

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

### The Meadows Needs You!

Our community league board doesn't only provide fun programs and events for families and children.

We are the contact group for the City of Edmonton for any rezoning, development or modifications in our area, whether it deals with land, roadways or utilities. We develop our parks and

playgrounds. We provide representation on Mill Wood's Presidents' Council (MWPC) which provides input to our local police department and three levels of government which regularly attend our meetings. (Well, two of the three levels, anyway.) MWPC has recently established the new Seniors' Centre (at the Mill Woods Rec Centre) available to all seniors in our neighbourhood.

We are also able to provide adult sports, recreation and leisure programs if someone is willing to organize them.

### We represent all residents of all ages in The Meadows.

Our board has many of the key positions opening up in April if they are not vacant already. Please contact me to learn more. We MUST keep The Meadows Community League viable.

Thank you to Omer Baig for stepping up at January's meeting and agreeing to represent us on the Canada Day Committee and update us on Edmonton Public School Board meeting content.

Thank you also to Jeremy and Mike who responded to our 'help wanted' ad and have now been hired to maintain our two skating rinks.

**Please note: the City is ticketing people who park their vehicles on the "grass" to the north of the pond in Meadowbrook.** Please park on the road to the south of the ice rink.

Hope to see you on the ski hill, at the Oilers game and at our sleigh ride!

Kathleen Mahé

## BINGO! BINGO! BINGO

Our next bingo is Feb 20th in the afternoon @ Parkway Bingo 8775 51 Avenue.

Please e-mail [kdmahe@telus.net](mailto:kdmahe@telus.net) or phone 463-3602 to volunteer.

**There is no experience required. It's easy and we'll train you. If you are home during the day, or have a flexible work schedule, please consider helping us out and you will receive a \$50 voucher at the same time.**

We will send out an e-mail to anyone on the list notifying them of the upcoming bingo. The first responses received will be given positions. If you are unable to work it, there is no need to respond. All responses will be replied to.

To have your e-mail address added to our list, please e-mail [kdmahe@telus.net](mailto:kdmahe@telus.net).

### Our other bingo dates in 2008 are:

April 10 afternoon

June 19 evening

August 1 afternoon

### To work a bingo you must

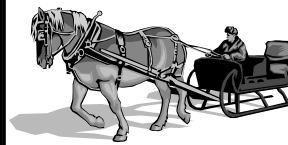
- be a community league member (memberships will be available at the bingo).
- be available to work the entire shift. If you will be a half hour late, or need to leave a half hour early, we will not be able to accommodate you for that bingo.
- be a resident of The Meadows. Only if we are unable to fill the required positions with Meadows residents will we consider taking community league members from outside our boundaries.

You will earn a \$50 voucher to use on children's programs and an additional \$25 for any late night shift (10:00 – midnight).

NOTE: If you are completing your volunteer requirement for Mill Woods Soccer, you will not receive a voucher.

## Little Hoopsters

The Little Hoopsters program was cancelled due to the lack of interest.



## Family Day Sleigh Ride

Date: February 17th, 2008

Time: 12 noon

Where: Velma E. Baker School

**Come and meet Olympic Speed Skater - Steven Elm**

### And join us for:

Ice fishing carnival game, door prizes, hot chocolate, coffee, cookies and refreshments compliments of RBC at RioCan Meadows.



## FAMILY SKI & TUBING NIGHT

at

**SUNRIDGE SKI HILL**

(across the river from Rundle Park)

Date: February 23, 2008

Time: 6-10 pm

Cost: \$10 p/p\* members and

\$15 p/p\* for others



For registration:

Please call Brenda Beier @ 463-6530

\*The price includes rentals and a lesson.

## SIGNBOARD VOLUNTEERS

As many of you probably have noticed we have four brand new signboards in our community.

**We do need some volunteers to change the messages from time to time.**

The messages change on average about twice a month and we will not ask you to do this in extreme weather.

At the moment we have two locations still available.

- The first one is at Silverberry Park.
- The second one is at the corner of 17 Street and 38 Avenue.

Please contact Yvonne Lennox @ 466-7694.



## KUDOS KORNER

A huge thank you to

# Brenda Beier

Who is solely responsible for the four new signboards scattered throughout The Meadows.

(If you're not completely thrilled with the locations, you'll have to take that up with The City – not Brenda.)

Brenda is a huge and tireless contributor to The Meadows. We are very fortunate to benefit from all her efforts.

*Did one of your neighbours recently shovel your walk, help you out of a jam, or do something for others that you feel is worthy of recognition? Please contact Yvonne, our Communications Director, and she'll try to put it in the next newsletter for you.*

# The Meadows Community League Directors and Community Reps

President	Kathleen (Katy) Mahé	463-3602
Vice-President	Emily Ollerhead	466-0546
Past President	Kenn Tuckey	440-3420
Secretary	Brenda Beier	463-6530
Treasurer	Vacant	
Bingo Rep	Kathleen (Katy) Mahé	463-3602
Casino Rep	Dana Richard	469-9985
Membership Director	Gail Hetman	466-5382
Communications Director	Yvonne Lennox	466-7694
— Newsletter	Yvonne Lennox	466-7694
— Website	Yvonne Lennox	466-7694
	Brenda Beier	463-6530
Program Director	Vacant	
— Children's Programs	Vacant	
— Adult Programs	Vacant	
Block Parent	Vacant	
Neighbourhood Watch	Amarjeet Sohi	463-7977
Civics Director	Rispah Kiptoo	633-6575
— Projects	Bruce Poon	469-8695
	Kenn Tuckey	440-3420
	Rispah Kiptoo	633-6575
	Amarjeet Sohi	463-7977
	Omer Baig	952-7299
	Vacant	
— Public School Rep	Vacant	
— Catholic School Rep	Vacant	
Facilities Director	Vacant	
— Rinks	Miles Maldaner	440-0219
Sports Director	Bik Grewal	463-8068
— Soccer	Gary Biddell	440-0379
— Basketball	Bik Grewal	463-8068
— Hockey	Vacant	
— Softball	Vacant	
Community Recreation Coordinator	Shelley Kwong	496-1473
Canada Day Representative	Omer Baig	952-7299

## FREE SWIM



Mill Woods Recreation Centre  
Sunday, February 17th  
Time: 4 - 5:30 pm.  
*Bring your League Membership Card*

## The Meadows Community League

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

Next Monthly Board Meetings:

**Monday, February 4th @ 7pm**  
&  
**Monday, March 3rd @ 7 pm**

Velma E. Baker School

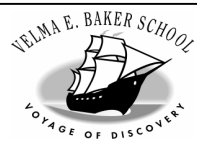
**\*\*VISITORS WELCOME\*\***

*Bright futures  
begin here*



### Velma E. Baker School

2845 - 43A Avenue  
Edmonton, AB T6T 1J9  
Phone: 440-4088 Fax: 465-1275



We have had an excellent start to the New Year and 2008 will be an exciting year for us at Velma E. Baker. New learning has already begun as students begin new units of studies in most of the curriculum areas.

In January we had "Beach Day" to help bring a little warmth and sunshine into our school during the winter snow and cold. We are looking forward to our Winter Carnival, "Carnaval de Québec" on Thursday, February 7, which showcases our grade 4 - 6 French as a Second Language students. Students will have an opportunity to make "la tire sur la neige" and participate in French cultural activities.

In February our students will be working on Compassion: Kindness and Caring for Character Education. Random Acts of Kindness takes place February 11 - 15 at Velma E. Baker. "Compassion" has been our character trait for the past several months and at our 9:00 a.m. assembly on February 21 we are looking forward to hearing about all the great things classrooms are doing to model compassion. At the assembly Storyteller, Rene Englot, will share a story with the students about "compassion". "I Can" cans continue to provide students with weekly or monthly goals and we share with students that each and every one of them can make a difference in our school. Together we all make the difference!!

At the February School Council meeting, parents had the opportunity to learn about our school's technology from several teachers, who are on the Instructional Leadership Team. We shared information about SMART boards and United Video Streaming. Our School Council and PAC will be selling tickets for our April 26 WEM Water Park Night; look for more information in next month's Mill Woods Newsletter.

**Pre-registrations for Kindergarten** are now being accepted for the 2008 - 2009 school year. Our boundaries for Kindergarten are now open and we will be accepting students from outside our catchment area. To be eligible children must be 5 years of age on or before March 1, 2009. As part of the registration process, we require that parents provide the child's birth certificate and residence-related proof of address. Early registration will assist the school in organizing classes for the upcoming year. **A Parent Information Night for Kindergarten will be held in May.** If you are aware of any neighbors with school-aged children for the upcoming year, please pass on this information. Please contact the school at 440-4088 for further information.

Until next month . . . happy reading.

Dorothy Cronk, Principal



### Employment Opportunity at Velma E. Baker School

Come and join our team!! We are accepting applications for lunch supervisor positions.

**Hours are 11:30 - 12:50 pm. Starting salary: \$15.00 per day.**

## Oilers Family Night

Tuesday, February 26, 2008

# Oilers

VS.

# Red Wings

## \$30/ticket\*

Board a bus at 5:45 pm in the Velma E. Baker School parking lot. 2845 43A Ave.  
(Buses leave at 6:00 pm sharp.)

Brush up on your hockey trivia as prizes will be awarded on both buses.

Phone Scott for tickets @ 463-9630.  
(Between 5 pm and 9 pm only please.)

\*must have a community league membership (available from Scott).

### Bright Lights contest winners:

- 1<sup>st</sup> place: Ken & Vanessa Deines  
3104 36B Avenue
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Ruptash Family  
3311 43 Avenue
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Randy & Cheryl Tanton  
4275 24 Street



### Coloring contest winners:

- 3-5 years:** Rocco Cerminara  
Azaria Plouffe  
Justin Read  
Aleah Gillingham
- 6-7 Years:** Chantelle Lennox  
Keegan Ollerhead  
Blake Erickson
- 8-10 Years:** Josh Read  
Jamie Erickson  
Andrew Beier
- 11-12 Years:** Luke Erickson  
Kaila Hetman

**Thank you to  
Scotia Bank  
(17th Street and Whitemud)**

for the generous donation of gift cards for the gift bags for the Kids' Christmas Party.



**Thank you to  
Sobeys  
Meadowbrook**

for the generous donations of prizes for the Bright Light Contest.