



# ERMINESKIN ENLIGHTENER

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**JUNE 2017**

**CIRCULATION 1800**



**Everyone is welcome to the Grand Opening Celebrations for new Ermineskin playground.**

Join us on **June 10 at 11 am** at the playground on 25 Ave / 107 St.

There will be a ribbon cutting and cake for everyone to enjoy.

Councillor Michael Walters and MLA Richard Feehan will be there.

**A big Thank You to all the volunteers who made the Big Bin Event, Pancake Breakfast and Preschool Garage Sale Fundraiser a success!**

It was a beautiful day and lots of people came through the Community Centre.

Thank you to our government representatives, MP Matt Jeneroux, MLA Richard Feehan, and City Councillor Michael Walters who were great pancake flippers!



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February, April, June, September & November

Our advertisers play an important role in our community, as they support us and many of our endeavors. GST is already included in the rates:

SIZE	1st Mth	Add'l Mth
Business Card	\$17.00	\$14.45
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For more information visit our website at  
[www.ermineskincommunity.ca](http://www.ermineskincommunity.ca)

**Copy deadline for September is August 5**

**The Ermineskin Board of Directors  
meets the second Tuesday of every  
month at 7:00 PM—**

**All are welcome to attend.**

**Upcoming General Meetings:**

June 13, September 12 , October 10

**COMMUNITY LEAGUE MEMBERSHIPS**

***Memberships for 2017– 2018  
are now available***

**Single / Single Parent Family: \$25.00**

**Family : \$ 35.00 / Seniors (65 + no charge)**

**Memberships can be purchased on line  
([www.EFCL.org](http://www.EFCL.org)) or through our office.**

**A member of the Edmonton Federation  
of Community Leagues**

**HALL RENTAL INFORMATION**

Size: 2400 square feet (40 x 60 feet)

Seating: 96

Kitchen: 2 stoves, 1 fridge, 1 freezer,  
1 dishwasher, dishes and cutlery. **For**

**updated rates and to book using the  
online form, please see our website  
at:**

<http://www.ermineskincommunity.ca/main>

## President's Message:



I would like to thank the Ermineskin Community League Board members, our dedicated office staff and all the volunteers who dedicated their time to enrich the life in our community.

The Community league is well served by Jo and Sherisse, as a Board we appreciate their dedication and level of detail.

The Board has worked hard during the past year on programs and services, responding to infill concerns, and raising funds for new programs. We will continue to look for new programs to meet the needs of our members.

As President, I would like to extend my appreciation to Monty Nelson our first Vice President and the entire Ermineskin Park Playground Committee who have worked for eight years on the playgrounds design, fund-raising and construction. The new playground is awesome and a fabulous addition to the community. I would also like to acknowledge Councillor Michael Walters and the Hon. Richard Feehan for the generous contributions from the City of Edmonton and Government of Alberta. The official opening of the park will be on Saturday, June 10, 2017 at 11 am.

Now that that Ermineskin Playground Project is done, Monty has agreed to work on the Century Park File. Due to a conflict of interest with my employer (The City of Edmonton) I have had to step out of discussions regarding the latest Century Park development and the burden of this important discussion has fallen to Monty who will be assisted and advised by a great committee of seasoned real estate developers from our community.

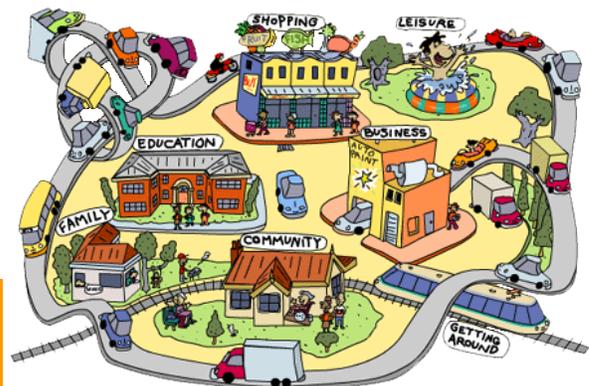
Our finances in order and we are in a good financial position as we move into our next fiscal year.

On behalf of the Board, I would again like to thank you for volunteering your time their time to enrich the life in our community.

Respectfully submitted,

Kent McMullin

President



**Community League Day is coming!**

**September 16**

**Watch the website for details**

## Playground Report

It is great to be able to announce that the playground is complete. The last final adjustments to the structures and Gazebo were completed on December 3, 2016.

The project came in at a total cost of \$522,567.65. This was paid for through a grant from the city of Edmonton (\$250,000), the Province of Alberta (\$125,000), and the remainder of funds (\$147,567.65) coming from the community league. Now that the project is done, the city tells us that final costs appear to be actually slightly lower. As such we may be getting a refund of up to \$56,486.41 in the next few months. If this turns out to be the case, then this would render the final actual cost of the entire project to be \$455,476.59.

The playground has been getting positive comments from most, and we appreciate all of the feedback we have had. This spring we hope to see some designs and our community league logo painted onto the rubber surfacing portions of the playground, and the large pile of dirt will be removed.

**Our official opening ceremony for the playground will occur on Saturday June 10th, at 11 a.m. and all are invited. Representatives from the city (including Councillor Walters) as well as our MLA Mr. Richard Feehan will be in attendance.**

Once again, I want to thank the entire community league board for their help and fundraising over the last 8 years, as well as the playground committee. The diligence of people such as Tyler Pollock, Michele Finn and Jeff McLeod at the City of Edmonton, Jay Silverman and Playworks (suppliers of the playground equipment), and Howard McIntyre and his team from Softline (installers of the equipment and landscaping, as well as the rubber, sand, and woodchip materials) is also greatly appreciated.

**Many organizations and individuals provided funding** for the project as well, in addition to the City of Edmonton and the Province. Heartfelt thanks are extended to the following as well for their contributions: **Playground Committee Members:** Frank Bachmier, Dissan Jayasumana, Mike Sharek, Michele Rogers, Robert and Tracy Pollard, Jeanne Caron, Karen and Richard Thomas;

**Corporate Financial Donors** (including Cheques and/or Gift Cards): Safeway (Heritage), The Melting Pot Restaurant, Build to Last Corporation, and Har-Par Investments (owners of Ermineskin House and Heritage Place rental units).

**Individual Financial Donors** (Cheques): Tom Shearer, Cindy Nelson, B. McMillan, Annabel Brophy, Mariel Ansion, Marsha Linde, Bill Rankin, Claire Golda, and Chander Tuteja.

As well: Dozens of others donated their money, information, ideas, and time to the surveys and the project over the years. This includes all of the neighborhood children, and all of the ideas and drawings from the classes of children at Steinhauer School to provide suggestions for the types of play equipment that they wanted to see at the playground. Sorry that we weren't able to integrate all of the great ideas and suggestions that were provided. Ziplines, a basketball court, and a splash park would have been great, but additional finances would have been needed to accomplish these.

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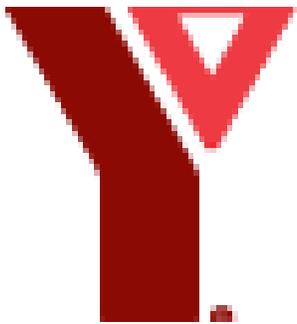
My involvement in getting this project rolling began when my daughter was not quite 1 year old; she recently turned 9! It is with relief that I am providing this final report regarding the playground project, and I truly hope that it provides many years of enjoyment to the community.

Monty Nelson

Chair, Playground Renovation Committee



### Steinhauer YMCA Out Of School Care



**Steinhauer YMCA is an Accredited Out of School Care centre.** We strive in providing meaningful experiences and opportunities for all children.

Steinhauer YMCA provides the children with at least 30 minutes of physical activities a day, and a variety of art, science, building and international activities.

**We currently have a few open spots, if you are interested or would like more information please contact Program Director, Tamara Fennig at 780-428-1825 or [TFennig@northernaberta.ymca.ca](mailto:TFennig@northernaberta.ymca.ca).**

**The Green Shack Programs** are coming this summer!

This program is targeted for children aged 6-12, but all children accompanied by an adult are welcome to attend.

- **Ermineskin Park, 10704 25 Avenue, July 4-August 24, Monday-Friday, 10am-1:30pm. Flying Eagle will be on site July 17 at 10am.**
- **Steinhauer Park, 10709-32A Ave, July 4-August 24, Monday-Friday, 2:30pm-6pm**



## **A message from City Councillor Michael Walters**

Over the last three years, I have been actively engaging with Procura (the developer), our Administration and your Community League to work towards achieving Century Park's full potential, which is a thriving and well-built Transit Oriented Development, where thousands will eventually be able to live, all within walking distance of an LRT Station.

With the rezoning application tentatively scheduled for a Public Hearing in late Spring or early Fall of this year, I would like to take this opportunity to update you on some of the key features proposed by the developer in the new zone, as well as some of the areas I have been engaged with the community league to achieve.

During the deliberation, as well as the process leading up to the Public Hearing, some of my key areas of focus will be:

1. Ensuring that there is a permanent parking solution included within the development for residents, visitors, and LRT users so the surrounding communities do not see an increase in parking on their streets.
2. Ensuring signalized traffic lights at 109th street and 29th Avenue and improved crossing lights on 109th and 25th Avenue.
3. Ensuring a financial contribution from this development is provided toward enhancing community and community league amenities, and the amount provided is reflective of the number of new residents in your community.
4. Ensuring there are a number of incentives and clauses included within the new zone that encourages actual development of the site.

Some notable features of the rezoning proposed by the applicant include:

- Increase residential density from 2,886 units to approximately 4000 units
- A vibrant commercial main street to connect the east side of the site with the Century Park LRT station and transit terminal
- Building height up to 90m in select locations
- Underground or structured parking, including privately owned park and ride facility and/or shared parking

I am committed to, and have been working with, Ermineskin and the surrounding communities throughout this rezoning process to gain a better understanding of the community's desires and concerns. I would like you to provide me with your thoughts, ideas and concerns surrounding this opportunity, so please feel free to reach out to me directly.

This project will change our communities. And it needs to change it for the better as much as possible.

For more information on Century Park and the current rezoning application, please visit [www.edmonton.ca/centuryparkrezoning](http://www.edmonton.ca/centuryparkrezoning)

## What Is Community League Membership?

At its simplest, a Community League is a group of your neighbours who volunteer to organize events, activities and programs in your community, such as soccer. The first Community League formed 100 years ago and today, there are 157 Community Leagues all across the City. Everyone in Edmonton lives within the boundary of a Community League.

When you purchase a Community League membership, you help your Community League bring residents together, improve community amenities, and enhance the quality of life for you and your neighbours. Community Leagues do this through organizing recreational, education and sport programming, hosting community parties and events, developing amenities such as spray parks, playgrounds, sports courts, community gardens and community league halls, and by being the voice of the community when it comes to civic matters that impact your neighbourhood.

Some **benefits** available, regardless of which community league is yours, include:

- Youth Sport Participation
- A 20% discount at any City of Edmonton Recreation Centre through the Community League Wellness Program
- Neighbourhood Parties, Events, Classes
- Free Skating On Any Outdoor Community League rink across the City
- A Voice in Shaping Your Community
- Other discounts/benefits that are advertised from time to time

Ermineskin offers free family swimming for the summer at the city outdoor pools.

Please see our website for specific days and times for each pool.

Members can take advantage of free swimming at Confederation Pool Saturdays from 4pm-5:30pm during the school year.

Your league may also offer additional benefits, programs, or discounts with local businesses or services.

Please take the time to learn more about your community league and get involved. The best way to create the type of community you want to live in is to get active and get engaged with your neighbours and with your League. Check your League's web site to see what else may be of interest to you. **Find contact information for your Community League at [efcl.org](http://efcl.org)**

### ERMINESKIN ENLIGHTENER SEPTEMBER DEADLINE: AUGUST 5 , 2017

Please email JPEG Ad submissions to: [e-enlightener@hotmail.com](mailto:e-enlightener@hotmail.com)

Submit any hard copy items to the mail slot at the Community League office.

Please Note: The Ermineskin Enlightener can be downloaded from our website:

[www.ermineskincommunity.ca](http://www.ermineskincommunity.ca)

## ***Seniors Corner***

**PETROLIA SENIORS' GROUP Invites YOU to : Lunch and a Program** The **third Tuesday** of each month (except July and August)

**Where? Greenfield Community Hall - 3803 - 114 Street -**

**Time? 11:45 a.m. (sharp) to 2:00 p.m.** LUNCH and a PROGRAM (\$15 )

**June 20th – Petrolia Seniors 30th Anniversary Celebration**

To CONFIRM your attendance or for more information

Call: Nick --780-435-1045 or Betty --780-434-0711



If you have complaints about the parking in our community, please call 311 or use the 311 app to make the City aware of the parking issues including parking too close to the curb. The logs of each report help the City identify trouble areas and areas that require special attention to better address these issues with a long-term plan.

# FREE BREAD

Each Sunday at 10AM a variety of bread and pastries are available for ANYONE who has a need; no questions asked.

Bread is generously donated by Costco and the variety and quantity will vary each week.

Southside Church of the Nazarene  
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**Summer is coming!!**



**Community Swim!**

Current ECL members in good standing can enjoy

**Free** community swim at:

Confederation Pool

11204 43 AVE

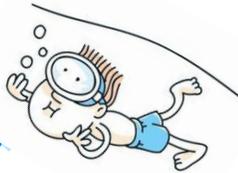
**Saturdays, January to June 2017,**

**4 pm - 5:30 pm**

**Remember to bring your current membership card!**

Also for the summer, 2016-2017 ECL members can get free admission to outdoor pools.

**Check our website for days and times.**



**Risen Lord Lutheran Church**

**Pastor Glen Carlson**

Sunday Service 10 A.M.

Sunday School during service

10709—32 A Ave

780-440-6476



**Southside Church**  
of the Nazarene

**Sunday Service 10:30AM**  
Sunday School for children age 3-11

10712 29Ave NW (780)437-2217  
Pastors Jonny and Jen Blake

[www.southsidenazarenechurch.ca](http://www.southsidenazarenechurch.ca)

**JUST STARTING 2nd May!**



A safe place for kids (under 5's) to play and interact while parents/grandparents enjoy refreshments and adult conversation. Healthy snacks for the kids.

**Tuesday Mornings 9:30-11AM**

Southside Church of the Nazarene

10712 29Ave NW 780-437-2217

[www.southsidenazarenechurch.ca](http://www.southsidenazarenechurch.ca)



## ERMINESKIN UFO

### [Un-Finished-Objects] GROUP

\*scrapbooking \*card making \*sewing \*knitting  
\*quilting etc.



*If you have projects you would like to work on then this is the day for you. Get away from the distractions at home and join others for a great day.*

*Coffee is provided, Just bring your lunch.*

**For more information or to register call:**

Pat at 780-886-7838

Visit the community website at:  
[ermineskincommunity.ca](http://ermineskincommunity.ca)

**TIME: 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.—**

**FEE: \$10.00**

**JUNE 17, SEPT 23, Oct 21, Nov 18**

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If you would like to meet me to discuss any problems you or your family may be facing I encourage you to contact my office below.

**Constituency Office**

**308 Saddleback Road, Edmonton, AB T6J 4R7**

**780.414.1311**

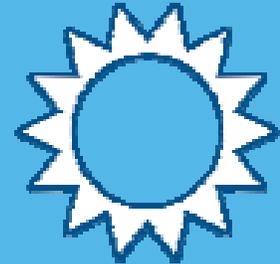
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# NEIGHBOURHOOD SUMMER DAYCAMP

Edmonton

# DANCE TO THE BEAT



DATE	TIME	AGES	COURSE CODE	COST
Tuesday-Friday July 4-7, 2017	1:30pm-4:00pm	6-9 years	596569	\$56

## Ermineskin Community League

10709—32 A Avenue

Explore basic movement through various dance forms like jazz, line dancing, & hip hop. Dance themed games and crafts will also be included. We will have fun as we move and groove, learn the origins of various dance forms, and explore the healthy habits of dancers! We will cap the week with a final performance with family and friends as our special guests.

Registration opens March 15, 2017

To Register:

- Call 311
- Online at [ereg.edmonton.ca](http://ereg.edmonton.ca)
- In person at any City of Edmonton Recreation Leisure Centre

Thank you to the Ermineskin Community League for access to their facility





**Scouts is about having fun** while gaining value leadership skills and self-confidence.

Scouts enjoy outdoor adventures like mountain biking, rock climbing and lots of camping while working together with other young people to accomplish thrilling challenges.

Scouting gives every member a chance to be a leader. It might involve running an activity, organizing a camp, or participating with other young people across your province or Canada in a youth forum.

Scouting makes a difference in the lives of children, youth and young adults. Providing opportunities for youth to grow, achieve new "firsts" and develop into citizens of the world.

Scouts are more likely to demonstrate greater self-confidence and optimism about what the future holds. They express a strong sense of civic responsibility and have a desire to "pay back" the community. They become more physically fit, energetic, outgoing, conscientious and compassionate. And they have a lot of fun!

### **Scouts is the start of something great.**

Personal Achievement Badges are designed to allow youth to explore and expand skills and knowledge in areas that are of particular interest to them. .

The Scout program focuses on outdoor and environmental activities, citizenship and community service, leadership and personal development and includes a variety of activities:

- Mountain biking, Rock-climbing, Canoeing, Kayaking
- Extended hikes and lots of camping, Running an activity
- Organizing a camp, Participating in provincial or national youth forums

**Vision:** Canadian youth making a meaningful contribution to creating a better world.

**Mission:** To help develop well rounded youth, better prepared for success in the world.

Check out [www.scouts.ca](http://www.scouts.ca) for more information.



Girl Guides of Canada offers challenging, active programming for girls' ages 5 to 17. In the company of friends and women mentors, girls in the community are experiencing the fun, friendship and adventure of the Girl Guides Movement. You can be a part of it!

**In the Ermineskin Community the following units meet:**

**Pathfinders (girls ages 12-14) Thursdays 7-8:30pm**

**Rangers (girls ages 15-17) Thursdays 7:8:30pm**

**Registration date for new members is June 2 and can be done on line.**

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We are also actively recruiting adult volunteers!

Guiding provides a safe environment that invites girls and young women to challenge themselves, to find their voice, to meet new friends, to have fun, and to make a difference in the world. Girl Guides of Canada-Guides du Canada (GGC) strives to ensure that girls and women from all walks of life, identities, and lived experiences feel a sense of belonging and can fully participate. Girl Guides is an organization with more than 100 years of history and a strong, growing future. Join Us!

Check the <http://www.guidesedmonton.ab.ca/> for further information or contact Robyn and Jen at [bettymartin.dc@gmail.com](mailto:bettymartin.dc@gmail.com).

**Vision**

Girl Guides of Canada-Guides du Canada, the organization of choice for girls and women, makes a positive difference in the life of every girl and woman who experiences Guiding so she can contribute responsibly to her communities.

**Mission**

Girl Guides of Canada-Guides du Canada enables girls to be confident, resourceful and courageous, and to make a difference in the world.

**Values**

The stated values for Girl Guides of Canada-Guides du Canada are stipulated in the Promise and Law.



**Alberta Health  
Services**

*Emergency  
Medical  
Services*



With the return of summer weather, Alberta Health Services EMS would like to remind everyone to stay safe in the heat and sun this season. While children and the elderly may be more susceptible to the effects of heat and sun, basic prevention measures should be taken by all to avoid a heat related illness during periods of hot and humid weather.

**Heat exhaustion**

Heat exhaustion can occur due to excessive fluid loss during periods of prolonged sweating in a hot and/or humid environment (indoors or outdoors).

Patients may suffer headaches, weakness, fatigue, nausea/vomiting, thirst, chills, and profuse sweating.

The patient is usually cold and damp to the touch and the skin may appear pale or dusky gray.

**Heat stroke**

Heat stroke is a medical emergency which, without prompt treatment, could be fatal.

It occurs when the body can't cool itself naturally (e.g. perspiration). The body's temperature will continue to rise to dangerous levels.

Due to severe dehydration and the inability to sweat, the patient may appear flushed, and skin may be hot and dry to the touch.

**First aid**

- First aid for all heat related illness begins with removing or sheltering the patient from the hot environment.
- Remove excess or tight fitting clothing, and allow them to rest in a cool environment.
- If the patient is conscious and alert, provide suitable fluids such as: water, juice, or a sports drink. If you are concerned, seek medical attention or call 9-1-1.

**Prevention**

- Stay well-hydrated by drinking plenty of water.
  - Be aware that excessive alcohol consumption will promote dehydration.
  - Always wear a broad brimmed hat to keep the sun off your face and neck.
- Apply a broad spectrum, waterproof sunscreen with a minimum SPF of 30+, especially for children. The sun's UV rays peak between 11am-3pm, even on cloudy days.

Did you know that:

To remove a splinter, apply a paste of baking soda and water, then wait several minutes. The splinter should pop right out of the skin! Wow... who knew!

That if your car every overheats, don't keep driving it! Two minutes of overheating is enough to completely ruin the engine!

Here's something for the kids!

Look at the following list of personality traits. Decide if they are positive or negative by circling the positive traits!

|                   |                   |           |
|-------------------|-------------------|-----------|
| Bossy             | Generous          | Polite    |
| Cheap/stingy      | Hardworking       | Punctual  |
| Smart/intelligent | Honest            | Rude      |
| Creative          | Impatient         | Selfish   |
| Mean              | Kind              | Shy       |
| Dishonest         | Lazy              | Talkative |
| Funny             | Outgoing/sociable | Cool      |

Answer the following questions using the personality vocabulary above.

1. Which of these traits describe you?
2. Which of these traits describe each of your parents?

**Have a great summer everyone!!**

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