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Belgravia Community Hall

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October 21, 2016



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Message from BCL Board of Directors

Over 500 people helped celebrate our community and the opening of the new BCL hall on September 17, 2016. The packed day started with local resident, David Harris in his Scottish finery piping a group of BCL Playschool children up the sloped walkway to a ribbon waiting to be cut. After a few words from our MP Linda Duncan, MLA Lori Sigurdson, Mayor Don Iveson and Councilor Ben Henderson, BCL President Kevin Klein invited the children to show off their scissor cutting skills ... and the hall was officially opened.

The BCL 2015-16 AGM followed with 60+ members attending and voting in two new directors to the board: Joanne Wynn (Secretary) and Tonya Yonge (Communications) along with Ken Goble (Facilities) for a second two-year term. A huge thank you to goes out to Dale Rowe stepping down after 6 years as Director-at-Large and Sheila O'Brien after 5 years as secretary. The remaining board members are in their second year of their two-year terms. With a full slate, we plan on having a productive year to make our Hall for All work that way for Belgravia. We're excited and we hope you are too!





Events in the Community:

Beginners Level Pilates Mat Class:

This community class is for someone new to Pilates, post natal moms, and individuals wanting to develop core strength for other activities or for a better quality of life. This class focuses on building muscle tone, core strength and body awareness using specific exercises and breathing techniques. Instructor: Mike Daniel D.C.

When: Wednesdays 7:30- 8:30 p.m. October 12-December 14.

Where: Belgravia community league upper hall

Cost: \$130 for BCL members/ \$150 for nonmembers

Contact: Annette Stupar-Cairns for more information and to register at programs@belgraviaedmonton.ca.

Please note payment can be made in cash or cheque; with the cheque made out to the BCL

A minimum of 8 participants are needed in order for the course to run. The class maximum is 12 participants.

Registration and payment deadline: October 5 th.

Afternoon Preschool & Kindergarten Students Program

Monika Fouad, Belgravia's playschool teacher, is interested in running a program Tuesday afternoons form 1:30 -3:30 pm in the lower hall. If you have children that age and would be interested in this community program, please contact Annette at

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No realtor necessary - willing to negotiate. Thank you! Robert Gray and Isabelle Colmers

Belgravia Community Traffic Management Concept Plan

Thank you to everyone who attended the the street lab put on by the City project team looking at our community traffic issues. Hopefully everyone was able to get out and see the examples of the types of traffic calming measures that could be used in our community and took advantage of the opportunity to provide feedback on our traffic hot spots either at the meeting or on-line. The next step will be the following information session:

> **Public Drop-in Information Session** Wednesday, October 5 6:30-8:30 pm St. Paul's United Church 11526 76 Ave

The City project team will present the concept plan for temporary traffic management measures to be installed in October. These measures will be installed for the duration of the winter months with continuous monitoring throughout the trial period. The impact of the trial measures and potential permanent measures will take place at a public event in spring 2017.

The construction of any permanent traffic measures will be incorporated into the 2017-2018 Neighbourhood Renewal construction.

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For more information visit edmonton.ca/belgravia traffic

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Getting the Rink into Operation

With the Hall renewal project complete we are looking forward to opening the rink again this coming winter! In order to keep the rink going and take advantage of the new change room and storage space, the community needs volunteers and equipment.

Call for Volunteers

The rink is installed and maintained every year by a team of volunteers. In the past we've had members aged 15 to 65 waging battle with the elements to ensure the rink gets put in as soon as the weather allows and they continue pushing to keep it open until it turns to mush sometime in March. We need your assistance to ensure that we are able to continue to do this. Most of the rink crew from last year have moved on or moved away and we are in dire need of new members if we are to ensure the rink is operational this winter. Without the efforts of a team of committed volunteers, the rink cannot happen.

The League relies on the goodwill of our senior volunteers and has always paid our younger volunteers an hourly wage. For further information, and if you are interested in joining the Rink Team, please contact Rink Manager, Jim Sawada at: rinkmanager@belgraviaedmonton.ca or call/ text him at 780-695-9876.

Fundraising for Equipment

The rink urgently needs: Snowblower (we actually don't have one); New hose system; & Shovels.

Our highest priority, by far, is a new snowblower. The last couple of seasons we've been hobbling along with derelict equipment and your donation would give us the ability to clear and maintain the rink with less effort and more enthusiasm than ever before. If we're able to raise the money we need, we will have awesome equipment that could make becoming part of the long history of community ice-making in Belgravia much more enjoyable.

We have opened a GoFundMe account to make it easy to donate though we would be happy to accept donations of any size in any format. If you've got a change jar at home that is weighing you down we can help turn that container of coins into 11 horsepower of snow throwing mayhem. That's 8.2 kW of flake tossing madness for those who are only impressed in metric.

gofundme.com/belgravia-rink

The funds raised for new ice equipment will stay with the rink so we are reaching out for your help to keep our rink active and open.

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Neighbourhood Renewal Update

The City is still working on Belgravia's neighbourhood renewal plan. A meeting to go over the plan won't be held with the community until January, 2017. However, the City staff working on the renewal project are also in touch with the Community Traffic Management Plan and the Engage 106-76 project.

In the meantime there have been some questions about renewal costs. Below is a table showing **estimated** costs to residents for sidewalk replacement (based on 2016 costs) and decorative streetlights (from the Expression of Interest letter). Decorative streetlights will proceed if there is a response of 51% in favour of their installation. The Expression of Interest (EOI) letter was sent out September 1, 2016 and should be returned to the City by November 15, 2016. There is more information about the process on the Belgravia website and blank form if you didn't receive your EOI. If you have questions call or email Laurie de Grace - <u>streetlights@belgraviaedmonton.ca</u> or 780-904-8749.

	Sidewalks	Decorative Streetlights		
City Share	50%	Cost of basic streetlights		
Resident Share	50%	100% of incremental cost above basic streetlight cost		
2016 Rate Per Meter of Frontag	\$204.21/ m frontage	\$12.70/m frontage		
Cost for 15.24 m (50 ft) frontage - 2 payment options				
One time payment	\$3,112.16	\$193.55		
Amortized	\$217.78/yr over 20 yrs	\$15.54/yr over 15 yrs		
City Website	edmonton.ca/ sidewalkreconstruction	edmonton.ca/ decorativestreetlights		



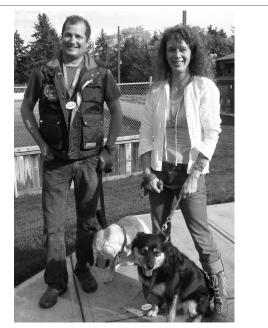
Cleaning up after the celebrations. Michael Cohen, Kevin Klein, Linda Haskell , Sue Kamp, Annette Stupar-Cairns

And What a Celebration it Was ...

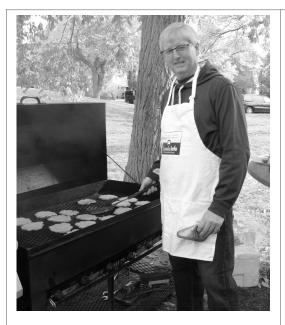
With a Neighbourhood Engagement Grant from the City, the BCL joined forces with a number of partners to make this year's membership drive and BBQ special. After a 4 ½ year planning, fund raising, designing and construction process, we celebrated the opening of the new hall in particular & our school and community in general.

The BCL Cooperative Play School, Trevor Sol's Multisportscanada, Belgravia Elementary School's Parent's Council and Ever Active all pitched in to make our 3rd Belgravia Hustle a success. Over 100 participated in the 10 k, 5 k, 3 k Canine Walk and 2 k Family Fun Run.

As the major fund-raiser for the 3 & 4 yearold play school programs in the community, the Belgravia Hustle is becoming an important tradition that only happens with the many volunteers who help make it happen along with those who register as participants. Thanks to everyone!



Karim, Monika & their medal-winning dogs after the 3 k Canine Walk



Volunteer James Hendricksen mastering his burger flipping skills

With Jennie Lambert (BCL Membership) and Kim Kelly (Co-Chair Belgravia School Parent Council) in charge of selling memberships & giving tickets out for the complimentary BBQ, the BBQ and foodserving volunteers fed over 500 people before the end of the evening!

The lower hall's kitchen with outdoor access meant no more working out of the rink change room or climbing stairs to reach a stove or fridge.

We learned some lessons ... like how not to blow a circuit with two coffee urns in one plug-in! The coffee donated by Gracious Goods, bottles of water donated by The Earth Group and beer in the upper hall rounded out the beverages for the event. As people waited in line or ate their food, Belgravia's Musical Friends performed in the lower hall from 4:30 - 8:30 pm. Sounds were carried inside and out by Steve Schroeter's great sound equipment (www.clearsoundproduction.com)

Fifteen musicians brought together by local resident Dawn Keer, kept more than a few toes tapping along.

Balloon bouquets donated by Dolores Hager from The Balloon Store made for a lot of excitement when they were handed out to the kids at the end of the evening.



A few of Belgravia's Musical Friends performing in the lower hall



There was more ... the fun soccer game organized by the Belgravia School Parent Council and Ever Active; the Bouncy Castle put up by Multisportscanada and supervised by Play school parents; and, glitter tattoos and animal balloons organized by local resident and children's party entertainer, Ronda Lisowski.

Last but not least, a display of fireworks ... just before the rain started ... to bring the community celebration to a pretty impressive end.

A couple of days later when Belgravia School teacher, Tina Yonge was talking with little Graeme in the playground about the day, he said if he could rate the party from 1 to 10, "I would give it infinity, if I was allowed to vote that way." And all of us who helped make this day happen would like Graeme to know that he is absolutely allowed to vote that way!



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Belgravia Community League membership

To purchase your annual membership, please complete the form below, place it in an envelope with a cheque, made payable to Belgravia Community League, and leave it in the mailbox at:

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We will drop off your membership card.

You can also get a membership online by credit card through the Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues at <u>http://www.efcl.org/.</u> There is a \$5 processing charge. Associate memberships cannot be purchased online.

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Please note the new category of Associate (non-voting) membership for non-residents of Belgravia who would like to support the community. Associate members need to purchase a membership in their home communities first.

Please make cheques payable to the Belgravia Community League