

LENDRUM LIVING

March/April 2018



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**Lendrum
AGM**

April 9, 2018
7-9pm

Lendrum Community Hall

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annual reports



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for the Spray Park

Saturday, April 21

Volunteers needed!

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juliamoehler@gmail.com

Greetings

President's Message

Many thanks to Georgina and all the helpers for hosting a great Winter Fair in February. And great appreciation to Catherine and all the volunteers helping at the Casino – a much needed source of funding for the league.

April will bring on our Annual General Meeting (Monday, April 9, 7:00pm @ the hall). Feel free to attend and find out more info about what has been going on behind the scenes. Also, you may be interested in getting involved. We have a few positions coming vacant: Newsletter, Casino, Programs. Please contact me if you have any questions,

Gary Goulden
president@lendrum.org

Message from Councillor Walters

KEEPING OUR WASTE MANAGEMENT STRATEGY BOLD

Edmonton has always prided itself in being a leader in waste management and we treat waste as a valuable resource, with more than 50 percent of household waste being diverted from the landfill. We are continually researching new technologies and processes to improve our operations to conserve natural resources, reduce greenhouse gas production and create additional revenue from compost, recyclables, and biofuels.

Recently, the Edmonton Waste Services Audit was released and unfortunately, the news is not good. It revealed problems with current operations and prompted discussion of a new strategy for Edmonton's waste management system. However, improving Edmonton's residential waste diversion will depend on the use of innovative technology, operational changes, and continued participation from all Edmontonians.

One thing you can do to help in the meantime is to go bagless in the summer. Nearly half of all waste collected from Edmonton households in the summer is grass – almost 50,000 tonnes – and this needs to be trucked far away for composting. Going bagless has proven to be healthier for lawns by preserving moisture and nutrients while also being better for the environment.

Waste services and operations is currently exploring options for altering curbside collection pick up schedules for grass clippings and yard waste by September. The City is also preparing to engage citizens in source separation, which means having separate collections of food scraps and organics. In Canada, 40 percent - or \$31 billion - of all food produced is thrown out, globally this is \$990 Billion USD. While reducing waste is ideal, composting creates valuable, nutrient-rich soil. Source separation will also result in higher quality, more marketable compost and leave drier, more usable material for our Biofuels facility. Neither of these programs are final, and we are discussing this until the report comes to Council in June.

In addition, I am committed to working with the private sector to improve our commercial and institutional waste management programs. By decentralizing composting facilities into smaller community composters, exploring local processing of recycled material, and reevaluating how we work and serve commercial businesses, we can improve efficiency and help get private waste haulers to collect into our diversion stream.

We must not lose our nerve because of past setbacks. This new phase of waste management will take some time to implement and get used to, but I know if we continue to work with the public and our stakeholders, we will be able to reach our original target of diverting 90 percent of waste out of our landfills, creating a cleaner, healthier and more sustainable city for future generations.

Civics

Alberta Infrastructure and Alberta Health Services Open House

Alberta Infrastructure and Alberta Health Services plan to have an open house in September on the new 800-employee laboratory to be built north of the school for the deaf. The lab will centralize laboratory services for all Edmonton in one place. The site will likely be fenced off for construction in November 2018. The current plan is to have a parking lot built east of the LRT station. The land is owned by the University and is current allocated to student housing. The proposed parking lot will likely require a change the the South Campus Long Range Development plan and thus community consultation. The University has not yet agreed to the parking lot. Lab workers work staggered hours and thus traffic impacts will be moderate. Alberta Infrastructure will commission a traffic study.

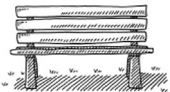
Capital Regional Housing Authority Rezoning Application

The Capital Region Housing Authority applied to the City to rezone the area north of 60th avenue to allow the building of a 126 unit apartment building. The building will replace the existing 48 units in two buildings currently on the site. The City Planning department supports the rezoning. City Council will vote on Bylaw 18324 to rezone the area on March 19th. The City held an open house for residents on January 23 and heard the following concerns: there is a potential for traffic shortcutting through Lendrum; there might be safety concerns at pedestrian crossings; and, the impact of densification is unknown.

Stephen
civics@lendrum.org



Next Community League Meetings
Monday, Apr. 9, 7pm (AGM)
Monday, May 7, 7pm
at the hall



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

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April 17th – Speaker from the Alzheimers Association
Understanding Dementia-Helpful Hints & Tips for Support & Care

May 15 – Kecia Kerr – Director of Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society –
Importance of Parks and Protected Areas in Alberta

To CONFIRM your attendance or for more information

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GARAGE SALE

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Show your Lendrum Pride!

Lendrum mugs are for sale, two different styles. The proceeds go to the Lendrum spray park. The cost is \$10 per mug.

To purchase contact Allison at fundraising@lendrum.org or 780.988.0601.



Wanted: Newsletter Editor

Lendrum is seeking a new newsletter editor. This volunteer position is great for a creative and detailed-oriented person who likes to be in the know. The newsletter is put out five times a year and dates are set by the newsletter editor in coordination with the League. New editors are encouraged to put their own stamp on Lendrum Living! For more information on the position please contact Erin at 587-523-3520 or newsletter@lendrum.org.

THANK YOU!

As the ice rink season comes to a close, we want to say a big thank you to our ice rink crew. These guys put in a lot of time making and maintaining the rinks as well as clearing walks. Thanks for a great season Ben, Gary, Ira, Adam, Bryn, Jared, John & Darcy.



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School News

École Avalon School

École Avalon School continues to be a positive, active place to learn. Over the past few months the students have been busy working in different areas.

In February, the Art students took part in the creation of a wall mural at Southgate Shopping Centre. The mural is at the former entrance to Sears and allows shoppers to put themselves in some interesting pictures. Students in the Environmental Outdoor Education classes were learning to build snow huts, as well as cross country skiing in the school fields. Luckily the weather turned warm(er) at the right time. Students have also been able to enjoy the winter by skating and playing broomball at the Lendrum community rink.

Avalon athletes are wrapping up the winter sports season in basketball, indoor soccer, and curling. Badminton season begins shortly. Avalon sports teams continue to be very competitive in their leagues.

With our Open House on March 8th, Avalon intends to remain a vibrant school for students from all across the south west. By offering French Immersion programming the school is able to offer a wide range of programming for all students, as well as athletics and other co-curricular activities like music and drama clubs.

Will Deys
Principal, Ecole Avalon School



École Lendrum School

École Lendrum School is about to go through pre-enrolment! This means that parents will pre-select Lendrum as their school for next year. Combined with the current Kindergarten registration period, we anticipate having 275 students at Lendrum next year. Pre-enrolment begins March 5th and closes in early April. We encourage families interested in registering their child to do so before that time. If you have any questions, please contact Jason Ludwar, Principal, at 780.434.3588, or at: jason.ludwar@epsb.ca

Did you know that our school is going to create a community garden? We received a grant for garden tools, thanks to the Lendrum Community League, and look forward to using these tools this spring! Our community garden will consist of 3 garden boxes placed out front of our building. We hope to add some concrete benches, etc. over time. It will be a very fun and interactive endeavor!

We will host our annual lip sync event the afternoon of March 23rd, from 14:30 to 15:30. All community members are welcome to see some of our students sync along to their favourite songs. It is always entertaining, and it's free!!!

We thank the Lendrum community for supporting our school. Best wishes for some fun in the sunshine!

Jason Ludwar
Principal/Directeur
École Lendrum School

Lendrum Laughs

How does NASA organize a party?
They planet!!

Submit your joke to newsletter@lendrum.org

Lendrum Happenings

Lendrum Winter Fair

This year's winter fair was a great success! The sky was blue, the sun was shining and Lendrum came out for a great time together!

Big thanks to all the volunteers, David and Julie for setting up, and Bonnie, Jason & Louise for cleaning up, Christine for the music and Julie for helping refill things where needed. The ice rink continues to be a huge hit for Lendrumites young and old and the fire pit was well attended all afternoon. Dick Laurin's sleigh ride was good fun as well.



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The volunteer gardeners at the Green & Gold Community garden, on the University of Alberta South Campus, are making plans for our *tenth* gardening season! The garden is a project of the University’s Faculty of Agricultural, Life and Environmental Sciences. The garden is totally volunteer run; virtually all of the seeds, plants and equipment used are donated.

The vegetables, fruit, herbs and flowers are “spray-free” --no pesticides or artificial fertilizers are used. The general public is welcome to purchase their vegetables at the garden and all of the money raised - that’s 100% - goes to the **Tubahumurize Association**. A non-profit organization in Rwanda, it supports and empowers female victims of violence and marginalization through trauma counselling, life-skills coaching vocational training, and micro-credit loans. Many women who benefit from Tubahumurize are genocide survivors, widows, orphans, HIV infected, or survivors of physical and sexual violence. To date, the garden has raised over \$290,000 for Tubahumurize.

We are now gearing up for the 2018 gardening season, and are looking for new volunteers to join us at the garden. Both novice & experienced gardeners are welcome –however, if you aren’t interested in gardening, but would like to help in other ways (promoting the garden) please contact us at:

E-mail: gggarden@ualberta.ca/

Phone: 780-492-4087

Web site: www.greengoldgarden.com

*Watch our [www site](http://www.greengoldgarden.com) for details regarding our
volunteer orientation session in April.*

Who's Who (in the LCL)

At our strategic planning session, it was suggested that we share a bit more information about the various roles in the LCL (Lendrum Community League) and the people who currently fill them. This will be a new regular feature in Lendrum Living. This issue we will learn about Laura Sherman, our secretary.

1. **Name:** Laura Sherman
2. **What is your role?** Secretary
3. **How long have you been doing this role?** Almost 3 years (since May 2015)
4. **How long have you lived in Lendrum?** 12 years
5. **Why did you take on this position?** I wanted to be involved in the community and help out as a volunteer since I love the events the community league puts on! I found that this role was something I felt I could do to give back a little bit to the community.
6. **How much time does this position take?** About 3-4 hours a month. My main role is to attend the monthly Lendrum Community league meetings which last ~1.5-2 hours and type up the minutes from the meetings. I also set up the agenda for the meeting each month.
7. **What do you like about this role?** It turned out to be a great way to stay informed as to what is going on in my community. I also get to know more neighbours I would not normally have met.

Watch for more interviews in upcoming issues!

Think you might have time to volunteer in the LCL? Let us know and we would be happy to discuss open positions!

Neighbourhood Safety



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Lendrum Food Network

The Lendrum Food Network held its first meeting on March 12, where we learned about winter sowing from our resident Master Gardener Bonnie Herring-Cooper. We look forward to seeing the fruits of our labour in the coming weeks.

If you have an interest in growing and sharing food come join us. The network is still in its infancy and the direction of the group can be guided by the members. Possible group events include presentations on permaculture, canning, raised bed gardening, etc. A proposal is being developed to host a harvest festival alongside community partners.

If you are interested in joining the group or are able to contribute as a presenter, please let us know! You can contact Erin at 587-523-3520 or e.n.sawyer@gmail.com.



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- Enhanced facilities, such as the play areas, naturalized area, athletic fields and the community hall
- Community events such as the Summer BBQ, Winter Festival and New Year's Party
- The Lendrum Living newsletter and website
- An opportunity to share ideas with your neighbours and work together to promote positive change in your community.

Be sure to renew yours to take advantage of all the great things the Lendrum Community League has to offer (awesome events, five free swims, skating, voting rights, soccer and more!). Membership forms can be found online at www.lendrum.org.

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:

Mar. 26; Apr. 9 & 23; May 14 & 28

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.

Lendrum Yoga

The community league hosts a yoga class at 8:15pm on Thursdays at the community hall.

The next 8-week session will begin April 5.

Contact Erin at e.n.sawyer@gmail.com for more info or to register.

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

Blue Chair Tai Chi:

Mondays 9-10:30am Lendrum 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.

Busy Bodies

Is your child full of energy? Bring them to this exciting drop-in program where they will practice moving their bodies through fun games and activities to develop their physical literacy. Caregiver participation is required and encouraged. For children ages: 2 to 6 years (siblings welcome) Tuesdays, Apr 17 - June 12, 10-11am at the Lendrum Community Hall.

Music and Motion

Enjoy songs, parachute play and action games. Mondays, Apr. 16-June 11, 10-11am at the Pleasantview Community Hall. Ages 2-6 (siblings welcome).

Lendrum Men's Night

We host a Lendrum Men's group at the Community Hall the first Friday of each month between 7:30 and 10p.m. There will be beverages and snacks. Drop by with a few dollars to socialize. Meet new people and get to know your neighbours. Contact Lance at adamson@telus.net for info.

Drop-in Knit and Crochet Group

We meet on the first and third Tuesdays of the month, 6:30 pm to 9 pm at the Community Hall. All levels and genders are welcome. Cost is a toonie a time. Phone Heather Jenkins at 780.436.7011 for more information. Upcoming dates: Mar. 20; Apr. 3 & 17; May 1 & 15

Lendrum Fitness

Join us Friday mornings from 5:30-6:30am at the Hall for a fun workout mixing cardio and core. The next 10 week session will run April 6-June 15. Contact e.n.sawyer@gmail.com for more info.

Calendar of Events

April 9	Lendrum Community League Annual General Meeting, 7-9pm
April 21	Lendrum Spray Park Bottle Drive
May 7	Lendrum Community League Meeting, 7pm
June 24	Tentative date for Soccer BBQ - more details in the May/June newsletter

All events at Lendrum Hall unless otherwise noted

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - MARCH 19

Monday, March 19, 2018 at 1:30 PM
Council Chamber, 2nd Floor, City Hall

City Council will hold a Public Hearing to consider the proposed Bylaw 18324: Rezone Lot 1A, Block 18, Plan 1024711, from (RA7) Low Rise Apartment Zone, to (DC2) Site Specific Development Control Provision. This will allow for the redevelopment of this site with 2 new apartment buildings, each a maximum of 6 storeys in height, providing for a maximum of 126 residential units on the site. This could also allow for small, neighbourhood-serving commercial uses including a daycare and cafe.



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Lendrum Community League

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There are many ways to stay connected to the community!

- 1. Check out the website at www.lendrum.org.**
- 2. Follow us on twitter @LendrumYEG**
- 3. Join our Facebook page www.facebook.com/lendrumyeg**

Hey there!

You may have noted that we are looking for a new newsletter editor. I have greatly enjoyed my time as newsletter editor but want to explore different roles in the community. I found that editing the newsletter was a great way to get to know people in our neighbourhood as well as learn more about the workings of a community league and the city in general. If you are new to the neighbourhood (or even if you are not) consider editing the newsletter! It's a great opportunity for you to learn new skills and meet people in your community!

My kids and I were skating on the ice rink this past weekend (potentially for the last weekend based on the weather forecast!), while we were there friends also came by to skate and others were arriving as we left. It was a great example of how the facilities provided by the league help create community and bring people together. So I would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who helps create these spaces - the hall, the new playground and soon-to-be spray park, the natural spaces and park and the rink. I know how much work goes into maintaining these facilities and we should not take them for granted!

This may not be the last time you hear from me as while I'm hoping someone else will step forward I may be around for a few more editions. But if it is, I'd also like to say thank you to everyone who has sent me a kind word during my tenure as newsletter editor! Those thoughts were much appreciated!!!

Happy Spring!

Erin