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# THE McKernan Messenger

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## NOTICE OF OFFICIAL-TYPE MEETING!

**Tuesday, April 2**

**Starting 7:00 p.m at the  
community centre.**

### **Annual General Meeting (brief!)**

- Election of officers  
(president, vice-  
president, directors)
- Year-end business

### **Wine and Cheese Mixer (fun!)**

Meet the executive, find out  
how you can help, discuss  
your concerns

## **AGM April 2: Voters plus President, VP, Directors needed!**

Our Annual General Meeting will be held April 3 at the Community Centre. All community league members are eligible to vote and we encourage you to attend (especially for the wine and cheese afterwards).

The positions of president and vice-president and two of the director-at-large positions, are open for election for two-year terms.

The Board would particularly like to have representation from a younger community member (university student or young adult). If you are keen on helping to make connections in the community, we'd love to hear from you.

About the positions:

President: supervises the affairs of the Board; chairs all meetings of the League, the Board and the Executive Committee; and acts as the spokesperson for the League

Vice-president: presides at meetings in the President's absence; replaces the President at various functions; and is responsible for the annual review of the Bylaws, Policies and Procedures.

Director-at-large: Attends meetings of the league and the Board, and carries out League business as required.

If you are interested in any of these positions, please contact Roberta Franchuk ([president@mckernancommunity.org](mailto:president@mckernancommunity.org)).

Also, if you haven't purchased your league membership, come and pick one up: they'll be on sale at the AGM. See you then!

## **League notes March**

### **Traffic safety improvements in front of school**

After several months, signs have finally been installed at the McKernan School dropoff to regulate parking. The signs were delayed after neighbourhood renewal, leaving the area open to long-term parking, adding to congestion and dangerous conditions during school drop-off and pick-up times. The new signs allow only five-minute (loading zone) parking from 7 am to 4 pm on school days but unlimited parking otherwise, which should also help to reduce parking congestion on evenings and weekends and offer spots for McKernan residents affected by the removal of parking on 76 Ave.

### **Green Shack on site again this summer**

Good news for neighbourhood kids: McKernan Park will be the site of a full five-day Green Shack program again this summer! Program will run July and August and feature supervised games, crafts and activities. It's a great way for kids to have fun and meet other kids from the community. Program is for kids ages 6-12 but younger kids may attend with a supervisor. Kids over 13 may also volunteer with the program as Leaders-in-Training. Watch for more details in the spring.

### **Springtime parking pressures**

As weather improves, the spring usually sees more people using McKernan as a free parking area. Most of McKernan is designated as a UA-2 parking zone, which means that non-residents may park for only 2 hours on weekdays between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. These streets are signed as such. If non-resident parking is an issue on your street within the UA-2 zone, you can report this by calling 311 or using the City of Edmonton's 311 app. Residents can get free permits to allow them to park without restriction.

## **Mark your calendar! McKernan Community Pub Night with LIVE MUSIC**

**Sat. April 27,  
8 p.m. to midnight.**

**McKernan Community Centre  
(11341-78 Ave.)**



## Casino volunteers needed

Thurs. July 18 and Fri. July 19

Casino Edmonton (Atrgyll Road)

Day and evening shifts available. Fun and easy work.  
Proceeds go to McKernan Community Centre project.

Contact Hilary Gray at 780-434-0480 or [hilarygray@shaw.ca](mailto:hilarygray@shaw.ca) to volunteer.

Thanks to all volunteers for your generous help!



## McKernan Playgroup - MONDAYS!

Our playgroup for parents, caregivers and little ones (ages 0-5) meets again! Join us at the Community Centre from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. Bring a toy to share, if you want.

Contact Amanda at 780-243-5044 or [manda\\_243@hotmail.com](mailto:manda_243@hotmail.com). Check the McKernan C.L. Facebook group for updates.

No meeting Jan. 21, Feb. 25 or stat holidays



## 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](mailto:hallrentalmckernancommunity@gmail.com). More information about the hall and how to rent it is available at [www.mckernancommunity.org](http://www.mckernancommunity.org).

	Main hall	Meeting room	Boardroom
<b>Capacity</b>	151	60	16
<b>Hourly cost</b>			
<b>Weekend</b> (Friday evening, Saturday, Sunday)	\$75/hr	\$65/hr	\$25/hr
<b>Weekday</b> (day and evening)	\$55/hr	\$45/hr	\$25/hr
<b>Long-term rentals</b> (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](http://www.mckernancommunity.org).

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# Development news

## Lodging houses shut down

A new semi-detached house being run as two illegal lodging houses has been ordered to cease and desist operation, or acquire a legal permit, by March 15. The houses at 11233 and 11235-78 Ave seem to have opened immediately as lodging houses when construction was complete. Not only are the buildings not properly zoned, they also apparently fail several requirements for operating safely and legally as lodging houses. Owners have appealed to the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board (SDAB); this appeal is being opposed by the league.

## Lodging house denial to be appealed

City Planning has turned down an application for a lodging house at 11520-78 Ave. because the site did not offer the required parking and loading space. The owner is appealing to the SDAB on March 14, on the grounds that the property is well-managed and that there are already several non-official lodging houses in the area. The league and several neighbours will be opposing the appeal and supporting Planning's decision.

## Planning volunteers still needed

Our League would like to start a Planning Committee to provide input and concerns on submitted Development Applications and work with the Development Chair in developing replies to the Board and the City.

As can be seen above, lodging houses are an ongoing concern and we are developing a plan to address these systematically.

Call Peter Rausch at 780 437 5238 if you are interested and would like more information on this committee or to sign up. See the Feb. issue of the Messenger (available at [mckernancommunity.org](http://mckernancommunity.org)) for more details.

## Development applications (Feb. 1 – Mar. 10)

This list 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](http://maps.edmonton.ca) > Development Applications. If you have any questions about a project, contact [housingdevelopments@mckernancommunity.org](mailto:housingdevelopments@mckernancommunity.org).

11218-72 Ave.	To develop a secondary suite in the basement of a semi-detached house (new suite). (More info requested)
10921-74 Ave.	To demolish a single detached house and detached garage. To demolish and construct a semi-detached house with secondary suite(s). To construct an accessory building (detached garage (12.19m x 6.71m)).
11207-75 Ave.	To construct a single detached house with basement development (NOT to be used as an additional dwelling), balcony, unenclosed front porch and rear uncovered deck (2.44m x 5.18m). (Intake) To construct an accessory building (detached garage (5.79m x 6.25m)).
11209-75 Ave.	To construct an accessory building (detached garage (5.79m x 6.25m)). (More info requested)
11254-75 Ave.	To develop a secondary suite in the basement of a semi detached house.
7708-110 St.	To demolish a single detached house and detached garage. To construct a single detached house with balcony, fireplace, uncovered deck and veranda and to demolish single detached house & rear detached garage. To construct an accessory building (detached garage (7.32m x 7.32m)). (More info requested)
11334-79 Ave.	To develop a secondary suite in the basement of a single detached house.
11005 University Ave.	To construct exterior alterations (driveway extension). (New)

## Linda Duncan MP | Edmonton Strathcona

### Contact my office for assistance with:

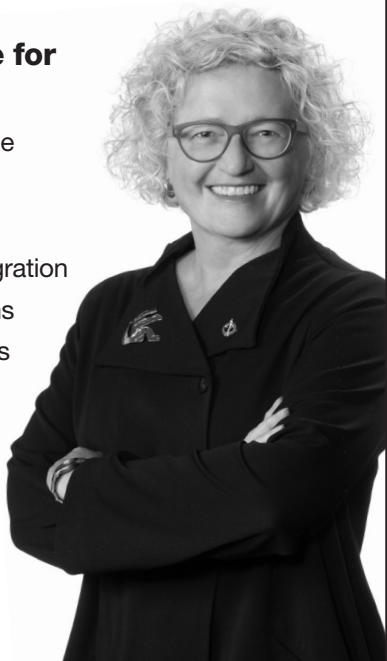
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## Community briefs

### A home for your furniture

Moving out in the spring? Don't want to haul that old dresser away with you? Donate your gently used household furnishing and home electronics to Find. Find participates in the Housing First Support Program by providing furniture to individuals and families who are transitioning out of homelessness. Drop items off at 5120 122 Street or call 780-988-1717 for pickup. [finedmonton.com](http://finedmonton.com)

### Block party!

It's not too soon to think about hosting a block party on your street – it's a great way to get to know your neighbours. Visit [Edmonton.ca/blockparties](http://Edmonton.ca/blockparties) to get the Neighbourhood Block Party Kit contains hints about planning, and info about applying for a temporary street closure to make your party safe, or getting a parkland permit to use one of our parks.





## Urban poling a going concern

Close to a dozen folks learned about urban poling aka Nordic walking at a workshop on Feb. 15 at the McKernan Community Centre, led by Chantelle Zimmer of the Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues. Although the main training was held indoors due to the frigid weather, reception was very positive and several participants took advantage of an EFCL discount to order their own walking poles so they can continue the activity. Big thanks to McKernan board member Marilyn Johnson, who organized the event. Marilyn also noted that if enough people are interested McKernan could start a walking group of its own, similar to the one running in Belgravia.

## Events in the community

**Social Justice Film Night**, Fri. April 12, 7 p.m., Westwood Unitarian Church (11135-65 Ave.). African hip hop pioneer Didier Awadi is on a quest in *United States of Africa* to craft an album that pays tribute to the great black revolutionary leaders and their struggle to realize a dream: a united, independent Africa.

**Belgravia Hustle**, Sat. April 27, registration at 11 a.m., races at noon, Belgravia Community Hall. Get moving in this fundraiser for the Belgravia Cooperative Playschool. Choose a 2 km, 5 km or 10 km run/walk or join the 3 km dog walk. Visit [www.belgraviahustle.com](http://www.belgraviahustle.com) to register.



## MOVING? SPRING CLEANING?

Don't dump your garbage in the alley — bring it to our Big Bin Event

**Saturday, April 27, noon to 4 p.m.**  
**McKernan Community Centre parking lot**

There is no charge to drop off items but you MUST be a community league member (memberships will be available to purchase.)

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