



THE ALEXANDRAN

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE QUEEN ALEXANDRA COMMUNITY LEAGUE

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SPORTS & RECREATION

SCONA POOL

Haven't taken advantage of your free QACL swim pass. What are you waiting for? Passes are valid for all lane, early bird & public swims. We encourage everyone to make use of these passes and keep the headcount of swimmers high. Continued pool operation past December 2009 will depend on engineering reports & the number of public users. Our participation can help Scona Pool remain a vibrant recreation facility in our neighbourhood. Visit www.sconapool.com or phone 780-496-8758 for information on schedules, special events, classes & rental opportunities.

EARLY BIRD SWIM

Mo We Fr 6:30-8:30am

LANE SWIM*

Tu Th 7:00-8:30am

LANE/PUBLIC SWIM*

Mo Tu We Th Fr 9:00am-3:00pm

* Pool may be shared with rental groups.

PUBLIC SWIM

Su 2:00-6:00pm **We** 6:30-8:30pm

Sa 1:00-3:00pm

FAMILY SWIM

Sa 7:00-8:30pm

WOMEN'S FITNESS CLASS

A women's fitness class will be offered by Personal Fitness Trainer and Group Fitness Instructor Kim Olsen starting November 2. For more details, email Kim at kolson@nait.ca or check the QACL website (www.qacl.ca) for updates.

SKATING FUN

Within its boundaries, Queen Alexandra has not one, but two arenas: Tipton Arena (10849 81 Avenue) and the Southside Arena (10525 72 Avenue) These arenas offer public skating, figure skating and ice skating lessons. As well as adult and youth pickup hockey. For more details, call 780-496-7388 (Tipton Arena) or 780-944-7406 (Southside Arena) or visit www.edmonton.ca.

The City of Edmonton & Kinsmen Club of Edmonton are sponsoring free public skating through December at Tipton Arena on Mondays from 6:15-7:15pm.

Once winter has set in, the free skate tags you received with your membership will give you access to community league outdoor rinks across the city.

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Veggie Potluck & Game Night
Queen Alex Community Hall

OCTOBER 27, 7:00PM
Monthly General Meeting
Queen Alex Community Hall

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CASINO VOLUNTEER THANKS

by Myles Kitagawa, Casino Chair

On August 7th and 8th, the Queen Alexandra Community League held its 2009 casino fundraiser to support the on-going delivery of the organization's programs including playground re-development as well as operating and maintaining the community league hall.

On behalf of the QACL Board and all of the Queen Alexandra residents who enjoy these programs, we'd like to extend our thanks to the following community league members who worked the casino:

- Doug Bailie
- Lisa Watson
- Iga Speur
- Helen McLean
- Judy Troyer
- Shirley Lowe
- Ann Brown
- Norm Shandro
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- Will Jang
- David Crowther
- Ken Mah
- Helen Wong
- Kim Sanderson
- Janet Schwegel
- Suzanne Cook

Special thanks goes out to those people from outside our community who helped with the fundraiser:

- Vicky Beauchamp
- Gerry Beauchamp
- Marianne Garley
- Doreen Almonitis
- Tom Olenuk
- Estefani Fujita
- Kory Lowden

And an extra-special thanks to those who came in from out-of-town to help:

- Jolene Shannon
- Betty Brown

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community events & activities can also be found on the League's website at www.qacl.ca. For a copy of the minutes from the September QACL General Meeting, please contact info@qacl.ca.

Up-to-date information on

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BABYSITTING REGISTRY

Are you a babysitter in the area, or a parent looking for someone to watch your kids? Queen Alexandra has a new babysitting registry. Interested babysitters can list their name in the community registry (don't

worry, your name and contact information won't be posted) and interested parents can contact the League for the name of a babysitter.

Email babysitter@qacl.ca to list your name or find a babysitter.

LIVING IN QA

The December issue of The Alexandran will feature a section on why members love to live in Queen Alexandra & why they are a member of the league.

We encourage you to submit

your thoughts or photos to news@qacl.ca with the subject heading "Living in QA." Deadline for submissions is Friday, November 20.

WHAT'S THE 311?

Citizens can call 311, 24-hours a day, every day of the year for access to City of Edmonton information, programs and services! Citizens can access a range of information and services from the 311 agent.

On-line self-service is also available for many of these

services including: Apply for business licenses, general information, facility scheduling information, program registration, purchasing a pet licence, registering a bylaw complaint and transit information. 311 can also be accessed via email at 311@edmonton.ca.



GET YOUR FOLK ON!

Did you know that Queen Alexandra Community League members get a discount for tickets purchased at the door to performances by the Northern Lights Folk Club? Better yet, many performances are hosted at the Queen Alex Hall! All performances commence at 8:00pm. Here's a preview of a few upcoming performances. For more information on tickets and other performances go to their website at www.northernlightsfc.ca.

2009/10 STAGE SERIES

OCTOBER 17

Roy Forbes Concert
Royal Alberta Museum

OCTOBER 31

Po' Girl
Queen Alexandra Community Hall

NOVEMBER 1

HomeFest 2009
TransAlta Art Barns

MORE SHOWS TO COME IN 2010

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

OCTOBER 17, 7:00PM

The Timeraiser *TransAlta Arts Barn (10330 84 Avenue)*

The Timeraiser (www.timeraiser.ca) is part volunteer fair & part silent art auction where, rather than money, you bid a number of hours you are willing to volunteer for an organization(s) of your choice. Tickets are \$20.

OCTOBER 20, 6:00-9:00PM

QAACL Vegetarian Potluck *Queen Alexandra Community Hall (10425 University Avenue)*

Join friends and neighbours for a potluck and game night. Salads, desserts, main courses and appetizers are all welcome dishes. If you have a fun board or card game, bring it along too! RSVP with your dish to Lindsay at lindsay.telfer@gmail.com.

OCTOBER 22, 11:30AM-1:30PM

Harvest Luncheon *Edmonton Food Bank (11508 120 Street)*

Edmonton's Food Bank dedicates its entire year to eliminating hunger in the city. Join supporters, volunteers, and friends on October 22 for the annual Harvest Luncheon. The cost is \$35 per person or \$300 for a table of 10. The event will include lunch, a live auction, a "lottery", and a talented comedian and magician, Sean Baptiste. For more information, please contact Tamisan, Debbie or Tamara at 780.425.2133.

OCTOBER 27, 7:00PM

QAACL Monthly General Meeting *Queen Alexandra Community Hall (10425 University Avenue)*

The monthly general meeting of the Queen Alexandra Community League. All members are welcome and encouraged to attend. The meeting will be held upstairs at the Hall (turn left inside the front doors).

OCTOBER 31

Halloween Hoopla *Scona Pool (10450 72 Avenue)*

Enjoy a full day of free admission and trick-or-treating fun with Scona Pool! Free admission & face painting from 1pm-3pm & 7pm-8:30pm. Wear your costume to the pool and receive Halloween Candy (10am-4pm & 7pm-8:30pm)! Donations of non-perishable food items for the Edmonton Food Bank gratefully accepted.

OCTOBER 31, 8:00PM

Northern Lights Folk Club — Po' Girl *Queen Alexandra Community Hall (10425 University Avenue)*

21st Century roots music, never derivative, not faithfully aping a beloved tradition. Echoes of speakeasy jazz, the western lament, the accordion-strapped ghosts of European folk delivered with soulful clarity & depth.

NOVEMBER 1, 2:00-7:00PM

HomeFest Transalta Arts Barns *(10330 84 Avenue)*

HomeFest is an annual concert to draw attention to the desperate need for more affordable housing and the eradication of homelessness. For more information & tickets, visit www.homefest.ca.

NOVEMBER 19, 5:00-9:00PM

Community Engagement Strategy Event *Palace Banquet (3223 Parsons Road)*

Save the date for this exciting event hosted by the City of Edmonton. Special guest Jim Diers will be speaking on community engagement. Look for more details to come.

Have an event you'd like to include in next month's calendar? Send it to news@qacl.ca. Deadline is the Friday following the last Tuesday of each month.