Cost is \$65.00/month

For more details or to register for our program contact our registrar

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Coin Box Contest Winner

Anna Davis is the winner of the art contest for the Parkview Redevelopment Society coin collection boxes.

In the last issue of the newsletter, Parkview residents were invited to submit entries for the drawing contest. Anna's drawing was selected and she won movie passes for her fantastic work. Way to go, Anna!

Check out Anna's artwork on the coin boxes located at Andy's IGA. The coin collection boxes are a fundraiser of the Parkview Redevelopment Society for the park redevelopment project and have collected \$1,800 to date. Thank you.



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