

## Grandview Heights Community League Newsletter

# November 2024

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Hello Grandview!

**Halloween Party a Howling Success!** A scary bunch of ghosts, goblins, witches, dinosaurs, princesses and even one six-foot tall Bluey gathered to celebrate at the annual Halloween party. Buckets of fried chicken and a large stack of pizzas disappeared almost instantly. Pinatas were whacked, the candy flowed, and DJ Marty kept the dance floor hopping. Thanks to Social Director Carmen Ma and the volunteers who showed up to help her pull off another great neighbourhood event.

**Membership Drive Continues** – Last year, less than half of Grandview's 300+ households purchased a GHCL membership. This year's goal is to get that number up! With 103 memberships already sold, we are optimistic that this friendly reminder will push sales even higher. Memberships cost \$45 and there are three ways to buy.

- On-line at [grandviewcommunity.ca](http://grandviewcommunity.ca). A \$5 admin fee will be added to on-line purchases.
- E-transfer \$45 to [grandviewheightstreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:grandviewheightstreasurer@gmail.com). Please include your name, address, phone and we will email your membership.
- Email Membership Director Marius lordache [membership@grandviewcommunity.ca](mailto:membership@grandviewcommunity.ca)

**Tennis Committee Update** - The nets are now packed away thanks to the volunteers who showed up in the cold to get that done. Plans are moving ahead on the rejuvenation project set for next spring. The project will involve fixing foundation issues, crack repair and resurfacing.

**Rink Operations Now Underway** – Ice making has started! The GHCL pays a rink crew to flood the rink and to serve as attendants when the rink shack is open. We'll send out a message to let you know when the rink is up and running and include the opening hours for the shack.

**Book your holiday party at the League Hall!** Anyone with a current GHCL membership can rent the hall for \$20 per hour. There are still openings on Christmas/New Year's Eve and Friday/Saturday nights throughout December. Visit [grandviewcommunity.ca](http://grandviewcommunity.ca) to check out the rental calendar and then contact Hall Rental Director Gabriela lordache at [hallrentals@grandviewcommunity.ca](mailto:hallrentals@grandviewcommunity.ca) to book your spot!

**Spring 2025 Casino Date Set- Mark your calendars now!** - The GHCL's next casino is set for Wednesday, April 23 and Thursday, April 25 at the Starlite Casino. Alberta Gaming and Liquor grants the league a casino license every few years and the money raised is critical to league operations. If you can help, please contact Casino Director Jia Jia at [grandviewcasino@gmail.com](mailto:grandviewcasino@gmail.com). More details to follow!

**U of A Committee/West 240 Update** -The U of A Committee continues to promote Grandview's interests regarding the West 240 development. At this point, our feedback to the University of Alberta Properties Trust (UAPT) remains focused on the following priorities:

- limiting West 240 construction access to entry from 122 St. (arterial roadway)
- maintaining the integrity of the multi-use trail along 62 Ave. to Grand View Drive
- having the new development planned for the south side of 62 Ave. mirror the residential look/feel of the existing single detached/low density homes on the north side of 62 Ave.

Here are the highlights from a recent update from the UAPT.

- The UAPT will attend future meetings of the South Campus Neighbourhood Coalition (SCNC). (This advocacy group is made up of representatives from neighbourhoods bordering U of A properties. Grandview's SCNC rep is U of A Committee Lead, Lee Ward.)
- UAPT planning work continues towards the development of a Neighbourhood Area Structure Plan (NASP), which they hope to submit to the City of Edmonton by the end of 2024 for technical review and public circulation.
- It is anticipated that it will take the City a year to process the NASP application. Residents/community groups will have more opportunities to ask questions, provide feedback, and participate in shaping the development through City-led engagement initiatives, which will be publicly advertised. (The GHCL will be involved in these activities.)
- Stage 1A and 1B of the UAPT's Michener Park Project are substantially complete, totalling eight residential parcels, one commercial parcel, a stormwater management facility, and a park. Commercial construction is underway. Business tenants will begin customizing rental units next fall. Residential construction in Michener Park should start soon.
- UAPT President/CEO Greg Dewling will be leaving in November. Lee Ward will reach out to his replacement and brief the new CEO on Grandview's concerns.

Please contact Lee Ward via the Contact Page at [grandviewcommunity.ca](https://www.grandviewcommunity.ca) if you have any questions/concerns about the U of A Committee's work or West 240.

**UAPT Open House Update** – The Lansdowne/Grandview open houses held in June were well attended. Feedback results are now posted on the West 240 website in a report titled “West 240 Neighbourhood Area Structure Plan-Pre-Application Engagement Summary.”

**The Community Sandbox Program** – The City provides free sand for use on icy sidewalks. This year, the closest sandbox to Grandview is located outside of the fence at the City Maintenance Yard at 6609 Gateway BLVD.

**Sign up for City of Edmonton Service Notifications-** When the snowplows are out, you can receive text or email notifications when there is a parking ban and to get the clearing status of your street. Sign up at <https://my.edmonton.ca/sign-up>