



July/August 2019

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Save the Date!

The BCL annual Community League Day BBQ & Membership Drive at the hall will be on Saturday September 21, 2019! More details coming soon!

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Prairie flowers in Arts Park

Belgravia – “All High and Dry”



Want to hear something cool about Belgravia? It was planned in 1912! This is an ad printed in the Edmonton Bulletin, May 31, 1912.

Thinking about the history of our neighbourhood – Belgravia Community League has formed a committee to explore the possibility of creating a book on Belgravia's history.

We are interested in any stories you are willing to share by including them in the book. Maybe you or your family members remember the neighborhood as it was in the past. Maybe you know about other unusual things or special places in Belgravia.

Maybe you like the idea of a historical book enough to want to join the committee (or help out the committee). That would be excellent!! If you are interested, please contact Barry Edgar at bkelleredgar@gmail.com

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Arts Park

Board Update

Reflections on the past year

President, Michael Cohen:

It has been a busy end to the year with organizing activities such as the audit of our financial statements, arrangements for the AGM, and preparing for the transition to our new president, Cory Dawson.

There are always lots of emails received by the president from people within and outside of Belgravia. One of the nice things about being president of the BCL is that you can delegate many of the responses to a very capable team of directors and other volunteers!

Treasurer, Barry Edgar:

2018-19 was a fine year for the BCL. The hall renovation is completely paid for, including the loans we took in order to start that process. The new hall is functioning as it was designed to - allowing many people and groups to run events and programs in the hall. Looking forward, we are in a position to increase the scope of what we can do.

My term as treasurer is ending. I have enjoyed the camaraderie of the board and the friendliness of all the Belgravians I have met. It's been fun, thanks.

Director of Memberships, Susan Andrew:

A record 447 memberships were sold in 2018/2019!!! A breakdown of the memberships provides an interesting look at our community. Almost half of memberships were sold to families, 27% of memberships were sold to seniors (individuals or couples), 13% of memberships were sold to couples, 7% were sold to individuals, and 5% were sold to associate members holding a community membership elsewhere. Many thanks to all the volunteers who sold memberships this year.

Director of Programs, Cam McGregor:

Hundreds of Belgravians have taken part in the events and programs sponsored by the League and individual Belgravians this year. Other Communities have commented on the excellence of our hall and the friendliness of the Belgravians hosting them. Several of our events and programs had really bad weather, but the hall provided a great basis to make the events well attended and enjoyable! Similar events and programs are anticipated for the upcoming year. In addition, the Board is

initiating an Abundant Communities project to focus on being better neighbours by:

- Developing a block by block organization
- Working with and understanding the contributions and needs of each community member

Director of Communications, Imogen Sellman:

This has been a busy year for communications – with a focus on increasing the information available online on the BCL website and social media. We have been sharing a wide range of information across the BCL communications platforms: BCL programs and events, BCL volunteer opportunities, Belgravia co-operative playschool, construction updates (including Belgravia Square and Road Renewal), City of Edmonton information, events and surveys and much more!

Many thanks to the team of communication volunteers who have helped to make this such a successful year!

Director of Facilities, Brendan Hemens:

Having joined the team only two months ago, I'm already deeply impressed by the strong community commitment and contribution made by the many volunteers that make up the BCL.

One way I'd encourage anyone to enjoy our fine hall is to stop in and visit the Hall Hosts. Yvonne, Ken, Jeanette, Phyllis, Ruth, Joanne, Jane and Bonnie can be found at various hours in the sitting room upstairs, with a bit of refreshment in hand.

Our facilities, including the hall, are running well, a testament to the hard work of many volunteers ready to give their time to its upkeep. Got some handy skills? Let us know!

Director of Planning and Place, Marcel J. Huculak:

With Brendan joining our Board I moved from Facilities to Planning and Place. I think of this position as one gateway to raise community concerns and compliments about new development in Belgravia, and to work together to resolve any concerns. I've already seen the passion Belgravia residents have for our neighbourhood, including getting a "heads-up" from an applicant about a proposed development variance and another concerned about the aesthetics of vacant properties. I know Belgravia is a great community to live in when we have residents who care this much about our neighbourhood.

AT LONG LAST...

The End of 'The End of the World'

It seems that we have finally reached the end of this long journey to make the formerly named, "The End of the World", a safer place for all to enjoy. Newly named "Keillor Point" is now a fantastic space for everyone to take in the views with 2 easy access points – stairs and a trail.

Ben Henderson was a great supporter throughout this process and an opening ceremony has been scheduled by his office for **Wednesday, July 17 at 11 am** for those who would like to attend.

Many thanks to all the volunteers and city employees who put in their time and efforts to keep this project moving forward to its completion.

Congratulations Belgravia and Thank You City of Edmonton!

FREE DROP-IN
POP-UP
PLAY
PROGRAM



LOCATION	DATES	DAYS	TIMES
Belgravia 11540 73 Avenue NW	July 2–August 22	Monday & Wednesday	2:30 PM — 6:00 PM

Keep your eyes peeled for the colourful pop-up play flags! Two days a week you will get active and experience a variety of crafts, games, sports, and free play. Neighbourhood Recreation would like to acknowledge that our programs respectfully take place on Treaty 6 Territory, and Metis Nation Region 4.

This program is targeted for children aged 6-12, but all children accompanied by an adult are welcome to attend.

For more information visit:
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Sustainability at the Hall

Have you seen recent news about plastic waste and microplastics? The increasing awareness of the environmental impact of single use plastics has made us think about sustainability at the Hall...

With a multitude of successful events hosted by BCL throughout the year (Fall BBQ, Friends & Family Day, & Pumpkin Party to name a few) - comes an increase in waste production! BCL is looking at how we can decrease the use of single use plastic cutlery, plates & straws at these events.

Previous donations to the hall have provided a stock of reusable dishes, cutlery & mugs in the upper hall kitchen - which we have been able to use for smaller events. To reduce our plastic waste, we would like to be able to use reusable dishes, cups & cutlery for our larger events, starting with the BBQ in September. Can you help with this initiative? We are looking for donations of gently used/new tumblers/cups, metal cutlery (forks & spoons) & corelle dinner plates, side plates & bowls - these need to be dishwasher safe!

Donations can be dropped off at the hall during our hall host hours!

We are also looking at many other possible changes to reduce our environmental impact including recycling programs, using paper straws and recycled paper products, bring your own dish to events etc... Do you have any ideas? We would love to hear from you! Please email communications@belgraviaedmonton.ca



Prairie flowers in Arts Park



**Made in Belgravia:
Balance and Focus Class with Anthony Zeberoff**

Learn how to improve your balance, core strength, and mental focus. In this class we will use a set of tools including wooden blocks, a standalone slackline, and ultimately a slackline (tight rope) between two trees of any length from 10' to 300'. All ages are welcome!

Anthony was a frequent rock climber. After having his son he needed an activity that was close to home. That's when he got serious about slacklining and has since fallen in love with the activity. In Anthony's words, "Slacklining has improved my overall quality of life from focusing on problems at work, to running, skiing, and skating. Slacklining has this incredible way to connect your body and mind, known as proprioception, and it really engages many muscle groups often ignored."

Whether you run, walk, bike, ski, skate, etc., and want to see improvements, or are just curious about what this is about, then come give it a try!

When: July 24, 2019; 6:30–8:30 pm

Where: Meet in the upper hall

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Photos from Made in Belgravia: How to Develop Your Own Cyanotype Photograph



Barry Edgar explains how to stain cyanotype photographs.



Cyanotype photograph of an insect.



Discussing cyanotypes over tea and cake.

Bee Hotel(s) now in the Arts Park!



The bee hotel we won in the recent EFCL competition is now installed in the Arts Park! Not only that, but we also have two more bee hotels installed – many thanks to volunteer Ken Goble who made and installed them!

The three bee hotels are in amongst some of the best habitat for native bees - the prairie wildflowers and grasses in the Native Plant Bed (located on the NE corner of the Arts Park). Hopefully these bee hotels will attract tunnel-nesting solitary bees to the Native Plant Bed, helping to pollinate the native plants. Bee hotels help our urban pollinators by providing a safe place to lay their eggs – it can be a challenge for bees in cities to find good real estate!

A big shout out goes to the hardworking team of garden volunteers!

Interested in volunteering as a Arts Park gardener? The gardeners meet every second Tuesday from 6:30-8:00pm. The schedule for this summer is:

June 25, July 9, July 23, August 6, August 20, and September 3



Updated Hall Host Schedule

Drop into the Hall Community Living Room for tea/coffee and a chat, play a game of cards, browse the “Take a book, Leave a book” library shelves, buy BCL membership or check out the rental space!

Mondays 6 – 8:30 pm

Tuesdays 7 – 10:30 am

Wednesdays 10 am – 2 pm

Thursdays 10 am – 2 pm

Fridays 10 am – 1:30 pm



Prairie grasses and Arts Park

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Summer Green Shack and Pop-Up Play Programs

Green Shack and Pop-Up-Play programs in local parks are Free and Drop-in, targeted to 6–12 year olds but all children accompanied by an adult are welcome to attend. Join in games, crafts, sports and free play!

Belgravia Pop-Up Play program: Monday and Wednesdays, 2:30–6pm @ Belgravia Playground, 11540 73 Ave. Program runs for 8 weeks, July 2 – August 22.

Questions? Please direct to Haley Long, SW Programs Coordinator at: haley.long@edmonton.ca

Outdoor Pools and Spray Parks

The City manages five Outdoor Pools. The outdoor pool season runs from late May to September long weekend (exact dates to be determined; weather permitting). Admission is FREE of charge for the 2019 season.

City Summer Day Camps and Registered Programs

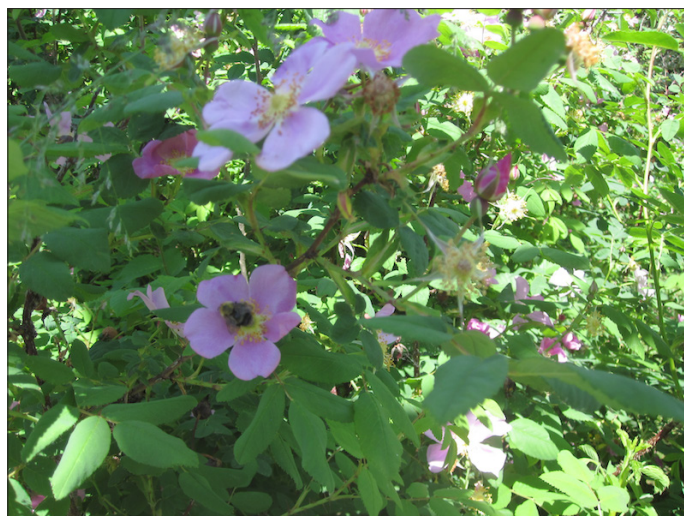
All City Summer Day Camps and Registered Programs, visit: edmonton.ca/MoveLearnPlay or call 311

Leisure Access Program for eligible low-income Edmontonians includes discounts on programs and day camps.

Abundant Communities Edmonton (ACE)

ACE is a grassroots initiative that provides tools for neighbours to get to know each other on a block level, increasing the sense of belonging and inclusion and ultimately a more healthy, livable neighbourhood and city.

Contact Cam McGregor about opportunities to get involved: programs@belgraviaedmonton.ca



Bee on prairie rose in Arts Park



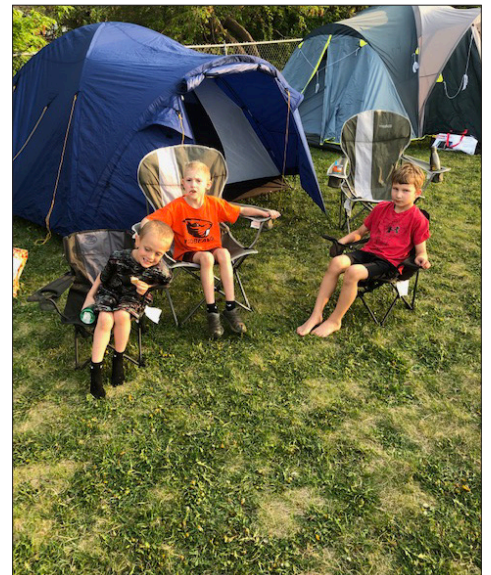
Grade 1 girls at a pop up school petting zoo



Grade 1 boys at the school camp out



Grade 1 students at the petting zoo



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Grade 1 student Vaughn at the pop up petting zoo

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Schedule

Issue	Content Deadline	Delivery
October 2019	Sep 20	Sept 28-29
November 2019	Oct 18	Oct 26-27
December 2019	Nov 22	Nov 30 - Dec 1
Jan/Feb 2020	Jan 17	Jan 25-26
March 2020	Feb 21	Feb 29 - Mar 1
April 2020	Mar 20	Mar 28-29
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July/Aug 2020	June 19	June 27-28
September 2020	Aug 21	Aug 29-30

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Meet Your Neighbours: Anthony, Emily and Jasper



In this issue of the Belgravian, we are featuring Anthony Zeberoff, Emily Moss and their three-year-old son Jasper. While relatively new to Belgravia as a family, both Anthony and Emily have lived here before as university students.

Anthony originally from Castlegar, BC first came to the University of Alberta for an undergrad degree in Materials Engineering. He returned to Castlegar where he started building a cabin with his house builder dad's guidance by a creek on some land he had acquired. After this hands-on-construction experience, Anthony decided to return to the University of Alberta for a graduate degree in Materials Science and Engineering in 2009.

Meanwhile, Emily (born in Abbotsford, BC) studied biology at the University of Oregon. After graduating, she worked as a fire ecologist with the American Park Service travelling all around the western United States. Seven years later, she returned to Canada and enrolled in graduate studies at the University of Alberta to pursue her interest in glaciers.

A mutual interest in rock climbing found them meeting at the University of Alberta's rock climbing wall . . . and the rest is history: rock-climbing trips to the mountains, cross country skiing in the winter; graduating and working as consultants at Stantec Golder Associates for a year; leaving in 2014 to backpack and rock climb around the world . . . Malaysia, Turkey, Germany, France, Spain, Italy and Iceland; and back to the United States for more rock climbing, a job in Connecticut for a couple of years where Jasper was born in 2016 and then, a move back "home" to the region of Abbotsford/Castlegar with Emily doing American Park Service contract work and Anthony on parental leave to care for Jasper. When rock climbing was too complex to pursue at this time, Anthony developed an interest in "slacklining" and turned his home and his back yard into places where he could practice walking on a tight rope.

The opportunity to work as a Process Specialist fabricating holographic displays for a St. John's Newfoundland start-up company using the nanotechnology available here in Edmonton brought Anthony and Emily back to Belgravia last year. While it is Jasper's first time in the community, he is enrolled in this coming fall's BCL Playschool program for three-year olds; the first step of his own curriculum vitae! And no doubt, we'll likely see him taking another first step on his dad's portable slackline device currently under development.