

# CRC NOTES

A monthly bulletin from Community Building South to keep South Residents informed on the Social and Recreation Services provided by Edmonton Community Services. We encourage you to share any of this information.

**"Neighbourhood and Community Development Branch"**

**May 2010**

## **New Green Shack Signage for 2010**

Look for a new sign on your summer green shack this year! The sign will have spaces for program hours, daily or weekly program activity schedules as well as a spot to put any other upcoming program or event information for your area!



## **City of Edmonton Master Naturalist Program 2010**

Edmonton's natural areas have tremendous ecological, social, educational and economic value. The City of Edmonton has launched a "learn and serve" program for Edmontonians who are interested in learning more about ecology and naturalization in our city, and being involved in the stewardship of local natural areas.

The Master Naturalist course is held at Grant MacEwan University (City Centre Campus), with field trips to local natural areas. It is taught by an excellent team of community and City employees with expertise and experience in natural areas stewardship. For more information, please contact Angela Hobson at [angela.hobson@edmonton.ca](mailto:angela.hobson@edmonton.ca) or 780-496-6147.

## **Artificial Turf Sportsfield For Mill Woods Park**

Funding for one artificial turf sportsfield (soccer and football) was just confirmed in mid-April. Installation is expected to start in early June. It is exciting news for Mill Woods Park and the many sports groups that will benefit from this! For further information, contact Gary Chung, Project Coordinator: 442-5421 or [Gary.Chung@edmonton.ca](mailto:Gary.Chung@edmonton.ca)

## **National Youth Week May 1-7, 2010**

National Youth Week was designed "to celebrate ways that youth are involved in the community including: recreation, drama, sport, dance, civic engagement, art, volunteerism, or leadership." Visit the National Youth Week website at [www.youthinrecreation.org/sstory/nyw.htm](http://www.youthinrecreation.org/sstory/nyw.htm) to learn more about this event.

The City of Edmonton will celebrate National Youth Week for the third consecutive year. Hosted by the Edmonton Youth Council. Visit [www.edmontonyouthweek.ca](http://www.edmontonyouthweek.ca) for more information.

## **Community League Swims**

This year the City of Edmonton is offering Community Leagues the opportunity for their members to enjoy summer swimming at the City's four outdoor pools for \$525.00. Your Community League can access:

- Mill Creek 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. daily from May 22 – August 29
- Borden Park, Oliver and Fred Broadstock 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. Sundays – Wednesdays

Please Contact Cheryl Bell at 780-495-9862 to register by June 18<sup>th</sup>.

## Front Yards in Bloom

Front Yards in Bloom (FYinB) is a recognition program to celebrate beautiful front yards.

FYinB is looking for community leagues that want more Front Yards in Bloom in their neighbourhood. It's easy, it's fun, and it works!

For more information visit the City of Edmonton website at [www.edmonton.ca/eib](http://www.edmonton.ca/eib), or The Edmonton Horticultural Society at [www.edmontonhort.com](http://www.edmontonhort.com)

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## September 18, 2010

### Community League Day - a festival of Neighbourhoods

The Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues (EFCL) has set aside the date of **September 18<sup>th</sup>** to celebrate and create a city wide community league festival.

The more leagues that participate the bigger the 'buzz' will be! Your community league event can be large or small. Imagine, and create an informal event that just lets everyone know what their community league is about - share all the great opportunities you offer and encourage volunteers to join.

For further information and to get registered to be part of all the promotions, advertising and communications, please contact [Michael.janz@efcl.org](mailto:Michael.janz@efcl.org)

Looking for City staff to help with a fun bag or other programs on Community League Day? We are expecting a large number of requests for Fun Bag leaders on this day, so, The City of Edmonton will be hosting a 2 hour Fun Bag training class for community volunteers. Talk to your CRC for more details.

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## Aboriginal Family Night

Presented by Mill Woods Aboriginal Inter-agency Group

### Food, Information and Fun for the Whole Family!

Find out what your community has to offer and tell us what programs and events you would like to see.

New Location: J. Percy Page School  
2707 Millwoods Road

Tuesday, April 20, 2010  
Tuesday, May 18, 2010  
Tuesday, June 15, 2010  
6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Contact the library at **496-1818** for more information.

## Block Parties

Pull out your lawn chairs, picnic tables and barbecues! Host a Block Party and meet new neighbours, re-establish old friendships and promote community connections!

For more information and a planning kit, Visit:

[www.edmonton.ca/for\\_residents/resident\\_service\\_programs/block-parties](http://www.edmonton.ca/for_residents/resident_service_programs/block-parties)

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## Bike 2 School Day: June 3, 2010

Organized by: Safe Active Healthy People Everywhere - SHAPE

Get on your helmet, dust off your bike and join us on June 3rd for the first Alberta Bike to School Day. Schools or individuals can participate! Come on Alberta bike to school!

Register online at [www.shapeab.com](http://www.shapeab.com) and ideas and suggestions to organize your day will be sent to you.

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## 4 Wheel Drive Program

For riders on training wheels, 4- 6 years of age. For more information or to register in these programs please call 311.

- Aspen Gardens, 6330-105A St, May 2, 10am - 12pm
- Blue Quill, 11304-25 Ave, June 19, 9:30-11:30am
- Duggan, 3728-106 St, 10-12pm
- Ermineskin, 10709-32 Av Ave, May 2, 10-12pm
- George P Nicholson, May 29, 10:30-12:30pm
- Parkallen, 6510-111 St, June 3, 3-5pm
- Brookside, 5504-143 St, May 30, 10-12pm
- Yellowbird East, 10704-19 Ave, May 29, 9:30-11:30am
- Capilano, 10810-54 St, May 29, 9-11am
- Ritchie, 7727-98 St, May 29, 10-12pm
- Southwood, 1880-37 St, May 8, 10-12pm
- North Millbourne, 980 Millbourne Rd. East, June 20, 11-1pm

## Ride to Survive:

For more information or to register in these programs please call 311.

- Aspen Gardens, 6330-105A St, May 2, 1- 3pm
- Blue Quill, 11304-25 Ave, June 19, 12:30-2:30pm
- Duggan, 3728-106 St, 1-3pm
- Ermineskin, 10709-32 Ave, May 2, 1-3pm
- George P Nicholson, (Twin Brooks), May 29, 1:30-3:30pm
- Parkallen, 6510-111 St, June 3, 3-5pm
- Brookside, 5504-143 St, May 30, 1-3pm
- Yellowbird East, 10704-19 Ave, May 29, 12:30-2:30pm
- Capilano, 10810-54 St, May 29, 9-11am
- Ritchie, 7727-98 St, May 29, 1-3pm
- North Millbourne, 980 Millbourne Rd. East, June 20, 2-4pm



## Capital City Clean Up (CCCU)

Capital City Clean Up (CCCU) is the City of Edmonton's litter abatement program to reduce litter on streets, parks and public places.

Using the **Adopt-a-Block** approach, residents and businesses volunteer to keep their "block" litter-free. Block Captains do weekly clean up on their adopted block during their regular walk from May-September. CCCU provides all supplies including bags, T shirts, gloves, hand sanitizer, litter grabbers and some special items. Block Captains track their bags collected in a log book provided. Tim Hortons, the program sponsor, provides every Block Captain with a travel mug and a gift card for free coffee.

Volunteers wishing to act as a 2010 Block Captain are asked to sign-up on the web site or call 780-944-5412 for more info.

[www.edmonton.ca/capitalcitycleanup](http://www.edmonton.ca/capitalcitycleanup)

### Raise Cash While Wiping Out Graffiti

Clean up your community and raise funds for your community league projects. The CCCU **Graffiti Management Program** will provide paint and painting supplies for an event to cover graffiti. Funding support is also available for groups to purchase snacks and food. Non-profit organizations will receive \$1 for every square foot (\$10.75 a sq. m) of graffiti painted over (not including the applicant group's own property) to a maximum of \$1,500 per application. Agencies can use the funds as they see fit, whether it's for a soccer tournament, a park slide, community league building maintenance or a volunteer appreciation night.

### Prevent Graffiti with Community Murals – New for 2010

The **Community Mural Matching Grant Program** is offering grants of up to \$2000 to support non-profit community agencies to develop murals in Edmonton neighbourhoods. Murals may be placed on various private and public structures (with property owner permission). The goal is to deter graffiti and create a shared responsibility for graffiti prevention in Edmonton.

**Graffiti Wipe Out funding** and **Community Mural Grants** will be awarded on a first-come first-serve basis. There is no limit on the number of times an applicant can apply within a calendar year for either program. However, there is a limit to the amount of funding available for each program, so please apply early by visiting the web site or call 780-442-5302 for more information.

For more information on Capital City Clean Up programs, visit:

[www.edmonton.ca/capitalcitycleanup](http://www.edmonton.ca/capitalcitycleanup)

## Clean your Neighbourhood with a Community Bin Grant

The City invites local community leagues planning a major clean up event to apply for funding to assist with costs for rental of dumpster bins. Grants are available to Edmonton community leagues on a first-come, first-serve basis to a maximum of \$2,000. The clean up event must be organized and promoted by the community league including arranging for any bins. Approved grants are paid out based on supplied invoices. There is a limit to the amount of funding available, so please apply early. Visit the web site or call 780-944-5412 for further information.

### School Yard Clean Up Program

Every spring when the snow melts, schoolyards need a little extra attention to make sure they're clean and safe—whether they're next to elementary, junior or senior high schools. Capital City Clean Up's Schoolyard Clean Up program encourages schools to put litter in its place and show school pride by registering in the program. Registering is easy. Schools just need to email

[schoolyardcleanup@edmonton.ca](mailto:schoolyardcleanup@edmonton.ca) with the school name, phone number, teacher contact name and the number of garbage bags schools will need. (CCCU will have them delivered to the schools.) Schools can register starting March 1st through to May 31st.

While each participating school will be recognized, the cleanest registered elementary, junior and senior high school in each quadrant of the city will win prizes. Both West Edmonton Mall and The Edmonton Sun are program sponsors.

### Big Bin Event!

Big Bin events are held in various communities city-wide to collect large household items that can't be set out for regular collection.

2010 Dates Include:

May 1 & 2 Callingwood, 17740 – 69 Ave  
May 8 & 9 Mill Woods Town Ctr, 23 Ave & 66 St  
May 15 & 16 Abbottsfild Shoppers Mall, 3210 – 118 Ave  
May 29 & 30 Blue Quill, 11304 – 25 Ave  
June 5 & 6 Woodcroft, 13915 – 115 Ave  
June 12 & 13 Castledowns, 11520 – 153 Ave  
June 19 & 20 Northlands, 11203 – 73 Street  
August 14 & 15 Callingwood, 17740 – 69 Avenue  
September 11 & 12 Mill Woods Town Centre, 23 Ave & 66 St.  
September 18 & 19 Commonwealth Stadium, 112 Ave & 90 St.

For more information visit:

[www.edmonton.ca/capitalcitycleanup](http://www.edmonton.ca/capitalcitycleanup)

## Leisure Access Program

The Leisure Access Program allows eligible low-income Edmontonians to access City of Edmonton recreation facilities and programs. Cardholders receive unlimited free admissions to City of Edmonton recreation facilities and 75% off the cost of registered programs.

Edmonton residents are eligible for a Leisure Access card if they are receiving AISH, Income Support, have an Alberta Child Health Benefit card, or an Alberta Works Health Benefit card, or if their income (as shown on their Notice of Assessment) is below the Low Income Cut off line.

Further information and application forms can be found online at [www.edmonton.ca/lap](http://www.edmonton.ca/lap) or by calling 780 496 4918.

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## 2010 Summer Program Guide

Summer is quickly approaching and the City of Edmonton, in partnership with local community leagues have been working hard to prepare for great summer programs.

The 2010 Summer Program Guide is out! It will be distributed to all elementary schools and available at your local City of Edmonton Leisure Centres. Be sure to pick up your copy and start planning for the summer!

**Summer Program registrations start May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010.**

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## City of Edmonton Information Links

### • City Services & General Information

visit: [www.edmonton.ca/311](http://www.edmonton.ca/311) or call 311 for information and access to City of Edmonton programs and services such as:

- Inspections, licenses, permits
- Comments, commendations, bylaw complaints
- Roadway & waste management information
- Program registrations and bookings
- Transit information

311 agents are available 24 hours a day, every day.

### • Volunteer Opportunities & Human Services, call 211 The Support Network

### • Neighbourhood Amenities

This new page on the City's website makes it easier for you to find an amenity in your neighbourhood or near your home:

[www.edmonton.ca/for\\_residents/17663.aspx](http://www.edmonton.ca/for_residents/17663.aspx)

### • Safety Information

Keep up to date with the latest Safety Information, resources, and success stories from grassroots crime prevention groups.

[www.edmonton.ca/safedmonton](http://www.edmonton.ca/safedmonton)

## Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues (EFCL)

For information on upcoming events or resources for community leagues go to: [www.efcl.org](http://www.efcl.org)

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## HOW TO CONTACT US

### Community Recreation Coordinators Neighbourhood & Community Development South

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### An additional way to communicate with your CRC is through e-mail.

The address for City Staff is:

[firstname.lastname@edmonton.ca](mailto:firstname.lastname@edmonton.ca)

**\*\* Please remember to notify  
your CRC and EFCL when  
there are changes to your  
Board contact info.**



