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# IN THE LOOP



La Perle Community Newsletter



## Thank you!

Thank you for a wonderful Community League Day on September 21st. We hope you had a chance to get out and get to know your neighbors!



#### **Calling Local Business Owners**

If you're interested in advertising in this newsletter, or adding your company to the list of local business that give back to our neighborhood through community league membership perks, please email us.





- Preventing Package Theft
- PM Spots available at La Perle Playschool
- Community Update from Andrew Knack
- Casino Volunteers Needed
- Blood Donor Drive December
- New Bus Routes
- Communibee App
- Board of Directors

Get engaged with your community Like, Follow and Share us online!

Facebook: LaPerle Community League Twitter: @LaPerleCommLeag Get the Communibee App: La Perle

La Perle Community Hall 18611 - 97A Avenue Phone: 780-486-4426

Email: laperle@laperle-community.ca

www.laperle-community.ca

#### **Preventing Package Theft**

Don't be the target for thieves this holiday season. If you're buying gifts online, avoid being attacked by porch pirates with these easy tips:

- 1. Have packages delivered to your work. This reduces the chance that your package is left unattended, and easy prey for thieves.
- 2. Try to schedule deliveries for times you will be home. This isn't always possible, but it keeps packages from sitting out too long.
- 3. Ship to store, you might be able to save a few \$\$'s on delivery as well.
- 4. Buddy up with a neighbor. If you know a neighbor who is home during the day, ask them to hold your parcel until you get home.
- 5. Require a signature. This extra insurance ensures that you won't have packages piling up at your door.
- 6. Monitor your front porch. Security cameras or video doorbells can be used to keep an eye on your packages, deterring thieves from grabbing them off of your property. Look for a camera or security system that connects to an app, so you can check on your porch from your phone.



#### **Bonus Tip**

If you're heading out of town for the holidays, before you go on vacation, ask a neighbor you trust to collect your mail. An overfull mailbox makes your home a target for would-be

Or contact Canada Post to put your mail

thieves.

on hold (charges apply).

For more information on the Neighborhood Watch, or Walk your Block, visit www.enwatch.ca



#### **EPS Crime Map**

This map can be found at www.crimemapping.edmontonpolice.ca and it shows the type and locations of crimes in our city.

September/October stats:

- 1 Assault
- 2 Break & Enters
- 3 Thefts of Vehicles
- 4 Thefts from Vehicle

# La Perle Community Playschool

La Perle Community Playschool is a nonprofit, parent cooperative playschool program that provides 'learn through play' program for three and four year old children.

The cooperative portion of the playschool means that parents play a role in the learning too. This gives parents a unique opportunity to experience what your child does at playschool.

Parents are required to help in the class two days per month, as well as help a few times per year in other aspects of the school like toy cleaning, theme changes, and fundraising.

It's a great way to get get to know other families in your community.



CHILD ADMISSION AND MINI SNACK COMBO- \$16

**GENERAL ADMISSION - \$12** 

Great for family outings or Christmas gifts. Ask your family and friends

Please collect all funds and return to
LaPerle Playschool by November 22.
The certificates will be delivered to
the classroom between
Nov. 29 and Dec. 1
\*Please note we are not allowed to
sell these on Kijiji or Facebook
Marketplace\*

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Email Taneal, at taneal\_brown@yahoo.ca to order yours!

La Perle Community Playschool still has a couple spots available in the 3 & 4 year PM classes for the 2019-2020 school year.

Registration closes - January 31, 2020 Phone 1-866-927-6020 laperle.community.playschool@gmail.com 3 yr old PM classes: Tuesday & Thursday

Teacher: Mrs. Wong

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Afternoon class – 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

4 yr old PM classes: Monday, Wednesday & Friday

Teacher: Mrs. Knoll

Afternoon class - 12:45 PM - 3:00 PM



The Stepping Stones of Early Learning

## www.laperleplayschool.com

Phone: 1-866-927-6020

Email: laperle.community.playschool@gmail.com

### City of Edmonton Update from Andrew Knack



Hello residents of La Perle! I'm happy to provide a few updates on some city related topics as well as ward 1 specific topics that may be of interest. As always, if you have any questions or concerns not covered here, feel free to contact me anytime.

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#### **Jasper Place Leisure & Fitness Centre Update**

The project has reached approximately 96% construction completion, as of October 16th, 2019. The electrical service issue that was previously identified in the August 2019 update to Council has now been rectified and construction activities have re-commenced. This work includes installation of artwork, equipment commissioning, inspections for deficiencies and related corrective work and assembly of documentation for regulatory authorities approval. A tentative in-service with the facility open to the public is scheduled for early 2020. City staff have committed to providing me an update as new information becomes available. I will be sure to share that with ward 1 residents when I get it but for more information about the project, please visit edmonton.ca/projects\_plans/parks\_recreation/jasper-place-fitness-leisure-centre-renewal

#### **Implementation of Smart Traffic Signals**

October 2nd marked the first day we had Smart Traffic Signals (otherwise known as an Adaptive Traffic Signals) on our first corridor in Edmonton. You may remember that I wrote about this back in 2018 when I put forth a motion to have administration explore the possibility of implementing smart traffic signals, as we know that we can move people and goods more efficiently using this technology. I'm thrilled to see some of this work starting with our first corridor located at 101st Street from 103A Avenue to 111 Avenue. This will ideally result in even more corridors utilizing this technology so we can experience the full benefits of an integrated system. This is just one example of how AI can help us provide better programs and services in Edmonton. We need to embrace our leadership in AI and Machine Learning so that we can improve how we serve all Edmontonians

## **Upcoming community conversation**

Saturday November 9th, 1:30-3:30 at Crestwood Community League Hall.

On November 9th I will be hosting a special Community Conversation that will serve as a mid-term check-in. During this event, I will be reviewing my 2017 campaign platform and providing updates on each of my campaign commitments. In advance of next month's meeting, I would encourage you to review my 2017 campaign platform that's available on my website at AndrewKnack.com/2017-Platform. As we work on many other items not originally identified in my platform, I would also like to take time to gather more general feedback about the last two years. I'm excited for this check-in and I hope you will be able to join me.

#### Casino Volunteers Needed

We're still looking for a couple more Volunteers for our casino fundraiser
December 9-10 at Starlight
Casino West Edmonton Mall.

If you're interested, please call Barb at 780-489-1766 or email tyelsi@telus.net.

Volunteers must be 18 years of age or older. Some positions require an AGLC Volunteer worker form and background check.

We still have openings for the following positions:

- Cashiers\*
- Chip Runners
- Backup

Casino volunteers will receive a \$50 Community League voucher.

Use it towards your annual membership, hall rental, playschool or soccer fees!

#### Cashier\*

- Trades patrons chips for cash.
- Will be handling large amounts of chips and cash.

#### **Chip Runner**

- Minimal use of handheld computer in the performance of their duties.
- Not permitted in Cash Cage.
- Must remain on Casino Floor or volunteer lounge

Asterix(\*) indicates that an AGLC Casino Volunteer Worker Application form must be completed.

#### We Need You!

Volunteers are critical to the success of our Community League, and we're always looking for people to help.



Please consider helping us create a stronger, more engaged community by volunteering your time.

If you have experience in Accounting, Fundraising, Grant Applications, Volunteer Coordinating or Website Design we'd love to hear from you!

Email us: laperle@laperle-community.ca

# **Snow removal help for Seniors**



Is it difficult for you to maintain your sidewalks due to age or restraints on your mobility?

Do the winter months make it unsafe and difficult to leave your home?

The Seniors Home Supports Program gives seniors referrals to vetted service providers offering these types of services. Seniors are not charged for referrals but they will pay a fee to the service provider for completing the work.

The City of Edmonton has provided grants to the Edmonton Seniors
Coordinating Council to be used to provide financial assistance to people with disabilities and to seniors who qualify to help pay for snow removal services.

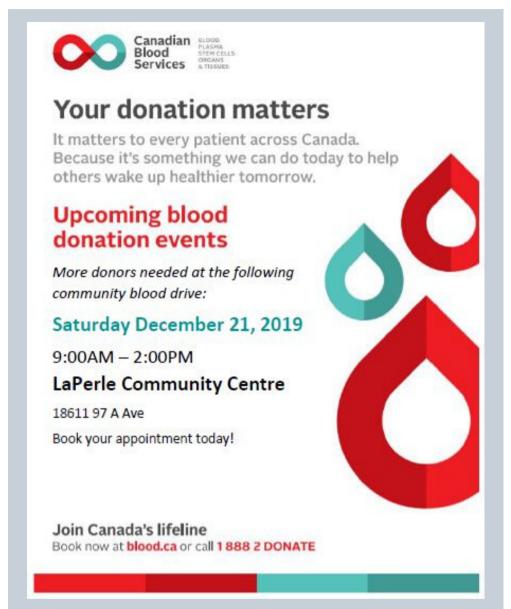
For more information on this program call 211 or visit SeniorsHomeSupports.com.

# Transformation of Edmonton's Transit Service

Edmonton Transit Service (ETS) will be presenting four reports on November 18 and 19 with recommendations designed to deliver a safe, fast, convenient & reliable transit service.

The proposals contained in these reports include feedback from the thousands of Edmontonians who participated in public workshops & online surveys.

If the proposed bus network redesign is approved by City Council, transit users can expect to learn about the new routes and schedules by summer 2020.



#### **Timeline**

**November 19, 2019:** Proposed bus network and new transit service standards presented to City Council's Urban Planning Committee.

Spring 2020: Installation of new temporary and permanent bus stop signs begins.

**Summer 2020:** New schedules and online trip planning available for the proposed network.

**Summer 2020:** Public outreach to help customers prepare for the proposed network roll out.

August 30, 2020 - Launch Day: City staff on site to help transit customers use the proposed network.

For more information on the Bus Network Redesign, visit the City of Edmonton website.

edmonton.ca/newbusroutes edmonton.ca/firstlastkm edmonton.ca/fares







# Never Miss Community News or Events Again!

La Perle is pleased to announce the launch of CommuniBee as a communication tool for our neighborhood. CommuniBee is a mobile app that promotes awareness and engagement for everyone!

#### Getting the app is easy:

**Step 1** – Download the CommuniBee App, either from the Google Play or Apple App Store

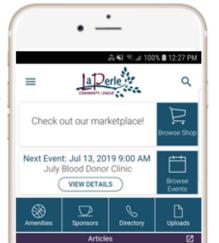
**Step 2** – Sign up for a free account

Step 3 - Select La Perle from the list of communities

Using the apps calendar feature, you'll always be aware of any and all upcoming events in the community. And you can easily RSVP through the app. You'll even be reminded via push notifications. There's also a section on our communities amenities, local businesses and programs and a directory connecting you to all key contacts. Under 'Documents' you will have access to all key documents, such as hall booking guidelines, block party grant forms, etc.

We're excited to start using this app to get more residents in La Perle aware of and participating in events, and building a more vibrant community!





Who's-who on the La Perle Community League Board of Directors in 2019

President: Vacant Vice-President: Denis Ricard Treasurer: Jennifer May

Secretary: Violet Poon

Past President: Vacant
Casino Director: Barb Brazel
Communications Director: Karin Ferrari
Crime Prevention Director: Louis Ruel
Events Director: Bill Bowers
Membership Director: Tiffany Conrad
Social Director: Danielle Bowers
Website Director: Karin Ferrari

Director at Large: Amanda Percy Director at Large: Christa Ruel

Facility Manager: Cathy Johannesson Soccer Coordinator: Cathy Johannesson

