

Belvedere Bulletin

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BRAIDS PARK CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

Thanks to all who participated in making our park a little more jolly this year!

During this lockdown time of nowhere to go and nothing to do, Noreen Hollman had the ingenious idea of decorating Braids Park. Dec 13th residents surrounding the park came out and gave all who walk the paths, go sledding or just look out their windows something festive to look at with all the benches and railings decked out, the trees trimmed with balls and garland, some even had lights! Hope you enjoyed!













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COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS (



SUSPENDED:

Check our Facebook page and website for updates and rescheduling of this activity when permitted.

The Belvedere Community League skating rink is OPEN for the season!



To book your time slot (currently booking 1 hour time slots), please call Justin at 780-476-1224 and leave a message.

HOURS OF OPERATION:

Monday,/Wednesday,/Thursday/Friday:4-8:30pm

Tuesday: CLOSED

Saturday: 12:00 - 6:00pm Sunday: 12:00 - 5:00pm

Check out our website @ belvederecl.com for the list of AHS Restrictions to be followed.

Handy Guide to Call or Research online

211 - Information and referrals to community and government supports or crisis support. https://www.ab.211.ca/

If you have trouble searching the website, you can dial 2-1-1, text INFO to 211, or live chat with 211 online anytime 24/7.

311 – City of Edmonton – plenty of information from transit, to bylaw complaints, roads, potholes.

https://www.edmonton.ca/programs_services/311-city-services.aspx

411 – Directory assistance

511 – Alberta Road conditions

811 – Health Link to speak with a registered nurse 24/7 https://myhealth.alberta.ca

Even become an EDMONTON INSIGHT survey member, online or by phone. Edmonton.ca/Surveys

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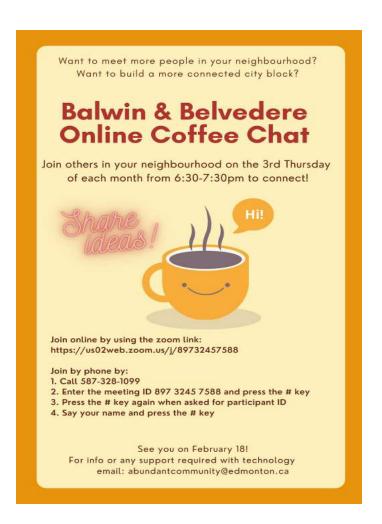
Next Submission deadline: March 18, 2021.

Our rates (per issue) are:

Business Card* \$20 ¼ page \$30 ½ page \$50 Full page \$100

Leave message at 780-476-1224

*Members receive 1 free business card size ad per year



EDMONTON CART ROLLOUT

The way residents sort and set out waste in Edmonton is changing. As part of the Edmonton Cart Rollout service changes, all single unit and some multi-unit homes will automatically receive a large (240L) garbage cart, a regular-sized (120L) food scraps cart and a small food scraps pail between March and August 2021 at no cost.

For more information, see the City of Edmonton website: <u>Garbage and Recycling</u>.



Belvedere is scheduled for delivery of carts: April 11-May 8, 2021



The Centre for Family Literacy's in-person programming is on hold, but we have moved all of our programs to Distance Learning. This includes our family programs, 1:1 tutoring, small group tutoring, and our current group classes (book clubs, and a basic computer skills class). For our adult tutoring and group classes, we cater to adults who read and write below a grade 9 level, or need help with basic math or basic computer skills.

Our Group Classes are done online using Zoom, but our tutors in the Tutor Program work with the needs of the learner, so tutoring may be done via video calling, phone calls, emails or text messaging.

*Email us at programs@famlit.ca and set up an appointment to see how we can help you meet your literacy goals!

ZUMBA Strong- VIRTUAL CLASSES - Every Tuesday



7:30-8:30pm Community Members \$ 5.00 Non-members \$ 7.00

Ready to move? Join my Zumba + Strong Mash up livestream class at 7:30 P.M..

Click here to sign up:

https://www.zumba.dance/marketplace/details/5ffe57f0-6a7c-4bcf-86f7-264e0a010b20

or go to Belvederecl.com to register.

Winter Neighbourhood Challenge

Neighbourhood Services is encouraging Edmontonians to explore their neighbourhood this winter and stay safely connected while maintaining physical distance and adhering to all public health measures.

Visit edmonton.ca....Neighborhood Programs and Resources.

Where a new challenge will be posted on the 1st and 15th of each month, January - March 2021.

To enter, complete the challenge safely, fill out the online entry form and submit your photo. You will be entered into a random prize draw for each challenge you complete.

Upcoming Challenges include:

Play a Game, Notes of Kindness, Snow Art Display, Photo Scavenger Hunt and the last one we will keep secret until closer to the date.

In addition to submitting your entry you can also share on social media using the #yegneighbouring hashtag. Let others know about the fun Neighbourhood Challenges they can do this winter. Stay safe, be creative and enjoy each Winter Neighbourhood Challenge.

As we all know by now, safety is a concern for everyone. Something especially important is that we should all know who our neighbours are and who belongs on our street. We cannot stress enough to be watchful for suspicious behavior going on or a lot of loitering, especially in our alley ways. If you have a gut feeling something is not right, watch and take a photo or video and write down details of what you have witnessed so if something occurs your information can be sent or taken to the police department.

Do not put yourself in harm's way, but Please do your part and REPORT to the EPS non-emergency line or online. **780-423-4567 or mobile #377**

If a crime is in progress or you or someone else is verbally being harassed call 911. Don't attempt to resolve yourself.

THEFT of vehicles and from vehicles is high across the city! Please remember to lock all doors and remove important documents. Do not leave spare keys in your vehicles. EPS recommends investing in the purchase of a vehicle club. If possible, keep an eye on your vehicles throughout the day. In the evening if indoor parking is not an option, park in an area that is lit or ensure you have sensor outdoor lighting.

- Please leave a porch light on or use a sensor light.
- Use your security or doorbell cameras to check your property. Look out the windows.
- DO THAT ROUTINE WALK in your yard. Secure all gates, sheds, garage doors and belongings.

Belvedere Crime Stats for DECEMBER 2020

6 ASSAULTS **4** BREAK & ENTERS (and in progress)

3 THEFT FROM VEHICLE 5 THEFT OF VEHICLE

3 THEFTS OVER \$5000 **1** ROBBERY

Your assistance is appreciated to be aware of what is going on around the league's property, community buildings, schools, and playground as well by reporting mischief to the community league phone number 780 476-1224 and leaving information of what you have seen. Or if a crime is in process, call 911. Be a good neighbour or resident and help us help our community in being safe and vibrant. When you are out walking or walking your dog around our hall and school help us keep an eye out.

Encampments, parking violations, dead animal(s) on public property or roadway - call 311 Report ill, injured or aggressive coyote to 311 or fish and wildlife 780-427-3574

Become part of the **Nextdoor app** to stay connected with what is happening in our and other neighbourhoods. https://ca.nextdoor.com/

I plan on holding community patrol info sessions in person when we are safe to gather. For those who have indicated an interest in being a part of community patrol I will contact you when restrictions are off. For anyone else interested in more information on community patrol, please email me at the address below. Our community is also part of Edmonton Neighbourhood Watch that offers walk your block and you log in each time you walk. (they do not wear logoed clothing to show community patrol).

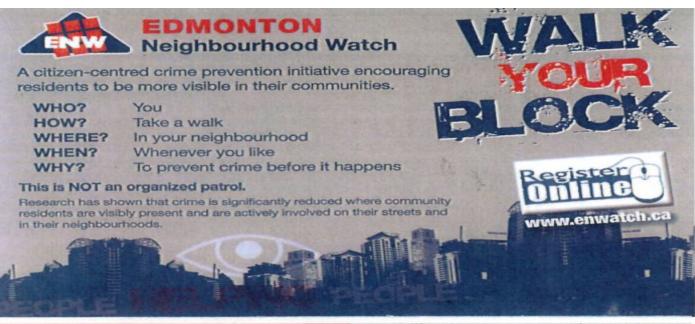
Walk Your Block - Edmonton Neighbourhood Watch (enwatch.ca)

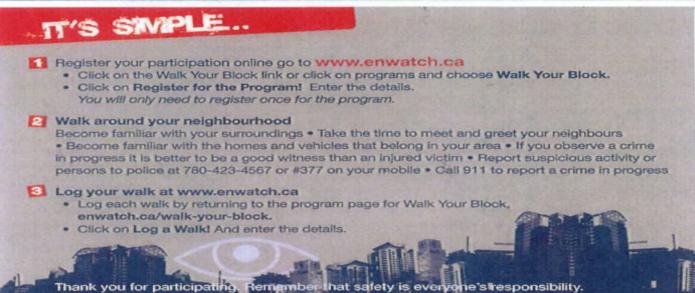
Regards, Be Vigilant and Stay Safe!

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Crime Stoppers



The Edmonton Police Service is looking for assistance in solving crimes and identifying the individuals depicted in surveillance still photos. If you have a tip and want to remain anonymous, call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477.

Check out the Edmonton Police Link below:

https://www.edmontonpolice.ca/crimeprevention.aspx



You suspect a neighbouring home of criminal activity or disorder.



#377 or 780-423-4567

Edmonton Police non-emergency line

1-866-960-SCAN (7226)

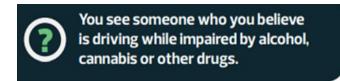
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Take action. Make a complaint about a suspicious property. Once an investigator is assigned, they will make contact.





Take action. Call 911 and report an impaired driver to the Curb the Danger program.







March is Fraud Month - Please Beware and Vigilant

Once a fraudster, always a fraudster. More scams and schemes are coming up more often than we know. Here are some tips and things to think about. Be careful with your technology, the Edmonton police website offers a lot of information and videos for your safety and more. Please take a browse.

Tech Crime Tips (edmontonpolice.ca)

https://www.edmontonpolice.ca/CrimePrevention/PersonalFamilySafety/OnlineSafety/TechCrimeTips

https://www.getcybersafe.gc.ca/en/secure-your-accounts

https://antifraudcentre-centreantifraude.ca/scams-fraudes/index-eng.htm

Other tips: Do Not share your password with your bestie, IT repair person, Canada revenue or even your significant other. Try to make your passwords strong using a combination of numbers, letters and characters. Don't save passwords on computers, especially work computers. Do use a password saver app, there are many to choose from. Be careful who your personal information is shared with such as where you were born, birth dates, family names, photos, school attended, pets name – combinations of all of these can lead to identity theft.

If you receive an email that looks like it came from your bank or financial institution asking that you verify your account information immediately or risk termination, don't do anything without first checking in with your bank. Chances are, it is probably a phishing scam and the phishers are waiting for you to take the bait so that they can drain your account and ruin your credit.

Be vigilant about making online purchases. Before inserting your credit card information check that the web address is **https** and not "http" the s means safe.

Slam the scam - Protect yourself against fraud - Canada.ca

https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/corporate/security/protect-yourself-against-fraud
Know how to recognize a scam. There are many fraud types, including new ones invented daily..

Taxpayers should be vigilant when they receive, either by telephone, mail, text message or email, a
fraudulent communication that claims to be from the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) requesting
personal information such as a social insurance number, credit card number, bank account number,

Emails · Letter · Sample Telephone Scam · Sweepstakes Scheme · E-Mail Phishing

CALL TOLL FREE 1-888-495-8501 Monday to Friday 9 am to 445 pm (Eastern Time)

The impact of fraud so far this year

As of December 31, 2020

Canadian reports of fraud:

67,294

(56,089 in 2019)

Canadian victims of fraud:

39,992

(28,574 in 2019)

Lost to fraud:

\$104.2 M

(\$104 M in 2019)

Fraud Prevention Tip: You can check your credit for free at least once every year on Equifax and TransUnion. You can also use Credit Karma's credit monitoring for free anytime!

These businesses allow you to review your report for signs of suspicious activity, such as accounts that you don't recognize, or inquiries from companies you've never done business with. These could be signs that someone is applying for credit in your name.

Try it out at https://ocs.transunion.ca/ocs/home.html or https://www.consumer.equifax.ca/personal/ or https://www.creditkarma.ca/.

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EASY CHILLI RECIPE

1 lb ground beef 1 cup chopped onion ½ cup chopped green pepper

2 ½ tablespoons chilli powder 1 clove garlic minced 1 bay leaf

4 teaspoons finely chopped jalapenos

1 (29oz) can diced tomatoes 1 (15oz) can tomato sauce

1 (16oz) can kidney beans

In a large saucepan over medium high heat, combine the ground beef, onion and bell peppers. Saute for about 5 minutes, or until beef is browned. Drain excess fat.

Add the chili powder, garlic, bay leaf, cumin, chile peppers, tomatoes, tomato sauce and salt and pepper to taste. Bring to a boil and reduce heat to low. Cover and simmer for 1 1/2 hours, stirring occasionally. Stir in the beans and heat through.





Belvedere School Fundraiser

Belvedere Parent Society is having their first fundraiser by selling Stride Sanitizing Wipes. Packages sell for \$5.00 each. These wipes are good to have on hand to regularly wipe your keys, phone, shopping cart handles or hands. You can keep in your bag, car or office.

If you have any questions or would like to order please email <u>belvederefundraisingsociety@gmail.com</u>.

Porch delivery in Belvedere neighborhood only. No in-school pickup please.



Product Details

Stride Products Hand Sanitizing Wipes come in convenient packages of 40. These sanitizing wipes are approved for use as a hand sanitizer by Health Canada, under Natural Product Number (NPN) 80102599. The wipes are made from soft spun laced non-woven fabric sheets that are 185x140mm in size. The wipes contain 75% food grade ethyl alcohol and water, with a few additional additives that act as preservatives and as agents to protect hands.







LET'S GET NEIGHBOURING!



Send us a picture of your snowman, Valentine's or St.Patrick's day yard decorations and it could get into our next newsletter.

Halloween Trunk or Treat!

We know it's been a long time since Halloween but we want to say thank you to everyone who came out to make our 1st Annual Trunk or Treat such a success. It was very different this year with COVID restrictions so we wanted to make Halloween extra special for all of the young residents of Belvedere. The board members and volunteers had so much fun, that next year's Halloween trunk or treat are already being planned for.









