



THE ALEXANDRAN

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE QUEEN ALEXANDRA COMMUNITY LEAGUE

SUMMER 2009 — COMMUNITY EDITION

SUMMERTIME IN QUEEN ALEX

GREEN SHACK PLAYGROUND PROGRAM

The Queen Alexandra Community, in conjunction with the City of Edmonton, is once again proud to sponsor the Green Shack Summer Playground Program.

Children ages 6 to 12 are invited to drop by the playground at 73 Avenue & 108 Street for a free fun-filled summer! Join the exciting games, crafts, music, drama and

special events.

Leaders are easily identifiable by their blue City of Edmonton shirts. All playground staff are required to pass a security clearance and have been trained in First Aid. It is highly recommended that a parent or guardian supervise children under 6 years old at all times.



Summer at

My Favourite Park

Queen Alexandra

By the playground
73 Avenue & 108 Street

Monday to Thursday 11:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Friday 1:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

June 29 - August 20

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DROP-IN SPORTS FOR KIDS

Queen Alexandra Community League is sponsoring a drop-in sports program for members. Every Tuesday at the Mount Carmel field between 6 - 8 PM starting June 9, 2009 through to September 29, 2009 there will be some sports activities for children aged 3 - 12 years of age such as soccer baseball, T-Ball and Lacrosse (weather permitting). For more information, contact Sue at sports@qacl.ca. If you need to purchase a membership, please contact Judy at membership@qacl.ca.

SCONA POOL UPDATE

On June 22 at City Hall, the Community Services Committee made a recommendation to keep Scona Pool open for at least another year. The decision was passed unanimously.

The recommendation goes before the full City Council on July 8. Regardless of the result of that vote, the City will continue to operate the

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Three long-time members of the community league board have stepped down from their positions. On behalf of the League, I would like to extend heartfelt thanks to Ann Brown, Diane Millar, and Russ Miyagawa.

Ann has served in several roles, most recently as Building and Grounds chair where she committed an enormous amount of time to the recent hall renovations. The renovated hall is a facility the League is justly proud of, and that has a lot to do with Ann's hard work.

Diane has been the Planning and Development chair for a number of years. She has given the League a voice in the often frustrating process of municipal planning, dealing with numerous and complex development

and rezoning applications, and appearing as our representative before City Council and the Subdivision Development and Appeal Board on numerous occasions.

As Publicity chair, Russ has done an excellent job of keeping the League in touch with its membership, and residents in general, through the newsletter and our new website, which he developed. Previously, Russ lent his considerable skills with accounting and book-keeping to the role of treasurer.

The Queen Alexandra Community League deeply appreciates the efforts of these exceptional volunteers.

Doug Bailie, President

Queen Alexandra Community League

PART-TIME BOOKKEEPER NEEDED

QACL is looking for the services of a part-time bookkeeper to work an average of 2-3 hours per week on a contract basis. The successful candidate will be responsible for preparing cheques for signature by two of the league's signing authorities, making bank deposits, issuing receipts for funds received from hall rentals and memberships, maintaining entries in the software used by the League, preparing reports for monthly league meetings, and ongoing liaison with the treasurer. From time to time, the bookkeeper may also be called upon to assist in preparing grant applications and other tasks for which the volunteer treasurer requires assistance.

Candidates should have the following qualifications:

- five years of bookkeeping experience
- solid familiarity with QuickBooks software
- experience with non-profit organizations

Please send your resume with a short cover letter describing your interest in this position and your expectations for remuneration, along with the names of two references to:

QACL

Box 4546

Edmonton AB T6E 5G4

Email: treasurer@qacl.ca

ONLY BYLAW-APPROVED CANS ACCEPTABLE FOR COLLECTION

Awkward, oversized garbage cans are a safety hazard for waste collectors, and Darryl MacMillan is glad to see the last of them.

MacMillan, a refuse collector for seven years, has struggled with his share of enormous, overweight cans. He is grateful that residents have traded them for more manageable ones of less than 100 litres (as specified in the Waste Management Bylaw #13777) through the City of Edmonton's exchange program that ran last fall and winter.

"It's awesome," says MacMillan. "People tend to overfill the oversized cans and then we can't pick them up. We end up peeling the bags from the top and that is a safety concern because we don't know what's in them."

Oversized cans almost always

have wheels, which pose other problems, and not just because they encourage residents to load them up even more. "The wheels would come off once in a while and smack you in the chops because that was the only way to grab the can," he says.

Not all of them have disappeared, however. MacMillan still sees a few oversized as he does his route. However, even those are disappearing. Waste collectors no longer empty them and bylaw enforcement officers may issue fines to offenders.

Residents are encouraged to carefully check the volume of any garbage can they're buying at the store. Containers larger than 100 litres that have swivelling handles and wheels will no longer be collected.

KEEP YOUR COLLECTOR SAFE!

Collectors pick up an average of 7,000 – 11,000 kgs of garbage each working day. Residents can help prevent injuries to collectors by preparing their waste properly and insuring that collectors have easy and safe access to garbage and recyclable:

- Buy and use bylaw compliant garbage cans – under 100 litres in size with fixed handles - or garbage bags.
- Package sharp objects: ensure all broken glass, nails, sheet metal scraps, and other sharps are safely packaged in puncture-proof containers and marked as such.
- Each filled garbage can or bag should be lighter than 20kgs (44 lbs).
- Make sure your waste is easy to access – not hidden or hard to reach in a garbage stand.
- Keep your garbage and blue bags away from parked cars so collectors can easily see and access them.

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Use the right can

Oversize garbage cans increase the risk of injury to waste collectors and are no longer being collected.

Waste Management Bylaw 13777 states that garbage cans must be 100 litres or less in volume and must have fixed non-swivel handles.

Household waste may also be set out in securely tied garbage bags without a container.

For more information visit www.edmonton.ca/waste or call 311



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SCONA POOL UPDATE

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pool until July 18. The pool will be open from 1:00pm-3:30pm seven days a week. If Council votes to keep the pool open, a new contractor has proposed to take over, and increase the hours of operation.

For further updates, please visit savesconapool.org.

SUMMER 2009 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
JULY				1 Canada Day Silly Summer Parade	2 Green Shack	3 Green Shack	4 Farmer's Market
	5	6 Green Shack	7 Green Shack Drop-in Sports	8 Green Shack	9 Green Shack	10 Green Shack Whyte Ave Artwalk	11 Whyte Ave Artwalk Farmer's Market
	12 Whyte Ave Artwalk Street Fair	13 Green Shack	14 Green Shack Drop-in Sports	15 Green Shack	16 Green Shack	17 Green Shack	18 Farmer's Market
	19	20 Green Shack	21 Green Shack Drop-in Sports	22 Green Shack	23 Green Shack	24 Green Shack Historic Fest Launch	25 Farmer's Market Historic Fest Tour
	26	27 Green Shack	28 Green Shack Drop-in Sports	29 Green Shack	30 Green Shack	31 Green Shack	1 Farmer's Market
AUGUST	2	3 Heritage Day	4 Green Shack Drop-in Sports	5 Green Shack	6 Green Shack	7 Green Shack	8 Farmer's Market
	9	10 Green Shack	11 Green Shack Drop-in Sports	12 Green Shack	13 Green Shack Fringe Festival	14 Green Shack Fringe Festival	15 Fringe Festival
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LOCATIONS & HOURS

- Green Shack Mo-Th 11:30-19:00 Fr 13:30-17:30 (Playground at 73 Ave & 108 St)
- Drop-in Sports 18:00-20:00 (Mount Carmel Field)
- Whyte Avenue Artwalk 10:00-17:00 (Whyte Ave & McIntyre Park)
- Old Strathcona Street Fair 12:00-17:00 (Whyte Ave)
- Edm. & N. Alta. Historic Festival Launch 14:00-16:00 (C&E Railway Museum, 10447 86 Ave)
- Historic Festival Tour & Open House 11:00-16:00 (C&E Railway Museum, 10447 86 Ave)

Note: No Farmer's Market during the Fringe



Outdoor Reading Room!

McIntyre Park
104 Street & 83 Avenue
by Strathcona Library

Books for **EVERYONE'S** Interest!
All Ages
Children's Programming Too!

Monday – Thursday: 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Friday: 1:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

July 2 - August 11, 2009

