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# Grandview Heights Newsletter

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## Grandview Heights Community League

### 2013 AGM – Elections

A note from our Community League President to the residents of Grandview Heights (GH):

*Dear GH Residents:*

*That GH is special requires no repeating to all of you who have chosen to live here. I personally cannot think of a neighborhood that is more community-minded and fun-filled than GH, having lived on three separate continents for half a century now. What makes GH work is our enthusiastic involvement – pure and simple.*



*Which brings me to the Annual General Meeting scheduled this year for Sunday June 16, 10:30 am to noon. There will be refreshments, and a chance to take stock of what the events over the last 12 months and review what is in store for the next twelve.*

*Please mark the date on your calendar and attend!!*

*Warm wishes for a sun-filled summer,*

*...Vikas, President, GHCL*

## Grandview Heights Community League Annual General Meeting

Sunday, June 16

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Refreshments will be served

*We will also be holding elections for the Directors of the Community League. One of the vacant positions is the Membership Director. Please participate to help our community flourish.*

*Come join your neighbours...*

# **Grandview Year End Party**

**Bring a main course and dessert. BYOB. Kids drinks and snacks provided**



**Games  
Prizes  
DJ  
Dancing  
Bouncy  
Things**

**Great  
Family  
Fun**



**Thursday, June 27 5:30 - 10:00 pm**  
**Students Teachers and Families Welcome**



**Pot Luck**  
**Bring a  
Main or  
Dessert**



## Fitness & Activities Section

This section is dedicated to fitness and activities that are happening within or around our community.

### Important Notes:

Tot Time - ends when school ends

Karate - starts again, September

### Tot Time, Tot Time!!!

Your kids will make new friends while you get to know your neighbors!

### Grandview Community Hall

(Attached to school. Use the North doors.)

Tuesdays and Thursdays

9:30 AM - 11:00 AM

Contact: Lana at  
lana.stromberg@gmail.com



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## Youth and Adult Karate

Contemporary self protection. Traditional karate skill.

We offer programs specially designed for beginning youths or adults as well as experienced students.

### Traditional Karate

We practice Wado-Kai karate as taught by the late master Sensei Masaru Shintani, 9th-Dan, the founder of the Shintani Wado-Kai Karate Federation

### Training Times

**Grandview Youth (Beginner through Yellow belt)**

Tuesdays 5:45 - 6:45pm • Saturdays 9:00 - 10:30am

**Grandview Youth (Orange and above)**

Tuesdays 5:45 - 6:45pm • Saturdays 10:30 - 12:00pm

**Grandview Adult (Advanced)**

Tuesdays and Fridays 7:00 - 9:00pm

**Grandview Adult (Beginner)**

Fridays 6:00 - 7:30pm • Sundays 6:00 - 8:00

### Location

Grandview Heights Community Hall  
12603 63 Ave.



### For More Information

Contact Sensei James Freeman

by phone at 780-433-3807

or by email james@edmonton-karate.com

[www.edmonton-karate.com](http://www.edmonton-karate.com)

## NEW! Smaller Individualized BOOT CAMP



Grandview Fitness Boot Camp Sessions Are Open To All Levels



Have fun getting in shape!

For more information email [sagrius@trainingbyagrius.com](mailto:sagrius@trainingbyagrius.com)

[www.trainingbyagrius.com](http://www.trainingbyagrius.com)

*"He who has health, has hope;  
and he who has hope, has  
everything."*

*Thomas Carlyle*

## Trim Your Trees Like A Good Neighbor Should by: Nick Messe

Your property's biggest natural asset may be its trees. By using professional tree trimming services, you can keep their value and maintain good neighbor relations. Neglected trees, especially those near property lines or streets can be a major source of neighbor conflicts. You can steer clear of such conflicts by maintaining healthy and well-trimmed trees.

Although trees can provide much sought after shade in the summer months, they can also be especially damaging to roofs. Your neighbor may hold you responsible for any damage caused by your tree. Although your neighbor has a right to trim the tree from her side of the property, it is in your best interest to hire a professional to do the tree trimming for you. The last thing you need is for your neighbor or you to fall attempting to trim back the branches of your tree.

Privacy is great but trees overhanging the fence are not. This is one of the most common neighbor complaints. As most fences are a shared cost, neighbors are quick to be concerned about the effect of an overgrown tree branches resting near or on the fence. When the tree is trimmed, it is important not to have more weight on one side of the tree than the other.

## University Update By Anish Neupane

### Update on 63 Avenue

U of A anticipates beginning the 63 Avenue access into South Campus in the spring of 2014 with expected completion by October 2014. U of A has planned an open house in mid-June (likely June 12) in Grandview hall for the community to view and provide comment on the final design. Watch for the neighborhood notice for details.



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### South Campus Long Range Development Plan Amendments

You may recall that U of A held the second and final open house in mid-March to solicit comments on the proposed changes to the long-range development plan. Notwithstanding the consultation process itself, Grandview, along with representatives from the seven other neighboring communities of the South Campus Neighborhood Coalition, are concerned about the substantive nature of the proposed amendments. These concerns include the fact that:

1. the amendments are not explicit; clarity is needed over precisely where and how the 2002 LRDP has been amended.
2. the communities were asked to provide comments on the amendment document when significant elements are very vague.
3. development options for the “agricultural use” of Sector 13 are not defined?
4. comprehensive traffic impact reassessment and a parking demand reassessment has not been undertaken in light of all the proposed amendments to the land uses.
5. the proposed land uses and developments encourage large volumes of private traffic volumes.
6. “shared use” facilities are inadequately defined. These facilities bring large volumes of traffic, noise and congestion to local communities. If these facilities are to be built to serve non-university purposes, there appears to be lack of planning and coordination with shared use partners. For example, how do shared use recreation facilities relate to the City of Edmonton’s recreation facility master plan?

The communities would like to see these concerns adequately addressed before the proposed land use amendments are approved. We have relayed these concerns to the City and provincial officials and to the U of A Board of Governors. We are pleased to continue to work with our local representatives Councilor Don Iveson and MLA Steve Young who have taken interest in this issue and thank them for advancing the community interests.

Please send us your comments on this subject to

Anish Neupane [anish.neupane@gmail.com](mailto:anish.neupane@gmail.com)

Grandview Heights representatives to University of Alberta and South Campus Neighborhood Coalition

## Community League Membership

### Did you know?

Grandview Heights has one of the highest rates of community league membership purchases in the city. Approximately 6 out of 10 households in our community purchase league membership. Thank you for supporting your community. Also, a BIG thank you to membership canvassers:

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***“Being a community league member demonstrates commitment to the community and supports our wonderful neighborhood.”***

- Heather Collier,
- Anish Neupane,
- Leslie Aitken-Helper,
- Melora Jones,
- William Wang,
- Lori Kraus,
- Vikas Mehrotra,
- Barbara Brass,
- Donna Ross,
- Debby Lindskoog,
- Maya Davidow,
- Jacquie Webster,
- Sue Lambert,
- Susan MacDonald,
- Laurie Clifford,
- Russell Kocuper,
- Dawn Davis,
- Kara Klarenbach,
- Paema Hare
- Brodie Ferguson.

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## Scona Pool Summer Kick Off Party

### FOSP activities support keeping the pool open and in the public mind

Friends of Scona Pool (FOSP) is planning an End of Season Party at Scona Pool  
Saturday July 6th noon - 5pm

The pool will be open for \$2 swims from noon – 3:00 pm

Free BBQ on the patio starting at 12pm with a bbq - hot dogs, water and juice boxes  
Activities for the children on the patio including, for example, sidewalk chalk, jump rope, scavenger hunt, and in the pool, for example, races, ring dives, etc... All children's activities will have prizes as well.

At 3:30pm Ken from Northwest Scuba will hold a basic discover scuba class for up to 30 participants. Cost will be \$20 per person. This will run for 1.5 hours until 5pm, If anyone is interested in this event please e-mail Rick, the pool manager, at [rick@sconapool.com](mailto:rick@sconapool.com).

Scona Pool will be closed on July 13th for the remainder of the summer for routine maintenance and will reopen late August/early September.



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## 2013/2014 Nominations

Board Position	Name	E-mail address
President	Vikas Mehrotra	vikas.mehrotra@ualberta.ca
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Programs Director	<b>Vacant</b>	
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Membership Director	<b>Vacant</b>	
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	Sue Lambert	lambert.sue@gmail.com

## Community Partners

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Edmonton Community Services - Community Recreation Coordinator	Linda Bombardieri	linda.bombardieri@edmonton.ca
City Councillor	Don Iveson	don.iveson@edmonton.ca
MLA - Riverview	Steve Young	edmonton.riverview@assembly.ab.ca
MP Strathcona	Linda Duncan	linda@electlindaduncan.ca
Executive Director - EFCL	Allan Bolstad	director@efcl.org
Capital Care Grandview	Jennifer Williams	jenniferwilliams@capitalcare.net

## Advertisements

Advertising in the Grandview Heights community league newsletter will be allowed for sports and leisure related activities taking place within the community of Grandview for the benefit of its residents. Advertisers must be current members of a registered City of Edmonton community league. If you have a notice that you would like in the community newsletter please email them to [grandviewnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:grandviewnewsletter@gmail.com)

## Newsletter

Anyone wishing to receive the Grandview Heights Newsletter electronically can send an email to [grandviewnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:grandviewnewsletter@gmail.com) with "Newsletter" in the subject line

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Community League

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