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THE McKernan Messenger

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Next League Meeting

Tuesday, November 2
at 7 p.m at the hall.

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

It is with a huge amount of gratitude that I wish to thank all my very conscientious volunteers for the time they gave to the very successful casino we held on September 22-23. Once I had all my slots filled I felt confident that everyone would show and I was not disappointed. The money we will raise from this effort is, as always, going to the Hall redevelopment, and each one brings the project a little nearer to completion. You made my job easy! Thank you so much!

Hilary (MCL Casino Coordinator)

YOU CAN make the
McKernan Community
one of the best in
Edmonton!

Volunteer for:

- * McKernan Park FUNDRAISING Committee
 - * Programs Committee to coordinate Children and Youth Programs in McKernan
- OR

Make a donation:

- * McKernan Park
- * McKernan Community Centre

Dear McKernan community residents:

NOW is the time to donate to the McKernan Park renovation

We would like to raise a total of \$10 000 from McKernan Community Residents before spring 2012 (when we plan to start construction). The money you donate will go directly towards picnic tables, including a covered picnic area, benches, garbage containers, a drinking fountain and improved walkways. Your donation is matched dollar for dollar by the City of Edmonton and all donations over \$20 are eligible for income tax receipts. Look out for details of how your donation will be recognized and will leave a lasting impression in the park for years to come!

The McKernan Park Committee submitted an application for \$116,924 from the Neighbourhood Parks Development Program. These additional funds will cover SOME of the costs to prepare the concrete around the wading pool to accommodate the skate spot features, the addition of a shelter covering a picnic area, two extra water lines: one for a drinking fountain and another for a future toddler play table, garbage containers, benches and improved walkways for entry into the park. The total cost of Phase I of the McKernan Park Revitalization is anticipated to be around \$234, 000. To date we have received \$95,000 from the Provincial government (to cover the spray deck and skate spot features) and a total of \$1,400 in community donations. The Edmonton Skateboard Association has stated they are committed to fundraising for this project too.

Donation cheques should be payable to "the City of Edmonton" and can be dropped off at 11235-75 Ave. For further information please call Rashmi Mandhane @ 780-430-7970 or email: vicepresident@mckernancommunity.org

Hula fun at the 7th Annual McKernan BBQ

Thanks to all who turned out for fun and food for our BBQ event Sept. 17, and a special thanks to the helpers: Wiggert Hessels for his expert burger-flipping; Michelle Jones for purchasing the food, Wayne Rogers for looking after the tent, and Ed Stover from the Christian Church for loaning tables. Steve Wallace and Greg Jones handled the music, and Piush and Rashmi Mandhane and several others for general assistance. Most of all thanks to Ann-Marie Thivierge for her expert organization. The next great event will be the Christmas Potluck December 11. Watch for more details next month.



McKernan Community League Membership 2011/2012

Member Name(s): _____

Address: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

of Children: _____

Type of Membership (please circle):

Family -- \$30

Single Parent Family -- \$20

Single -- \$15

Senior or U of A Student -- \$5

Amount Enclosed: _____

of Skate Tags required: _____ League Donation: _____

Willing to volunteer? Yes No In what capacity? _____

Comments: _____

Clip and deliver/ mail to: McKernan Membership Committee
c/o Sean Jones
11162 -73 Ave. Edmonton T6G 0C4

Thank you for your continuing support.

Rent the hall (11341-78 Ave.)!

Contact hall rental coordinator Ray Pallard at 780 438 0367,
hallrental@mckernancommunity.org More information at the hall
is available at www.mckernancommunity.org.

Kids and Youth Programs

Programs are run by the City of Edmonton with the support of the McKernan Community League. Some programs are also sponsored by neighboring league partners.

If you have an idea for a program (for kids or adults), contact Rashmi Mandhane at secretary@mckernancommunity.org

Incredible Edibles

What's cooking in the kitchen? Learn how to prepare simple tasty food! Kids age 6 to 10 will learn about kitchen safety, cleanliness and how to select healthy foods in this four-week course. Two sessions available:

Session 1

Each Sunday, Oct. 16 to Nov. 6,
1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

McKernan Hall (11341-78 Ave.)

Cost: \$47.50

eReg code: 432270

Session 2

Each Sunday, Nov. 13 to Dec. 4,
1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

McKernan Hall (11341-78 Ave.)

Cost: \$47.50

eReg code: 432271

Registration

Register using ereg.edmonton.ca; call the City of Edmonton at 311; or register at any city Leisure Centre.

Community Contacts

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POCKET PARK	Carolyn Jones	780-990-0385
U of A LIAISON	Wiggert Hessels	780-432-6379

League Memberships

Memberships in your community league support programs, socials, hall activities, newsletters, and more; PLUS the League is looking out for your interests in housing, transportation, services and more. Memberships are \$30 for family or organizations, \$20 for single parent families. Single memberships with skating are \$15, seniors and students only \$5. A bargain! See the membership form at www.mckernancommunity.org, or purchase at the Maurice Pharmacy on 76 Avenue.

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Development Notes

The Housing Development committee inspected the plans for a development at 11210-78 Ave for a single detached house with basement suite and attached rear garage and approved a small variance requested.

Development Applications (Sept. 1 to 27)

This list covers permits that have been applied for in McKernan last month. Complete information, including permit number and the name of the applicant, is available at the City of Edmonton mapping website maps.edmonton.ca > Development Applications. If you have any questions about a project, contact Hilary Gray, 434-0480; housing@mckernancommunity.org.

Address	Permit(s) for:
10937-74 Ave.	To construct a single detached house with balcony, secondary suite and to demolish a single detached house.
11143-77 Ave.	To demolish an existing single detached house. To construct a single detached house with a veranda and fireplace and with a basement development.
11158-77 Ave.	To demolish the existing garage.

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Events in the Community

Jeff Allen Gallery: Strathcona Place Senior Centre (10831 University Ave.) Mon. to Fri. 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 3 to 4 p.m. *Serenity II* is an exquisite exhibit in watercolours of landscapes and flowers. Feel the quiet spirituality interpreted by the artist Yomiko Hoyano in her landscape paintings of Edmonton and Alberta. Runs Nov. 4 to 25.

40th Anniversary Grand Finale Tea, Strathcona Place Seniors Centre (10831 University Ave.) Mon., Oct. 31, 1:30 to 3 p.m. Join in the festivities and celebrate 40 years of operation at Strathcona Place Centre. The Treble Makers will entertain you with a great repertoire of lively music. Dress up in your favourite costume, refreshments will served. Stop in early and make your bid on 23 fabulous items at the Silent Auction (closes at 2 p.m.) Free admission!

Artisan Craft Sale and Remembrance Day Dinner, Strathcona Place Seniors Centre (10831 University Ave.) Wed., Nov. 9 Check out the beautiful items for sale; pottery, greeting cards, watercolour paintings, jewelry, jams and jellies, dolls, quilts, books and so much more. Admission is free and a Tooney Tea will be held in the main lounge from 2 to 4 p.m. The Remembrance Day Dinner begins at 5:30 p.m., Full course Roast Lamb dinner, includes appetizer, entrée, veggies, dessert and tea or coffee, all for \$10. Call 433-5807; info@seniorscentre.org



Community briefs

Lose weight with TOPS

Those with a little or a lot of weight to lose can find support with TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly). The group is hosting an Open House with guest speaker at 10 a.m. on October 25 at the Cross of Christ Lutheran Church on 11460-60 Ave. Regular meetings are Tuesday mornings at 9:30 a.m. at the same location. For further information contact Betty Anne at 780-437-7942 or Merna at 780-438-3788.

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Tired of seeing this every day? Try Living Local!

Living Local Summit

Driving here, driving there – Edmontonians spend a lot of their day on the road. But there are ways to make it easier for citizens to shop, eat, play and work closer to home. Now the City of Edmonton and The Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues are working with member leagues, various orders of government, partner organizations and other stakeholders to encourage Edmontonians to Live Local. Join the Living Local Summit and help develop a strategy to help Edmontonians

League notes

Joint venture for hall takes a step forward

The League board approved a recommendation from the Hall Redevelopment Committee to engage the services of the law firm RMRF for the McKernan Community Centre project. RMRF is to begin work on a joint venture arrangement with Alberta Adaptabilities Association to allow both the League and AAA to share the space and the costs of the redeveloped Centre.

U of A South campus issues continue

Wiggert Hessels reported on the recent meeting of the South Campus Neighbourhood Coalition. The University appears to be moving ahead with its plans for redevelopment, including the construction of the cyclotron at the former Balmoral centre. The coalition is investigating its legal options in the face of the University's apparent unwillingness to meaningfully consult with its surrounding neighbours. Any residents with concerns or comments regarding the South Campus redevelopment should bring them forward to Wiggert at 780-432-6379.

Rink shack painting complete

iHuman crew completed the painting of the rink shack Oct. 6. The paintings on the four walls represent the four seasons. The League thanks the youth artists: Jason Tait, Justine Shain, Val Arcand Herreros, John Nguyen, Ryan Thorson, Trent Merrill, Aaron Cocks (Joker), Stan Cardinal, and Jordan Henrey, along with summer student Karen Sutherland, (guest artist) Adrian Loudon and art coordinator Carla Gilday. The City of Edmonton anti-graffiti office also contributed \$2000 toward the cost of the project, so a big thank you to them as well. We hope the new décor will reduce the amount of graffiti that appears on the shack.

do more daily activities closer to home and reduce the amount of time spent driving. The Living Local Summit includes guest speakers on the topics of community design, aging in place and locational efficiency. The summit will be held Oct. 28 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Woodvale Community Hall (4540-50 St.) Registration includes Lunch, Coffee, and Refreshments. To register call #311 or visit ereg.edmonton.ca (course code 431435). Registration deadline is October 24.



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