# LENDRUM LIVING

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### Winter Events Update

Due to changing COVID restrictions and rules, we are unsure if we will host our New Years Day event and Winter Fair as usual. We are hopeful we will be able to have some kind of safe outdoor event, even if it may look different than in past years. Please check the Lendrum website and the Lendrum Facebook page for any updates on what will be happening between now and the next newsletter.

If you have any ideas for safe, outdoor winter events/ activities you would like to see in the neighbourhood, please email Julie at social@lendrum.org and I would be happy to help you with planning.

### Greetings

#### President's Report – November 2020

Whew! I'm not sure how you are all doing but that is how I feel most days and today is no different. New rules mean that we are all trying to navigate how best to go on with our lives while protecting our friends, family and neighbours. I appreciate how challenging this is and recognize that everyone will be dealing with things a little differently. Hang in there! We are all feeling tired, and sad, and some days it can be a struggle. Conversations with a neighbour (at a safe distance) can turn someone's day around and as we all stick closer to home we get the opportunity to get to know those around us that much better.

I would like to congratulate the community on successfully hosting our second pandemic event in a safe and fun way. The pumpkin parade was a hit and based on the comments may be a community event that is here to stay. Thanks to everyone who made that happen. We will be looking for other ways to engage as a community and keep our chins up over the winter so if you have some ideas lets work together to make them a reality!

In this newsletter, you will see a couple of postings for volunteer positions within the league. Our longstanding, civics director has decided to resign his position. His thoughtfulness and open-mindedness will be missed. We are also seeking a website coordinator so if you have some mad tech skills or are just willing to give it a go I would love to hear from you. If those positions don't strike your fancy but you have an interest in getting involved, please get in touch. There are so many ways to contribute and the different skills we bring to the league strengthen the community.

Erin *President* 

Next Community League Meeting

**December 7, 2020** 

### Lendrum Youth - Snow Removal Program

Age Friendly Lendrum & Abundant Communities Coordinator, Lisa Vaughn is facilitating a new program in which Lendrum residents can hire neighbourhood youth for snow removal.

If you are a local youth who would like to make your snow removal services available for hire, or if you are a Lendrum resident who would like to hire a local youth to clear your snow, please contact Lisa Vaughn at *seniors@lendrum.org* 

### **Civics**

#### New Sidewalk On The 115 Street Boulevard

The City is planning to build a new sidewalk on the west side of 115 street between 51st and 60th avenues. The path would be the same width as the path to the LRT station. It might be right against the curb or about a 1 meter to the west of the curb - the City has not yet decided. The path will be cleared in the winter. The path will be built when Malmo's street renewal is done sometime in the next 3 years.

The City received input about the path's design from 100 Lendrum residents online and 80 people in person. Responders were generally positive about a potential path. Unfortunately, the possibility of leaving the grassy boulevard as it is, was not provided as an option in the on-line questionnaire nor in the in-person discussions. As a result, only a few residents expressed the opinion that a grass boulevard is preferred to a paved path because there is an existing path on the east side of the road and cyclists can use the road. Because the option of leaving the grassy boulevard as it is was not given, the Lendrum Community is considering to ask the City to re-open the on-line questionnaire for two more weeks to obtain additional input in this issue. If you have any thoughts on the path's design please send a comment to *civics@lendrum.org* or *president@lendrum.org*.

#### **Civics Representative**

If you are interested in being Lendrum's civics representative contact Erin at *president@lendrum*. *org*. The civics representative tracks City planning news and developments on the university farm then reports back to the Lendrum League's Board. The civics representative also writes a short note for the newsletter every two months.

Stephen Dobson former Civics Coordinator

> Deadline for submissions for the Jan/Feb edition of the newsletter will be Sunday, January 10, 2021

If you have suggestions for things you'd like to see in future newsletters or are interested in placing an advertisment please contact me at

newsletter@lendrum.org

Emily Schlender Newsletter Editor

# **Lendrum Happenings**

### Happy 100th Birthday Ross Tate!

Longtime Lendrum Resident Ross Tate turned 100 on November 11. He and his wife Verna bought their family home in Lendrum in 1961.

Happy belated Birthday!

#### **Pumpkin Parade**

On November 1st, Lendrum hosted our first ever Pumpkin Parade to show off all of the wonderful jack o' lanterns carved for Halloween. We had 101 pumpkins to display and over 125 people come out to view the pumpkins and vote on their favourites. The three winning pumpkin carvers won gift certificates to some local Lendrum restaurants.

This was a fabulous new event, enjoyed by neighbours young and old, and we will be happy to see it become an annual neighbourhood tradition.

Thank you to everyone who brought their pumpkins to the hall, and to the Green and Gold garden for composting them afterwards. A huge thank you to all of the volunteers that carried all of those pumpkins up and down the hill, and helped out at the voting table.

Julie Moehler Social Coordinator



#### Turkey Trot 2020

Thank you to everyone who came out for our annual Turkey Trot run/walk/bike through the neighbourhood on October 4th. The event looked a bit different this year due to Covid restrictions, but everyone had a great time enjoying some socially distanced time outside with neighbours, and some juice and cookies afterwards.

Congratulations to Andre for winning this year's turkey, and thank you to the EFCL for donating some awesome door prizes.





# **City of Edmonton Notices**

#### Edmonton property owners encouraged to sign up for electronic tax notices

- a message from the city of Edmonton

Property owners in Edmonton can sign up for electronic assessment and taxation notices in advance of the 2021 taxation year.

Those who sign up for e-notices through the MyProperty site will be able to access their assessment and taxation information any time, anywhere, through their MyProperty account. They will receive email notifications and/or text messages to their mobile phone alerting them to new account information, such as their new assessment value or property tax bill.

"We really want to encourage property owners to sign up for this convenient method of access," explained Cate Watt, Branch Manager, Assessment and Taxation. "Not only will it prevent the need to find and keep paper tax forms, but it will help us save taxpayers money through reduced postage fees and help the environment through reduced paper use as well."

There are three easy steps to sign up for e-notices:

Find your individual signup code on your paper assessment or tax notice. If you don't have your paperwork, call 311 to get a replacement code mailed to you.

Go to myproperty.edmonton.ca and sign up for an account. This will give you access to all of your assessment and tax information online.

Select the e-notice option to receive email and/or text message alerts when new information about your property is available. All of your assessment and tax information will be available in your MyProperty account.

Though property owners can sign up for e-notices at any time of the year, it is recommended that they sign up by December 18 of this year to ensure they receive an electronic notification of their property assessment when those are sent out on February 12. Assessment notices will be sent later than usual because of delays caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. The City of Edmonton is taking additional steps to gain and analyse market information to ensure maximum accuracy before determining final assessments.

#### **Black Knot Fungus**

- a message from the city of Edmonton

As we approach the winter season in Edmonton and trees begin to lose their leaves, black knot becomes more apparent throughout our urban forest. Black knot is a fungal disease that causes greenish brown to black swellings in the stems of cherry and Mayday trees (Prunus spp.). Its spores are released following periods of warm, wet weather and are spread by splashing water, wind, birds, and insects. Black knot deforms branches and reduces the growth of trees. Heavily infected trees often become stunted and may eventually die from the disease.

City crews will continue to monitor and prune susceptible trees. If you detect black knot on your private tree(s), prune out the infected branches from late fall to early spring while the tree is dormant and the knots are easier to see. It is important to carefully follow these guidelines to stop the spread of fungal spores from infected branches.

#### Guidelines for black knot fungus removal

- prune out the infected branches between late fall and early spring when the plants dormant and the knots are easier to see
- remove the infected branches to at least 15-20 cm (6-8 inches) below the knot it is best to prune an infected branch further back to a suitable location, such as a healthy collar, rather than leave a stub
- for knots on the trunk or scaffold branches (main branches growing directly from the trunk) that can't be removed, cut away the diseased material down to good tissue and at least 1 cm (1/2 inch) beyond the edge of the knot
- sterilize your cutting tools between each cut using bleach to prevent further spread of the disease destroy infected prunings immediately, as they can continue to produce spores for months after being removed (galls can be placed into a plastic bag for regular household garbage pickup)

### **Neighbourhood Crime**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
2020	9	8	7	8	11	7	1	5	1	5	0		62
2019	4	3	4	4	1	5	12	7	6	6	6	13	71
2018	3	1	4	9	4	3	8	7	4	14	17	5	79

These statistics are taken from the Neighbourhood Crime Map crimemapping.edmontonpolice.ca

They only reflect reported crime. This includes, but is not limited to: garage break ins, thefts from vehicles, thefts of vehicles, et cetera.

If you are the victim of a crime, please report it to

#### Call 911

If there is a crime in progress (imminent threat to a person or property)

To report suspicious activity call 780-423-4567

To report a crime call **780-423-4567** 

# **Volunteer Opportunities**

#### Lendrum Community League Civics Coordinator

The Lendrum Community League (LCL) will soon have an opening for a Civics Coordinator. In this prestigious and highly sought-after position, you will represent the LCL Board in consultations with the City of Edmonton, the Provincial Government and the University of Alberta on topics as diverse as zoning plans, regional development and transportation issues. The Civics Coordinator also liaises with representatives of other community leagues to discuss issues of common interest.

The Civics Coordinator attends monthly LCL Board meetings to provide written or verbal updates, reports on various issues in the bi-monthly LCL newsletter and may network with Municipal and Provincial government representatives through written correspondence on behalf of the LCL. The Civics Coordinator should also attend all Central Area Council of Community Leagues (CACCL) and South Campus Neighbourhood Coalition (SCNC) meetings with City Councillors and City Planners to discuss subjects ranging from the development of Visions and Plans for neighbourhoods and parks, the Light Rail Transit (LRT) system, as well as the University of Alberta's (U of A) South Campus and Michener Park sites. In the past, the Civics Coordinator has been included in discussions with Alberta Infrastructure regarding the decommissioning of the Alberta Health Services lab site in the U of A South Campus area and the Capital Regional Housing Corporation on building decommissioning and demolition.

Reports and other correspondence must be read in advance to be prepared to address specific issues on behalf of the LCL at each meeting. The City of Edmonton's Municipal Development Plan and Neighbourhood Area Structure Plan are two areas of interest to the LCL. The City of Edmonton provides training on land use planning. A commitment of between 20 and 100 hours annually may be required to fulfil the requirements of this role.

If you have an interest in joining our active and dynamic team, feel free to call LCL's President, Erin Sawyer to discuss this opportunity. Other positions may be open as well – and those interested in filling these positions may consult the LCL web site for additional opportunities.

#### Vacant positions - please consider volunteering

**Civics Coordinator** 

contact Erin at

president@lendrum.org

#### Website Coordinator

please contact Marlene Konduc for more information about this position

webmaster@lendrum.org

#### Website Coordinator

Hi Folks,

For the past seven years I've volunteered as the Website Coordinator: designing, creating, writing, and then updating content on the Lendrum.org website. I've enjoyed it. It's an online crafting experience that requires attention to detail and yields instant visual results. This summer, I let the LCL Board know that I wanted to step away from my position as Website Coordinator and make this position available to someone else.

I have always felt that volunteering is an opportunity to develop new skills, as well as give back. If you are interested in a future career in web design, this would be a great way for you to acquire some practical first-hand experience, develop skills and find out if this is a career direction you would like to take, before you invest to pursue it. If you already have the HTML skills, it's an opportunity for you to put them to good use in the community in which you live.

Lendrum, thank you for the opportunity, the feedback, and the kind comments over the years! See you in the neighbourhood!

Marlene Konduc.

Thank you again for trying to follow the changing guidelines to the best of your ability. It has been a disruptive and difficult year. Yet despite our efforts, this fall has seen an increase in COVID cases in the Edmonton area.

Notably, Revera's South Terrace facility - in Lendrum - has been hard hit. According to a CBC article published November 13: 83 of the facility's 90 residents have tested positive for COVID.

I'm tired and I'm sure many of you are as well, but please keep your friends and neighbours in mind.

Although we may wish it otherwise, it is very important to continue social distancing. Please treat people kindly and consult Alberta Health Services (AHS) for the most up to date guidelines.

Emily Schlender Newsletter Editor

# **Community Bulletin Board**





Advertising in the Lendrum Newsletter: No charge: classified (business card sized or less) ads from Lendrum residents, one ad per year from non-profit organizations benefitting the Lendrum area. Paid ads: all other ads - business card \$15; 1/4 page \$25; 1/3 page \$35; 1/2 page \$50; full page \$95 (sizes are approximate). Contact newsletter@lendrum.org.

### **League** Membership

### Community League Memberships expired August 31, 2020!

To Renew Your Membership

Go to lendrum.org to download your membership request form

Your annual community league membership fee helps the Lendrum Community League provide:

- 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.

#### Message from Petrolia Seniors' Group

Although some programming has started by some Community Leagues unfortunately Petrolia Seniors' luncheon meetings have not begun yet. We have heard from many seniors who say they are missing our delicious buffet lunches, our interesting educational and/or entertaining programs and just plain missing being together with each other to visit and laugh. Unfortunately there are several reasons why at the moment, and most likely for a few, or possibly many, months to come, it is not safe for us to meet. Several factors are not in our favour. Number one is the fact that we are serving food at a buffet and secondly that between 70 -85 seniors normally attend which makes proper distancing impossible. The executive has met and considered various ways we might adjust our expectations so that we could meet even on a scaled down basis but the logistics just make it impossible. We are excited about the wonderful programs we have planned for our seniors to enjoy once we do meet again. In the meantime we hope that those of you on our phoning list have appreciated the calls you have received. We have heard that those with email addresses say they enjoy our newsletter which they receive monthly.

Petrolia Seniors' executive sends you warm wishes and hope that you keep safe, healthy and happy. We look forward to seeing you again as soon as possible. Keep your chin up, As the saying goes "this too shall pass".

Betty (780-434-0711)

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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

# **Calendar of Events**

\*At this time we do not have any upcoming scheduled events taking place at the hall

\*\*In the event that we are able to host a New Year's event or the Winter Fair, details will be posted on our website lendrum.org and the facebook group.