

#### **Summer 2023**

# Meadowlark Community League

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Check out our website!

www.meadowlarkcl.net

#### **Summer 2023 Update**

We hope everyone is having a safe and enjoyable summer so far! We were happy to see many community members at our annual Big Bin Event and Rummage Sale on June 17, 2023. We filled four 40-yard waste bins at the event, getting those materials out of the community. To ensure the success of such events, we always need volunteers to help out. We want to thank those who were able to assist at both the Big Bin Event and the Rummage Sale. These events can't happen without you!

Meadowlark Park is also the home of two off-leash dog parks. Residents can bring their dogs inside the boards of the skating rink area outside the community hall or at the temporary pop-up dog park in Jasper Place Jubilee Park. It's a great way to get out, get your pet some exercise, and meet your neighbours simultaneously!

We're also hosting our first **Hot Summer Night** on August 12, 2023, from 3:15-8:00 pm at the Community Hall. The event starts with a parade hosted by the Edmonton Arts Council, followed by food trucks, bouncy castles, live music, yard games and a variety of City of Edmonton tents where you can learn more about what is happening in your community. The event is free to attend. We hope to see all of you there!

We also want to invite everyone to a community celebration of planting 20 new trees in Meadowlark Park on September 22, 2023. You can find more details about the event on page 7. We are also planning on holding an Oktoberfest event on October 7. Stay tuned for more information on our website and social media channels in the weeks and months to come.

Have a great rest of your summer!

## **MCL**—Board of Directors

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# 2023-24 League Memberships are *now* available!

Find more information about membership benefits on our website:

meadowlarkcl.net/get-involved/membership

# Advertise your business in the next edition of the Meadowlark Chirp!

Business Card - \$10 per issue ½ page - \$20 per issue ½ page - \$50 per issue Full Page - \$100 per issue

Contact us for more details: communications@meadowlarkcl.net



Hot Summer Night—August 12, 2023: 3:15 pm—8:00 pm

Join us at the Meadowlark Community Hall for a night of fun!











#### Join the us and the Edmonton Arts Council for a PARADE!

Festival in a Box is back for another season and is bringing fun times to neighbourhoods across Edmonton! For this summer's first Festival in a Box, we're kicking off the Meadowlark Community League's 'Hot Summer Night' celebration! Join us on Saturday, August 12, at 3:15 for as we march through the community leading the way to 'Hot Summer Night' in Meadowlark Park where the good times will carry on. Bring the whole family to enjoy some fabulous musicians, roving artists, and a whole lot of fun! Hope to see you there!

## Valley Line West LRT—Construction Updates

## Valley Line West LRT: Building a strong foundation of Edmonton's future

You've likely noticed more detour signs and roadwork in your neighbourhood this summer, as the contractor for the Valley Line West LRT, Marigold Infrastructure Partners (MIP), is in the midst of their second major construction season.

MIP is working along most of the alignment in 2023, including verifying ground conditions and performing general road maintenance. In the Meadowlark area, MIP continues drainage and road work along 156 Street and Meadowlark Road between 88 Avenue and 100 Avenue.



Concept drawing of Meadowlark Station on Valley Line West LRT

#### Work planned for 2023:

- Drainage: will continue throughout 2023
- Preparatory work for Meadowlark & Glenwood/Sherwood Stops
- Roadways: continue throughout 2023
- 156 Street/94 Ave Utility Complex
- 89 Avenue/Meadowlark Road Utility Complex

We understand navigating through construction can be challenging, and the City and MIP are working together to minimize disruptions as much as possible.

If you're curious to know exactly when and where construction will be taking place, please visit MIP's website:

- Marigoldinfra.ca
  - For information on construction in and around Meadowlark, look at "Current Construction Notices," Area
     5.
- The City has a traffic disruptions map that shows construction projects across Edmonton.
  - www.edmonton.ca/transportation/current-traffic-disruptions

The City and MIP appreciate Edmontonians' patience and understanding as this major infrastructure project is built. LRT construction is an investment in Edmonton's future as we grow into a city of two million people. Valley Line West is part of an overall LRT expansion that will enhance mobility and access for Edmontonians and will transform the way people live, work and play in the city for decades to come.

If you have any feedback on Valley Line West and how we can help you navigate through construction, please let us know.

- For a direct response to a concern with construction, email public@marigoldinfra.ca.
- For general project information, email Irtprojects@edmonton.ca

## **Wanted: Communications Director**



Do you like social media and connecting with people? If so, we have the opportunity for you!

The Meadowlark Community League is looking for a Communications Director! If you'd like to get more involved in your community and get know your neighbours, let us know!

Email us at communications@meadowlarkcl.net

## **Traffic Calming—Speed Hump Installation**



Example of a speed hump installation

The City of Edmonton has recently installed two speed humps in Meadowlark Park along 88 Avenue near 160 Street. These two permanent speed humps are aimed to curb excessive traffic volume and excessive speeds through the area.

Speed humps have been show to:

- Reduce speeds between 6 and 13 km/h
- Reduce traffic volumes by 15% and 27%

More details can be found on: edmonton.ca/safetybydesign

Residents with questions or concerns are encouraged to contact 311 or the City of Edmonton's Safe Roads team at <a href="mailto:saferoads@edmonton.ca">saferoads@edmonton.ca</a>

## **Glenwood Community League—Party in the Park**



You're invited! Join the Glenwood Community League's 'Food Trucks & Fireworks in the Park' on **Saturday, September 9** at the Glenwood Hall (16430 97 Avenue).

Memberships will also be available for sale. For more details, check out the Glenwood Community League's Facebook page: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/glenwoodcommunity">www.facebook.com/glenwoodcommunity</a>

### **Wanted: Maintenance Director**

#### Do you have a knack for fixing things? We'd love to have you!

The Meadowlark Community League is looking for a Maintenance Director! If you'd like to get more involved in your community and give back using your skills, let us know!



Email us at board@meadowlarkcl.net

## Edmonton Public Library—Ready. Set. READ!

The Edmonton Public Library in partnership with the Doly Parton's Imagination Library is dedicated to inspiring a love of reading by gifting FREE books to children from birth to age five. Studies have shown that children growing up in homes with books get three years more schooling than children from bookless homes, independent of their parents' education or occupation.

You can find more information about this program on the Edmonton Public Library's website below:

https://www.epl.ca/ready-set-read/

You can also find more about the all the wonderful events taking place at the Jasper Place Library (9010 156 St NW) such as 'The Bug Club', 'Baby Laptime', and 'Lego at the Library' at the link below:

https://epl.bibliocommons.com/v2/events?locations=EPLJPL



## **Green Shack Program**

The City of Edmonton's Summer 'Green Shack Program" is back! The Green Shack is a **free** drop-in program for children aged 6-12, however, all are welcome to participate. Participants under 6 years of age are required to have a parent of guardian with them. Programs are running from July 4-August 24 from 10:30 am—1:30 pm, Monday through Friday.

Get active and join in on games, sport, crafts, music, drama and special events! A complete list of activities and special events is posted on the side of Green Shacks each week. If there is a game or activity that piques your child's interest that you would

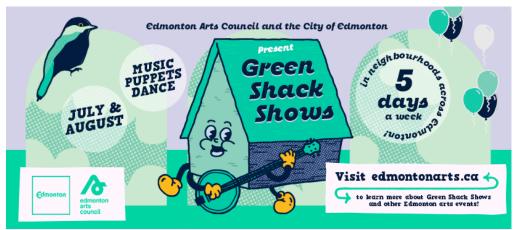


like to have included in the programming, just ask the Program Leader.

Find more information on the City of Edmonton's website at: <a href="https://www.edmonton.ca/activities">https://www.edmonton.ca/activities</a> parks recreation/green-shacks

Program leaders will be hosting a variety of games, challenges and activities that are sure to get kids active and having fun!

## **Edmonton Arts Council—Green Shack Show**



This summer, the Edmonton Arts Council (EAC) thrilled to once again partner with the City of Edmonton to present "Green Shack Shows."

The EAC will be in Meadowlark
Park on **August 14, 2023 @ 11:30 am** with Wase Saba—Indigenous
Games & Activities.



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## Wilkes Scholarship for U13 Hockey Players

The Wilkes Family, who once lived in Meadowlark generously set up a fund to help support the skills advancement of young hockey players. A scholarship was created to help cover costs for **training**, **camps or classes** for U13 players - *this does not include league registration costs*.

If you currently have a child in the U13 program and has completed or is enrolled in a hockey camp, course or class, you may be eligible to receive up to \$250 under this scholarship.



For more information please email us at: board@meadowlarkcl.net

## Community Tree Planting—September 22, 2023

#### Save the Date!

Join your neighbours on **Friday, September 22 from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m.** in the park beside Meadowlark Community League Hall and join the City of Edmonton Urban Forestry team to learn about 20 new trees that will be planted in Meadowlark this fall. The Meadowlark Community League neighbourhood is partnering with the City of Edmonton's Community Tree Planting program.

This program aims to grow and diversify the urban forest, as well promote the many important benefits that trees provide. Residents of all ages are invited to take part in a short ceremony to unveil our new trees. An introduction to the activity will begin at 12:15 p.m. followed by fun educational workshops. Volunteer and help us add mulch to the new trees, participate in a species identification scavenger hunt and more!



For more information contact Jordan Thompson at 780-910-3897.

To learn more about Edmonton's Urban Forestry Program visit edmonton.ca/urbanforestry

## **Bad Dad Joke**

## **Neighbourhood Reator**

What is it called when Dad tries to make their child love them the most?

"Popaganda"







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IF YOU'D LIKE TO DISCUSS ANY OF YOUR REAL ESTATE NEEDS OR WOULD LIKE A FREE (NO OBLIGATION) HOME EVALUATION, PLEASE GIVE ME A CALL!

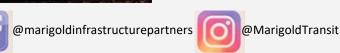
780-298-3877 temple@royallepage.ca



## Marigold—LRT Construction



If you are wondering exactly what is going on, have questions or would like to share any concerns—here are the ways to reach out to Marigold. Marigold is the contractor responsible for the streets while construction is underway. Marigold also has great Facebook page full of information—Marigold Infrastructure Partners - Valley Line West



www.marigoldinfra.ca

@MarigoldTransit

## **MCL Membership Perks!**

Free Community Swims @ Jasper Place Leisure Centre (9200 163 Street NW)

Free public swims are available every Sunday from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm (depending on capacity)

Show your valid 2022-23/2023-24 Meadowlark Community League membership card to the facility attendant and let them know that you are there for the free community league swim.





Access over 1,100 tools and other resources available from the Edmonton Tool Library through with your MCL Memberships. This allows you to borrow up to 8 tools at one time for a period of one week.

To find more information about the Edmonton Tool Library, go to their website at <a href="edmontontoollibrary.ca">edmontontoollibrary.ca</a>

Show your MCL membership card at Sandy Lane Liquor Store (15610 95 Ave NW) and save 10% on your purchase!





COMMUNITY LEAGUE WELLNESS PROGRAM

Use your valid MCL membership card at any City of Edmonton recreation facility and:

- Save 20% on Annual Passes
- Save 20% on Continuous Monthly Passes
- Save 15% on Multi-Admission Passes