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The Belgravia Hustle!

Debby Waldman, BCL Programs

This year's Belgravia Community League membership drive is all about fun and fitness. Starting at 2 p.m. on September 27, Belgravians of all ages (and their dogs) are invited to join the Belgravia Hustle. Events include a 10k hustle run, a 5k hustle run/walk, a 3k canine hustle walk, and a 2k hustle for kids.

All race routes will take participants through the neighborhood. Funds raised will go to the Belgravia Hall Renewal project. For more information and to register, please visit belgraviahustle.com.

The annual BCL barbecue will begin at 4 p.m., after the awards ceremony following the races. Memberships will be sold throughout the event, from 4 to 8 p.m. In keeping with the fun-and-fitness theme, during the barbecue BCL members will have

a chance to experience a variety of ways to stay healthy.

Plans are in the works to offer 15-minute sessions on yoga, dance, karate, stretching, and other forms of fitness. There will also be musical entertainment, a beer tent, a bouncy castle and, if the stars align properly, karaoke.

We've already enlisted some instructors and entertainers, and are looking for more. If you have expertise in any area of fitness and are willing to offer a session, or if you'd like to share your musical talent, please contact Debby Waldman at programs@belgraviaedmonton.ca

We're also looking for volunteers to help along the race route, and with the barbecue. If you're willing and able to help, please contact Debby at the above email address.

Looking forward to seeing your hustle on the 27th!

from the editor's desk...



Another fall, and another back to school season! If you haven't already heard, there is now a 30km speed limit around elementary schools. Relax, slow down, and keep your eyes peeled for little people around school hours.

As usual, you will find a hall renewal update on page 3, words from city councillor, Ben Henderson, on page 6, and also an introduction to our new communications director on page 8. President's update will be found on page 7, and our MEMBERSHIP update is on page 9, complete with a registration form so you can become a member for the first time or renew from last year's membership.

When we were talking about memberships at a recent meeting I was surprised to learn that our members are less than half of Belgravia's households. That's crazy! I feel strongly this must be remedied. Particularly since it's so easy to become a member: Write and deliver a cheque, email our director and she will hook you up, or simply do it online. Easy.

Our last bit of big news is the Belgravia Hustle (details on the cover) on September 27th. You can walk or run 3 or 5 km (I think the 3 km also includes bringing your dog); the kids can do 2 km; and those who are hard core (in my opinion) can do 10 km run-hustle. Most importantly, the hustle is in support of our ongoing hall renewal efforts. It doesn't hurt that we get to see each other and hang out both during the hustle, and then at the BBQ afterward!

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Hall Renewal Details: What a Great Summer It Was!

Kevin Taft, Hall Renewal Chair

The summer of 2014 could not have been better for Belgravia's hall renewal project.

Week after week the contributions flowed to our community fundraising campaign. We launched the campaign in May, and by end of summer we passed \$200,000. We are close to our goal of \$250,000 from the neighborhood-- please help us get there.

In July, the City approved a \$400,000 grant. Thank you City of Edmonton! It is a great vote of confidence.

We hope the province soon comes through with a grant of its own-- we've requested \$225,000. When it is all added up, including the money the league saved up over several years, we're confident we'll reach our budget of \$1.15 million. That is a lot of money, but in this economy construction costs are high.

In July we applied for a development permit. This is the beginning of a process that will take months, as our plans are reviewed by many City departments. We hope they don't find too much to object to, but we're open to good ideas.

Finally, we've recruited some serious talent to help with construction management. Three veterans of the construction industry have volunteered to sit on a steering committee to help guide the project through the construction phase. Welcome aboard Don Hager, Phil

Haswell, and Mike Stevenson.

If everything keeps going well, we plan to begin construction next spring.

All this happens because of the hard work of the Belgravia Hall Renewal Committee: Kathy Brodeur-Robb, Michael Cohen, Kathy Goble, Kevin Klein, Dale Rowe, Jonathan Sharek, Eugene Silva, and Kevin Taft

Thank you everyone for making such a big difference

Here are the contributors to the Hall Renewal Project as of August 15, 2014. Please join with them as we build "A Hall for All." We have \$50,000 to go.

Levels of contributions:

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Thursday October 23 - 6-9pm

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Saturday November 8 - 9am-4:30pm

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Saturday November 15 - 9am-4:30pm

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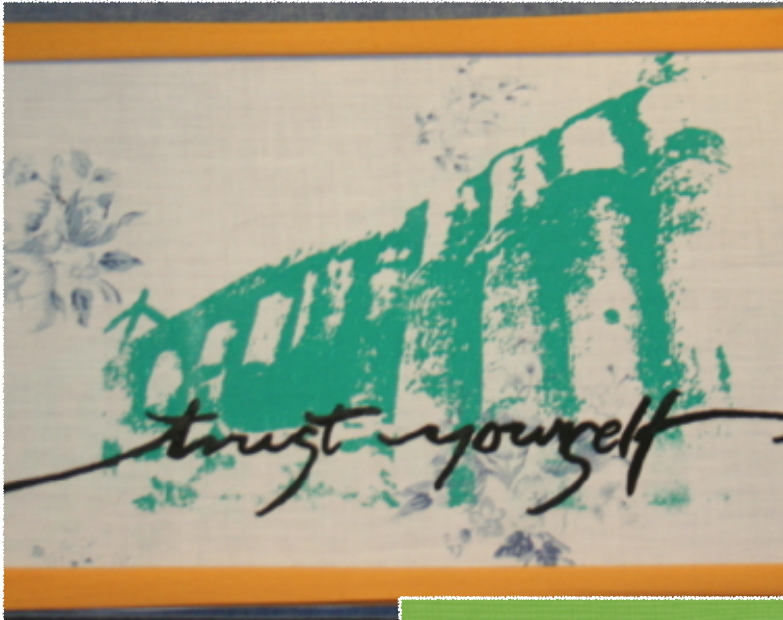
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Special thanks to Bin 104 Fine Wines and Belgravia Hub for their support.

Remember, we haven't reached the finish line yet!

Belgravia Marketplace



Buy, Sell, Swap some amazing 'Made In Belgravia' Goods

Belgravia Community Hall
Wednesday, September 24. 7-9pm

As part of the 'Made In Belgravia' series, we would like you to have the opportunity to showcase your talents, and for others to enjoy them!

Come and see what's happening in the neighbourhood

If you would like more information on how to get involved, please contact Kerry at maguirekerry7@gmail.com

Crosswalks and Pedestrian Safety

Ben Henderson, City Councillor Ward 9



Crosswalks and pedestrian safety has been a hot issue this season. With the unfortunate accidents of Jasper & 119 St, as well as 95 Ave in Strathearn, it is clear that we must do more to create a conducive environment for both pedestrians and drivers alike.

These issues are exceptionally apparent in Ward 8 with the high number of pedestrians, and

it is a situation that I intend to improve.

The Transportation Association of Canada's (TAC) Pedestrian Crossing Control Guide acts as a guideline for local governments to uniformly implement marked and signed crosswalks throughout the country. The guide considers the posted speed limit, cross section of the roadway, distance to the nearest alternate crossing, number and types of pedestrians, and vehicular volume, as indicators for the type of crosswalk to be installed. While these measurements are helpful, the trouble is that they do not take into account other things that are not as easy to measure.

There have been some problematic intersections that local residents have repeatedly raised concern over. In the past, we haven't done much as the argument was they fit within the TAC standards. I strongly feel that we need to do better; go beyond the standards when the need calls, and incorporate residents' knowledge into the mix.

Moving forward, Transportation Services will be assessing the major pedestrian corridors of Whyte Ave, 109 St, 104 Ave and Jasper Ave, and will be considering upgrades to older marked and signed crosswalks through these areas.

From a community side, we have grassroots work happening in Queen Alexandra through the coordination of QA Crossroads. The community will be undergoing neighbourhood renewal next year and the group is advocating that following rehabilitation, Queen Alexandra should have gone through more than just a facelift. This is an opportunity to make sure that the infrastructure is conducive for all modes of transportation, making it a more walkable, bikable, livable and safe neighbourhood for all.

Feel free to contact me at ben.henderson@edmonton.ca, call me at 780 496 8146, or follow me on Twitter, @ben_hen.

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Congratulations, **Olive Yonge!**

The University of Alberta Alumni Association is pleased to announce that Belgravia community member, Olive Yonge, '74 BScN, '78 MEd, '89 PhD is a recipient of an Alumni Honour Award for her work as an award-winning nurse, educator and university administrator.

Celebrate with Olive by attending the Awards:

Thursday, Sept. 18, 2014

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BCL President's Update

Jeanette Boman, BCL President

Welcome back from the summer, everyone! Here's to a fall when you might find new ways to become involved with the Belgravia Community League. Maybe a race in the upcoming and first annual Belgravia Hustle? Or a chance to catch up with your neighbours at our annual BBQ on September 27? Maybe helping with our door-to-door membership drive?

Or check out the Made in Belgravia series on September 24 being organized by Kerry Maguire ... a Belgravia Marketplace where you can sell, buy or trade your produce, preserves, jams, jellies, wood carvings, pottery, knitting anything you've created with other Belgravians.

You may recall the McKernan-Belgravia Station Area Redevelopment Plan (ARP) passed by City Council in July, 2013. We are beginning to see its effects ... everyone in the neighborhood needs to pay attention to these.

During the summer, members of the BCL Board and the Belgravia Community Plan Committee (BCPC) responded to two applications for rezoning, both outcomes of this ARP.

The first was an application to rezone a mid-block RF1 57' lot within the 400 metre range of the LRT station to RF3 to allow for subdivision into two narrow lots. After discussions with the BCPC and immediate neighbours, the BCL did not support the application

largely based on uncertainties about potential RF3 zone land uses.*

Several hours of presentations and questions about this application occurred at the Public Hearing. In the end, City Council approved it but not without Councilor Ben Henderson making a motion that City Planning revisit the ARP with Belgravia and McKernan to clarify the meaning of "appropriate public consultation" in relation to rezoning requests.

The second was an application to rezone two lots in the SE corner of Belgravia (114 Street and Belgravia Rd) from RF1 to RA7 for the development of an apartment up to four stories. Again, after discussions with neighbours in the immediate vicinity as well as with City Planning, City Transportation, EPCOR, and the developer, the BCPC advised the BCL to not support the application* due to concerns about increases in traffic to this corner of Belgravia, water, emergency access and the overall impact of a multi-story building on the neighbouring homes.

The third reading of the proposed bylaw regarding this application is slated for September 4, 2014.

Your help in addressing any of these matters affecting Belgravia is appreciated and welcomed. I, along with the rest of the BCL Board look

forward to meeting many of you in the coming year ... hopefully beginning on September 27 at the BCL BBQ!

* These letters written on behalf of the BCL is available for all members to read. (Contact president@belgraviaedmonton.ca

Belgravia author book signing

Belgravia author and artist, Gwen Molnar, will be signing copies of her latest Casey Templeton mystery novel for young adults, **Old Bones**, on Thursday, Oct. 16, at 7pm, at Audrey's Books (10702 Jasper Ave).

All are welcome!



photo by Ken Goble, BCL Facilities Director

The U of A has a program to introduce new students to the surrounding communities.

This initiative is to help the new students meet some of their neighbours and become more engaged with the communities they will call home for the next four years.

We had fifteen first and second year students help in the Arts Park on August 29.

They helped weed the perennial beds and spread mulch. They also spent some time removing weeds from the paths. They were an enthusiastic group and got a lot of good work done - Much appreciated!

Introducing Warren Mulvey, BCL Comms Director

Greetings and salutations! My name is Warren Mulvey, and I am the Belgravia Community League's new Director of Communications. I have taken over the position from Barb Krahn, who has given many years of service to our community. I have some big shoes to fill, but I am up for the challenge.

My wife and I have lived in Belgravia for the last two years, and we have come to love this small paradise nestled between the LRT and the river. The many walking trails, the wildlife (including the many dogs!) the beautiful and unique homes and our friendly neighbours make this community easily one of the most desirable in Edmonton. We are hoping to call Belgravia home for many years to come.

In the last year, we have seen some exciting new changes in our community website. I have been working closely with the Website Renewal Committee to rethink and revamp our website. We believe the changes we implemented have made the website far more user

friendly, as well as improving the overall quality of the look and the functionality. We wanted a website that reflects the unique character of Belgravia while serving the important function as a community information portal for our residents. If you have not had the chance to check out the website yet, please have a look at <http://www.belgraviaedmonton.ca/>, and let us know what you think.

While we continue to revamp our community website, we will also be looking to improve our social media presence. Our community has a Facebook page and a Twitter feed (@BelgraviaYEG) to ensure that information relevant to community residents reaches you. Stay tuned for those changes in the coming months.

I am looking forward to serving you as the Director of Communications. Please do not hesitate to drop me a line at communications@belgraviaedmonton.ca. Don't forget to renew your membership, and keep on living well in Belgravia!

Belgravia Community League Membership Drive 2014/15

September is the beginning of many new things, including the community league membership drive. Last year we tried to reach everyone in the community through the door-to-door membership drive aiming for a 50% BCL membership within Belgravia. We got to 37% so only 13% more to reach this year! You can get your brand new BCL membership by:

- coming to the community league bar-b-que, on Saturday, September 27
- completing the form below, putting it in an envelope along with a **cheque made payable to Belgravia Community League**, and leaving it in the mailbox at 11424-71st Ave. (We'll drop off your new membership card in your mailbox.)
- e-mailing us at membership@belgraviaedmonton.ca (We'll arrange a time to bring you the membership card and collect the cheque.)
- paying online with your credit card through the Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues <http://www.efcl.org/>. (Please note, there is a \$2 surcharge for credit card payments.)

A Belgravia Community League membership helps the community league to represent all Belgravians on community development, transportation, and other issues. As well as being a requirement for kids' soccer & hockey registration, your membership also gets you:

- a 10% discount on passes and monthly memberships at all city of Edmonton recreation centres, including the Kinsmen centre
- free skating at the community rink & at all other community rinks throughout Edmonton
- reduced rental rates for the Belgravia Community Hall
- reduced advertising rates in our acclaimed *The Belgravian* newsletter
- free community league events (including the annual summer bar-b-que, garden tour & the fall pumpkin party)

We would love to have more help with the membership drive this year. Canvassing your block is a great way to meet fellow Belgravians and gives everyone the chance to be connected to their community. Please e-mail: membership@belgraviaedmonton.ca if you'd like to help!

Belgravia Community League membership

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Address: _____ Postal code: _____ # of children: _____

Home tel: _____ Mobile: _____ Bus tel: _____

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