

Grandview Heights Community League Newsletter

APRIL 2025

The next few weeks are a busy time for the Grandview Community League! There are **many ways listed below to get involved** with your neighbours and make our community a better place to live!

Urgent! WE NEED 8 MORE CASINO VOLUNTEERS ASAP!

We are now just over a week away from the casino and **we need your help in filling the last 8 remaining spots on the volunteer roster.** The funds raised through the casino play a vital role in ensuring that our community hall, hockey rink, and tennis court remain accessible, safe, and comfortable for everyone to enjoy. We raised \$79K at the last casino. Most of that money will go towards the tennis court restoration project, so raising more money this year is critical to league operations going forward.

No experience necessary. Training is provided on-site. Volunteers get free food/parking at the Starlight Casino (WEM). You can book using this link <https://signup.com/go/wKvCrNL> Please talk to your friends and neighbours and see if they want to help. You must be a [GVH Community League member](#) to be in one of these key positions: Banker, Count Room Supervisor, and Cashier. Non-league members are welcome to volunteer in other positions.

Spots still available Wed. April 23

- Banker - 1 spot 10 am - 7:15 pm
- Back up - 2 spots 10 am - 7:15 pm
- Cashier - 2 spots 6:45 pm - 3:30 am
- Count Room - 1 spot 11 pm - 3:30 am

Thurs. April 24

- Cashier - 1 spot 6:45 pm - 3:30 am
- Back up - 1 spot 6:30 pm - 3:30 am

If you have any questions or want us to handle the sign-up for you, send us an email to grandviewcasino@gmail.com.

GHCL Annual General Meeting Sunday, May 4th Noon in the League Hall

All Grandview residents are welcome to attend. The meeting agenda includes:

- **President's Report summarizing 2024-25 league activities**
- Treasurer's Report presenting the 2024-25 Financial Statements
- Election of the 2025-26 board
- West 240 Committee update - **see below
- Special Resolution to amend Section 7.2.2 of the 2016 GHCL Bylaws

There are still **three board vacancies**. We meet six times a year and always have a few laughs. If you can help out as Secretary, Communications Director or Social Director, please contact Mary Schlosser at grandviewheightspresident@gmail.com

GHCL Response to City of Edmonton Call for West 240 Feedback

All Grandview residents/property owners recently received a letter from the City calling for feedback on the Neighbourhood Area Structure Plan (NASP) developed by University of Alberta Property Trust (UAPT) over the past couple of years and recently submitted for review and approval by the City of Edmonton. This is the first step in the City's public consultation process, and the GHCL will be providing its 'official' response after the AGM on May 4th. We have asked the City to extend the May 5th deadline (and are waiting to hear confirmation) to ensure that response reflects what we hear at the AGM. The league's initial response to the NASP is cautiously positive given the plan reflects neighbourhood feedback to the UAPT regarding mirrored housing along 62 Ave. and limiting traffic impacts. However, the NASP also raises questions as to how a community of 5,000 new neighbours will impact life in Grandview. For example, does "Mixed Use" mean that we will be able to walk to a nearby store/restaurant, or how many playgrounds will there be? Lee Ward who heads our West240 Committee has reviewed the related information referred to in the City letter at <http://engaged.edmonton.ca/West240>. He will be available to answer any questions you may have at the AGM. You can contact Lee by email via the Contact Us page at grandviewcommunity.ca

Notwithstanding the GHCL's plan to provide its 'official' response after the AGM, we encourage all residents to submit feedback as they see fit, even if it is only to say that you like what you see so far. Especially in a small neighbourhood like Grandview (350 homes/1100 residents), there is value in letting the City know that you are engaged and care about what is happening 'next door'.

Pick Up and Chow Down - Sunday, May 4th - 10 am-noon

The snow is gone so it's time to grab the garbage bags and clean up our neighbourhood, and then hang around to chow down after all the hard work! Help ensure that we have enough food on hand by sending an **RSVP by May 1st** to grandviewsocialevents@gmail.com

Big Bin Event - Sunday, May 4th - 8 am - 4 pm- Volunteers Needed

If you can help out by volunteering one to two hours to monitor the bins, please contact grandviewsocialevents@gmail.com

End of School/Summer Party- Funding Confirmed **- Volunteers Still Needed**

We haven't heard from any parent volunteers yet, but because the board is optimistic that some folks will be stepping up soon, funding has been approved for this year's big event. In the meantime, Social Director Carmen Ma has graciously agreed to get the ball rolling by booking the food trucks, bouncy castles, etc. All we need now is volunteer help at the event.

Greeter for vendors/food trucks at 3:30-5 pm

Set up tables/chairs 3:30 - 5 pm

Site supervisor/vendor/food truck liaison 5-7 pm and 7-9 pm

Garbage crew - 5-7 and 7-9 - ensure garbage cans are emptied

Site take-down - 9 pm return tables/chairs to hall

If you can help out, please contact grandviewsocialevents@gmail.com

Gardening Club Starts May 7th (weather permitting)

Calling all green thumbs to come out to the Grandview Gardening Club that meets Wednesday mornings at 9:30 at the rinklands area between Grandview Strip Mall and Grandview Capital Care. This parkland is 'owned' by the league under agreement with the City so maintaining it is a neighbourhood responsibility. The Gardening Club is key to keeping the grounds looking great for everyone. No experience required! For more info, contact: Lori at mlkraus@telus.net

Tennis Court Restoration Project Update

Last fall, the GHCL board approved \$75K for a tennis court restoration project, payable from the casino account. The funds will be used to address foundation issues on the south courts, line repainting, new nets and a new practice board. Construction on the south courts was planned for this spring, but unanticipated issues related to site access and the City's tree protection policy mean the larger construction piece won't begin until the fall. However, the Tennis Committee is going ahead with the new backboard, equipment purchase and line repainting on the north courts which is set for July. The Tennis Committee will need some volunteers to **help get the courts in shape in the coming weeks**. Stay tuned!

Green Shack Returning to the Park This Summer!

The City just confirmed that Grandview will have a kid's summer program running in the park again this year. We are just waiting to hear if staff will be on hand in the morning, as requested, or in the afternoons.