

May 2006

Duggan

Details

www.duggancommunity.ab.ca

Three Lines Free

Post three (more or less) lines free in the Details (community league members only). Of course it's subject to a lot of things, see page 2 for more details.

For Sale: Dutch language books and books about Holland. Call Ernie at 434--6349

Duggan Babysitter Available

15 years old with Red Cross Babysitter Certificate, St. John's Ambulance First Aid and National Lifeguard Service Bronze Cross. Bilingual French and English.

Please call Beth at 481-0037.

For Sale: 1991 Chev. Blazer. Good condition, 4 doors, 2wd. air, tilt, 230,000 km. \$3000 o.b.o. Call William for more info. 439-8831.

Do you have a horse nut in your house?

English riding lessons – beginner through to competitive riders – Phone Lara 433-1464.

Smile! You are on Duggan Camera!

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for your donation towards the purchase and operation of this system.

Will you make a donation?

Donations for the cameras can be dropped off at the hall, or mailed to the league at P.O. Box 41041, RPO Petrolia, Edmonton, AB, T6J 6M7. Please make your cheque payable to the Duggan Community League.

It is our intent to cooperate as much as possible with the Edmonton Police Service to protect our facilities and patrons.

If you have any questions or practical suggestions, please call the hall at 436-6987.

News & Events!!!

Carriers needed to deliver Duggan Details.

If you like to earn some money and are 14 years or younger, please call Sybille at 436-3907 for more info.

Volunteer Opportunities:

Duggan Community League Needs You. For more information or to volunteer, please call George Slade at 436-3941. There are opportunities to contribute as:

Bingo Coordinator
Basketball Director
Soccer Director
Ball Hockey Director

Jump Start

Jump Start is an initiative from the Canadian Tire Foundation for Families.

The purpose of the program is to assist low-income families accessing physical recreation programs for children ages 5 through 18. The goal of Jump Start is to increase physical activity thereby preventing diseases related to physical inactiveness like Type II Diabetes and obesity.

Jump Start dollars can be applied to register fees for programs such as learn-to-swim, soccer leagues, basketball leagues, baseball leagues, gymnastics, dance classes, etc. There is a maximum of \$200 per child/youth (5-18 years). Day-camps DO NOT qualify. All funds go directly to the recreational agency that a child/youth registers in.

Parents/guardians that would be interested in accessing Jump Start dollars, can contact Jackie McGowan at 429-5717 at the YMCA Enterprise Centre for more information.

Duggan Community Playschool Open House

Sunday May 28

3 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Register for Sept. 2006 programs:

3 year olds: Tues/ Thurs 8:45 - 11:00

4 year olds: Mon/Wed/Fri 8:45 - 11:15

Afternoon class will be offered if sufficient registration.

Contact April (440-0218) for more information.

Community

President's Message

The hockey and skating rinks have come to an end of another season. We closed the rinks down on the 24th of March.

We will be opening the skate shack in may for soccer, baseball, ball hockey and the washrooms will be open for people to use.

I say thank you to all my workers who worked very hard with me to keep the ice until March 24th.

I say thank you to my co-rink director Ken Ferguson for all his hard work and long hours he spent here cleaning and flooding the ice.

The weather is starting to warm up and by the time this Details comes out, the outside programs will be well under way.

The soccer tournament will be on the 12, 13 and 14th of may and we still need a lot of people to help. There will be about 200 teams playing this year.

At this point we still need a director for basketball.

The hall is busy with rentals. I am now taking bookings for 2007 as well as the rest of 2006. There are only about 6 Saturdays open, but not for long...

Well, this is all for now, until next time enjoy the weather as it warms up.

George Slade
President,
Duggan Community League.

Executive committee	Volunteers	Phone
President	George Slade	436-3941
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Scouts	Paul Reid	434-8019
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Custodian	Jack Heer	436-6987
Accountant	Murray Elliott	438-6928
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League Memberships

Available at the Community Hall
3728-106 st
Edmonton AB
436-6987

For more information call:
Anita Gregoire 434-7752 or
Carol Mackechnie 437-3892

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For hall rentals please call
Jack Heer at 436-6987
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**Submission deadlines for 2005/2006 are:
The 15th of the month.**

*Submissions are welcome and encouraged from community members.

**Submissions are subject to editorial discretion and subject to available space.

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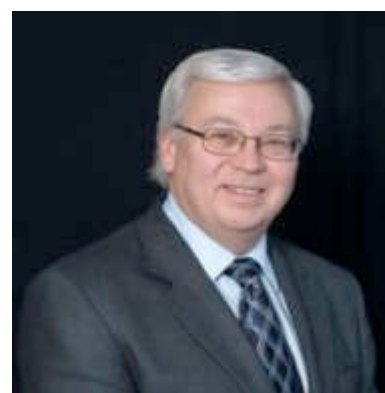
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Programs



130th Duggan Scouting Group
Supporting Youth in the Duggan Community!

Thank you Duggan community members for your support! The 130th Duggan Community League Scouting Group Spring Bottle Drive was a tremendous success. We have the funds to finish off this year and in September to start another year of scouting programs.

Cub Hike at 23rd Avenue and Smyth Bridge in April

Beaver Activities for May

On May 27, 2006, our beavers (youth ages 5-7) are planning to attend the Northern Lights Council Beaveree. The theme for this event is "Beavers in Motion". The Beavers will participate in a rotation of 10 events throughout the day with a short campfire to finish off the event. The Beavers will tackle sensory activities, create crafts and much more!!

Cub Activities for May

On May 13, 2006 our cubs (youth ages 8-10) are planning to attend a Bikeree. The Cub Bikeree is a part day event for Cubs that is a fun and challenging bicycling activity that promotes safety and good riding skills and is open to all NLC packs. This year's event will take place in the River Valley. The Bikeree includes stops for information, a bicycle inspection, a safety presentation, and skill testing activities. Lunch of hotdogs and juice will be served to all riders as well as an additional juice stop. We start and finish at Government House lower parking lot. Exit off Groat Road, North of River. Prior to the start there will be a mechanical check. The route is about 15km in length along paved City trails and approximately four hours. The Cost of the Bikeree is only \$2 per youth with no cost for leaders. Thanks to the Edmonton Dinner Optimist Club who run and sponsors this event. All other youth are welcome to ride along and enjoy the day's event.

On May 27-29, our cubs are planning to attend a weekend Cuboree. What is a Cuboree? Picture this - 200 to 300 youth ages 8 to 10, laughing, hiking, running, singing and acting out skits around a campfire that has ashes from one of Baden Powell's campfires.

What Else??

- It is sleeping snug and cozy in tents
- Eating under the sky or big canvas roofs
- Loads of food (more than you can eat guaranteed!)
- Loads of FUN activities morning and afternoon

- Loads of fun activities at night
- They will meet and make new friends

We guarantee the cubs will be tired by the end, but wow, what a great time they will have had!

Stay tuned for June when we go to Family Camp at Camp Machinicholea on Long Island Lake near Westlock – swimming, canoeing, archery, games, campfires, cookouts and much much more!

This September we hope to expand our programs and re-establish our Scout section – youth 11-14 years old. Scouts – Girls and boys 11 to 14 years of age (with option to remain until age 16). The Scout program emphasizes having fun while encouraging youth to feel good about themselves, their friends and family, God, and the environment. The Scout program helps youth expand their leadership skills and gain self confidence.

Scouting promotes activities that encourage youth to:

- express and respond to their own spiritual values and beliefs while showing concern for others
- develop self reliance
- pursue hobbies and personal interests

- develop self discipline and the skills of working cooperatively with others
- cooperate in setting and achieving small group and personal goals
- practice leadership skills
- relate with adults
- be of service to others
- camp, explore the outdoors, and develop good conservation practices

The Scout program is designed around a lively variety of activities based on personal and group interests. Scouts emphasize outdoor and environmental activities, citizenship and community service, leadership, and personal development. Individual interests and skills are recognized through an awards system.

The outdoors is an essential part of the Scout program. Weekend events, extended hikes, no trace camping and seasonal sports opportunities round out the Scout experience. Developing an active, healthy lifestyle is the prime goal.


Scouts meet in a group called a troop. The troop is split into smaller groups called patrols. There is one leader for every six Scouts. Each Scout learns a promise, law and motto to help guide their personal development.



Did you know???

Duggan Community has **FREE** swimming every **Saturday from 4-6 pm** at Confederation Pool.

A great way to get out together as a family and have a fun and healthy physical activity.

	Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church
	10815-76 Avenue, Edmonton (780) 433-7082 Web: calvarylutheran.ca Email: calvary1@telus.net
	Worship Sunday 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.

School News

Rideau Park School

10605 - 42nd Avenue
Edmonton AB
437-0010

April's arrival, with warmer weather and a promise of spring, is welcome news. Our children are enjoying the fun times outside, whether it is recesses or outdoor physical education times!

We ended March with our Celebration of Learning evening and our turn-out was wonderful. Parents had the opportunity to see 'assessment for learning' in its various forms, and the students were certainly proud to share their work! April is a busy planning month. We held our Kindergarten Open House on the 13th of April and had many interested parents come in to hear about our programme! For parents who missed it, please call the school and set up a time that you can come in and view the kindergarten programme and have any questions answered.

D.S. MacKenzie

Junior High School
4020 - 106 Street
Phone: 438-9103
Mr. P. Grehan (Principal)

When school cultures are centred around focused team work and where teacher development is facilitated through mutual support, common work, and a broad agreement on accepted values, greater the chance that learning will be both effective and efficient. This year, teachers at D.S. MacKenzie have continued to study how best to support student achievement and improve student learning. We have done this primarily through our subject area group work focusing on teacher assessment practices. This work benefits all students, especially those who are 'at risk' of underachieving. The main professional development activities which have supported this work have been the development of assessment unit plans in the core curricular development areas.

Queen Alexandra School

7730 - 106 Street
Edmonton AB
4439-2516

Queen Alexandra School provides families with a superb CHRISTIAN EDUCATION. We will be holding a Kindergarten Open House/Orientation on Thursday, June 15, from 10:35 to 11:35.

Any families interested in a spiritually nurturing and academically strong learning environment for their child is welcome to attend. For more information please call 439-2516.

swered. We look forward to meeting with you! We have sent brochures out to the areas south of Ellerslie Road (MacEwan, Rutherford etc.) to let people know of our German programme. Please be sure to let everyone know about us!

At the district level, EPSB will be announcing its new superintendent on Tues. Apr. 18th. As well, schools sent home passports to parents to determine the approximate number of students they will have in the fall. We will now begin to plan, budget-wise, for the 2006-2007 school year.

We end April with our district-wide HLAT writing. This will be our third and last school-wide writing sample done this year, and will provide us with data on how the students' writing has improved over the year. We will mark these with teachers from our trio of schools, Mount Pleasant and Parkallen.

The students are in the midst of 5 sessions of skipping as part of our physical education programme.

During the week of March 20 we had three mini grade level assemblies recognizing Term 2 achievement in the school drama room. A huge thank-you to all the students who received good marks and who demonstrated significant improvement. Well done!

I extend a strong 'hand shake' to the following people:

- Thank-you to all teachers and staff who did such an excellent job at our recent Open House. It was nice to hear so many visitors comment that they found our Open House inviting, informative and welcoming. A special thank-you to all the students who assisted with making this evening a real success.
- Thank-you to the parents who recently assisted Ms. O'Shaughnessy at our recent 3 day and overnight Band camp and

and recently enjoyed a session with Steve Harmer, magician and speaker of such presentations as ours, "Don't Laugh At Me". Another gymnastics session begins soon and the students will also celebrate the good work done by our runners during our assembly on Thursday, Apr. 20th.

The last two months of this year will slip by all too quickly, I'm afraid, but until next time..... we wish you a marvelous May!

Cheers!
Robin Preece
Principal

Important Dates for May 2006:

- 1 - AEGBEE Meeting at 7:00 P.M. at Forrest Heights School
- 9 - Parent Council meeting at 7:00 P.M.
- 22 - Victoria Day - no school
- 29 - Day In Lieu - no school

- A huge thank-you to the more than 60 school volunteers who have given their time and efforts during the course of this school year. I hope you enjoyed our recent volunteer 'tea'.

On behalf of the staff, we hope everyone enjoyed the Spring Break.

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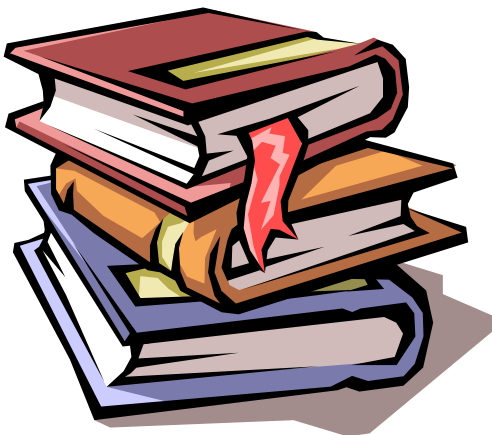
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Let's work together to keep our community safe!

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School News

St. Augustine School

3808 – 106th Street
Edmonton AB T6J 1A5
435-4949

Do Small Things... With Great Love
Mother Teresa

Registration for 2006 – 2007 school year has begun!

Registrations for St. Augustine Early Childhood Program are now being accepted at the school for the 2006 – 2007 school term. Students must be five (5) years of age on or before March 1st, 2007 to be eligible for the program. You may phone the school at 435-4949 and make arrangements to pick up a registration form or download one from the Edmonton Catholic Schools website (www.ecsd.net). We encourage you to register your child at your earliest convenience. Our morning program is now full, but we still have room for many more in the afternoon program. New enrollments for grades one to six are also being accepted at this time.

Lunch hour curb service bussing will be available in our attendance area (Duggan and Rideau Park communities) for kindergarten students this year. Call the school to find out more information.

He Gave His Life – so that we may Love One Another More Deeply

Stations of the Cross

On April 7th, the grade four students presented the story of Christ's love for us through a tableau of the Stations of the Cross. This year we were invited to participate in the evening sessions at St. Thomas More Church as well. It was a very wonderful experience for the children and also for the parish.

Easter Celebration

Spring has definitely arrived in Edmonton this April. The beautiful weather will quickly bring the flowers and leaves of summer time. We have so much to be thankful for at St. Augustine School. We will celebrate this thankfulness and our beautiful new life of Easter as a school community – the Glory of the Risen Lord – with an Easter Mass at St. Thomas More Church on Wednesday, May 3rd, at 9:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome to join us.

Daily Physical Activity

This year, Alberta Education changed policy to require that all students in grades 1 to 9 receive Daily Physical Activity for 30 minutes per day. Although scheduling gym each day has been difficult with only one gymnasium, there have certainly been benefits shown in the learning of the students especially in the younger grades. As part of this program, St. Augustine School will be running Jump Rope Workshops with all students in grades 1 to 6 throughout the month of May. The children will be looking forward to 5 very active and fun workshops.

New Students in Kindergarten to Grade Six Welcome.

Small School – Small Classes – Excellent Academic Program – Active Parent Community

Katherine J. Dekker – Principal
Dave King – Assistant Principal

Duggan Community Playschool

Duggan Community Hall
3728-106 Street

GOVERNMENT FUNDING FOR ELIGIBLE STAY-AT-HOME MOMS

We offer excellent programs with qualified, exceptional teacher and teacher's aid. Students will enjoy learning through free play, crafts, story time, field trips, special guests and songs. Teachers provide a supportive, safe and exciting learning environment for all children to learn and play at their own speed and pace.

NO PARENT DUTY DAYS!!

As a parent co-operative, families take part in fundraising activities to enhance the learning environment. Fundraising helps to provide quality field trips, guests from places like the John Janzen Nature Centre and new toys, books and games to continue to simulate each child's imagination.

3 Year Old Program:

Tuesdays and Thursdays
(8:45 am – 11:00 am)

4 Year Old Program:

Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays
(8:45 am – 11:15 am)

**Visit our Open House
Sunday May 28
3-5 p.m.**

For more detailed information please call *April @ 440-0218*.

Now Open



Century Park Investor Centre

*Grand Opening
May 9, 2006*

11 am - 5 pm

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Sports News

Duggan Community Softball

SWZsoftball.com

Duggan is hosting 2 teams in the Southwest zone this year, with numerous other players playing in the communities of Yellowbird, Greenfield, and Pleasantview.

The teams wearing the Duggan colors are Pee-wee girls and Squirt boys. These teams will be out at the diamonds in your community this summer so come out and see what the excitement is all about.

Home games for Peewee Girls

May 4	Duggan #1
May 11	Duggan #7
May 18	Duggan #7
May 25	Duggan #7
June 1	Duggan #5
June 6	Duggan #7
June 13	Duggan #7

Home games for Squirt Boys

May 10	DS McKenzie #2
May 22	Duggan #5
May 24	DS McKenzie #2
May 31	DS McKenzie #2
June 14	Duggan #7

SWZ is looking for a logo and is willing to pay \$100 for it. You or your teams design will be used on trophies, metals, etc in the following year. You must meet these conditions in order to submit an entry.

- Be a registered softball player in the Southwest zone
 - The design has to be original.
- Further information will be available on the web site.

Are you a Swinger???

It has been brought to my attention that there could be some interest in a community adult fun slow-pitch game, maybe once a week? Interested players could show up at the community hall pick teams, and have a game. If this interests you, or you would like to organize something like this, let me know.

I will see you on the diamonds
Randy
434-2464

Duggan Drifters

Walking Club
Mondays and Thursdays 7:00pm
Please call 437-3232 to register.
Free, fitness, safety in numbers,
meet your neighbors, everyone welcome...

We start walking for the season on May 2.
Please call to re-register

Volunteers needed for Duggan soccer tournament On May 12, 13 and 14

If you can flip burgers, put up nets, tally results or welcome teams, we need you to help us represent our community at the greatest soccer tournament in Alberta.

Come support us!

Contact: Jacinthe Germain @ 437-3990



Square Dancing!!!

Country Sunshiners

How about square dancing??
Dwayne and Marian make the evening fun for all!

Dancing every Friday.....
7:30 p.m. for Beginners and then 9:00 p.m. for mainstream

Come and join the fun!

Bridge Club!!!

Duggan Senior's Invitational Bridge Club
Open 11:30 play starts 12:30

Tuesday Contract
Wednesday Contract
Thursday Duplicate

Duggan Community Centre
3728 - 106 Street
Open all year drop in
Phone Allen 436-8195

CONFEDERATION HOCKEY CLUB 2006 - 2007 SEASON

Wednesday, June 14 and Thursday, June 15
7:00 - 9:30 P.M.

Providence Renewal Centre Gym
3005 - 119 Street

IMPORTANT: New players must supply a photocopy of their birth certificate, passport or baptismal certificate and a copy of their Alberta Personal Health Card (APHC).

Beginners (Initiation Program) ONLY \$99!

- New players welcome
- Affordable hockey
- Fundraising options available
- Boys and girls ages 4-14
- Excellent coaches
- Coach training provided

**For more information, call:
Melissa: 436 - 7869**

Library

CHILDREN

Family Storytime

10:15 a.m. Mondays,
May 1 to June 12, 2006

10:15 a.m. Thursdays,
May 4 to June 15, 2006

Participation limit: 20

Drop-in. Free tickets available 15 minutes before program

No program Feb 20, Mar 27, Mar 30, Apr 17, May 22.

Stories, songs, activities and fun for everyone. Join our storytellers and make your visit to the library a family fun time.

Storytime for Daycare Groups

Please call 496-8339 to book.

Book your tour and enjoy a fun-filled half-hour of stories, fingerplays, and fun! Can't come to us? A Whitemud Crossing staff member will visit your daycare.

Sing, Sign, Laugh and Learn

10 a.m. Tuesdays,

May 9 to June 20, 2006

Drop-in

For children birth to three and a grown up who loves them.

Come and spend an hour cuddling, reading, signing, playing, laughing and learning. Brothers and sisters are welcome to attend.

This is a group in partnership with the Edmonton Early Intervention Program, who serve children who have a delay in their development or a diagnosed disability. Parents will learn strategies to engage their child and enhance their communication and development. Children of all abilities will benefit from this group.

Summer Reading Club 2006 - School Visits

May 24 to June 16, 2006

Call 408-4270 to book a visit for your school.

Do you have some heroes in your classroom? Our staff will come out to your school to preview this year's exciting theme "Quest for Heroes". They will share with you the different activities happening all summer long at Edmonton Public Libraries. Book a visit at your local branch today.

TEENS

Crazy Crocheting for Teens

2 p.m. Monday, July 10, 2006

2 p.m. Tuesday, July 11, 2006

2 p.m. Wednesday, July 12, 2006

Ages: 12 - 18 years

Participation limit: 10

Please register in person or by calling 496-1822.

Learn how to crochet and complete your first project during this 3 part course. All teens welcome!

Teen Advisory Group

Want to make your voice heard regarding what programs we offer for Teens, or what books, music and movies we order for the library? Don't delay, come and make your opinion count! For more information, please contact Angela at 496-8339.

ADULTS

ESL Tours

Please call 496-8357 for more information

These tours are an introduction to the Edmonton Public Library for English as a Second Language (ESL) students. We issue Library cards to all students. We have many resources available for beginning, intermediate and advanced ESL students. These materials cover reading, writing, speaking and listening skills. ESL teachers can book a tour at WMC that includes an introduction to book, CD, video and cassette materials, as well as relevant resources on the EPL Web site.

English Conversation Circle at the Library(LACE Program)

1 p.m. Mondays, January 9 to June 26, 2006

1 p.m. Wednesdays, January 11 to June 28, 2006

Drop-In. Call 424-3545 or 462-6924 for more information.

English conversation interaction for immigrants provided by Catholic Social Services.

Whitemud Crossing Library Fiction Book Club

7 p.m. Thursday, May 18, 2006

Please call Heide at 496-8342 for more information

May at Southgate Alliance Church

Sunday Service at 10:30am

We are located on the corner of 40 Ave and 107 Street
"In the Heart of the Duggan/Rideau Park Community"



2006 DUGGAN 2006

The following is a breakdown of single family homes that sold through the Edmonton Real Estate Board in Duggan in the first quarter of 2006.

9 BUNGALOWS
1 BILEVEL
2 SPLIT LEVELS

AVERAGE SALE PRICE \$279,583
SALE PRICE \$250,000
AVERAGE SALE PRICE \$272,500

Keep in mind that these prices are averages only. The property's size and general condition and upgrading will determine whether the home sells ABOVE or BELOW the average price.

If you have any questions about this information, please give me a call. **IF YOU ARE THINKING OF BUYING OR SELLING, PLEASE GIVE ME A CALL. I WANT TO BE YOUR REALTOR. NOBODY KNOWS REAL ESTATE IN DUGGAN BETTER THAN LARRY KOWALCHUK.**

Not intended to solicit properties already listed or buyers under contract.

462-5000

Editor's musings

The missing context

The other day, as I was waiting with my son at his school, I overheard a conversation among some of the older children in his school. Being true Edmontonians, the conversation was, of course about the recent Oiler's Game.

As the conversation progressed, they began to discuss the national anthems of both Canada and the United States. Specifically, they were talking about how silly the American anthem was...All that silly "rocket's red glare giving proof that the flag was still there" kinda stuff....

Now true, these were young kids, how are they to know why the words were penned by Francis Scott Key on September 13th, 1814. For their benefit, and for accuracy's sake, I looked up the story...

The War of 1812 had been a particularly nasty conflict with the British. They had burned down the Capitol and White House in Washington, and were set on taking the port of Baltimore, which was protected in part by Fort McHenry. After an initial land attack had been thwarted, 16 ships of the British fleet positioned themselves for a massive attack on the fort.

Before the fleet came within canon range, two Americans, Colonel John Skinner and a lawyer and part-time poet by the name of Francis Scott Key, had gone out to one of the British ships. They had come to negotiate the release of Dr William Beanes, a friend of Key who had been seized following the attack on Washington. The British agreed, but all three had learned too much about the forthcoming attack and were detained by the British on board the frigate Surprise until it was over.

The attack started on September 12th, 1814, and continued for the next two days. Skinner, Beane and Key watched much of the bombardment from the deck and, through the nights of the 12th and 13th they caught glimpses of the star-shaped fort with its huge flag - 42ft long, with 8 red stripes, 7 white stripes and 15 white stars, it had been specially commissioned to be big enough that the British could not possibly fail to see it from a distance.

In the dark of the night of the 13th, the shelling suddenly stopped - through the darkness they couldn't tell whether the British forces had been defeated, or the fort had fallen.

As the sun began to rise, Key peered through the lifting darkness anxious to see if the flag they had seen the night before was still flying. And so it was that he scribbled on the back of an envelope the first lines of a poem he called Defense of Fort M'Henry:

"O, say can you see, by the dawn's early light, What so proudly we hail'd at the twilight's last gleaming"

As the mist started to clear he was aware that there was a flag flying - but was it the British flag? It was difficult to tell:

"What is that which the breeze o'er the towering steep, As it fitfully blows, half conceals, half discloses?"

But finally the sun rose, and with intense relief and pride he saw that the fort had withstood the onslaught ...

"'Tis the star-spangled banner - O long may it wave O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave."

On the way back to shore, and later in his hotel room, he completed all four verses of the poem, and the following morning he took it to his brother-in-

law, a local judge, who thought it so good that he arranged to have it printed as a handbill.

In 1916, President Woodrow Wilson ordered that it should become the National Anthem played by the military and naval services, but it wasn't until March 3rd, 1931 that it was officially designated as the National Anthem by act of Congress.

To me, their anthem deserves respect, frankly many things deserve more respect than we often give them. My son once asked me why he couldn't wear number 99 when he joins the NHL, and judging by the media's attempt to drag him down in scandal this year, by the time he's old enough to join the NHL, we may well have forgotten what a great service he did for the game we love...how many of you even know who Al Hamilton is (the first Oiler jersey ever retired)?

This lack of respect breeds trouble. There has been a rash of vandalism in the neighbourhood recently. The kids who deface, or damage property have no respect for the time, effort, sacrifice and money that went into building the things they are trying to destroy.

The fault for this lies not solely with them, but also in ourselves for not instilling them with respect for what others have done. I'm sure a sixteen year old would be livid if I spray painted the car he scrimped to buy, yet they have no qualms about spraypainting the side of the community hall or the ice rink.

Perhaps it's time to put things back into context for everyone.



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