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Message from the President

Dear GH Residents,

Hope 2013 is shaping our well for all of you. Lots of new things for this year, starting with the improvements to the rinks area to the re-opening of the tobogganing hill.

New developments are also likely to affect us as the University proceeds with the amendments to its long-range development plans, in particular, as it develops South Campus seeking road access etc in the process. GHCL has been active in consultations with the university and the neighboring communities to mitigate the impact of these changes on our everyday lives.

We are also hoping that more members of the community get involved in the GHCL. We encourage everyone to attend meetings or just send us emails with your concerns and suggestions.

In the meantime, we hope you are making the best of the outdoors this season. Remember, Winter won't last forever!

Vikas

Newsletter Delivery - Thank-You

Did you think these newsletters deliver themselves?

That would be miraculous but the answer is that they don't. Our wonderful volunteers trudge through and deliver them for the Community League.

A very big **thank you** to our wonderful volunteers who deliver these newsletters!

- Sheri Perozni
- Lori Kraus
- Anish Neupane



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Fitness & Activities Page

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

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





Grandview Boot Camp Registration Now Open! www.trainingbyagrios.com

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

Thomas Carlyle



FITNESS BOOT CAMP

WINTER SESSION starting January 30th!
Join us for fun & fitness...
Every Wednesday
6:30 - 7:30am

All fitness levels WELCOME!
Classes take place in the Grandview Heights School Gym
For more information

go to <u>www.foxfitness.co</u> email <u>tarafox@telusplanet.net</u> Have Your Whole Family Join Edmonton's Premier Karate Club!

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

Join the Fun! Play Outdoor Soccer





Remember soccer registration begins online!!! The process is in 2 parts:

- Online registration from Jan 18 to Feb 24th 2013. Visit <u>www.swemsa.com</u> to pre-register your child. Please print 2 completed online registration forms.
 - © Players may only register with the community in which they reside.
 - © Registrations made <u>after Feb 24th will be considered late</u>. (You will be charged a \$30 late fee and your child cannot be guaranteed a place on a team).
- 2. Attend in person payment session at the Grandview Community Hall on Sunday *Feb 24th 12-2pm*. Remember to bring:
 - Your 2 completed online registration forms
 - Your community league membership
 - Your volunteering spirit! Volunteers are critical to our soccer program. If you are not able to volunteer for the community soccer program, please provide a \$50 cheque with your registration fee. :

Volunteer Positions : Coach a team / assist coach / team manager / registration assistance / equipment set-up / referee coordinator / soccer coordinator / organize year end party / picture day

- Your cheques made out to Grandview Community League:
 - Registration Fee (\$ as below with current date)
 - Non-volunteer fee (\$50 with current date), if applicable.

Ever thought about playing STING Competitive Soccer???

Soccer players from ages U10 to U18 who are interested in a more competitive level of play should consider trying out for a STING team.

Open tryouts will be held in March.

Check the STING website for details and to register for tryouts: www.swstingsoccer.com





SOCCER COORDINATOR: grandviewsoccer@gmail.com

Laurie Bodnar (780) 436 5467

Consult www.SWEMSA.com for all details

Outdoor Season: runs from mid April (assuming the snow is gone!) until end of June					
LEVEL	DATE OF BIRTH	FEE (\$)	DAY	TIME (est.)	
Mighty Mites	2009	\$50.00	TBA by coach	6:15 p.m.	
Under 6	2007-2008	\$80.00	Mon/Wed	6:15 p.m.	
Under 8	2005-2006	\$90.00	Tues/Thurs	6:15 p.m.	
Under 10	2003-2004	\$90.00	Mon/Wed	6:15 p.m.	
Under 12	2001-2002	\$110.00	Tues/Thurs	6:15/7:30 p.m.	
Under 14	1999-2000	\$110.00	Mon/Wed	7:30 p.m.	
Under 16*	1997-1998	\$135.00	Sun/Thurs	7:30/5:00 p.m.	
Under 18*	1995-1996	\$135.00	Sun/Tues	7:30 p.m.	
*must have EMSA player card					

Grandview will need a New Soccer Coordinator, effective July 1, 2013...

If you want your children to have a chance to play soccer in Grandview, Grandview needs to have a soccer coordinator. 2 people can share the role!!

Laurie welcomes interested parties to shadow the process through this year's registration season.

Contact grandviewsoccer@gmail.com for more details.

Consider COACHING Grandview Community Soccer...

FREE coaching courses available for Grandview coaches and assistant coaches!

Check out www.swemsa.com and www.edmontonsoccer.com for coaching course information.

Grandview Soccer Used Gear Roundup and Giveaway!

Wondering what to do with your too small soccer gear? Need the next size of cleats for this upcoming season?

Bring your last years shin pads, cleats, and soccer socks, to the Community Hall on soccer registration day (12-2 pm on Sun Feb 24th).

Anyone needing gear may take what they need. Any gear remaining at the end of registration will be donated to the GoodWill.

Referees and Assistant Refs (Linesmen) Needed!

12 year olds: you can ref this year! Earn \$20 a game to ref U8.

Teens: Earn \$25 a game for U10 and U12, \$30 a game for U14

Adults: Earn \$45 a game for U16 and U18.

Referee Certification Courses are mandatory (and FREE for Grandview residents) check out www.edmontonsoccer.com for early ref courses and contact grandviewsoccer@gmail.com for more details on course payment.

Community League Membership

It is renewal time for the community league memberships.

- Being a community league member demonstrates commitment to the community and supports our wonderful neighborhood.
- Purchasing a membership entitles you to use of the tennis courts, playground program, programs held in the community centre (e.g. tot time), soccer as well as programs run by

- other communities such as brownies, girl guides, scouts, and playschool.
- As a current member you are also eligible to participate in the Community League Wellness Program at any City of Edmonton Leisure, Sports and Fitness Facility (for info visit www.edmonton.ca/wellne ss).
- Discounts for annual passes and multi admission passes at any City of Edmonton Leisure, Sports and Fitness

Facility.

- Please show your support by purchasing a membership (or making a donation) when a canvasser knocks on your door.
- Membership for 2012/2013 is \$45.00.

Contact Anish Neupane at anish.neupane@gmail.com.



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league member

community and

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"Keep up to date by adding yourself to the e-mail distribution list."

The e-Newsletter list

Have you ever noticed that there is a long gap between newsletters but for some strange reason, your neighbor knows exactly what is going on in the Community?

There is a reason why, he/she is probably signed up for our Grandview Newsletter electronically. We send out notices and most up-to-date information for those that are the e-mail list.

Do you realize that Grandview Newsletter has sent out 37 e-mails and notices between the Fall Edition and the Winter Edition? That would be from September 2012 to January 2013.

There have been notices about:

- Missing cats
- Missing people
- U of A meetings notices
- Community development
- Party notices
- Ice rink notices
- Sports events

...just to name a few.

Keep up to date by adding yourself to the e-mail distribution list.

Please send us your e-mail address if you would like to be added to the newsletter distribution list: grandviewnewsletter@gmail.com

University of Alberta Development Plans

Dear Neighbors,

As you may be aware, the University of Alberta has development plans for South Campus lands (the Farm), which include the West 240. As immediate neighbors to South Campus we have a valid interest and stake in how these developments occur. After all, we face direct and enduring effects – big and small, positive and negative – from South Campus activities.

Update on 63 Avenue

U of A anticipates beginning this project in the spring of 2013 with expected completion by October 2013. There may be some site preparation work, such as tree clearing in the coming weeks. Based on the feedback at the November 7 open house design option A2 is being considered. U of A hopes to have the final design ready for final community input in mid-February.

Some of the other projects in the short term (within next year) include:

- 1. Existing Vehicle Pool relocation
- 2. Construction of campus security building
- 3. Site modifications lighting and improved pathway connecting Grandview to LRT station, gate control to access Neil Crawford Centre (north of Foote field) parking during evening/weekend parking event

Some medium term projects include:

- 1. Construction of ice arenas (likely twin), built on the shared use model like the GO Centre (built for University and general public use)
- 2. Redevelopment of Michener Park

University Open House http://www.communityrelations.ualberta.ca/

Aside from these specific projects there are plans for student and staff housing, academic buildings, research and partnership facilities. So we would encourage you to attend the upcoming open house in March to learn more about the land uses that may support these types of developments. In particular, we are concerned that shared use facilities will generate increased traffic during "off peak" periods (evening/weekends) with attendant noise and disruption to general quietness.

Grandview, along with seven other neighboring communities formed the South Campus Neighborhood Coalition (www.southcampusnc.memberlodge.com) a few years ago. One of the objectives was to enter into a genuine consultation relationship between the communities and the University, where input was sought before final decisions were made and on substantive parameters about a development (rather than only on aesthetics and landscaping). The Coalition dropped its lawsuit against the University regarding cyclotron facility at the Balmoral site, and a Memorandum of Understanding was signed in May 2012 with the aim of ensuring a more genuine basis for future consultations.

Our expectations are that developments should follow a land use plan that is informed by genuine public consultation; developments must be placed in the context of surrounding land uses and be integrated into existing mature neighborhoods; and traffic and parking generate external effects onto public roadways and neighborhoods, so a comprehensive access management plan should be developed.

So far we have worked with one development process (63 Avenue access) under this new consultation framework. The University was very willing to meet to talk about the proposal. However, our experience was that decision making process and criteria were not all transparent and were inaccessible to communities; public consultation process continued to focus on seeking input only into very narrowly scoped questions (e.g. placement of a bike path); and community proposed alternatives were not given due consideration and analysis (such as alternative access points).

Call for Volunteers

As we look to the future, we want to build on these experiences, refine our approach so that we stay closer to the intent of the Memorandum of Understanding. We welcome your input and ideas so that we continue to represent the broad cross section of Grandview residents. We are also putting out a call for volunteers to form a task group with specific expertise in land use/urban planning, landscape architecture, traffic engineering, stormwater management, and community infrastructure/facilities. The purpose this task group is to review the materials provided by the University and assist Grandview better represent our interests and concerns during the consultation process.

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Grandview Heights Community League

We're on the Web! See us at: grandviewcommunity.ca

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

Newsletter

Anyone wishing to receive the Grandview Heights Newsletter electronically can send an email to grandviewnewsletter@gmail.com with "Newsletter" in the subject line