

January
2020

Next league board meeting

Tuesday, February 4
7:00 p.m. at the
Community Centre

Visitors welcome. To bring up a topic at the board meeting, please contact President Roberta Franchuk at least one week before the meeting.



Someone in need? Call 211 to help

As winter tightens its grip, vulnerable people may find themselves in situations where they need more help, whether shelter, warm clothes or a meal. If you see someone who may need help, you can call 211 and press 3 for the 24/7 Crisis Diversion Team. If someone is in immediate danger, 911 is still the number to call

24/7 Crisis Diversion is a collaborative partnership of Edmonton that responds around the clock, seven days a week, 365 days a year. The teams provide crisis intervention services when someone is experiencing a medical or mental health (non-emergency) crisis; when there is a potential safety concern for the individual involved; or when someone is possibly intoxicated, or otherwise impaired.

The teams also connects individuals to the support they need in the immediate crisis.



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Walking map arrives

The city of Edmonton's latest walking map, featuring McKernan, Belgravia, Windsor Park and Garneau, is ready! The map spotlights neighbourhood-scale features such as public art, rest spots and bus stops, along with a series of interesting walking routes that show off the features of the communities. Printed copies of the map are now available at the community hall and will be delivered in this issue of the Messenger to households; an online version will also be available at www.edmonton.ca/walkmap soon.

Winterscape your yard

This year, celebrate winter by creating a beautiful yard in front of your house, school, or workplace. You can sculpt with ice and snow to create a building, statue, maze or scene; add lights or even candles, or bring in colourful ornaments. Plants and natural materials can also make a wonderful scene.

Nominate your own winterscape or others by submitting a photo to the City of Edmonton's website at www.edmonton.ca/winterscapes. The nomination period is Jan. 12 — Feb. 17. Categories are Winter Garden, Winter Art and Winter Play. The website also features winterscaping ideas and a photo gallery of past events.



Volunteers needed

Keep your community strong and healthy, and help McKernan continue to be one of the best neighbourhoods in the city: become involved with your community league! Contact Roberta Franchuk (president@mckernancommunity.org; 780-431-4924) for more details about any of these opportunities.

Treasurer needed 2020

The league's hardworking treasurer Jennifer Branch-Mueller will be stepping down from the board at the end of her term in April 2020. As the treasurer is a key position for the board, we are beginning to search for a community member to take over. General duties of the treasurer are: deposit fees and income paid to the league; present a detailed account of revenues and expenditures at every Board and General Meeting; prepare and present an audited financial statement at the Annual General Meeting. There is regular bookkeeping and accounting support for this position.

Other positions

Pub Night Organizer — Arrange two to three Pub Nights per year.

Crime and safety issues — Collect information on safety issues in the community, including crime. May have an opportunity to work with other communities on joint responses.

Transportation — Keep an eye on the ever-changing world of transportation including traffic, pedestrian and cycling issues.

Central Area Council of Community Leagues rep — represent McKernan in occasional meetings with other leagues in the area to work on issues pertinent to central communities

Historian — Collect stories and memories about the community, based on your interest and time available.

Hall Sign — Want to get the community message out to the traffic on 114 St.? Exercise your creativity by helping us change the hall sign.



Your community league membership buys you free skating on our rinks at 11341-78 Ave. You must have your League skate tags with you OR buy a skate tag for our rink only - just \$5 for the season!

McKernan Rink open!

Kids under 14:
Mon–Fri: 3:30 to 6 p.m.

Family skating:
Sat, Sun: 1 to 5 p.m.
(no sticks or pucks allowed on ice during Family skating)

Public skating / Shinny:
Mon, Wed–Fri: 6 to 9 p.m.
Tues: 6 to 8 p.m.
Sat, Sun: 5 to 9 p.m.

Broomball:
Tues: 8 to 10 p.m.

To volunteer for ice maintenance:
Greg Jones, 780-222-2096 or ghajones@hotmail.com



Rent the community centre!

The community centre, located at 11341-78 Avenue, is open! Our beautiful facility includes smaller meeting spaces along with a refurbished hall complete with danceable wooden floor and air conditioning. For future bookings, contact hall rental coordinator Darlene Dudley at hallrentalmckernancommunity@gmail.com. More information about the hall and how to rent it is available at www.mckernancommunity.org.

	Main hall	Meeting room	Boardroom
Capacity	151	60	16
Hourly cost			
Weekend (Friday evening, Saturday, Sunday)	\$75/hr	\$65/hr	\$25/hr
Weekday (day and evening)	\$55/hr	\$45/hr	\$25/hr
Long-term rentals (multi-week, with contract)	\$50/hr	\$40/hr	\$20/hr

*GST will also be charged on rentals

Residents of McKernan who are members of the community league receive a 15% discount on one-time hall rentals.

Damage deposit and key deposit may also be required. Events where alcohol is served require event insurance through the renter.

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League Memberships

Memberships in your community league support programs, socials, hall activities, newsletters, and more; PLUS the League is looking out for your interests in housing, transportation, services and more. Memberships are \$35 for family or organizations, \$25 for single parent families. Single memberships with skating are \$20, seniors and students only \$10. A bargain! See the membership form at www.mckernancommunity.org.

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Events in the community

Falls in the Elderly, Fri. Jan 31, 7 p.m. Belgravia Hall (11540-73 Ave.) Join geriatrician Dr. Angela Juby to learn about the dangers of falls and hear some prevention tips. This is part of the Neighbour to Neighbour series at Belgravia. Contact programs@belgraviaedmonton.ca for more information.

Swing 'n' Skate, Sundays through Feb. City Hall, 1 to 4 p.m. Bring your skates and/or your dancing shoes to Edmonton City Hall for this fabulous free event. Fabulous local bands play live music of the era in City Hall, with dance demos (and free lessons) from the Sugar Swing Dance Club. And you can follow the live music out to the skating rink on City Hall plaza, so that you can skate to the beat. www.edmontonarts.ca/churchillsquare/

16th Annual Ice on Whyte Festival, Dr. Wilbert McIntyre Park (8331-104 St.), Jan. 23 to Feb. 2 (10 a.m. – 9:30 p.m. on weekends, 5 – 9:30 p.m. on weekdays, closed Jan. 27). The park will be filled with ice and snow exhibits, International Ice Carving Competition, Lil Chippers Ice Carving for kids, live music, fashion, food, hot beverages and the Ice Bar. Gate admission is \$7 for adults, \$4 for children 2-13. See www.iceonwhyte.ca for details.

Flying Canoë Volant, Thurs. Jan. 30 to Feb. 1, with events in Mill Creek Ravine, La Cité Francophone and Rutherford School from 6-10 p.m. and a cabaret at La Cité Francophone: 8-midnight. In the spirit of a great winter city, the Flying Canoë Volant is a creative and interactive cultural event designed to celebrate local history and everything that is great about a long winter's night. Inspired by the legend of The Flying Canoe and French Canadian, First Nations and Métis traditions, this event celebrate Edmonton's beautiful Mill Creek Ravine and the French Quarter. Full details at www.flyingcanoevolant.ca

Silver Skate Festival, Hawrelak Park, Feb. 7-17. The 30th anniversary of this Dutch-flavoured family-oriented winter celebration blending sport, recreation, arts and culture. Visit the Snow Sculpture Garden, watch long blade skating races, try out snow shoeing, ice skating, and other winter sports for free. Take in live music and theatrical performances, take a ride in a horse-drawn sleigh, or take part in the Dead Cold Zombie Run, Fatbike Fest or other snowy activities! www.silverskatefestival.org

Social Justice Film Night, Fri. Feb 14, 7 p.m., Westwood Unitarian Church (11135-65 Ave.). Irena Salina's award-winning documentary *Flow: For Love of Water* examines the conflict of the global water crisis. Is water for people, or for profit? Best Documentary winner of the 2008 Vail Film Festival, and nominated for the 2008 Sundance Jury Prize. Get film listings at www.westwoodunitarian.ca/participate/social-justice/social-justice-movie-nights/

McKernan Playgroup MONDAYS

Our playgroup for parents, caregivers and little ones (ages 0-5) meets again! Join us on Mondays at the Community Centre from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Bring a toy to share, if you want. Please make sure any snacks are nut-free!

PRELOVED TOYS NEEDED: Clean, nearly new preloved toys are also needed (suitable for young ones). Contact Mary at cox.marylouise@gmail.com if you have donations or questions.



TOWN HALL with Heather McPherson

Member of Parliament / Edmonton Strathcona

Wednesday, Feb. 12
7-8:30 pm
Ritchie Community Hall
7727 98 Street

Come with your questions and concerns about federal government issues.

All welcome!



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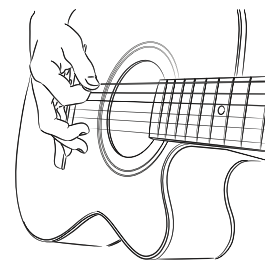
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Development news

Balancing needs on 110 St.

Residents of McKernan and Garneau have joined in the McKernan and Garneau for All initiative that looks to balance the needs of trees, cyclists, drivers and residents on 110 St. in the face of suggested changes from the City to install bike lanes on the street. As noted in the January issue of the Messenger, the City is examining a variety of options for installing a two-way separate bike lane from 76 Ave. to Saskatchewan Drive. These options will impact the trees on the street, parking availability for residents, and traffic movement. Show your support, express your though or find out more on the Facebook group @MckernanandGarneauforAll, or contact at MckernanandGarneauforAll@gmail.com.

114 St. rezoning update

As of January 11, no application has yet been filed for the proposed rezoning and two-building development on 78 Ave. at 114. St. Residents in the immediate area who have concerns about the development have moved ahead to collect their issues; they have consulted a lawyer about possible legal actions, and have engaged consultation expert Kirsten Goa to assist community residents in navigating the rezoning application.

She has already prepared an analysis of the proposal details that have been discussed so far (not the official application) and will be setting up a meeting with community residents in February.

The neighbours have also set up a GoFundMe campaign to help cover the cost of consultants etc, estimated to be around \$10,000 by the time each step of the process is completed.

The campaign can be found at by searching for 'BelMac Neighbours' at www.gofundme.com. All donations would be gratefully received.

Overheight garage suite refused



Overheight garage suite on University Ave.

An application to allow an oversize garage suite that is already under construction was refused by city planners recently. Although City Planning would not discuss the reason for the refusal, they note that the structure "may be subject to enforcement action by our Development Compliance team." The garage is part of an infill build, and is clearly over the allowed height. The community

will be monitoring the response by the builder to rectify this.

Another lodging house tries to go legal

Earlier this winter, neighbours requested an investigation into a possible lodging house at 11535-78 Ave., and city compliance teams have apparently confirmed that the building was being used as such. Owners have now applied for the necessary development permit to allow them to continue to operate. Another lodging house at 11520-78 Ave. was approved in March 2019, and there is some hope that the city will actually adhere to its thresholds for lodging houses in a community — thresholds that are supposed to ensure that the capacity of any neighbourhood to accommodate such facilities is not exceeded.

Development applications (Dec. 1 - Jan. 11)

The list below covers permits that have been applied for in McKernan this month. Permits are under review unless otherwise noted. Complete information, including permit number and the name of the applicant, is available at the City of Edmonton mapping website maps.edmonton.ca > Development Applications. Requested and approved applications for rezoning (not development) are listed at www.edmonton.ca/residential_neighbourhoods/neighbourhoods/mckernan-planning-applications.aspx. If you have any questions about a project, contact housingdevelopments@mckernancommunity.org.

10934-72 Ave.	To construct an accessory building (detached garage (11.28m x 6.4m)).
11163-73 Ave.	To demolish a single detached house and detached garage.
11216-75 Ave.	To operate a minor home based business (Graphic design business - Everyother Studio) - Approved - NDPR
11134-76 Ave.	To operate a minor home based business (Admin office, cleaning services)- Approved - NDPR
11134-76 Ave. 11136-76 Ave.	To construct an accessory building (mutual detached garage (12.2m x 6.1m)).
11136-76 Ave.	To construct an addition to a single detached house (unheated room).
7728-112 St.	To erect a fence @ 2.13m in height in the side flanking yard abutting 112 St.
11535-78 Ave.	To convert a single detached house to a lodging house with maximum 5 residents
11329-79 Ave.	To construct interior alterations.
10925 University Ave.	To construct exterior alterations to a garden suite (changes to building height), existing without permits. REFUSED
11533-University Ave.	To operate a minor home based business—short term rental (Shemmer Home). Approved—NDPR

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