

LENDRUM LIVING

November/December 2016



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Lendrum Community League

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Lendrum's Third Annual Chili Cookoff

**Saturday, November 26, 2016
5-8pm**

\$5 entry gets you a bowl & spoon, 3 votes, and as many refills as you can handle.

More chili cooks needed! If you can make a chili email Xanthe at xloyer@telus.net



Capital Region Housing Lendrum Project - Community Engagement

**December 5, 5-8 pm,
Lendrum Brethren Mennonite Church**

Phase 2- Generate Ideas.

Be a part of the discussion and process of determining the potential form of this residential development, as well as any additional features or secondary elements that could be incorporated as a benefit to all community residents.

For more information on the proposed project, visit: <http://www.itstartswithhome.com/engagement-process/>

Development Discussion for Lendrum Residents on Capital Region Housing Lendrum Project

Monday, Dec. 12, 8-9pm at Lendrum Community Hall
(The Development Discussion will immediately follow our regular Community League Meeting)

Greetings

President's Message

News from November's Meeting:

1. We have increased the Community League's support of the upcoming spray deck project. The City's latest project proposal was going to leave us approximately \$20K short. In order to keep the project moving forward and have the spray deck completed in 2017, it was unanimously approved to cover the shortfall.
2. Capital Region Housing Development – The next community engagement meeting is set for Dec. 5, Mennonite Brethren Church, 5-8pm. There should be information regarding questions that were not answered at the first meeting and an opportunity to have input with the developer. Also, the Community League would like to provide an opportunity for Lendrumites to discuss the project as a community. So, our December Board meeting will be adjusted to leave time for that discussion. DEC. 12 – REGULAR BOARD MTG 7-8, DEVELOPMENT DISCUSSION 8-9pm.
3. Future Direction - In 2013, Lendrum Community League developed a strategic plan that set direction for 3 years. In those 3 years, we have seen a new playground built, a new spray park about to be built, entered the Abundant Communities Initiative, updated our communications, and hosted a whole whack of social events. And now it is time for us to revisit our strategic direction and set a course for the next 3-5 years. While some activities continue to roll year after year: building membership, budgeting, working with City and UofA, some new initiatives need to be considered.

I am asking for your input for the activities which our Board should be focused on.

What things would you like to see the Community League executive focus on over the coming years? Changes in programs? New capital projects? Are there things we should begin and/or things we should quit?

Some broad categories to work around would be Capital Projects, Social/Recreational, Programs, Facility, Advocacy...

Please send me your ideas, president@lendrum.org

Message from Councillor Walters

As a Councillor, I co-lead the City of Edmonton's Public Engagement Initiative as well as our Housing Initiative. In this work, I am continuously looking for ways in which the City can improve how it engages with communities throughout Edmonton on affordable housing projects.

In Lendrum, the Capital Region Housing Corporation (CRHC) owns and operates affordable housing units located on the northern end of the community, and they are currently exploring options to rezone and redevelop their property to allow for additional affordable housing units.

Earlier this year, to proactively address the number of questions and comments that generally arise when a development of this type and size occurs within a community, a Community Panel comprised of three independent experts, a Community League representative and a representative from the CRHC was created.

The skills represented by the members on this Community Panel include conciliation/resolution, negotiation, organization, facilitation, residential

project management, and neighbourhood planning experience. The Panel works together to identify areas of concern, and sets out a path to move forward in an environment which promotes open and respectful dialogue - they will ensure all stakeholder voices are represented.

The Panel hosted a public meeting in October of this year, and will look to host another community meeting in the near future. The Panel's work will culminate with the creation of a summary report outlining the communities thoughts, opinions, concerns and recommendations - this report will be submitted as part of the future rezoning application.

As a City, and as residents of communities throughout Edmonton, we need to approach affordable housing in creative and collaborative ways that seek to create healthy spaces and welcoming communities for those in need of housing.

Civics

Off Leash Area

Lendrum residents reviewed options for an off-leash area at a community meeting on October 25. Ten people showed up and discussed options.

People generally prefer the 51st avenue/115 street dry pond option however there are several challenges with the site. For example, a fence is needed, steep embankments impede people with hip/knee problems, traffic will be a problem on the tight corner, and there may be conflicts with tobogganing kids.

The City recently said no new dog parks will be considered until 2018. The City will review the existing parks and develop a process for new parks in 2017. When the new process for parks is ready, Lendrum can consider making a submission.

Route 55 Meeting

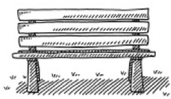
There will a public meeting held by Edmonton Transit Service to discuss changes to bus route 55 on Wednesday, Nov. 23 at 7 PM at Malmo Community Hall 11525-48 Ave. If you are impacted by changes to route 55 please send an email to civics@lendrum.org.



Changes to Community Sandbox Program

The City has decided to change the community sandbox program. The city will no longer offering free sand at community centres. The Lendrum Community League has decided to manage one of our sandboxes for Lendrum residents. Sand is still available to city residents at the 5 Roadway Maintenance Yards. The yard in the Southwest is located at 14710 Eilerslie Road (sand can be found on the roadway beside the eco-station).

Lendrum is seeking donations of park benches



The City's Benchmark program was established to offer individuals and groups the opportunity to honour friends and loved ones, or to celebrate special events through the rebuild of an existing park bench, or the installation of a new bench. A bronze plaque will be placed on the bench to serve as a lasting tribute. Opportunities also exist for park tables.

Type of Bench	Cost	Includes
New Park Bench	\$4000	Installation of new bench on parkland with memorial plaque. Includes 10-year maintenance plan.
Existing Bench	\$4000	Complete rebuild of an existing bench with addition of a memorial plaque. Includes a 10-year maintenance plan.

For more details, check out: http://www.edmonton.ca/programs_services/tribute_honour/benchmark-program.aspx or contact Harvey Guhl at 780.504.7046.

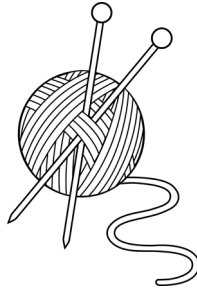
Community Bulletin Board



Need snow shovelled this winter? Call Ian at 780.237.5155. Reasonable monthly rates and vacation coverage available.

DROP-IN KNITTING AND CROCHET

The Tuesday evening knit and crochet group is a success and we will be continuing on the first and third Tuesdays of the month, 6:30 pm to 9 pm at the Community Hall. All levels and all genders are welcome. Cost is a toonie a time. Phone Heather Jenkins at 780.436.7011 or Joanne Leicht at 780.435.1574 for more information. Dates coming up are: Nov 15, Dec 6 and 20, Jan 17, Feb 7 and 21, March 7 and 21, April 4 and 18, May 2 and 16, June 6 and 20.



Moving? Downsizing? Decluttering?

I can help you with that. I will take your unused items and sell them for you on Kijiji on a commission basis.

Please contact Charlene at 780.257.1813 or shesellyourstuff@gmail.com for details.

A Lendrum family is looking to renovate/rebuild in Lendrum. If you are interested in selling please email camera5052@gmail.com or call 780.860.6545.



Petrolia Seniors' Group meets on Dec. 6 for a Turkey Dinner with all the trimmings (\$21). Entertainment and Christmas sing-a-long with Bob Lang. To confirm your attendance or for more information contact Nick 780.435.1045 or Betty 780.434.0711.



Cookie Walk
Dec. 3, 2016 10am
Southminster-Steinhauer United Church

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\$15 to fill your box. Sales of specialty baking, Palestinian products and gently used Christmas decorations available. Complimentary coffee and wassail! For more info visit www.SMUC.com

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(Entrance off 113A St.)

Pottery for all tastes at reasonable prices.

Dishwasher, oven and freezer safe.

Free coffee



Park Redevelopment

Thank you to everyone who donated their recyclables to the October bottle drive. Together, we raised \$1529 for the spray park!

The funding deadline for the City is January 1, 2017. This is only seven weeks away! So begins our final push for tax-deductible charitable donations and name brick orders. If you have been thinking of donating or buying a brick now is the time!!

All charitable donations to this project over \$20 will receive a tax receipt. To receive a tax receipt, please make your donation cheques payable to 'The City of Edmonton' with 'Lendrum CL Parkland Redevelopment' in the memo line. The City prepares tax receipts annually. Cheques and forms can be dropped at 5807 113a Street or 5107 115 Street.

More than 30 bricks raising more than \$5,000 have been bought so far for many reasons: birthday gifts, in memory, celebrating original owners, to show support, etc. PearlAnn Reichwein's brick celebrates Lendrum's water park with the words of John Muir, a famous nature writer and founder of Sierra Club. He wrote: "Everyone needs beauty as well as bread. Places to play in and pray in, where nature may heal and give strength to body and soul." Many thanks to PearlAnn and the many other brick supporters!

playground@lendrum.org
Allison

Snow Angels Program

Edmonton is a winter city that sees significant snowfall. The snow and ice that accumulates on sidewalks during the winter season is hazardous for everyone.

People with limited mobility, seniors, children, and parents with strollers (and even those with no limitations) may be severely injured from a fall on ice or snow. Uncleared walkways can also make it difficult for those who deliver services in our city—mail carriers, meter readers, delivery drivers and emergency personnel—to do their jobs safely. In fact, each year, hospitals and doctors' offices are filled with people young and old who have slipped and fallen on unmaintained sidewalks.

For these reasons, Community Standards Bylaw 14600 requires homeowners and tenants in a home to clear snow and ice from every walk and driveway on or beside their property, as well as from any other properties they own, including derelict and vacant buildings. Owners/tenants should use sand or ice-melting products to start the clearing process if they can't shovel immediately after a snowfall. The fine for failing to clear sidewalks within 48 hours of the last snowfall is \$100.

This winter, residents in Lendrum who shovel on a regular basis & those who help neighbours in need, may receive a City of Edmonton "Snow Angels" lawn sign from the community league. Snow Angels will also be eligible for a prize pack from Boston Pizza and 1 of 10 pairs of Oil King Tickets.

Become a Snow Angel by:

- Shovelling your walk within 48 hours of a snowfall
- Shovelling a neighbor's walk
- Starting a conversation with neighbours about the importance of clear sidewalks
- Making a plan with your neighbours to share the shovelling

Let's work together to keep our sidewalks clear! Proper snow management by the City and its citizens makes Edmonton a more liveable and loveable winter city.

To get a Snow Angels lawn sign and package, please contact Stew & Anola Carson - Lendrum Community League stewcarson@shaw.ca or 780.604.0388

Lendrum Park Redevelopment
Phase II
—donation form—



Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

Province: _____ Postal Code: _____ email: _____

Donation amount: _____ Payment Method: _____

We would like to have a list of donors on the website and in the newsletter (amounts are always private). Do we have your permission? _____

How would you like your name listed? _____

A tax receipt is available for amounts over \$20. Please circle YES or NO below to indicate if you require a receipt:

YES (Cheque must be payable to "The City of Edmonton" with "Lendrum Park Redevelopment" written on memo line)

NO (Make cheque payable to "Lendrum Community League")

Please drop off donations to :

Allison Nitchke
5807 113a Street Edmonton, AB T6H 1A9
(780) 988-0601 playground@lendrum.org

Personal information is being collected under the authority of section 33(c) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP)* Act and will be used for the administration and management of the City of Edmonton, Community Services Department project financing. Your personal information is protected from unauthorized access, use and disclosure through the privacy provisions of FOIP. If you have any questions about the collection or use of your personal information, please contact the Community Recreation Coordinator associated with your project.



Thank you for supporting the park!

A Legacy for Lendrum

■ ■ ■ brick order form ■ ■ ■

\$100 4"x 8" brick
up to 3 lines of 15 characters including spaces
text will be centered

\$500 8"x 8" brick
up to 6 lines of 15 characters including spaces or 1 line and 1 graphic
text will be centered

your name: _____
telephone: _____
address: _____
city: _____
postal code: _____

Cheque (made out to Lendrum Community League)

Cash

City and CRA guidelines dictate no tax-receipt can be issued for brick fundraisers

**Thank you for paving the way
to a new park for Lendrum!**

Allison (780)988-0601 playground@lendrum.org
-drop form at 5807 113a street NW-

Lendrum Happenings

Turkey Trot

Lendrum Community League would like to extend a HUGE thank you to our local Safeway and Tim Horton's for providing delicious donuts for our turkey trotters to gobble up and a delicious turkey for our trotters to win.



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2016 Chili Cookoff

Come to the hall November 26th, from 5-8 pm, and vote for Lendrum's Best Chili. The \$5 entry gets you a bowl & spoon, 3 votes, and as many refills as you can handle. Voting ends and prizes are awarded at 7:30pm. A variety of beverages will be available for purchase at this family friendly event.

Big prizes for winners in "Best Traditional Chili", "Best Vegetarian Chili", and "Neighbourhood Choice". The winners will have their recipes posted on

our website so the whole neighbourhood can enjoy them.

If you have never submitted an entry in this really fun event – please take a turn, it's the only way this works and it's fun!! To enter your chili, or volunteer for this fun evening, please contact Xanthe at xloyer@telus.net. Looking forward to seeing you there!

New Year's Day Fireworks Party

Come celebrate the beginning of 2017 with neighbours and friends! Lendrum is hosting a New Year's Day party, January 1, 2017 from 3-5:30 pm at the hall. Come down for some shinny, sledding, skating, and a great fireworks display when the sun goes down. Sunset is expected at 4:26 (!) so fireworks will be about 5:15, when it's dark enough.

Bring your leftover holiday treats, and your new holiday games to the hall where you can warm up with hot chocolate, popcorn and good company.

See you there!
Georgina



Event Hosts Needed!

An Event Host is a community member who would like to host a community wide event.

The League would like to extend our thanks to the following community members who have taken on hosting an event this year:

- Summer Campout: Erin Sawyer and Ben Willing
- Turkey Trot: Xanthe Loyer
- Chili Cook-off: Xanthe Loyer
- New Year's Day Party: Georgina Hawkeye
- Winter Fair: Georgina Hawkeye

We still require an event host (or team of hosts) to organize the **summer bbq**. Contact president@lendrum.org if you can take on this role (or if you would like to create a new event).

Part of what makes Lendrum such a vibrant place to live is the community wide events that take place here. Without them, there are fewer opportunities to meet our more distant neighbours and that makes our lives a little less rich.



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Lendrum Neighbourhood Safety

Report Speeding

Community members have expressed concern about speeders in the neighbourhood. If you spot someone driving too fast please call 3-1-1 and ask for speed enforcement in the neighbourhood. The more people who report speeders and request additional enforcement, the more likely that Lendrum will receive it. Thanks for your help on this!

Crime Stats for Lendrum

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
2016	7	2	6	8	4	8	2	2	5	5	3		52
2015	2	3	5	7	6	2	2	3	2	3	2	3	40
2014	3	1	2	1	4	3	3	1	3	3	5	3	32
2013	2	0	3	2	11	1	8	5	0	1	1	0	34

<http://www.edmontonpolice.ca/CrimeFiles/NeighbourhoodCrimeMapping.aspx>



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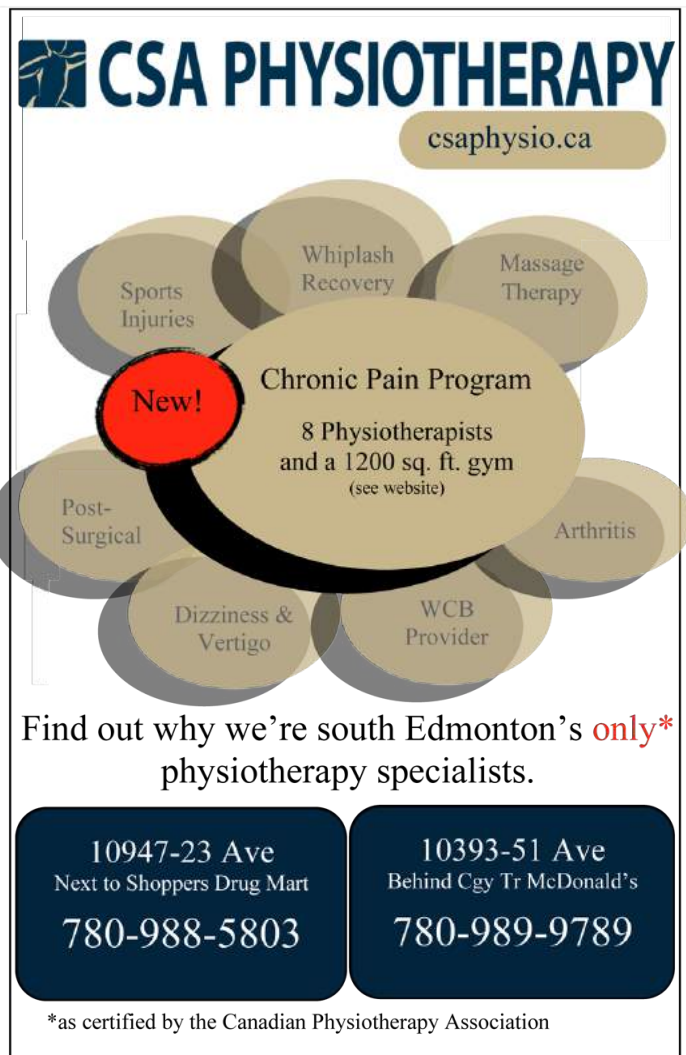
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Community Programs

Lendrum Ladies' Coffee Time:

First Monday each month, 1:30pm at Sunterra Market. For more info, please call Betty-Anne Stromsmoe at 780.437.7942

Sparks, Brownies, Guides and Pathfinders:

For girls ages 5-18. Call 780.435.5068 for more info. Join anytime, always accepting new girls in all levels!

Lose Weight -TOPS:

(Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Meets Tuesdays from 10-11 am at Cross of Christ Lutheran Church, 11460-60 Ave. For support in weight loss related programs contact Betty-Anne at 780.437.7942.

Crafters of Lendrum:

The Lendrum Craft Group welcomes all residents and friends who enjoy doing handicrafts. We 'usually' meet the 2nd and 4th Mondays from 11:00-4:00 with the exception of holidays and share a potluck lunch at the Community Hall.

Upcoming dates:

2016: Nov. 28; Dec. 12,
2017: Jan. 9, 23; Feb. 13, 27; Mar. 13, 27;
Apr. 10, 24; May 8, 29*; June 12, 26

For more information, call Peggy Folinsbee at 780.436.9322.

Line Dancing:

Every Thursday from 10:00 –11:30 am at Lendrum Community Hall.

For info contact Don or Rita at 780.434.5885.

Lendrum Pottery Group:

For more information please call Joy Schlaut at 780.434.1997.

Blue Chair Tai Chi:

Mondays 9-10:30am Malmo Hall
Fridays 9-10:30am Lendrum Hall.
Sorry, we do not offer beginner classes. If you know the 108-move Moy-style set, please join us in practicing at an intermediate level. Call Kathy at 780.435.0738.

Lendrum Parents Meetup

Are you a parent in Lendrum? Are you interested in connecting with other parents in Lendrum for nights out, playdates and meetups? Join our Facebook page - Lendrum Parents.

Little Explorers

Find new ways to play using upcycled and unique materials. Come explore with the Southwest Family Resource Centre staff at Lendrum Community Hall, Tuesdays, Sept. 13-Dec. 13, 10-11am. Ages 2-6 (siblings welcome).

Music and Motion

Enjoy songs, parachute play and action games with the staff of the Southwest Family Resource Centre. Mondays, Sept. 12-Dec.12, 10-11am at the Pleasantview Community Hall (no class Oct.10). Ages 2-6 (siblings welcome).

Lendrum Men's Night

We are hosting a Lendrum Men's group at the Community Hall the last Friday of each month (Nov. 25, no Dec. meeting) between 4:30 and 7:00 p.m. There will be beer and snacks. You are welcome to come for a few minutes or the entire time. Drop by with a few dollars to socialize and have a beer. Meet new people and get to know your neighbours or talk about old times with your old neighbourhood friends.

**Next Community League Meetings
Monday, December 12, 2016, 7-8pm
Monday, January 9, 2016, 7-9pm
at the hall**

**Please contact Gary Goulden
with any ideas for possible
new programs
780.450.0927**

Calendar of Events

- November 26 Chili Cook-Off (5-8pm)
- December 5 CRHC Meeting (5-8pm) Lendrum Brethren Mennonite Church
- December 12 Lendrum Community League Meeting (7-8pm)
- December 12 Lendrum Community Meeting on Proposed CRHC project (8-9pm)
- January 1 New Year's Day Party (3-5:30pm)
- January 9 Community League Meeting (7-9pm)

** All events at Lendrum Hall unless otherwise noted **



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Lendrum Place (11335 57 Avenue)

January 15	January 22	January 29
2:30pm-5:30pm	2:30pm-5:30pm	2:30pm-5:30pm
February 5	February 12	February 19
2:30pm-5:30pm	2:30pm-5:30pm	2:30pm-5:30pm

This program is geared toward children and families, however all ages are welcome!
 Every Sunday starting January 15, 2017

This program does not provide skates or helmets, although both are required for participation. Talk to your community league or call 311 for options, if you do not have any!

Meet new friends and learn basic skating skills through fun activities and games!

Programs will cancel at -25°C with wind chill, or if the ice is unusable as deemed by the facility.

Thank you to the Lendrum Community League for access to their facility.

Edmonton

Lendrum Community League

2016-2017 Executive & Coordinator Contacts

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Master Naturalist	Peggy Folinsbee	780.436.9322	peggy.folinsbee@gmail.com
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Hall Rentals	Bonnie Herring-Cooper	780.431.9513	hallrentals@lendrum.org
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I was reminded this week (as, perhaps, many of us were), that communities - both large and small - can feel fragile sometimes. I was also reminded that there is strength in diversity, and it is my belief that diversity can help communities overcome challenges they may face. Different people bring different skills, perspectives and life experiences to our community and these differences allow us to grow, learn and adapt.

The Community League meeting this month was a great reminder of this. Individuals from the community came out to share their thoughts on issues that impact the community and them personally. I listened and it was great to witness everyone listen respectfully to each other and be open to new ideas even when it was clear that opinions differed. It is easy to dismiss the ideas of others when they differ from our own, so I was impressed by the ability of all parties to consider each other's points thoughtfully. Change can be hard but it was good to be reminded that sometimes when we try things differently we discover that we like the new way better than the old.

I look forward to learning more from those around me here in Lendrum, whether it's a skill such as gardening or something more complex like knowing when to hold my tongue (something I'm still working on). Thanks for sharing!

Erin