

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope everyone had a great summer and is ready to get back to school. I'll send out my usual reminder for motorists to pay special attention to your driving as kids head back to school on bikes, skateboards, rollerblades and good old feet.

Not surprisingly, I did miss a thank you in last month's newsletter. Thank you to **Guy Ng** who responded to our call for a book keeper and has donated his services to our league.

I have a new thank you to **Kora Thomson** who is our new Bingo Director. YEAH! She has already assumed the role and is preparing for our September 20th bingo with new voucher amounts. (See her message in this newsletter.)

Several others have called expressing interest in filling some of the voids on our board. Hopefully those people come out to the September 8th meeting and we will vote them in. The future is looking very bright for The Meadows Community League. Unfortunately, I won't be around to witness it.

I had expected to end my term as president at the April '08 AGM, but that was not to be. Now I'm taking flak for the extremes I've gone to, to get out of this role. My husband has been transferred to Calgary and I figure I'd better follow the bread and butter since the pay from this job just won't cut it.

I've met many people and made many friends during my time on The Meadows Community League Board. Thank you to everyone who has participated over the years, whether it was holding a board position, coming out to assist at an event or just regularly attending our events. Thanks to everyone who has read my messages and thanked me for my contributions. The most rewarding part about being a volunteer is feeling that what you do is worthwhile and appreciated.

As The Meadows continues to expand, please don't lose the sense of community that our league has strived so hard to promote. Try to make time to participate in community league events, purchase a membership (even if you don't think it will directly benefit you), and even serve a stint on the board. It's a great way to feel connected and make a difference in our community and our (I mean, YOUR) city.

A special thank you to **Brenda Beier** who is the heart and soul of our league and has done so much for The Meadows in my time on the board. Keep up the great work, Brenda, and I hope another couple of Brendas join the board to share the load.

I will be back to visit and I firmly believe that ONE DAY I will shop at The Meadows Super Store! (And I hope I don't come back in 20 years to find that poor Kenn Tuckey is still Past President of the league.)

So long and thank you,

*Kathleen Mahé*

# Silverberry Playground opening in September

## Grand Opening Saturday, Sept. 6 Noon to 4 p.m.

Thank you to our Meadows residents for monitoring the new Silverberry Playground. Unfortunately we have had some vandalism in the playground, (ie: a fire started on equipment, skateboards damaged the new rubber surfacing). All of this has been repaired and we are all looking forward to celebrating in the new playground on Silverberry Rd and 32 St.

Please join us for lots of fun!!

Your Playground Committee

## FREE SWIMS

At the Mill Woods Rec Centre

Sunday, Sept. 21 and Oct. 19

From 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Bring your Community League membership card for free admission

## Adult Yoga Starts Soon

Adult beginner yoga classes will run every Tuesday evening from Sept. 16 to Dec. 9 from 6:45 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Velma E Baker School.

To register, contact Brenda at 463-6530.

Check the signboards this month for more programs to come!

## Calling all Bingo Workers, Old and New

Do you have kids in hockey, soccer, baseball, football or other non-profit activities? Are you tired of paying the high costs of those activities? How about school fees?

Are you aware that by volunteering to work a bingo, you not only support your community league but you also earn valuable VOUCHERS that can be put toward the cost of those activities or fees?

And the Meadows Community League has just increased the value of those vouchers. You earn the following:

Weekend (Sat & Sun only) Daytime (11 am - 4 pm)	\$ 75.00
Weekly (Mon - Fri inclusive) Daytime (11 am - 4 pm)	\$ 100.00
Evening Bingo (5 pm - 10 pm)	\$ 75.00
Late Night Bingo (10 pm to midnight)	\$ 25.00

And they feed you!

The next bingo, which is held at Parkway Bingo on 51 Avenue is on Saturday, **September 20** from 5 p.m. to midnight.

For more information, or to volunteer, call **Kora at 468-7080**.

## Discounted Eskimo Tickets Available

The Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues (EFCL) is offering all community league members discounted tickets to the October 4 game between the Eskimos and the Winnipeg Blue Bombers.

\$19 gets you a bronze seat, food and beverage for the game.

Tickets are available at the EFCL office at 7103 - 105 Street, the Eskimo Ticket office and the Jasper Place office of Edmonton Community Services at 10030 167 St.



### City of Edmonton

Sunday,  
September 28, 2008  
10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

The City of Edmonton and ENMAX invite Edmontonians to a full day of family fun with free admission.

There will be activities at leisure, sports and fitness facilities, attraction sites and arenas.

Look for more details in September to see how you can spend your day participating in a celebration of recreation!



## KC Knights Hockey Registration

Thursday, September 11

Kinsmen Arena 19th Ave. & 111 St.

6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

[www.knightshockey.ca](http://www.knightshockey.ca)

**\$79 for Initiation players (4 to 6 years old)**

## The Meadows Community League

P.O. Box 92068  
Edmonton, AB, T6T 1N1

### Next Monthly Board Meetings:

**Monday, September 8 @ 7pm**

Velma E. Baker School

**\*\*VISITORS WELCOME\*\***

# The Meadows Community League Directors and Community Reps

President	Kathleen (Katy) Mahé	463-3602
Vice-President	Vacant	
Past President	Kenn Tuckey	440-3420
Secretary	Crystal Dentman	462-7034
Treasurer	Brenda Beier	463-6530
— Bookkeeper	Guy Ng	920-5293
— Bingo Rep	Kora Thomson	468-7080
— Casino Rep	Dana Richard	469-9985
Membership Director	Ken Melnychuk	461-7067
Program Director	Vacant	
— Children's Programs	Vacant	
— Adult Programs	Vacant	
Sports Director	Serge Tremblay	663-6575
— Soccer	Gary Biddell	440-0379
— Basketball	Bik Grewal	463-8068
— Hockey	Vacant	
Facilities Director	Vacant	
— Rinks	Miles Maldaner	440-0219
Civics Director	Rispah Tremblay	633-6575
— Public School Rep	Vacant	
— Catholic School Rep	Vacant	
— Silverberry Park	Brenda Beier	463-6530
— Canada Day Rep	Aafaq Ullah	695-8178
Neighbourhood Watch	Vacant	
— Block Parent	Vacant	
Communications Director	Michel Proulx	468-2272
— Newsletter	Michel Proulx	468-2272
— Website	Michel Proulx	468-2272
Girl Guides Contact	Joanne Swensrude	440-2522
Community Recreation Coordinator	Kevin Elmore	496-1474

School began on September 2 and we are off to an exciting 2008-2009 school year.

Our first school assembly will be held on Friday, September 5 at 9:00 a.m. We will have an opportunity to introduce new staff and students and kick-off our daily reading program. Literacy Logs are a huge success at our school and our literacy theme for the 2008-2009 school year is "Reading Rocks"! We will also introduce our Character Education traits for the year and discuss our continued theme "I CAN make a difference!"

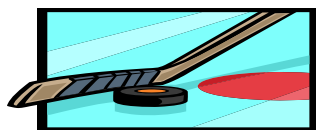
We look forward for another great year. A special welcome to the many new families who have joined our learning community and to our kindergarten students who will begin their first school learning experiences. We look forward to working with all our students supporting their continued learning journey. We look forward to meeting all our parents at our Links to Literacy Evening on Thursday, September 11 beginning at 6:30 p.m. Watch for the special invitation coming home the first week of school. The Annual General Meeting of our School Council is on Wednesday, September 17 beginning at 6:30 p.m. Reminder to all our parents that each and every one of you are members of our School Council and we encourage you to come to our monthly meeting to hear about the council's goals and work they will continue to do in 2008 – 2009.

Until next month . . . Happy Reading!



Dorothy Cronk, Principal

**Come and join our team!!**  
**Employment Opportunity at Velma E. Baker School**  
**Beginning Aug 20 we are accepting applications for lunch supervisor positions.**  
**Hours are 11:30 – 12:50. Starting salary: \$18.00 per day. Call 780-440-4088**



## YOUTH DROP-IN AT VELMA E BAKER GYM

Starting at 5:30 and ending at 6:45  
Every Tuesdays from Sept 16 – Dec 9

We will be doing a variety of activities from sports and games to art projects. We let you shape the program. So come out and bring your friends. We may even bring out a Playstation for some Rock Band and Guitar Hero. Best of all, it's free!

Contact Brenda at 463-6530 for more information



# Program helps communities wipe out graffiti

Capital City Clean Up has a new Graffiti Management Program to help communities to get involved in cleaning graffiti in their community.

Graffiti removal kits are available, on a limited, first-come basis, to anyone in Edmonton who has been "tagged" with graffiti. Residential and business application forms are available on the Capital City Clean Up (CCCU) website at [www.edmonton.ca/capitalcitycleanup](http://www.edmonton.ca/capitalcitycleanup). Or you can call 442-5302 to arrange for a kit. To receive a kit you must provide a photo of the graffiti and a police reporting file number.

A \$150,000 Graffiti Wipe-Out Fund has been established for community groups and agencies to put on Graffiti Wipe Out events. These are community events organized and staffed by volunteers to paint out graffiti. To organize an event, community groups contact local property owners to see if they would like assistance painting over graffiti in their community.

Events can be organized as:

- paint supplied (where the organizers select and prearrange for basic paint colors for covering graffiti),
- owner paint supplied (owners provide exact paint matches and the paint for the removal), or
- a combination of both.

Based on the number of properties and volunteers involved, the Graffiti Management Program will provide the paint and paint supplies as well as snacks and drinks for the day.

We require a minimum of 10 days notice to process a request for paint supplies (including paint colors and quantities).

If you have any questions or would like to arrange for a wipe-out event in your area, please contact the Graffiti Project Assistant at 442-5302 or via e-mail at [capitalcitycleanup@edmonton.ca](mailto:capitalcitycleanup@edmonton.ca).

# City serves up opportunity to get rid of big household items

The City of Edmonton is hosting Big Bin events for household items that can't be set out for regular waste collection.

Three more weekend events are scheduled in various locations throughout the City. You'll find the schedule below.

City residents can drop off items such as old couches, chairs, mattresses and appliances free of charge. Computers and other electronics will also be accepted for recycling.

**Note:** Do not bring household hazardous waste like paint, varnish, household cleaners or batteries. Please take those items to an [Eco Station](#).

All events will run from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on dates shown.

For more information, visit [www.edmonton.ca/capitalcitycleanup](http://www.edmonton.ca/capitalcitycleanup) or call 780.944.5470.

Date	Location	Address
Sept. 6 & 7	Leefield	7910 – 36 Ave.
Sept. 13 & 14	Kennedale	12810 – 58 Street
Sept. 20 & 21	Commonwealth Stadium	112 Ave. & 90 Street



Edmonton Rotary Clubs

# Special Thank You!

Our sincere gratitude to the businesses and individuals who helped support the Silverberry Playground by various means!

Government of Alberta  
 Alberta Lottery Fund  
 City of Edmonton  
 Alberta Recycling  
 The Meadows Community League  
 Meadowbrook Husky  
 Meadowbrook McDonald's  
 Meadowbrook Subway  
 Rio Can Meadows Staples  
 Rio Can Meadows Swiss Chalet  
 Lisa McCormick  
 Dundee  
 Avatt  
 Meadowbrook Sobey's  
 Meadowbrook Panago  
 Rio Can Meadows Subway  
 Rio Can Meadows RBC

Rio Can Meadows ATB Financial  
 Rio Can Meadows TD  
 Rio Can Meadows Scotiabank  
 Richard Marshall  
 Southside Bin Rental  
 Gregg Gazdewich  
 8<sup>th</sup> Field Engineer Regiment  
 Rio Can Meadows Home Depot  
 Rio Can Meadows Starbucks  
 Lisa & Lint Lacroix  
 Burnco  
 Playworks  
 CDC Recreation

and the many community residents who helped out in various ways!

# Free Admission Day at City facilities

On Sunday, Sept. 28, Edmontonians are invited to enjoy Free Admission Day at city-owned and operated attractions and select Leisure, Sport & Fitness facilities to celebrate recreation in the City of Edmonton!

Free admission to these sites will be full of fun and entertainment for the entire family. All activities will take place between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.

## Attractions & Cultural Facilities

Fort Edmonton Park,  
 John Janzen Nature Centre  
 John Walter Museum  
 Valley Zoo  
 City Arts Centre

## Arenas

Callingwood Arena (A)  
 Castledowns Arena (A)  
 Clairview Arena (A)  
 Confederation Arena  
 Kinsmen Arena

## Golf Courses

Riverside Golf Course  
 Rundle Park  
 Victoria Golf Course & Driving Range

## Sport, Fitness & Leisure Centres

Commonwealth Sports & Fitness Centre  
 Kinsmen Sports Centre  
 Kinsmen Pitch & Putt  
 ACT Aquatic & Recreation Centre  
 Bonnie Doon Leisure Centre  
 Confederation Leisure Centre  
 Grand Trunk Fitness & Leisure Centre  
 Hardisty Fitness & Leisure Centre  
 Jasper Place Fitness & Leisure Centre  
 Londonderry Fitness & Leisure Centre  
 Mill Woods Recreation Centre  
 O'Leary Leisure Centre  
 Peter Hemingway Fitness and Leisure Centre