

Dovercourt News

August 2017

TOP 10 REASONS TO HAVE A BLOCK PARTY

Have fun - no excuses or reasons are needed to celebrate.

Provide an opportunity to know your neighbours

Establish friendships...

Increase the sense of belonging to a community

Meet the neighbors on the block who might be able to help with a gardening problem or share a recipe

Encourage neighbours to take care of their property and the neighbourhood

Help with safety and crime prevention by knowing who lives where

Get to know each other and know who might need a little help

Increase security by knowing each other's schedule

Meet some of the "old timers" and learn some community history

Next Block Connector Meeting

Monday, August 21 at 7:00 pm

At 13923-123 Ave. (House)

Contact: acedovercourt@gmail.com

THINGS TO DO ...

SUMMER VACATION IS HALF OVER ...

GET OUTSIDE ... WALK EVERY DAY

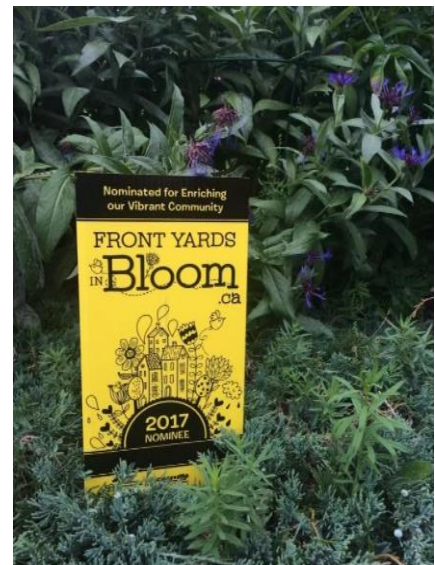
GATHER WITH FRIENDS AROUND THE FIRE

TEND YOUR GARDEN AND SMELL THE FLOWERS

BLOCK PARTY!!!

TAKE IN A FESTIVAL

RELAX!!!





DOVERCOURT COMMUNITY GARDEN UPDATE

Garden Group Updates:

Garden Tour: The garden tour was cancelled this year due to many gardens being decimated from the hail storm in early July.

Fall Harvest Event: Mark your calendar for September 30. We will be holding a country style fall harvest event! Details to follow.

Lending Library: Our lending library is up and running. If you would like to borrow a book or donate gardening resources, contact Sandy at sandy.mclean@hotmail.com

Facebook and Website: Stay connected!
<http://www.dovercourtcl.ca/garden-group.html>

Tuesday Drop-ins: The community garden will host ongoing drop-ins and tutorials. Everyone is welcome; you don't have to be a member. There are master gardeners who are happy to share their knowledge and experience. Come by on Tuesdays throughout the summer, 7 – 9 p.m.

PLAYSCHOOL IN WOODCROFT

Woodcroft Community Playschool is a fully licensed, non-profit, parent operated preschool program offered from September to May, for children 3 & 4 years of age. Classes are held in the Woodcroft Community League building in a spacious room on the second floor.

We are currently accepting registrations for the 2017/2018 school year. Please feel free to refer to our website for more information or call our registrar, Lisa.

Lisa @ 780-905-0480

<http://www.woodcroftplayschool.com/>



Indoor soccer registration starts on July 4. Find more info on www.emsawest.com and www.emsamain.com





DOVERCOURT COMMUNITY FREE SWIM OUTDOOR POOL SCHEDULE:

Your **community membership card** provides you with **FREE** access to the following pools:

NOTE: various days and times for each pool

Fred Broadstock Outdoor Pool

May 20 – September 5, 2017:

Sunday, Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Oliver Outdoor Pool

June 10 – September 8, 2017:

Sunday, Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Queen Elizabeth Outdoor Pool

May 20 – September 1, 2017:

Sunday & Tuesday 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Monday & Wednesday 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Mill Creek Outdoor Pool

June 1– September 5, 2017: 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday

ENJOY!

From July 3 – Sept 28, 2017, the aquatics section (**pools**, hot tub, slide, etc.) of Commonwealth Sports & Recreation Centre **will be closed for scheduled maintenance**. As we have a “Tier Three” contract, the rest of the center remains open for our enjoyment every Sunday from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m., except for the week of July 16-22nd when the whole Centre is closed for maintenance.

DOVERCOURT NEIGHBOURHOOD SAFETY MEETING - JUNE 26TH, 2017- 7:00PM

Approximately 65 people were in attendance at the Dovercourt Community League.

Community League President, Geoff Galbraith

The purpose of the meeting was to have a focus on well-being and neighbourhood safety. The goal is to continue to have Dovercourt as a connected community where neighbours know neighbours, and watch out for one another. The case of Mr. Dunn is currently under investigation; therefore police comments will be limited.

**A moment of silence was observed to respect Mr. Dunn's passing.

Constable Fred Challenger & Garth Snider represented the Edmonton Police Services, Community Crime Management Team.

The Constables confirmed that an arrest had been made in the case on May 23rd, and that the suspect was in custody. They actively encouraged any witnesses to continue to come forward. They also affirmed that cases with no connection between the suspect and victim continue to be rare, and that Dovercourt remains a safe community.

The officers spoke to community safety, and things residents can do to support community safety. Please do not leave valuables in vehicles; good sight lines around homes; motion sensor lights; lock doors, etc. If a crime is in progress, please report to 911; otherwise please use the complaints line at 780-423-4567.

<http://www.edmontonpolice.ca/crimeprevention.aspx>

Community Victim Services (Dawn, Sarah, Allen) Community Victim Services is a volunteer based group that can be dispatched by the Edmonton Police Services when traumatic or

- neighbours
- Neighbourhood Watch Door Sticker Program
- Neighbourhood Watch signs are placed at the entrances to Dovercourt
- Residents make Dovercourt safe!

<http://enwatch.ca/>

tragic events occur. Volunteers provide support and referral to families during a traumatic event. Everyone reacts differently to traumatic events, and a wide range of reactions are all normal.

<http://www.edmontonpolice.ca/CommunityPolicing/FamilyProtection/VictimServices.aspx>

Neighbourhood Empowerment Team - Erin Bryksa, Community Safety Liaison Erin spoke to how a community trauma can bring community together. The NET group works in partnership with Edmonton Police Services to identify community issues which stakeholders can then bring to the table in conjunction with the community by working together to develop and implement projects the community has indicated are needed or would be beneficial to the community as a whole.

https://www.edmonton.ca/residential_neighbourhoods/fire_safety/neighbourhood-empowerment-team.aspx

Neighbourhood Watch – Dovercourt, Sandy MacLean Hosting a community wide meeting following recent events was important to ensure that residents feel safe in their community. Everyone can play a part in community safety through a variety of ways.

- Be physically visible in your community. Walk your dog, play outside, talk to neighbours out front of your house.
- Walk your block - you can register on-line with Neighbourhood Watch; log your walk.
- Know your

Abundant Communities Edmonton - Dovercourt Neighbourhood Connector, Joanne Frere-Wilson

ACE is a grassroots, asset based program that encourages neighbourhood connection. It is about neighbours connecting with neighbours! As a Neighbourhood Connector, Joanne is working with other interested individuals to become 'Block Connectors'. Blocks

are encouraged to host events like block parties to encourage people to be part of the community. There is a display of the community and which blocks are involved so far. Everyone is welcome and invited to be more involved!

https://www.edmonton.ca/programs_services/for_communities/abundant-community-edmonton.aspx

Thank you to everyone who came out and supported the Dovercourt Community Safety Meeting and to everyone's ongoing engagement to making Dovercourt an active and safe place to live!

Next newsletter deadline for submissions is August 26.

Email dovercourtcommunity@hotmail.com
Attention: Connie.

For Dovercourt Community League contact information, go to our web page. www.dovercourtcl.ca

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN DOVERCOURT?

GET CONNECTED ONLINE



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WEB PAGE

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Don't hesitate to call for any
Roofing
Siding
Facia and Soffit
General Carpentry needs.



Please call Patrick 587-987-6300.

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Your 56th Scout Group is accepting registration for 2016/17.

Please contact Sonja at anisoptera71@gmail.com for more information or visit Scouts.ca



It starts with Scouts.

Thank You.

Over 6,200 nominations were received for Front Yards In Bloom! We are proud to say this is the most amount of nominations we have ever received in since starting the program in 1999!



Recognizing the efforts of all of our friends and neighbours who help to create more beautiful communities is one of our goals for the program and we are definitely working together to achieve that! We continue to encourage all Edmontonians to help keep their neighbourhoods attractive places to live, work, and play!

Visit the Front Yards in Bloom Site for More! *City of Edmonton*

Who is the Strengthening Families Program for?

Parents and youth (12 to 16 years) concerned about:

- Conflict in the home
- Social isolation and lack of community connection
- Disrupted home relationships
- Sibling aggression
- Stressful communication challenges at home & in school
- Bullying at school
- Negative peer influence
- Developing healthy youth relationships

Interested in the Strengthening Families Program?

Four Programs will be delivered per year.

Want to learn more about what SFP can do for you and your family?

Want to register for the program?

Contact:

Uncles & Aunts at Large
11031-124 Street
Edmonton, Alberta
T5M 0J5
780-452-5791
colleen@unclesatlarge.ab.ca

Strengthening Families Program

for Youth & Parents



Program Background

First developed in 1984, SFP has been successfully delivered around the world. Its positive results have been thoroughly evaluated. Researchers describe SFP as an "exemplary, evidence-based program".

Learn more at:

www.strengtheningfamiliesprogram.org



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