

parkview COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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A TRIBUTE TO ANDY'S IGA

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I literally grew up in Andy's IGA here in Parkview. I recall countless grocery store trips with my parents, slushes in the summer, the excitement of going for a walk and coming home with a chocolate bar or bag of chips (and sometimes both). In elementary school my class went on a field trip by crossing the street from Parkview School to IGA, where we got a tour of the entire store - including the back of the meat section. It was so cold, but to a group of young kids it was also quite exciting to see all of the huge cuts of meat waiting to be butchered into smaller pieces.

I continued to shop there regularly. It was the only grocery store within walking distance of my home. The kosher dry goods aisle, frozen meat, and wall of packaged hot dogs and deli have served Edmonton's Jewish community, including my family, for decades. In fact, when I, along with countless neighbours, think of Andy's IGA, "community" is the first word to come to mind. The store was owned by a community member - I went to school for a time with Andy's and Gerrie's kids - and the store employed many local folks. Andy's IGA is part of Parkview's/Valleyview's/Crestwood's identity.

But what is my most cherished memory of this neighbourhood icon? The coin-operated rocking horse. I remember my parents lifting me up to put me on her (I always considered the horse to be a "her") and being so scared the first time. Later, I would get on myself. If I had no coins, I would just rock back and forth. Sometimes the horse would not work, even if I had coins. One time that happened, another kid told me it was because I was too "big" (as in, "old"). I think I was maybe 12 at the time.

Yes, I admit, I probably rode her longer than other kids, and I would ride her now if I weren't concerned about actually breaking the mechanism. She's looking good for her age - I think she's had a coat of paint and other restorations, but she has always been beautiful.

I'm heartened to learn that L'OCA Quality Market, which is soon to fill the space, will be keeping the kosher section and the beloved horse. She is a reminder of the past and how all of us who have lived in this area for any length of time will carry a piece of Andy's IGA with us forever.



Happy retirement to Andy and Gerrie!



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

WEEKDAYS UNTIL AUG. 22:
GREEN SHACK 10:30 AM - 1:30 PM

LAST THURSDAY EACH MONTH:
YARN NIGHT & CONNECTION

AUGUST 1: INDOOR SOCCER
REGISTRATION STARTS

SEPT. 21: COMMUNITY LEAGUE
DAY PANCAKE BREAKFAST

SEPT. 20: PUB NIGHT

OCT. 22: PARKVIEW COMMUNITY
LEAGUE AGM

OCT. 26: HALLOWEEN BALL

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Parkview Community League Pancake Breakfast

SEPT 21, 9-11 AM

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Hello Parkview Residents,

We hope you are enjoying the beautiful summer weather and taking advantage of all the activities our vibrant city has to offer.



First and foremost, we want to extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who participated in the Community Clean-Up on June 2nd. It was incredible to see so many families and individuals come together to spruce up our beloved community hall and the surrounding areas. Your efforts have made a noticeable difference, and we are grateful for your dedication and hard work. A special shout-out goes to those who utilized the free Big Bin event on the same day to dispose of large unwanted items. Your participation helped keep our neighbourhood clean and clutter-free!

June 15th was an exciting day for Parkview as we hosted the much-anticipated Parkview Palooza. With around 300 attendees, the event was a smashing success! Highlights included a thrilling beach volleyball tournament, a lively beer garden, and a variety of mouth-watering food trucks that kept everyone well-fed and happy. For the kids, we had Fitset Ninja activities, glitter tattoos, and friendship bracelet-making stations ensuring fun for all ages. It was a day filled with laughter, community spirit, and unforgettable memories including an 8-1 win in Game 4 for our Edmonton Oilers on the screen in the hall.

As we celebrate 60 years of our community league, we are delighted to offer Parkview residents free community league memberships this year (with a nominal \$5 service fee). This is a fantastic opportunity to support our community and enjoy numerous benefits, including reduced or free admission to upcoming events.

Looking ahead, we have a packed calendar of events that you won't want to miss. Our popular pub nights and the annual HALLOWEEN Ball are just around the corner. The HALLOWEEN Ball, in particular, is a longstanding tradition that brings adults together for a night of mingling and fun. We are always looking for enthusiastic individuals to help organize these events. If you or someone you know is interested in shadowing our current organizers this year and potentially taking the lead next year, please reach out. Your involvement is what makes our community thrive.

As summer draws to a close, we wish everyone a safe and enjoyable end to the season. Good luck with the transition back to routine in the fall, and we look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events!

Warm regards,

The Parkview Community League Board of Directors



Thanks to George Chrones, Amanda Good, and Lisa Macintyre for sharing these Palooza photos.



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Monday-Thursday evenings are currently booked for programs. However, we have many open time slots available for our community to use.

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Our team is always ready to assist you with any inquiries or special requests you may have.

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In the Community

SOME AMAZING VENDORS FROM THE SPRING CRAFT SALE.
THANK YOU LISA MACINTYRE FOR ORGANIZING!!



The Parkview Soccer Program is Saved!!

We welcome Heather and Mathieu to our Soccer Coordinator team! Heather is here for U9-U11 (Parkview will no longer host U13+) and Mathieu is our Minis coordinator. The soccer program will continue!

The soccer program has been a value to our community in many ways. Its where neighbors meet and lifelong friends have been made!

We would also like to recognize those who stepped up as team officials each season. Without these individuals we would not have been able to host a program, it is run with Volunteer Coaches, Assistant Coaches, and Team Managers. Please volunteer – without volunteers there are no teams.

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