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Volunteer with us!

By Leanne Kohn

Parkallen is one of the older community leagues in Edmonton. The league was formed in 1920 by volunteers who wanted to invest in the community. As the president of the community league, I am proud to be part of Parkallen's rich history. We are known for caring for each other, caring for the environment, and focussing on families and relationships. As a community we have a reputation of volunteerism. I love that about our community, it is not difficult to find people who will help at an event or work the a casino.

I have lived in Parkallen for 22 years and started volunteering about 11 yearsago, starting with the park redevelopment and then

as an executive member. . The reason I started volunteering was to help build a park that my kids would enjoy, the rock and the pump track were two of the things that they along with other kids wanted to have.

Volunteering gives you an opportunity to have a positive impact on our community. It gives you an opportunity to learn new skills, make friends and it gives you a sense of accomplishment. The main reason to volunteer is to improve the quality of community life.

There are many ways to be involved and volunteer in Parkallen. If you do not see something that resonates with you, but you would like to do

something new, we are open to almost anything. This year we had two very talented people spend an afternoon with a group of Parkallen kids. They taught them some great songs and dance. The kids loved it. We also started a walking group in Parkallen, because someone in the neighbourhood wanted to lead one. If you have an idea that would benefit the community, talk to one of the executive and we will help you see it come to fruition.

The selfless act of helping provides a spiritual boost as well. Knowing you did something good for someone or a cause is an emotionally uplifting experience that can never be matched

by money or fame. It is not a glamorous job, but most who have tried it will tell you that the experience is a positive one.

With the influx of volunteers that we are going to get as a result of this article (I am optimistic), we need a volunteer coordinator. We need someone who is organized, friendly, able to make a phone call or answer an email and to connect volunteers with opportunities. This is a new position, generally Allison (our Social Coordinator), or I

have been managing volunteers. The position is not laborious. When we canvas the neighbourhood for memberships people check a box if they want to volunteer and what area they would like to volunteer in. Those cards are then uploaded so we have an electronic list of names. As a volunteer coordinator you would go through the list, contact the people who want to volunteer for SnowFest, or the casino or anything else and help make that happen. There are also new ideas that people come up with and

you would be the one to point them in the right direction.

If you enjoy being involved and are fairly organized we would love to have you fill this position. You can contact me if you are interested in this position or doing something else.

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Some volunteer roles we need to fill:

Social Committee Members

Volunteer Coordinator

Garden Project Coordinator

Fall Canvassing Drive Volunteers

Hall Coordinator



Bus Network Redesign



The City of Edmonton is currently undergoing a Bus Network Redesign. As a result of this process, the number of bus routes will be reduced from 200 to 100, in favor of more frequent service. However, this has the impact of increasing the walking distance to bus stops and reducing the accessibility of our transit service.

What does this mean for our neighbourhood?

From the proposed routes, 2 important connections that currently exist in our community have been eliminated:

- No bus service to the transit loop in Ellingson Park
- No bus service down 72 Ave.

 These changes now require residents to walk to the outside of our community to catch a bus on 109th Street or 113th Street.

It is important that we retain an accessible community bus service. Please be sure to engage with the city's public engagement for this process.

Have your say

Fill out the online survey www.edmonton.ca/ newbusroutes available until June 30

Call 311

Email newbusroutes@ edmonton.ca.





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Project background and objective

In 2004 and 2012, Parkallen experienced flooding as a result of heavy storms. Identified as an area of high risk, the Parkallen Flood Mitigation Project was initiated with the objective of reducing the risk of flooding during high- intensity, low-frequency rainfall events.

Project status

This project involves 4 stages: Stage 1 – concept validation; Stage 2 - design; Stage 3 - construction; and Stage 4 – operation. **We are currently in Stage 2**.

The first concept developed was a single dry pond on the school site. It was determined that this option could only reduce surface ponding by 63% during a 1:100 year storm event (a storm event that has a 1% chance of happening in any given year).

A second concept was developed which included two ponds: one in the school site, and one in Ellingson Park. This concept reduced surface ponding by 84% in a 1:100 year storm event. The pond in Ellingson Park was sized to avoid disturbance to the vast majority of trees.

The second concept was selected as the preferred option to implement. It also includes drainage swales directing flow to the ponds and inlets/outlets on 78 Avenue to the storm trunks. Low areas in Parkallen will be assessed for localized improvements in Stage 2.

What to expect in 2018

- Crews collecting topographic survey data
- Small drill rig coring boreholes, collecting soil samples and groundwater data

What to expect in 2019

Construction is planned for 2019. Exact timing is not available yet as it is dependent upon

design outcomes, contractor timelines, and land acquisition. The construction will affect the Ellingson Park and Parkallen School park areas for about a year.

What is a dry pond?

A dry pond (stormwater management facility) is designed to stay dry and only begin to fill with water in large rain events. The pond has an inlet/outlet pipe which connects to the main storm water pipe. When the main storm water pipe fills with water, the excess will flow through the inlet/outlet pipe into the dry pond. As water level recedes, the water will flow out through the inlet/outlet pipe and back into the main system. This system reduces pooling of water on the streets, flooding of manholes, and risk of basement flooding.

Dry ponds typically contain recreational amenities, such as soccer fields, which can be used when the pond is dry (the vast majority of the time). With the transition of Drainage Services to EPCOR, it is EPCOR's responsibility to build the dry pond and maintain the drainage infrastructure. However, the ownership and maintenance of the dry pond itself is a City of Edmonton responsibility. EPCOR will be engaging with the City of Edmonton in Stage 2 to plan recreational amenities into the overall design.

Community engagement

EPCOR is committed to engaging and building relationships with the community and stakeholders.

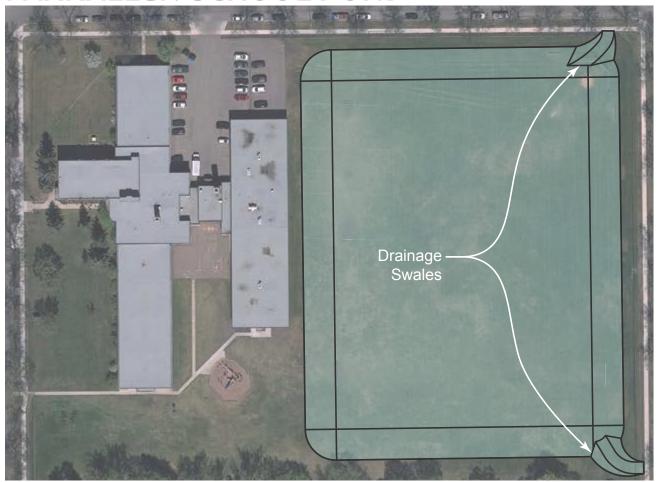
EPCOR will communicate activities and major project developments through the community newsletter, community social media, and other tools as required by the project.

Who do I contact for more information?

EPCOR Drainage Services Tel: (780) 509-8080

E-mail: EPCORdrainage@epcor.com

PARKALLEN SCHOOL POND



ELLINGSON PARK POND



Seniors Luncheon

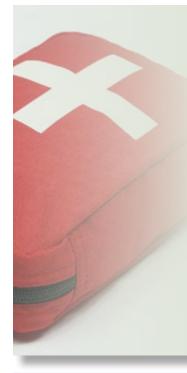






Thank you to all the folks who helped at the seniors luncheon: Ed and Ruby Hudson, Brian Gue, Lindsay Erickson for the turkey, Suzanne and Nia Chedarchuk, Elaine, Hannah, and Ashley Jeong, Marlene Wurfel and Hazel Flesher, Michelle and Julie Phillips, Erin Chevrette, Cleo Harcus, Clarissa Choy, Gabi and Dani McDonald. Photos by Marlene Wurfel.





CPR & First Aid Training June 30, 2018

Join Second Chance First Aid and CPR on June 30th, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm at Parkallen Community Hall. Cost is \$100 plus gst (\$105). Bring your own bagged lunch.Participants must be 16 years old or older. Register now at https://firstaidsafetytraining.ca/register/?regevent action=register&event

Canadian Red Cross Babysitting Course June 29, 2018

Parkallen will be offering a Canadian Red Cross Babysitting course on June 29th, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm (on a Friday, no school!). The course will be taught by Second Chance CPR & First Aid. Must be 11 years old or turning 11 within a few months of the course. Pay at Parkallen School in the office, \$60 (cash only) or online at https://firstaidsafetytraining.ca/first-aid-cpr-courses/babysitting-course/

Want to get the Parkallen News faster?

Sign up to get the newsletter and other important information by email at: www.parkallen.ca (sign up form is in the menu on the right). Don't forget to like us on Facebook (@ParkallenCommunity) and follow us on Twitter (@parkallenCL) and Instagram (ParkallenYeg) for more frequent updates.

Circle Planter gets a helping hand



The City of Edmonton is going to look after planting the Circle Planter with drought resistant plants and will weed and water it as needed. The Little Learners Daycare will help out, keeping our planter looking beautiful all summer! Thanks to Allison Chevrette for organizing this.



Congratulations to the Parkallen U11 Girls soccer team, who won bronze in the Summer Sizzler tournament on June 10, despite the torrential rain and high winds on the north side of Edmonton. Well done ladies!

Congratulations to the Parkallen Rampage U11 Boys soccer team on winning a bronze medal at the EWZSA Slurpee Cup Tournament June 1-3. They battled so hard that it felt like gold! And they should all be very proud of the effort and teamwork that they displayed. The U11 team this summer is: Rowen, Rhen, Maksymilian, Samuel, Braxton, Thomas, Kaden, Elliot, Desmond, Cameron, Colin, Orson, Felix, and Mason (in order of their jersey numbers!)

Sincere thanks to Parkallen Community League for sponsoring the teams and to Meghan Dunnigan for coordinating such a fantastic soccer program for our community!

Parkallen Events

Stay tuned to our Facebook page for possible kids events over the summer.

All-ages (Just For Fun) Soccer

Summer soccer will run 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm on Wednesdays on the small soccer field at Parkallen School.

Summer Fun!

Parkallen Green Shack

July 3 – August 23 Monday – Friday 2:30 PM - 6:00 PM Flying Eagle will be on site July 16 - 20

Parkallen Summer Playground Program

Our program leader will start July 2 More details to be announced! Watch Facebook for updates.

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HOURS

Monday 4PM-10PM
Tuesday 11AM-10PM
Wednesday 11AM-11PM
Thursday 11AM-11PM
Friday 11AM-11PM
Saturday 4PM-11PM
Sunday 4PM-10PM

HOUSE WINE 6 oz // 8 9 oz // 10

WHITE // Lindeman's Chardonannay

Soft, smooth, melon, peach

RED // Los Cardos Malbec

Sour cherry, plum, hot spice, full bodied

FEATURE POUR 6 oz // 13 9 oz // 17

Ask your server about our special bottles changing daily

WHITE WINE 6 oz // 10 9 oz // 13 750 ml // 40

Gabbiano Promessa Pinot Grigio

Dry, light-bodied, ripe pear, citrus, medium finish

Oyster Bay Chardonnay

Smokey, luxurious, golden apple, light citrus

Babich Sauvignon Blanc

Dry, citrus, tropical, juicy acidity, minerality

Navarrsotillo Noemus Rose

Red fruit aroma, strawberry, fresh, slight acidity

RED WINE 6 oz // 10 9 oz // 13 750 ml // 40

Hob Nob Pinot Noir

Ripe cherry, raspberry, medium-bodied, dry

Lindeman's Cabernet Sauvignon

Cassis, cherry, vanilla, soft tannins, smooth oak

Castillo de Monseran Garnacha

Black cherry, juicy plum, mint, anise, medium-bodied

Alamos Malbec

Chocolate, dark cherry, plum, full-bodied

BUBBLES

Canella Prosecco $200 \text{ ml} // 10 \quad 750 \text{ ml} // 40$ Ruffino Prosecco $6 \text{ oz} // 10 \quad 750 \text{ ml} // 40$

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Garden Update

You've checked out some of the little free libraries in Parkallen, but have you stopped by the Parkallen Community Garden's little free dinosaur library? Bring a dinosaur or take a dinosaur. Look for the jurassic garden at your community garden in Parkallen to find the dino library.

Summer and Fall garden workshops are free for Parkallen community garden volunteers and Parkallen Community League members:

Build a Stepping Stone Workshop: Wed, July 25, 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at the Parkallen Community Garden, All Ages, materials supplied

Make a Wild Pollinator Log: Wed, September 5, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. at the Parkallen Community Garden, All Ages, materials supplies

Register for these free workshops using EventBrite or email garden@parkallen.ca

Composting Workshop

July 11, 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Composting and Improving your Soil

FREE Workshop with Mark Stumpf-Allen, City of Edmonton Composting Programs Director

Hosted by the Parkallen Community Garden

Are you interested in growing some food or improving how your lawn looks? Have you heard about composting but still not sure how to do it? Attend

this workshop and learn how to compost and make the soil underneath your lawn or in your garden beds more fertile.

Composting is nature's way of recycling, and soil is the starting point for everything we grow. Yard waste and food scraps become food for soil and plants. Learn all the basics of composting and the right system for you. Learn about what you can do to improve your soil so you can have a more abundant harvest, lush lawn

or beautiful flower beds. Have some experience composting and gardening but things don't seem to be quite working as you were told they should? Mark has extensive experience composting, building soil fertility and growing abundant crops. He will tailor the workshop to the interests of those who attend and provide valuable advice you can take home and use.

To register for this FREE workshop, please email garden@parkallen.ca.

LRT Crossing Update

We have received word from City Operations and ETS that several upgrades will be made to improve safety at the 60th Avenue LRT Crossing. The project is expected to be completed by the end of 2018. Please visit www.parkallen.ca for more information.

Ellingson Park Update



Lots has been happening in Ellingson Park lately!

The clay for our new and improved pump track was delivered last week and things are starting to shape up nicely.

Thanks to Jay Hoots and his team for their great work. If you would like to visit other pump tracks constructed by Hoots Inc. check out their website www.hoots.ca

We've also had brand new basketball posts installed. A huge thank you to Dave Phillips and Jeff Miyashita for their exceptional work. They have spent hours digging, pouring concrete and moving the heavy posts into place.

Classified

Available August 1. one bedroom suite with den. Includes off street parking, utilities, wifi, and cable tv. Private entrance, washer, dryer, climate control, fridge, stove, microwave, dishwasher and two TVs. Located at 110 street and 70 avenue. Call 780 964-3333 or email keithramsay@shaw.ca for more details.

Parkallen Elementary School is looking for a Lunch Supervisor Monday thru Friday on Regular instruction days. This is a paid position and requires filling out an application and police check.

Little Learners Daycare has spots available for ages 1-5 years old. Cozy, one on one attention and a great menu. Come see our family run daycare today! 780-758-9144



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