

Duggan Details

February 2018



FROM THE EDITOR

It is the start of a new year, and as usual, we are plunged into a deep freeze. It can be difficult to find the motivation to go outside and enjoy the winter, so this is a good time to stay warm indoors, enjoy your family, learn a new skill, or catch up on Netflix. Did you know your Community League membership allows you free access to the pools at William Lutsky YMCA and Confederation Rec Center? Check out our website (www.mydcl.ca) for details. And if the sunny moments do lure you outside, maybe visit our outdoor ice rink, sled down the hill nearby, or just go for a walk.

It's also a good time to be considerate of our neighbors. Help out an elderly person who might not be able to shovel. Keep your sidewalks salted or gravelled so that they don't pose a hazard for walkers. And watch out for our neighborhood kids running out from between those big snowbanks along 40 Avenue!

This month, we have a feature on the Whitemud Crossing Branch of the Edmonton public library. If you haven't been there recently, it's a good time to check it out! They over a variety of services for all ages, and I guarantee you will learn something new. See the article later in this issue for more information.

I am always interested from hearing from you. If you are interested in contributing an article on any topic, please drop me a line! Also, please send any notices or advertisements to the email address below by the 15th of the month for inclusion in next month's issue.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

BRIGHTEN OUR WINTER CITY WITH FRONT YARDS IN BLOOM: WINTERSCAPES



Edmontonians are invited to celebrate the winter season by creating a wintry display in their front yard or any public space as part of the City's fifth annual Front Yards in Bloom: Winterscapes.

Participate by filling out

the <u>nomination form</u> and submitting a photo of your own or someone else's winterscape. Build a snowy masterpiece in your front yard, at your community hall or at a nearby school using snow, ice, lights, and ornaments. Individuals, families and teams are all welcome to participate, so get started today!

Visit edmonton.ca/winterscapes for information about the award categories, inspirational photos and a list of cool prizes you can win. At the end of the season, photos will be posted on the City of Edmonton's Facebook page for voting. The winterscape with the most votes in each category will move onto the final round of judging from the program partners.

Entries and nominations are accepted until February 25.

See original media release here.

NOMINATE DESERVING EDMONTONIANS TO THE HALL OF FAME

The City of Edmonton's Salute to Excellence Council is seeking nominations for Edmonton's most outstanding citizens.

Nominate an individual who has positively impacted the quality of life in Edmonton through their efforts in the fields of arts and culture, sports or community service. The deadline for nominations is February 16, 2018. Nomination forms can be found here.

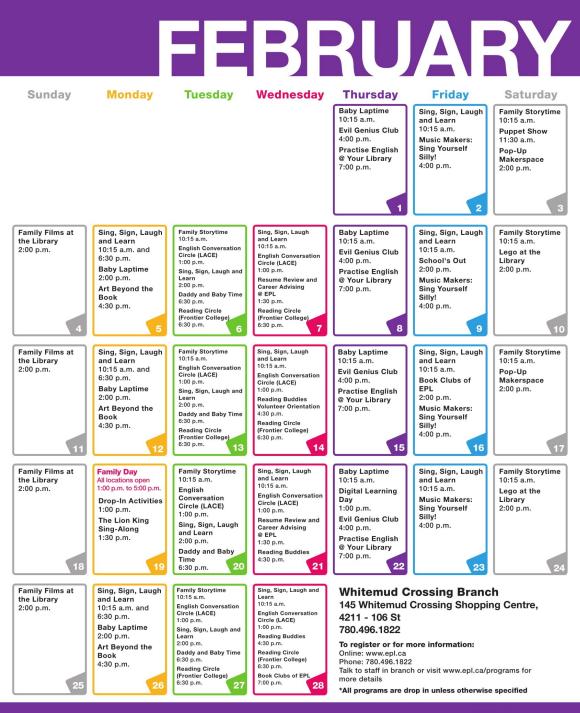
Since 1951, Salute to Excellence has commended Edmontonians in their endeavours through public recognition at annual ceremonies. The Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony will be held on June 11, 2018, at the Francis Winspear Centre for Music.

For more information: edmonton.ca/salute.

See original media release here.

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February Programs:

Children

Art Beyond the Book

Using stories and books to inspire us, we'll create works of art and be empowered to make a positive difference in our communities. Our highschool and university mentors will act as role models while participants have fun doing art activities and becoming actively engaged with the books they read. Please register at www.artsforyoungstars.weebly.com or by emailing artstars@ualberta.ca. Aces 6 to 8.

Baby Laptime

Enjoy delightful stories, songs, books, rhymes, finger plays and more, especially for babies. Cuddle with your baby and connect with other caregivers. **Ages up to 12 months.**

Daddy and Baby Time

You will learn songs and rhymes that help support your baby's development. Ages up to 18 months.

Lego at the Library

Calling all Lego lovers! Come to the library to design and build a Lego creation. Share your building tips and tricks with others. **Ages 6 to 12.**

Music Makers: Sing Yourself Silly!

All families of 4 to 6 year-olds are invited to this new program. Children and parents will participate in action songs, dancing and be introduced to basic musical concepts such as: beat, rhythm, pitch, tempo and dynamics. Engaging songs and stories are combined with the use of rhythm instruments to develop important classroom skills such as attentive listening, turn-taking and responding to direction. **Preschooler**.

Reading Buddies

THIS PROGRAM IS FOR CHILDREN IN GRADES 2 TO 4 ONLY. Do you love to read? Do you want to have fun, make new friends and practice your reading skills? Reading Buddies is a program that matches teen mentors with kids in Grades 2-4. Through interactive games and activities, buddies share their enthusiasm for reading. If your child is in Grades 2-4, please register for a spot in the program or contact your local branch for more information. If you're a teen who would like to volunteer, visit www.epl.ca/volunteer for more information. Ages 6 to 8.

Reading Circle (Frontier College)

A reading circle is a place where children and volunteers read together for enjoyment. One volunteer and one child form a team to read, write, play games and tell stories that help build literacy skills. For registration information, contact Frontier College by email, edmonton@frontiercollege.ca. Ages 6 to 8.

School's Out

When school is out, the library is in. Complete challenges, play games, or learn something new! Discover all the fun activities waiting for you at EPL. Ages 6 to 12.

Sing, Sign Laugh and Learn

Siblings are welcome. Parents will learn strategies to engage their child and enhance their child's communication and development through repetition, visuals and movement. Ages birth to 3.

Teens

Evil Genius Club

Robot battles, Arduino hacks, DIY music, art, Minecraft, photography, 3-D design and printing are just the beginning for this club of maniacal makers. This is a drop-in program. **Ages 9 to 14.**

Reading Buddies Volunteer Orientation

Have you been accepted as a Reading Buddies volunteer? New volunteers are required to attend this mandatory orientation session. If you are interested in volunteering for Reading Buddies, please see current openings at epl.ca/volunteer.

Families

Digital Learning Day

Digital Learning Day is an international event that explores and celebrates the role of technology in education. Drop by your local branch on this day and visit our technology petting zoo. We'll have out all of our exciting robotics, circuitry kits, makerspace equipment, and more for people of all ages to play with.

Drop-In Activities

Spend Family Day at the library! Find some special activities the whole family can enjoy throughout the afternoon. Activities may include: Digital Scavenger Hunt: Using the Aurasma app, learning how to create digital objects and hiding them around the library.

Family Portraits: Using our Green Screens, taking a special family photo with the background of your choice. The sillier the better!

Board Games: Choosing from our selection of board games to enjoy together as a family.

*Please contact your local branch for more details.

Family Films at the Library

EPL has a great selection of children's films for the entire family. Join us for a family fun movie. February 4 is How to Train Your Dragon 2, February 11 is The Princess and the Frog, February 18 is Brother Bear, and February 25 is Cars 3.

Family Storytime

Share stories, songs and games for the whole family.

Pop-Up Makerspace

Makey Makey hacks, DIY music, Art and 3-D design are just the beginning at this Pop-Up maker event. You're invited to drop-in, hang out, bring friends, try things and make fun stuff.

Puppet Show

Our library puppeteers bring the puppets to life on stage with plenty of action and lively antics.

The Lion King Sing-Along

Come on in and enjoy watching and singing along to a family favourite - The Lion King. Families are encouraged to come dressed up as their favourite Lion King character.

Adults

Book Clubs of EPL

Love reading? Love to talk about books you've read? Come join us for lively discussions on all types of fiction and non-fiction. We'll feature different titles and authors each month. Come and share your impressions, thoughts and interpretations of a book we have all read. Check the schedule at www.epl.ca/bookclubs and join us at an EPL location. Please register to reserve a copy of the book. You can contact the library for more information.

English Conversation Circle (LACE)

Drop in and join others who also want to practice their English. English Conversation Circle is part of Catholic Social Services' Learning and Community Enrichment (LACE) program. Call Catholic Social Services at 780-424-3545 for more information.

Practice English @ Your Library

Are you learning English? Practise your English language skills, meet new friends and have some fun. We'll have conversations about many different topics, using materials from the library. A library staff member will lead the group. English speakers at all levels are welcome!

Resume Review and Career Advising @ EPL (Alberta Works)

Are you looking for work? Alberta Works staff will be visiting the library to provide one-on-one Resume reviews and career advising.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

THE PETROLIA SENIORS GROUP (55+) INVITES YOU TO COME ENJOY

LUNCH AND A PROGRAM (\$15 EXCEPT DECEMBER)

Every Third Tuesday (except July and August)
11:45 a.m. (sharp) to 2:00 p.m.
at Greenfield Community Hall
3803 – 114th Street

FEBRUARY 20 $^{\rm TH}$ – BILLIE MILHOLLAND – AUTHOR OF $LIVING\ IN\ THE\ SHED$

The History of Early Settlement in the Edmonton River Valley

MARCH 20TH – RON KELLAND, HISTORIC PLACES RESEARCH OFFICE – AB CULTURE

The history of some place names in our region and their important role in our lives

To **CONFIRM** your attendance or for more information call:

Nick - 780-435-1045 or Betty - 780-434-0711

AN ADDITIONAL OUTING IS OFFERED EACH MONTH FOR YOUR ENJOYMENT For information call Joyce – 780-435-6388

WE LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR PARTICIPATION.

NEWS FROM OUR SCHOOLS



DUGGAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Registration for the 2018/2019 school year begins on February 1, 2018.

If you live in Duggan School's designated boundaries and you have a child beginning kindergarten, come and see us!

DUGGAN SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21, 2018 4:00 - 7:00 P.M.

The format for the open house is just a casual walk about in the school with no formal presentation.

The administrative team will be available to answer any questions and registration forms will be available to fill out.

If you cannot make it this evening, feel free to call the school office (780-434-0319) and we will book a time that you can come in for a tour at a time that is more convenient.



DS MACKENZIE

A proud member of the Duggan community, DS MacKenzie School supports 530 junior high students. We offer Academic Challenge, Learning Strategies, Behavior Learning Assistance and Inclusive programming. It has been an exciting year so far at DS MacKenzie, filled with positivity, partnerships and possibilities!

This year, our building is undergoing renovations, including a new gymnasium floor, new student washrooms, updated lighting, completely renovated foods lab and new paint. The office has been renovated and we are proud to show off our living wall! Feel free to stop by for a visit or a tour!

Many exciting opportunities are happening at DS MacKenzie. This year we were chosen to participate in the Hockey Helps Kids (HHK) program, and we need your help! This program allows DS MacKenzie to raise awareness and funds towards a local charity, and strengthen the relationship between the Oilers Foundation and our community. Participating in HHK helps our students learn the value of social responsibility and community outreach as part of the Oilers team. Four other schools are involved this year. Each school chooses a local charity to support, and through a friendly competition, one school wins \$25,000 to be donated to a

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charity of their choice. Each school produces a video creating awareness about a social issue related to their charity. On January 31, all five videos will be released and voted on via Twitter, Facebook and Instagram. Each of the participating schools has an Oilers team Captain. Lucky for us, DS MacKenzie's captain is Leon Draisaitl. (Go #29!)

Our students researched many local organizations and chose The Mental Health Foundation to be the charity that we will raise funds and awareness for, as mental health impacts youth. Our students have created, produced, starred in and created the music for our video and we are excited for the video launch at the end of the month to showcase their hard work!

We need the community's support during the HHK voting period, to vote for Team Draisaitl throughout the month of February. Anyone is welcome to vote (you don't need to be a parent in our school community) so please

encourage your social media network and contacts to vote for Team Draisaitl daily as well. Our success will bring important awareness and monetary support to Mental Health—an issue that impacts everyone in some way. If you have any ideas of how we can reach more people in the voting process, please share them with erin.regnier@epsb.ca.

You can vote once per day per media device, at the Hockey Helps Kids website: www.hockeyhelpskids.com/vote. Please follow us on the following sites:







@DSMJHSchool

We value our partnership with the Duggan community and thank you for your support.

Sincerely, Dr. Larry Payne Principal

EDMONTON PUBLIC LIBRARIES: WHAT'S NEW AT THE WHITEMUD CROSSING BRANCH

By Tara Penner

Have you visited the library recently? If you have memories of school libraries filled with dusty books and shushing librarians, then you may be surprised at what our public libraries offer today.

Duggan is within walking distance from the Whitemud Crossing EPL branch, located at 4211 106 St NW. This location offers a variety of services and events, as well as a number of extremely helpful and friendly staff.

EVENTS AT THE LIBRARY

The library hosts many family friendly events, from baby laptime, to family movie night, and from evil genius night to an English Conversation Circle. A searchable list of events can be found here, and the February calendar is included in this edition of the Details.

SOUND RECORDING FACILITIES

Are you an aspiring musician, podcaster, or just want to preserve a story or family history? The Whitemud Crossing branch has a sound booth which can be booked for free with your library card. The booth is equipped with everything you need: microphones, headphones, speakers, an iMac and keyboard. Feel free to bring your instruments and lay down some tracks! Call 780-496-1822 to book the sound booth for a two-hour block.



Check out the other awesome creative tools available at the EPL Makerspace, which are available at other EPL branches.



ONLINE CONTENT

In addition to the extensive print collection, the library also offers an even larger selection of material online, which can be accessed from the comfort of your own home. Search the online catalogue at www.epl.ca to see what is available. Online content includes:

- Recent and back issues of <u>magazines and</u> <u>newspapers</u>
- <u>eBooks</u> and <u>audiobooks</u>, which can be downloaded for offline access
- <u>Videos</u> and <u>music</u>, which are available for download through a variety of platforms
- Video games and computer games, which are available for download through OnePlay

All of these services can be accessed through your home desktop, laptop, tablet or smartphone. You are welcome to bring your device into the library and one of the helpful staff will help you get online.

ONLINE LEARNING

Do you love to learn? The library provides access to a number of <u>online learning</u> platforms such as:

 <u>Lynda.com</u> – This site has a number of video tutorials teaching a wide variety of

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skills including how to use Word, how to publish an e-book, basics of industrial design, and many more.

- Gale Courses You can take a number of instructor-led courses on anything from copyediting to how to start a pet-sitting business. Interact with the instructor and your classmates online in a low-pressure learning environment
- Brainfuse This offers free tutoring and learning support for students from kindergarten to grade 12, including academic support, resume writing and career guidance.
- Rosetta stone This popular language learning platform is now available through the library.

ALL OF THIS IS FREE!

Did you know that Edmonton Public Library cards are FREE? Simply visit any branch to sign up and get access to all of these services and events, and more!

Other benefits of a library card include free internet and wifi within the branch buildings, and free access to computers, including Internet and email access, word processing, printing and scanning.

Head down to your library today, browse the shelves, say hello to a librarian, and start reading!

ALBERTA HEALTH SERVICES PSA



Emergency Medical Services

Burns and Scalds





Each year, Alberta Health Services, EMS, continues to respond to emergencies involving young children who have sustained severe burns or scalds. These incidents often occur inside the child's own home. Common causes include a child accidentally tipping hot liquids onto themselves, touching hot surfaces such as stoves, or making contact with electrical outlets. Fortunately, incidents such as these can be avoided by taking preventative measures.

Degrees of burn

- 1°: Affects only the top layers of the skin; appears red like a sun burn; discomfort is generally tolerable;
- 2°: Deeper and much more painful than 1°burns; broken skin or blisters commonly develop;
- 3°: Severe: the deepest layers of skin and tissue are injured; may appear charred or leathery.

First Aid for burns

- Skin may continue to burn if not aggressively cooled.
 Immediately douse burns with large amounts of cold water.
- Cover the burn with a sterile dressing, or at least clean material to protect infection;
- Over the counter medications may be used for pain. Adhere to directions given on the label;
- Seek further medical attention, as required.

Prevention of burns

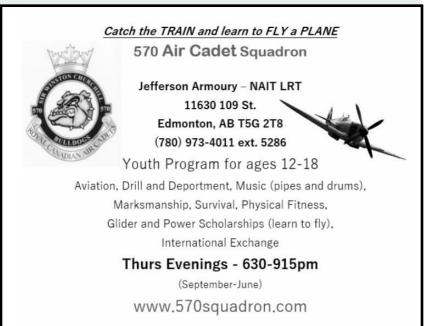
- Check the temperature of your hot water tank. Temperatures as high as 60°C / 140°F will scald a child in just seconds;
- Use placemats instead of tablecloths. Tablecloths can be yanked downward causing hot drinks or food to spill on a child;
- Turn pot handles to the back of the stove and ensure cords from kettles, slow cookers, and other electrical appliances cannot be reached;
- Avoid picking up a child while holding any hot liquids;
- Ensure electrical outlets are made secure by installing commercially available safety devices which prohibit access;
- Keep children away from areas where appliances are in use (kettles, irons, hot stoves).

If you require immediate medical attention, call 9-1-1

www.albertahealthservices.ca

ADVERTISEMENTS





THE DUGGAN COMMUNITY LEAGUE BOARD IS LOOKING TO FILL SOME KEY POSITIONS!

SOCIAL AND EVENTS DIRECTOR

- Participates as a member of the Duggan Community League Board of Directors
- Finds out what types of events our community members want
- Plans, organizes, and advertises events in and around the community

GOVERNMENT RELATIONS (CIVICS) DIRECTOR

- Participates as a member of the Duggan Community League Board of Directors
- Monitors land use, transportation issues and other civic concerns
- Coordinates submissions and inquiries to government and other organizations

YOUTH DIRECTOR

- Participates as a member of the Duggan Community League Board of Directors
- Coordinates youth events and engages with youth

YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE—A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR STUDENTS!

- Attends Duggan Community League Board meetings to provide a perspective from Duggan youth
- Promotes youth involvement within the community

For more information, please contact DugganDetails@mydcl.ca or President@mydcl.ca

DUGGAN COMMUNITY LEAGUE CONTACT INFORMATION

DUGGAN HALL ADDRESS

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COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Inventory (Vacant) Financial Review (Vacant) Bylaw Review (Vacant) Policy/Procedure (Vacant) Hall Booking Rene Meister **Board Transparency** (Vacant) Senior Liaison (Vacant) **Fundraising** (Vacant) Board/Volunteer Recruitment (Vacant)

Board Meetings are held at the Duggan Community Hall on the first Monday of every month. The next meeting will be on **Monday February 4** at 6:30pm.