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Next Submission Deadline

February 16 , 2018

Banner Photo - Belgravia Holiday Market
Green & Gold Community Garden Table

New Editor Needed for the belgravian

The current editor of the belgravian is retiring so we are looking for a new editor. If you think you might be interested you can contact Gail at gfs@shaw.ca to find out what is involved.

It is a great opportunity to be in touch with what is happening in the community and meet your neighbours.



Lidia Ballanyi manning the cookie decorating table at the Holiday Market

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President's Message

Belgravia and Belgravia School: still growing together!

One of the wonderful things about Belgravia is the close connection between many residents and our neighbourhood school. We have hundreds of residents who attended the school, or whose children attended the school, are still attending, or soon will be. We even have several residents who worked at the school or still do. Many of us can tick multiple boxes in the preceding list. (Welcome Back, Kotter! – you know who you are.)

Belgravia School celebrated its 60th anniversary in the spring of 2016, with an afternoon of alumni visits, speeches and student performances. For those of you who might no longer be in touch with the school, as a parent of one former and one current student I can happily report that it is as strong as ever. After a period of low enrolment about ten years ago, the school has been at its capacity of approximately 150 students for the past several years. In 2016 the Government of Alberta completed a multimillion-dollar renovation of the school's structure and mechanical systems. This included conversion of part of the library into an additional classroom, obviating the need for combined grades for the first time in years. The investment in renovation suggests that Edmonton Public Schools has determined that area demographics will support continued operation of Belgravia School for many years to come.

Thanks in part to the input of long-time staff, Belgravia School maintains numerous traditions that will be familiar to many neighbourhood families. Holiday card deliveries, 100th day celebration, winter and spring musical theatre performances, buddy reading, grade 6 graduation tea, and Belgravia Green and White all continue to be favourites. One tradition that is no longer with us is the gala silent auction, which drained many a volunteer over the years. Instead the school council has had a casino as its principal fundraiser for the last decade. Another important source of fundraising are the semi-annual bottle drives – still emptying garages spring and fall.

The Outdoor Learning Centre, along the east side of the school, also continues to thrive. Established by the school council in 1997, the OLC features native plants, a pond, vegetable beds, and a compost pile. It is maintained by dedicated students, parents and staff and plays an important role in teaching and recreation. The OLC received a \$20,000 facelift in 2017.

The school and community league continue to share an excellent relationship. School life would be unimaginable without the playground, renovated by the community league about 15 years ago. Gym classes use the skating rink, and the school gym has hosted many a BCL pumpkin party over the years. We look forward to many more years of growing together.

Michael Cohen





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and

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 more information.



Belgravia Cooperative Playschool is now accepting registrations for three and four year olds for the 2017-18 school year.

Located in the newly renovated Belgravia Hall, the not-for-profit preschool program has been serving the area for more than 40 years.

Registration forms available at:
www.belgraviaedmonton.ca
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Evolving Infill - Public Engagement Sessions - 2018

Is the City on the right track to welcome more people and homes into mature neighbourhoods?

The City of Edmonton will be hosting several public engagement workshops throughout our mature neighbourhoods from January 16 - March 20, 2018. Participants will have an opportunity to learn about what different people think about Infill and identify the actions that make sense --or don't-- for Edmonton. Learn more and share your voice at coeinfill.ca! The document called "Ideas to Actions" is the document that will be the basis for the workshops.

Below is the list of planned engagement events. Registration is required for the workshops but not the conversation fairs

In-depth Workshop - January 23: Inglewood School - 5 - 9 pm

Standard Workshop - January 25: Commonwealth Recreation Centre - 6 - 8 pm

In-depth Workshop - January 29: Daly Grove School - 5 - 9 pm

Standard Workshop - January 31: Queen Alexandra School - 6 - 8 pm

Conversation Fair - March 14: Chateau Louis & Conference Centre - 6 - 9 pm

Conversation Fair - March 20: Chateau Louis & Conference Centre - 6 - 9 pm

Tentative public engagement workshops have been planned for February 6 and 7 and will open for registration if the January dates reach maximum capacity.

Standard Workshop - February 6: Commonwealth Recreation Centre - 6 - 8 pm

In-depth Workshop - February 7: Beacon Heights School - 5 - 9 pm

What to expect at the workshops

At both workshops participants will have an opportunity to learn about what different people think about infill and identify the actions that make sense -- or don't -- for Edmonton. The in-depth workshop (4 hours) is longer than the standard workshop (2 hours) to allow time for participants to really dig in and test the actions to identify potential positive and negative consequences. By committing to one of these longer workshops, you will also have a chance to:

- Learn more from each other's perspectives
- Have more time to test the actions, and do so with a more complete picture
- Identify potential opportunities or constraints of each action



Belgravia writers Katherine Koller and Ruby Swanson selling their recent publications at the Holiday Market



Guigard Family nuts and candy with Mary Catharine MacDonald

Local Moose Inspires Poet

Juliet McMaster, a Belgravian that lives on 119 Street, wrote a poem with illustrations about Russell Johnson's moose on 78 Avenue. Russell's dapper and spruce moose, is lighted on view on between 5pm and 10 pm through February, 2018.



To Russell

"There's a moose on the loose
In Belgravia!"

"Pray, what is the use
Of a moose on the loose
In Belgravia?"

I cannot deduce
What can be the use
Of a moose on the loose
In Belgravia.

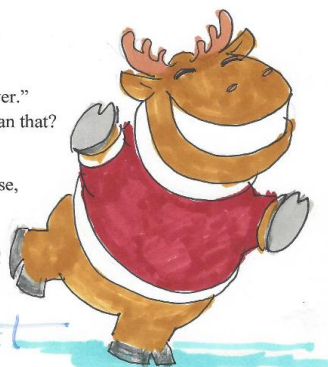
There can be no excuse
For a moose on the loose
In Belgravia.

You must be obtuse
To let a moose loose
In Belgravia!"

Well, *your* moose on the loose
Is dapper and spruce;
And *that* is the use
Of a moose on the loose
In Belgravia.

For the poet saith:
"A thing of beauty is a joy forever."
And what can be more useful than that?

So let us make use
Of your moose on the loose,
And may he produce
Enjoyment profuse
In Belgravia!



Juliet

Belgravia Community Hall Rental

Upper hall only (Capacity 60): \$30/hour
Upper hall and kitchen: \$40/hour
Lower hall only (Capacity 75): \$40/hour
Lower hall and kitchen: \$50/hour

For single event rentals lasting more than 4 hours, the hourly rental fee is reduced by \$10/hour for every hour thereafter.

For single events contact:
hallrental@belgraviaedmonton.ca

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Edmonton

LOCATION	DATES	DAY	TIME
McKernan 11341 78 Ave	January 13 to February 17	Saturday	10:00 AM to 1:00 PM

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Skates and helmets are not provided but both are required to participate.

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For more information, please visit:
edmonton.ca/playgrounds or call 311.

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Saturday, January 27: Shift "A": 9:30am - 7pm / Shift "B": 11:30am - 7:15pm
Shift "C": 6:30pm - 3:15am / Shift "D": 6:30pm - 4am / Shift "E": 10:30pm - 3:30am

Sunday, January 28: Shift "J": 9:30am - 7pm / Shift "K": 11:30am - 7:15pm
Shift "L": 6:15pm - 3:15am / Shift "M": 6:15pm - 4am / Shift "N": 10:30pm - 3:30am

Thanks for Volunteering & Your Support is Appreciated!

New Year Programs at the Hall ...

Program & Location	Day/Dates	BCL Member/Non-member Fee (Make chequeout to BCL)	Registration Contact
Soapstone Carving (Upper Hall)	Monday Class is Filled Wednesday Class 7-9 pm Jan 17 - Mar 28	\$120/145 Min. 10 required (still need 5 more for Wednesday class to GO); Max 12; No drop ins	programs@belgraviaedmonton.ca
Chair Yoga (Upper Hall)	Tuesdays 11:30 am -12:30 pm Jan. 16 – Mar 20	\$80/100 Min. 12 required (still need 7); Max. 15; Drop ins: \$15/20	programs@belgraviaedmonton.ca
Mat Yoga (Upper Hall)	Tuesdays 10:30 – 11:30 am Jan 16 – Mar 20	\$80/100 Min. 12 required (still need 7); Max. 15; Drop ins \$15/20	programs@belgraviaedmonton.ca
Hip Hop (8 - 14 yr olds) (Lower Hall)	Wednesdays 4:30 pm -5:30 pm Jan 17 – Mar 20	\$80/100 Min 10 required (still need 6); Max 15; drop ins \$15/20)	programs@belgraviaedmonton.ca
Zumba (Lower Hall)	Thursdays 7 pm – 8 pm Feb 1 – April 5	\$80/100 Min 13 required (still need 4); Max 15; drop ins \$15/20	programs@belgraviaedmonton.ca
Strength & Stretch (Lower Hall)	Fridays 11:30 am–12:30 pm Jan 26 – April 6; (No class Good Friday)	\$80/100 Min. 12 required (still need 5); Max. 15; drop ins \$15/20)	programs@belgraviaedmonton.ca

2018 Outdoor Soccer Registration

It is time once again for outdoor soccer registration General information about the Outdoor Soccer season (registration, game nights, fees etc.) can be found at:

<http://emsasouthwest.com/play/programs-benefits/outdoor/>

Registration for Community Outdoor Soccer is done at the following site. Please read it all and complete all of the requirements.

<https://emsasoccerportal.com/ui/?>

Payment sessions (document submission and in-person payment) for both Belgravia and McKernan Communities take place on the following dates:

Wednesday, February 21

7:00pm to 8:30pm

McKernan Community Hall

Monday, February 26

6:30pm to 8:00pm

Belgravia Community Hall

Belgravia and McKernan community members can attend either session.

Soccer Volunteers Needed:

Coaches are always needed for each age level and anyone can be a coach! Belmac (Belgravia and McKernan) Soccer pays for training courses.

Belmac Soccer is also looking to fill the following volunteer positions:

1. Community Soccer Coordinators (for both Belgravia and McKernan communities)
2. Referee Coordinator
3. Equipment Coordinator

Made in Belgravia: Learning to Knit

With a few months of winter still ahead of us, there's no time like now to learn how to knit and JoAnne Hamilton, a Belgravia resident knitter is going to show us how to get started. We'll begin with a 2 hour introductory class where you will learn and practice some basic stitches. If there is enough interest for a longer course to make a project, JoAnne is prepared to help us make that happen.





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Come out to the Introductory class in the upper BCL hall on February 6 (7 - 9 pm) and savour the process of learning how to knit with JoAnne and find the joy in sharing that process with others. A small fee for the class can be paid for at the door: \$5 for BCL members; \$10 for non-members. Please register with mib@belgraviaedmonton.ca by February 2 to allow preparation time for the introductory class.

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Belgravia Community League Skating Rink News

Code of Conduct

- This is a family rink. No alcohol, no smoking, no foul language.
- Carry out what you carry in. Please don't leave your garbage for others to deal with.
- Respect your neighbours and community hall users. Many of the rink supporters live close by.

Skate Tags

- You are expected to have a skate tag to use the rink which is available to BCL members from the rink manager (rinkmanager@belgraviaedmonton.ca) if you didn't get one when you joined BCL.
- If you are not a member of BCL, a member can sponsor you as a Friend of the Rink and get you a skate tag.

Schedule

- The schedule, shown below, is also posted at the rink gate. During holidays the Saturday/Sunday schedule MUST be followed.

Skate Change Room Open: 9 am-10 pm; **Rink Lights** Out: 10 pm

Monday – Friday	Saturday	Sunday
9 am – 3 pm Elementary School skating (No sticks)	9 am – 2 pm Family Skating (No sticks)	9 am – 3 pm Family Skating (Sticks allowed)
	2 – 4 pm Youth (7 – 13) Shinny (Helmets required)	
3 – 6 pm Elementary School skating/ shinny (Sticks allowed)	4 – 6 pm Family Skating (Sticks allowed)	3 – 6 pm Family Skating (No sticks)
6 – 8 pm Multi-aged Shinny	6 – 8 pm Multi-aged Shinny	6 – 8 pm Multi-aged Shinny
8 – 10 pm Adult Hockey/Shinny	8 – 10 pm Adult Hockey/Shinny	8 – 10 pm Adult Hockey/Shinny

Maintenance

- The rink is closed when it is being maintained. Please respect the efforts of the volunteers and stay off the ice until it is ready.
- Help out by clearing the ice with the snow shovels left out by the boards when you are finished skating.



New Snow Removal Techniques

I hope you enjoy winter as much as I do. There are challenges, however, along with the fun the season brings. From shoveling our sidewalks to clearing rogue icicles, Edmontonians are masters at snow and ice clearance. Likewise, the City of Edmonton works hard to clear roads as efficiently as possible, and we are always looking for new ways to help our citizens travel safely all winter long.

Some of you have contacted me, wondering why snow clearance was starting before there was much build-up on the ground. This past spring the City started an anti-icing pilot project to test out a new calcium chloride solution. When applied in a thin layer to roadways both **before and during** a snow event, the solution helps prevent the snow from sticking to the road, keeping the road clear longer and making it easier to plow.

There are a number of benefits to this new technique. First, it reduces the need for plowing and sanding, which saves the City money and allows us to better manage snow removal city wide. A decrease in plowing also means less wear and tear on our streets, resulting in fewer potholes and longer lasting roadways. The product is also safer for the environment than traditional salt, since it can be used in smaller amounts.

The pilot program continues this winter - this solution will be applied to 3000 km of roadways and bike lanes throughout the city, which amounts to around 40 per cent of our arterial and collector roadways. Our success last winter proved that this product is effective, so now our crews will focus on figuring out best practices for application timing, getting more roadway employees trained to use the solution effectively, and measuring the environmental impact.

If you have questions or comments about snow removal, please email City Services at 311@edmonton.ca, or by telephoning 311.

Please feel free to contact me anytime at ben.henderson@edmonton.ca or at 780-496-8146. Follow me on Twitter @ben_hen

Ben Henderson, Councillor, Ward 8

Belgravia Holiday Market

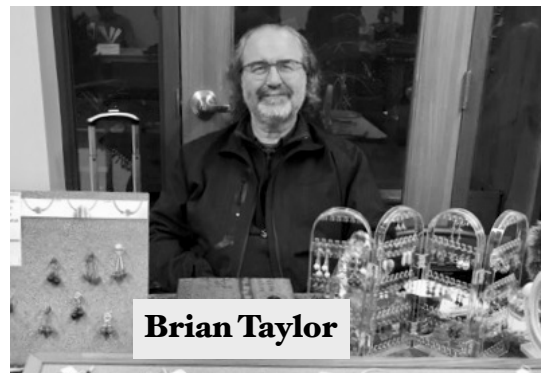
A HUGE thank you to Phyllis Schneider for organizing the Belgravia Holiday Market in the lower BCL Hall. Along with the vendors set up to sell everything from jewelry, knitted goods, crafts, candy, preserves, vegetables, books, paintings, cards and carvings to mention a few, Lidia Ballanyi deftly managed the Christmas Cookie decorating table for the kids. All this was, along with our first Gallery of Artists introducing Belgravia to a sampling of the creative talent in the community made for an enjoyable evening. Thanks to Pat Galbraith, Janet Hall and Jeanette Boman for their behind the scenes and upfront work to set the Gallery in motion. Complimentary mulled wine, hot apple cider and cookies were the final touch in what was a really good reason to linger for a good visit between neighbours.



Paul Bird



The Hendrickson Family table and their hand crafted items.



Brian Taylor