FALL 2018

Lynnwood Link

Lynnwood Community Hall, 15525-84 Ave., Edmonton www.lynnwoodcommunity.com

CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL & MARKET!

Craft/Vendor Sale 10am-4pm Sleigh Rides 4pm-6pm Live Entertainment 6pm-late

Coffee & Hot Chocolate all day Burgers & Hot Dogs 4pm-6pm Hourly Door Prizes & Grand Door Prize!

Neighbourhood Watch

Hi, I hope summer 2018 has gone great for everyone. I have had few calls of theft from people's backyards and garages that usually go up in the summer. Also people with travel trailers have had their batteries stolen as well.

No matter what type of theft please report it to the Police nonemergency line which 780-423-4567. I will contact EPS to see if a community-policing officer can join us in September or October at one of our meetings to field questions.

Cheers!! Stay Safe and Locked Down!!! Bruce Nixon Lynnwood Neighbourhood Watch



President's Pen

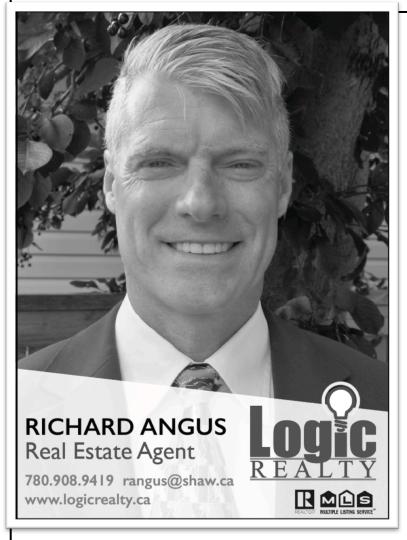
Hello Lynnwood, I would like to start this letter by thanking our new social committee for putting on a successful community BBQ, and for all those who came out and met their neighbours! I would also like to thank the committee for putting forward new activities, and look forward to seeing what activities are to come.

I would also like to thank Jill MacLeod for all her years of service as our treasurer. She has let us know that she is stepping down to make time for other commitments. We are now looking for a new volunteer to take over. Jill has kindly offered to mentor a new volunteer to take on this role. This is an excellent opportunity to get involved in the community, to learn new skills and to make a difference! This position will be discussed at our upcoming community league meeting in October.

See you soon!

Ken Pederson Lynnwood Community President





Lynnwood Community Memberships

Community League Memberships provide access to the following:

- Free swim at:
- Confederation Pool **11204-43 Avenue on** Saturdays: 4:00pm-5:30pm
 - Please note: Confederation Pool is closed for maintenance Oct 1 to Oct 13 2018
- Skate tags for public skating, valid at any City of Edmonton rink.
- Discounted City of Edmonton Attractions and Recreation Centre passes are available to community league members only, for a limited time, while supplies last. Please note that resale of the passes is prohibited. They are to be used for volunteer appreciation and membership purchase incentives only.

Please email <u>Dustinsim2002@gmail.com</u> to purchase your membership. Or visit <u>http://www.efcl.org</u> to purchase one online (\$5.00 fee is added to online purchases)

Hall Bookings

Book your private party! The Hall is available to Lynnwood Community Members: \$150.00 for 24 hours, \$75.00 for 4 hours.

To book the Lynnwood Hall contact Jessie at 780-484-4893 or

email: hallrentals@lynnwoodcommunity.com Check the website for more info. You can also find our booking calendar on the website.





Membership Costs: Family – \$30.00 Single – \$15.00 Free to Seniors and Residents new to Lynnwood in the past 6 months





The City of Edmonton is looking at changing how they accept garbage and waste items, and they are asking for your feedback. Have Your Say!

| Date / Time | Location | Area |
|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Oct 11, 3pm-7pm | Southgate Mall | Engage Edmonton |
| | | Fair |
| Oct 23, 4pm-7pm | Westmount Mall | Near Westmount |
| | | Dental |
| Oct 30, 3pm-7pm | West Edmonton Mall | Engage Edmonton |
| | | Fair |

Check online for other dates / places. You can also check online for a survey, call 311, or email: <u>wasteman@edmonton.ca</u>



Save the Date!

Green Shack Sept 15-Oct 12 M& W: 3:30-6 pm Saturdays: 1-5 pm Bottle Drive October 13 The Scouts will have a bottle drive in Lynnwood Saturday!

League Fair December 1 Join us for a Christmas Festival & Market at the Community League !

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Halloween Safety

Trick-or-Treaters

- Remember: all regular pedestrian rules still apply. Be sure to cross the road at marked crosswalks, or welllit corners only. It is safest to work your way up one side of the street, and then cross once to the other side.
- Stay away from houses that are not well lit. Do not accept rides from strangers, or enter any home you feel is unsafe.
- Let your parents know where you are going to be at all times (route) and advise them if you will be late returning.



Q: What do you call a single vampire? A: A bat-chelor.

Parents

- Be certain that young trick-or-treaters are accompanied by an adult. Older children should stay in groups.
- Pre-determine boundaries to trick-ortreat within, and establish a firm time to return home.
- Advise children not to eat anything until they return home. Dispose of any items that appear to have been tampered with, or that are not properly wrapped.

Costumes

- Choose bright colored costumes that are highly visible. Adding reflective tape to costumes further increases visibility.
- Consider sending your children with a flashlight for additional safety and increased visibility.
- When purchasing, or making costumes, look for materials and accessories that are labeled flameresistant.
- All costume accessories, such as sticks, rods, or wands, should be soft and flexible, with no sharp edges.
- Consider using hypoallergenic makeup kits instead of masks that may impair breathing, or vision.
- Be sure costumes are loose enough to be worn over warm clothing, but not so long that they become a tripping hazard. Costumes should not be longer than your child's ankles.

Halloween Activities

Keep an eye out for upcoming Halloween events!

- German Canadian Cultural Association : Night of Fear Festival: October 19-20
- Telus World of Science: Dark Matters October 18
- The Winspear Center: The Phantom of the Opera Silent Film October 31
- Fort Edmonton Park: Dates TBD



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Update to EPCOR's Proposed High Voltage Aerial Transmission Lines

During a meeting with EPCOR officials, Lynnwood Community presented EPCOR with concerns and a petition with **over 550 signatures** of people in Lynnwood who are opposed to the EPCOR's proposed aerial transmission lines.

EPCOR will be submitting their application to the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) during the fall of 2018. **EPCOR will recommend the aerial route** but acknowledged Lynnwood's concerns and will include an underground routing option and cost analysis on their application to the AUC. The Alberta Utilities Commission makes the final decision on whether to approve the application and the routing.

When EPCOR files their application with the AUC, Lynnwood residents who live near the proposed utility facilities will receive an EPCOR Project Update. Once the AUC receives EPCOR's application they will issue a notice to those residents in the project area and those interested in becoming involved in the application process. The notice is sent by mail and may also be published in the newspaper. **Those who live close to the work or who are considered to be "directly and adversely affected" by the work are considered "in standing" by the AUC and can act as interveners if they wish to oppose the application. The Alberta Utilities Commission proceedings and hearing is similar to a court proceeding and is a quasi-judicial process. Members of the public can attend the hearing.**

Lynnwood Community plans to act as an intervener during the AUC hearings, but we cannot do so with your help and support.

If you are opposed to EPCOR's aerial plans please sign our petition. It is very important that you register with the Alberta Utilities Commission at: <u>www.auc.ab.ca</u>. Please use their web-based eFiling tool to input your concerns and stay up to date with the proceedings. For additional information please contact the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) at 780-427-4903.

Sharon Beitel for The Lynnwood EPCOR Working Group



Wildlife Update

Our ravine is a host to many parts of nature, including plants, birds, squirrels, rabbits and coyotes. The local rangers are aware of the coyotes in the ravine, and that they are active in the community.

The following has been adapted from information from the City of Edmonton:

Conflict Prevention

To avoid conflict with coyotes, follow these simple steps:

- Don't feed coyotes and keep pet food inside
- Secure your garbage in a protected container
- Clean up fallen fruit and spilled bird seed
- Keep your dog on-leash in areas with coyotes
- Don't leave cats out roaming
- Don't leave small dogs out in the yard unattended for long periods of time

When to Report a Coyote:

It is only necessary to report a coyote if:

- The coyote has followed, chased or attacked someone or a pet
- The coyote is acting aggressively or defensively

• The coyote is injured and immobile What to do if you Encounter a Coyote: To prevent coyote attacks on humans, modern wildlife management focuses on 'aversive conditioning'. This practice tries to change an animal's behaviour by making every human coyote encounter unpleasant for the animal. If a coyote does approach, make it feel unwelcome:

- Clap your hands loudly and firmly towards the animal, blow a whistle to startle it
- Respond to its presence by making yourself appear large (wave your arms overhead or swing objects).
- Throw rocks, sticks or other objects to scare it away. Carry dog spray.
- Shout in a deep voice and maintain eye contact.
- Do not turn away or run. This may trigger the coyote to chase you. Back away slowly towards human activity.

Why are Coyotes Living in the City? Coyotes have long existed alongside humans and have adapted to live within population centers. As our city grows and expands into traditional wild habitat, more coyotes are adapting to food sources in residential areas eating readily available backyard food sources such as garbage, fruit and pet food.

Coyotes and Pets

Coyotes can be territorial and could consider your dog a threat. They may try to draw a dog away and attack it to eliminate the threat. Keeping your dog close on a leash at all times is the best way to ensure its safety.

Are Coyotes Dangerous?

Coyotes naturally hunt rodents and small mammals such as rabbits or hares, in addition to being opportunistic feeders who may consume garbage, fruit or even insects. Coyotes do not pose a threat to humans and the extremely rare cases of physical contact are almost always as a direct result of feeding/ desensitization. Coyotes have a weaker bite than wolves, foxes, most dogs and even humans!

Who to Call: Coyote Information Line: 780-644-5744 To Report a Problem Coyote call: 311 Email: 311@edmonton.ca



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A Note From Councillor Sarah Hamilton's Office

- As many of you may know, my City Council colleagues and I will be moving into discussions on the next budget cycle this fall to decide how the City of Edmonton will allocate funds from 2019 through 2022. We will be setting the operating and capital budgets, meaning that we will be deliberating both the ongoing budgeting of City of Edmonton operating costs, like policing and road maintenance, as well as forwardlooking capital projects, like Yellowhead Trail upgrades or the planned recreation centre at Lewis Farms. As we prepare, the City of Edmonton is asking you to offer feedback on how you would like to see the City's budget allocated.
- Edmonton is one of the fastest-growing cities in Canada, and as this is expected to continue for foreseeable future, we are at a crucial moment from a city-building perspective. With this growth, however, come many accompanying challenges and pressures. We have also been hearing from both residents and from the business community that they are very concerned about the rate at which our property taxes have been increasing.
- To offer some background, at an operating level Edmonton Police Service makes up the largest single budget item, at roughly 15%, with other critical items like public transit and Edmonton Fire Rescue Services making up 10% and 9% respectively. As Edmonton grows so too do the mounting challenges faced in each of these areas, making the task of limiting budget escalation while maintaining service levels very difficult. I have been hearing, for example, from constituents concerned with Edmonton Transit Service's proposed bus network redesign and the potential of reduced or eliminated bus service in some Ward 5 neighbourhoods, a concern that I share. From a budgetary standpoint, however, maintaining this service in outlying neighbourhoods will require further funding allocated to ETS operations, meaning that we would either reallocate funds from elsewhere or generate new revenue.

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- Given that so many of our capital projects are made possible through funding partnerships with the province and the federal government's, we are largely beholden to these other orders of government and must plan accordingly. In many cases, projects are funded through a cost sharing agreement, meaning if the City does not pay our share right away, we lose the funding outright. The Valley Line West LRT, for example, is funded through a matching agreement with the provincial and federal governments, meaning that the City of Edmonton need only produce a portion of the cost of the build-out. This is the kind of opportunity that we as a city cannot let pass us by, but the budgetary repercussions are real and challenging.
 - Hopefully my comments have offered a little bit of insight as to what the upcoming budget process is going to look like. As I mentioned, I would encourage you to offer your feedback using the tool at <u>Edmonton.ca/mybudget</u>. And as always, please feel free to reach out to my office with your comments. All my contact info can be found on my website at www.hamiltonward5.ca.

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