



SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER 2021

# Belvedere Bulletin

*...working together to build a better community*

Belvedere Community League 13223-62 Street Edmonton, Alberta T5A 0V5 (780)476-1224 info@belvederecl.com

## MEMBERSHIP DAY

**SEPTEMBER 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021 11AM TO 2PM**  
Belvedere Hall

**Memberships will be Half Price Family \$10.00 Seniors \$5.00**

**With a renewal or new purchase of a community membership  
receive a hamburger or hot dog treat bag.**



**AHS- Covid19 procedures/social distancing will be in place.**

**PLEASE NOTE: THIS IS NOT A BIG BIN EVENT !**

**The community hall dumpster IS NOT for your personal use !!!!**

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## HALLOWEEN TRUNK AND TREAT



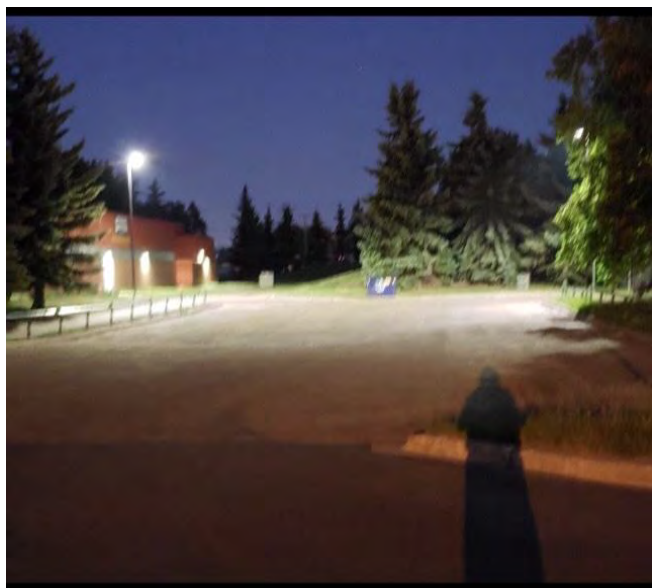
**OCTOBER 30 1 - 3 PM**

Belvedere Hall parking lot

Come dressed in your costumes and collect  
your Halloween treats !!



## BELVEDERE LIGHTS



After decades of darkness, our Community was excited to finally have a lighted parking lot making the area safer for everyone.

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### 2021-2022 Officers

|                  |                |  |
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| Hall phone       | 780-476-1224   |  |

### 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](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](https://www.edmonton.ca/Surveys)

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# BINGO VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

## Upcoming Belvedere Bingos

### Dates:

**WEDNESDAY, Sept. 22nd**

**SUNDAY, Oct. 17th**

**SUNDAY, Nov. 21st**

Supper is provided

Do you want to earn credit towards your  
Children's Organized Activities or  
Sports Registration fees??

**Come work a Bingo and earn  
\$75.00 towards those fees!!**

**\*To earn bingo credits, you must have a  
current BCL membership\***

Every bingo you work, you earn \$75.00  
that will be paid directly towards  
your child's registration fees.

You save money by investing some of your  
time helping the community.

**CALL ERIN FOR MORE INFORMATION  
780-478-1158**



### Newsletter Advertising:

Advertise your business/service in our next Newsletter  
Space permitting

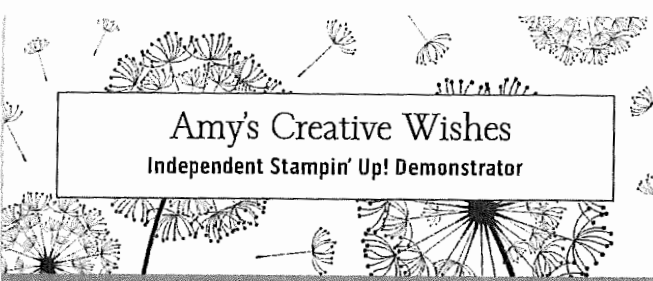
Next Submission deadline: **OCTOBER 15, 2021.**

Our rates (per issue) are:

|                |       |
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| 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



**Amy's Creative Wishes**  
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# **Community Patrol & Safety Tips**

September-October 2021

HELLO,

Thank you once again for watching out for one another. Unity in community is what we are about.

Thank you to the folks that have installed sensor lights or left front step lights on in the night.

While out patrolling we have noticed many dark areas, home property. Please note that a streetlight is not considered a yard light. Without more lighting, this can open an opportunity for theft to occur such as removal of plants, planters, bikes, tools, etc.

## **Importance of front porch lighting:**

### **A spot light**

- First responders (police, ambulance, and fire) can locate you easily.
- Good visual to see unknowns and who is approaching via: security camera, window, or peephole.
- Great deterrent for someone that might think you are an easy target to steal from if not lit up.
- Alerts people you are present.

Can we see you make a difference by turning on your porch lights in the evenings? Every light helps with our personal safety in our community.

We will be doing a Balwin / Belvedere Revitalization Safety team project "Light It Up" targeting the areas in Belvedere and Balwin that are crime hot spots. Watch our webpage and Facebook pages for updates.

[www.belvederecl.com](http://www.belvederecl.com)

and Facebook Belvedere Community League



Thank you,

Brenda

Unity in Community,

I can be reached through [communitypatrol@belvederecl.com](mailto:communitypatrol@belvederecl.com) or [info@belvederecl.com](mailto:info@belvederecl.com)

Become part of the **Nextdoor app** to stay connected with what is happening in our and other neighbourhoods.

<https://ca.nextdoor.com>



**911 is for emergencies where life, safety, or property is in immediate danger or there is a crime in progress**

### Interactive Voice Response (IVR)

IVR automates the non-emergency (780-423-4567) phone line so that callers will be able to select from a menu that will provide two general call paths:

**1 - for “Questions or Information” calls and 2 - for “Complaint” calls.**

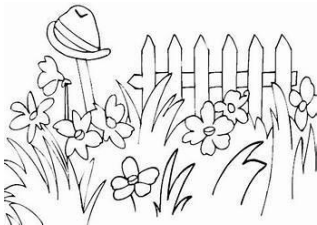
Callers will be able to obtain information directly from IVR including:

- Police Station locations, phone numbers and hours
- Switchboard information and hours
- Information on how to report a crime online
- Vehicle Collisions Reporting

IVR will also automatically transfer callers, based on the reason for their call. This includes transfers to:

- Police Information Check Section
- Switchboard
- Detainee Management Unit (Arrest/Person-in-Custody enquiries)
- Landlord Tenant and Advisory Board
- Tow Lot
- Bylaw Enforcement
- City of Edmonton 311 \* ***Due to the hourly changes for the City of Edmonton 311 call centre, please note that our 911 service is for emergencies only and a reminder that our complaint line is for non-emergent policing matters. For all City of Edmonton questions/concerns, please continue to call 311.\****

The IVR system will facilitate many common call types, reducing the need for call taker intervention. Callers can still be transferred to a call taker if the nature of their call requires it.



Another year has wrapped up for front yards in bloom. Thank you to the avid gardeners, your creative work is much appreciated to help make a vibrant neighbourhood. Belvedere had 38 nominees this year and we look forward to next year seeing more nominations.

To see the city winners and honourable mention look here on the City of Edmonton website.

[https://www.edmonton.ca/programs\\_services/landscaping\\_gardening/front-yards-in-bloom](https://www.edmonton.ca/programs_services/landscaping_gardening/front-yards-in-bloom)

[Front Yards in Bloom | City of Edmonton](#)

Happy Gardening



## Wasps and Bees

As we may have noticed that this year there has been an incredible number of bees and wasps around.

### Physical control

- Since wasps hunt for high-protein food like insects for their larvae, make sure you don't leave moist pet food or picnic leftovers in the open.
- Because they are also attracted to sweet food and strong scents, avoid leaving food or drink uncovered when eating outside.
- Don't wear scented products like perfume and hair spray.
- Keep all garbage covered in tightly closed containers until it can be thrown out.
- Avoid walking barefoot on lawns or other grassy areas, especially in late summer when wasps are more abundant and active.

**TRAPS:** You can find different commercial traps at garden centers and department stores. Food bait can be used with these traps to increase their effectiveness. Try to use protein foods (like dog food) instead of sweet foods so that bees are not trapped. Be aware that there may be more wasp activity around baited traps, so they should not be placed close to play areas or other places of human activity. These traps can be useful in the short term during outdoor events where wasps can be drawn away from food-serving areas.

**NEST REMOVAL:** If the location of the nest does not present a health hazard, it's best to leave the nest until November or December. Once it has been abandoned, you can remove the nest and dispose of it with little risk.

If the nest must be removed when the wasps are active, it should be done in the evening when wasps are least active. Nest removal can be dangerous and extreme caution must be used because of the risk of attack by a large group of wasps. Although a homeowner (with enough protection) can remove a nest, professional help is recommended.

Depending on the location and structure of the nest, removal can be as simple as enclosing the nest in a plastic bag and detaching the single anchoring stalk from the supporting tree branch or structure. To dispose of the active nest, place in a freezer for at least 48 hours. Remember to always wear protective clothing, including a head net.

**Bee and Wasp First Aid :** Bees leave a stinger; wasps can sting multiple times and do not leave a stinger. However, they both inject venom into the skin.

**For a Bee sting** – remove the stinger first – use a blunt object like a credit card or knife and drag horizontally across the affected area. NEVER SQUEEZE nor use tweezers.

Proceed for both bee and wasp bites as follows:

1. Wash the area with warm water and soap
2. Wrap a cloth around some ice or ice pack and apply to the affected area 30 to 60 minutes in 10-minute intervals
3. Elevate the part that is stung if you can
4. To ease the pain take ibuprofen or Tylenol
5. Make a paste of baking soda and water and apply to area, other remedies for stings are apple cider vinegar, or honey to the area
6. To stop the itching use a corticosteroid or antihistamine cream or even calamine lotion if severe use Benadryl to lessen the reaction.

#### **GET EMERGENCY MEDICAL HELP FOR:**

- Stung in or near the mouth
  - Stung in the nose
  - Stung in the throat
  - Feel nauseated
- Use epi pen if you have one and seek medical help!

# BALWIN - BELVEDERE SAFETY PROJECT TEAM SMUDGING EVENT

The Balwin Belvedere Safety Project Team together with the Balwin & Belvedere Community Leagues, would like to remind you of the Smudging and Interdenominational Blessing event being held on September 18, 2021 starting at 10 am.

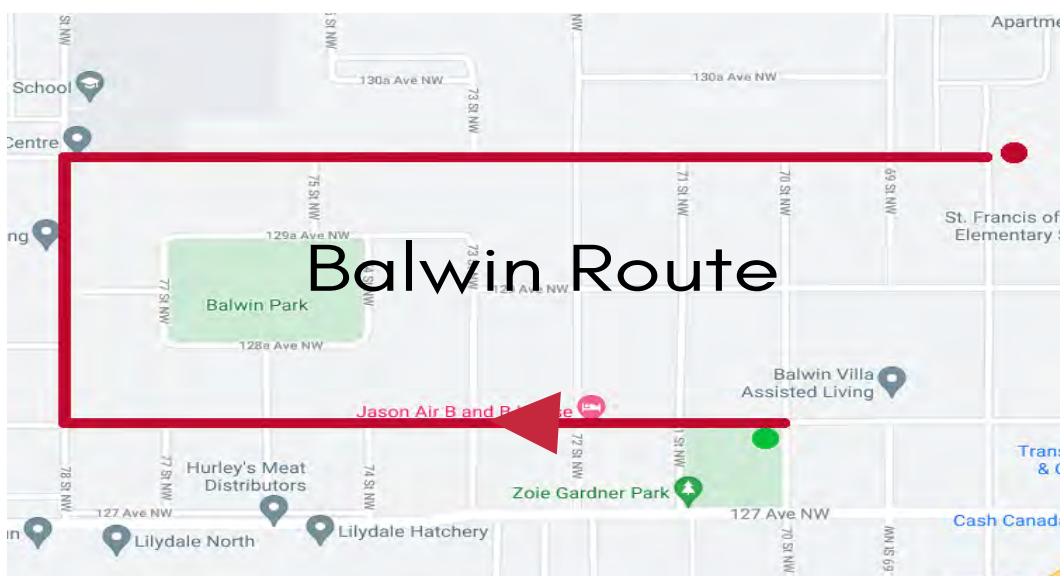
If you would like to be smudged or blessed, you can stand in your front yard/driveway or front sidewalk as a team of Elders from Niginan and Interdenominational Pastors/Chaplains walk by. We would ask that everyone has some patience for individuals who do not live on the selected streets to be able to stand in your front yard/driveway or front sidewalk so that everyone has a chance to take part in this event.

This will be immediately followed by a gathering in Ralph Hobbs Park – 6802- 130 Ave for those unable to get smudged or blessed on the street.

We'll have a discussion on what took place & a chance to meet your neighbours with a coffee and snack. We'll wrap up by 1 pm.

Covid-19 protocols will be followed and we ask that you obey traffic signals and check that traffic has stopped before stepping into the street.

Please do not jay walk.



## COMMUNITY DROP IN



Great news!!!

Belvedere Community Drop In will hopefully resume (Covid restrictions permitting) starting Tuesday, September 21st at the Belvedere Community Hall from 0900 to 1130.

This is a FREE weekly drop in. Open to adults of all ages.

Come enjoy conversation with neighbours, coffee, playing games, darts, table tennis, pickle ball or meeting new people.

Participate as much or as little as you like and stay as long as you like. Everyone is welcome.

Watch for ongoing information on the Belvedere Community information sites.

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## CASINO

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

**OCTOBER 16th & 17th, 2021**

**CENTURY CASINO**

**13103 Fort Road**

Looking for volunteers, training provided

Meal Included

For More Information Call Connie @ 780-475-1608





# BELVEDERE COMMUNITY CLEAN UP

BYE BYE to 64 ½ tonnes!

For the past many years Belvedere and Balwin have each held Big Bin events in our parking lots for the communities. With covid, the community bin events in 2020 were not the same, the City not having bin events for a year and a half and combine that with everyone being home for a year and a half, boy were we ready to clean out! This year, Belvedere and Balwin communities with the assistance of funds from the City of Edmonton Balwin & Belvedere Revitalization we were able to hire mobile haulers to come in for a mobile bin event and pick up our junk / unwanted items directly from our alleys to have the biggest bin event to date. In both communities, residents were given advance notice of the dates and what they would be allowed to leave out, the Super Team of hard workers from BYE BYE JUNK came in and over the course of 4, 12-14 hour days and 2, ½ days picked up, wrestled with, tossed in and hauled away 48 loads of unwanted stuff!

**27** loads including but not limited to furniture, yard scrap, building materials, metal garbage cans, pianos, tires, 102 mattresses and 38 fridges/freezers totalling **37 tonnes were hauled out of Belvedere!** 21 loads including furniture, small appliances, bricks, trees, tires, 73 mattresses and 27 fridges/freezers totalling 27 1/2 tonnes were hauled out of Balwin. 64 1/2 tonnes ! That's a whole lot of cleanup!

Thanks again to the City of Edmonton Balwin and Belvedere Revitalization for funding these events and the super team from BYE BYE Junk in making both of these events a huge success in cleaning up our neighborhoods.





This event is always important to our community and can only be completed with the generous donation of time from volunteers. On June 12<sup>th</sup>, while the mobile bin was picking up household items, Belvedere would like to thank the over 2 dozen volunteers of all ages and eps officers who came out and over the course of a few hours helped clean up community green spaces by picking up dozens of bags of garbage.



Some of our over 2 dozen June 12<sup>th</sup> clean up volunteers – Thank you!!

## GET NEIGHBOURING DAY

Belvedere celebrated Get Neighbouring Day June 19th! With sunny skies and as restrictions began to ease, Belvedere opened our gates and welcomed neighbours in to enjoy a burger for lunch (all meals of burger, drink and ice cream were pre bagged and handed out as neighbours arrived).

Everyone was able to visit with neighbours, meet new neighbours, told us where to drop the disc on our Plinko board for a prize, did some chalk art, they were able to ask questions about our community, they collected community information, chatted with a police officer, and took home a “Neighbourly Flower” for planting. We hope everyone enjoyed our 1<sup>st</sup> Get Neighbouring Day celebration and hopefully without restrictions next year's event is bigger and better!

