

WANTED

ICE MAKER

ASPEN GARDENS is looking for an Ice Maker for the 2016-2017 ice season.

If you are interested, please contact the Operations Director:

operations@aspengardens.ca



May 2016

ASPEN news

Making the neighbourhood you want to live in!

Just like the fresh spring breezes, the changes to the community league board have continued.....

I've moved up to the President role with Michelle Watts as our prospective VP. Sheryl Maik and Sandra Mason will be taking over as Social Directors from Shannon Tyson, who we tip our collective hats to for the fine events we've been a part of over the past two years.

And Dean Evanger has been brought in as Civics Director.

With such a deep board, it will be a fantastic year and we are looking forward to enjoying it with all of you.

Please email us with concerns, suggestions, offers of help or just to say hello.

See you at the park,

Sara Flanders-Brown

UPCOMING EVENTS @ the Hall:

May 1st: Big Bin / 'Kick it to the Curb' @ the hall and throughout the hood.

May 3, 10, 17, 24th: Urban Pole Walking, 7 pm with Allyson.

May 14th: Bike Safety 1 - 4 pm

June 4th: Geomeer Sprint 'n Splash

June 10th: LAPS farewell picnic in the park



Basketball Camps for Kids

Ages 6-13

There is something for all levels of experience. See website for details
www.edmontonsportscamps.com



Geomeer Sprint 'n Splash 2016

5K aquaventure run

June 4th, 10:30 am at Aspen's Hall

For more information or to register: runningroom.com



Message from MLA Richard Feehan:

I am proud to represent you and your concerns in the Legislature. As your MLA, I wanted to update you on how your Alberta government is working to keep this province strong during trying times.

Many Alberta workers, families and businesses are facing serious challenges due to the collapse of global oil prices. That's why we are taking action to build a stronger, more resilient economy, while keeping spending below the rate of growth and inflation.

In these challenging times, we are creating jobs, fighting for better EI rules, and not making drastic cuts to the public services you rely on. We are helping families who need help, with our new Alberta Child Benefit and our enhanced Alberta Family Employment Tax Credit.

We are investing in infrastructure while costs are down, building the schools, hospitals, roads and bridges that Alberta needs. We are supporting training and education, keeping tuition costs down and adding new skill training—helping Albertans expand or upgrade their skills and ensuring young people are ready to join the workforce.

We have added two new tax credits, while cutting the small business tax.

We continue to work hard to find new markets for Alberta's products—including pipelines for our energy products. And we are finding efficiencies, freezing salaries for political staff and government managers, while reducing the number of government agencies, boards and commissions.

As always, if you have concerns or questions, please contact my office where my staff would be happy to book you an appointment.
Edmonton.Rutherford@assembly.ab.ca or 780.414.1311



Have a kid who graduated from Little Aspen Playschool in the last 14 years?

Come join us on June 10, 2016 as we bid farewell and say thanks for the memories to our beloved teacher

TERESA LAFRANCE

Before she moves on to new opportunities.

Bring a dish to share for a Potluck Picnic
Aspen Gardens Community League park
June 10, 2016

Drop in between 4 and 6pm

NO NUTS PLEASE!

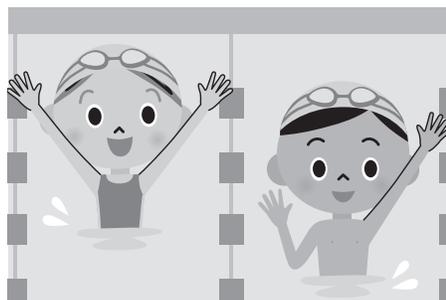
The Edmonton Federation of Community leagues is supporting leagues to start Urban Poling/Nordic Walking Groups, by supporting leadership training and equipment in the form of 8 pairs of poles.

I am leading an 8 week Urban Pole Walking Group in Aspen Gardens.

Every Tuesday at 7 pm until June 14th

Meet Allyson Szafranski at the community hall, 12015-39A Ave, to participate.

Allyson Szafranski: szafranski@shaw.ca



Community League Indoor Swim Program

Remember every Saturday and Sunday until the end of June, AGCL members with proof of valid membership are able to swim at Confederation Pool courtesy of your community leagues Program commitment, Bring your suit and flippers!

Bike Safety Program 2016

Fun and basic bike safety skills are the focus of this free, drop-in program for all ages.

Participants will enhance their bike safety skills while participating in games and activities. Program will be adapted to the age and skill level of participants. Children 5 and under require a guardian to attend.

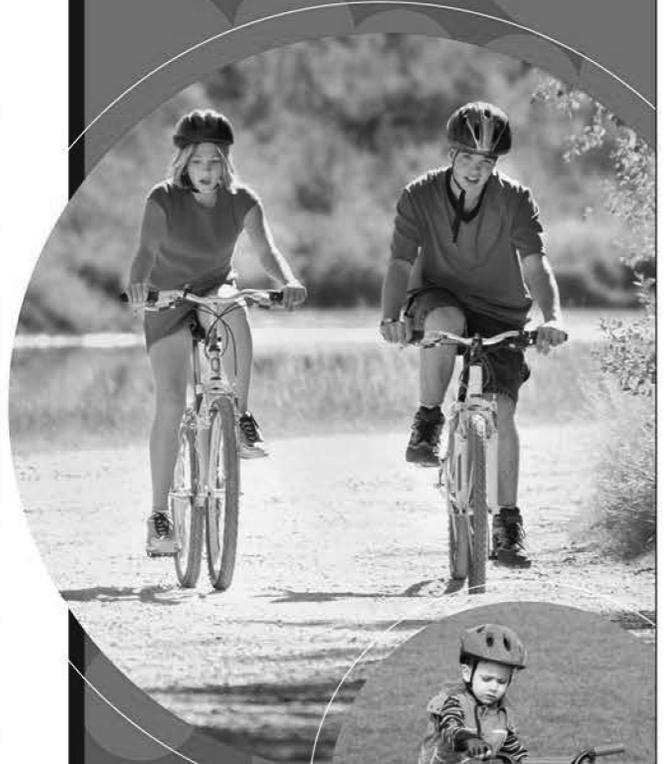
All programs are outdoors. Please dress for the weather! Program may cancel in the event of inclement weather.

Date & Time	Neighbourhood	Location
Saturday May 14 1 pm – 4 pm	Aspen Gardens	Aspen Gardens Community League Hall 12015 - 39 A Ave
Sunday May 15 1 pm – 4 pm	Leger	Terwillegar Community Recreation Centre parking lot D 2051 Leger Road
Saturday May 28 1 pm - 4 pm	Brander Gardens	Riverbend Jr. High School parking lot 14820 - 53 Ave
Saturday June 4 2 pm – 5 pm	Allard	Allard Rink 660 Allard Blvd SW
Sunday June 5 1 pm – 4 pm	McKernan	McKernan School basketball courts 11330 - 76 Ave
Saturday June 11 10 am – 1 pm	Steinhauer	Ermineskin Community League Hall 10709 - 32A Ave

For all bike safety programs city-wide, call **311** or visit: edmonton.ca/dropincommunityprograms

Participants must bring their own:

- * Bicycle
- * C.S.A. approved helmet
- * Close-toe shoes





Community Bulletin Board

Community league members who have a homegrown business, have something to sell, are having a sale, or have a service to offer can post information here. The deadline for submitting information is the 18th of each month, and must be kept to a maximum of 30 words. And, you **MUST** include your community league membership number to have the posting included in the newsletter.

Submissions should be sent to communications@aspengardens.ca. There is limited space so posting will be at the discretion of the Communications Director.

Aspen Gardens Home For Sale by Owner:

Engineered home - original owner. 4 bedroom bungalow/ 2 bath. Electric fireplace, eat-in kitchen, single garage, completed basement with bedroom/bathroom with shower/rumpus room. Phone: 780-434-7907

Summer Music Theatre Camp

"One Midsummers Night", July 25 – August 28. A full day music theatre camp for Grades 1 – 6 performing at the 2016 Fringe Festival with international director Rosalind Thomas-Clark. Visit www.mauranumusic.com or call Richard van Oosterom (780-437-2391)

Jim's Home Maintenance Service: 780-328-4808/Jimxu4808@gmail.com

Experience with plumbing, engineering, painting, unclogging drains, cleaning roofs & gutters as well as grout and silicone bathtubs, sinks, faucet repair, toilets and drywall. \$30/hr, 30% off agcl members

Petrolia Seniors' Group (55+)

Invites YOU to come to enjoy LUNCH and a PROGRAM

The **third Tuesdays (except July and August)** 11:45 a.m. (sharp) to 2:00 p.m. at **Greenfield Community Hall 3803 - 114 Street (\$15)**

May 17th - Gary Faulkner from Glenrose Rehabilitation Hospital

"Rehabilitation of ill and injured patients" TBC

June 21st - Roy Harback on Guitar - Old time songs and singalong.

In addition enjoy another "**outing**" during most months

For more information or to **CONFIRM** your attendance

Call: Nick @ 780-435- 1045 or Betty @ 780-434-0711

Play **Bridge** Wednesdays – 12 - 3 p.m. (Call: Joan –780-436-1434)





From the Office of Michael Walters

As you travel through Ward 10, you might notice a difference in how the neighbourhoods are laid out. Some homes in neighbourhoods that were built after 1980 have front garages. But most were built before that and include many of Edmonton's more worn out alleys.

Despite the fact that we have around 1000 km of alleys in the City, we don't currently have a dedicated renewal or repair program for alleys. We patch and repair on a complaint basis, but since alleys are considered the lowest priority roadway, the repairs can take a long time in coming.

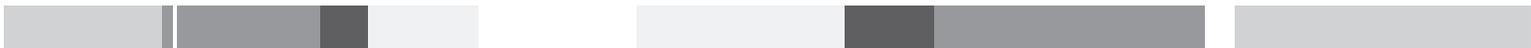
But at Transportation Committee on April 27, we will be presented with some options to change that. We will look at a program that would see all of the City's alleys redone within the next 30 years, starting in 2019. The program would cost \$18 million per year, with an average of 28 km of alleys redone each year.

We have options to choose between to fund this program and the balance of how much the city pays versus how much might be paid by the residences abutting the alleys will surely create some good debate. But since these are public routes used and worn heavily by garbage trucks I lean toward a much higher amount being covered by the general tax levy.

We need to treat alleys as important municipal assets and take expeditious action to significantly improve their condition. We should be able to take pride in the quality of these spaces, the same way we take pride from the beauty of our front streets.

On another note, each year ETS makes small adjustments to routes that aren't meeting ridership standards. However, the City is facing budget pressures, and ETS needs to find larger efficiencies within its operations if they want to add frequency or new service to high demand areas. To see the changes to service that have been approved, you can head to www.michaelwalters.ca/busserviceadjustments to see a full list of the Ward 10 changes and to find a link to the City-wide list.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact my office at (780)496-8132 or michael.walters@edmonton.ca.





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The deadline for submissions to the newsletter is the 20th of each month.
Send submissions to Sandra Carry at **communications@aspengardens.ca**.

In the event of a building emergency at our community hall,
please contact **Matt Rogerson at 780.292.0485**.