

Fundraising at a Glance

Fundraising to Date	
Community League*	\$452,008.23
Community member donations	\$3,620.00
Gold Bar Craft Sale Nov 08	\$480.00
Family Fun Day Feb 09	\$801.40
Grand Total	\$456,909.63

*Money invested in GIC's from casinos and bingos over the years
Our present design is sitting at approximately \$2,500,000.00



Spring Fling & Silent Auction

Gold Bar Building Project Fundraiser
Saturday, May 2, 2009 at Gold Bar Community Hall

Cocktails 6:00 pm • Dinner 7:00 pm • Auction 6:00-10:00 pm

Enjoy a delicious dinner, a wide variety of auction items, and the company of friends and neighbours!
Tickets \$25, call *Trudy* 780-465-2243 or *Lorna* 780-465-5594.

If you are interested in donating items for the auction please contact *Lise* 780-468-1310 or *Pat* 780-465-7890.

Gold Bar School Open House

We will have an Open House on Tuesday, March 24 from 2:30-6:30. Any interested parents are invited to come and see what the Gold Bar School community has to offer. Teachers will be available to share information and answer questions.

Due to a special event, Bonnie Doon Pool will be closed to the public from Friday March 20 6:00 pm until Sunday March 22 6:00 pm, so there will be **no community league swim**. Hardisty Pool will remain open.

Gold Bar AGM

The Gold Bar **Annual General Meeting** will be held on Monday, May 4, 2009, time to be announced. All are welcome to attend.

Our Condolences

Irene Lauder passed away on February 18th at the age of 47 years, after a long and courageous battle with cancer. Irene grew up and lived her whole life in Gold Bar. She attended Gold Bar Elementary, Hardisty and McNally schools, and kept in contact with many of the friends she made there. Our condolences go out to husband Steve and son Kelsey Lauder, long-time residents Gunter and Emma Diefenbach, and sister Hedy Peterson.

Spring Craft Fair

Goldbar Hall
Saturday May 9, 10am-4pm
Free Admission, Free Parking

A showcase and sale of a unique variety of items from local artists and craftspeople. The perfect place to find that Mothers Day, Fathers Day or Year End Teachers Gift. For more information or to book a table please call Carolan @780-461-4912.

Nominate Your Good Neighbour

It's the little everyday things that neighbours do to assist each other that helps make our city safe. We want to recognize those good neighbours who look out for each other and are quick to lend a hand. To make a nomination, visit www.edmonton.ca/safedmonton

Cycling Mommas

Cycling Mommas welcomes women of all ages and cycling abilities to join in the fun and challenge of riding through the river valley trails and parks. We meet at Grace United Church every Tuesday and Thursday morning. Childcare is provided, but space is limited. Spring registration is set for Thursday, **April 9** at 9:30^{am} at Grace United Church, 6215 - 104 Ave. The first ride will be Tuesday, April 14.

Newsletter Submissions

If you have a submission for the Gold Bar Newsletter, please call Stacey at 780-465-0486 or e-mail at: littleherbrik@shaw.ca The deadline for the next newsletter is **9:00 pm, April 14, 2009**. This will be a **April/May combined** newsletter.

You can also contact me if you need to post a message on the community sign located at 106 Ave. & 47 St.

You can access community information and events on the Gold Bar website at: www.goldbarcl.com

If you need to send any correspondence regarding the Community League, or to send a donation to the Building Committee, please mail to:

Gold Bar Community League
P.O. Box 38124 Capilano
10155-50 Street Edmonton, Alberta T6A 3Y6

Calling all Neighbourhood Scrapbookers!

Mark your calendars for **April 21st** and **May 19th** and from 7:00 – 10:00 pm and come out to join your friends and neighbours for 3 hours of scrapbooking fun! All levels are welcome from “just curious” to “experienced”. Beginners are more than welcome and will receive any help needed to get started. Punches and a cutting system will be available for you to use, all you have to bring is your photos and scrapbooking supplies. Products will be available for sale if you run out or are in need of something. The cost to Community League Members is \$5.00 (membership cards must be presented when attending) and \$10.00 for Non Members. *Community League memberships will be sold at each function.

To reserve your spot, please contact Dawn Kehoe, Creative Memories Consultant at 780-469-6080 / 780-983-4241 or email at: sdlkehoe@shaw.ca www.mycmsite.com/dawnkehoe

Gold Bar Building Committee Update

Family Fun Day Fund-raising Kick-Off a HUGE Success!

On February 15th the annual Family Fun Day event was combined with a Fund-raising Kick-Off for our new community hall, and what a day it was! Thanks to Longriders for the wagon rides, the Gilbert family for taking care of the rink & rink shack, Gold Bar Scouts for the fire barrel, and the City of Edmonton children's activity leaders – you were all instrumental in making the afternoon event a success. To all who contributed to the silver collection and/or brought food bank donations, thank you!

“Love Your Community” was the theme for the evening event. The hall was packed with people of all ages who enjoyed delicious homemade chili along with hot dogs, salad, and cake. Architect's concept drawings of the new hall and a slide show were displayed throughout the evening. Laurie Scott, Chair of the Gold Bar Building Committee, spoke about the committee's progress so far. (For a complete transcript of Laurie's speech, please go to our community web site.) After some arm-twisting we had a good number of participants for the pie-eating contest and they are to be commended for their adventurous spirit and great sportsmanship! Congratulations to the winners Nicholas Abboud (Children 8-12), Curtis Walmsley (Teens 13-17), Christine Gonkowicz (Gals 18+), and Craig Lemiski (Guys 18+). Thanks also to the judges Lorna Abramic, Mary Lou Gerling, Joe Goebel, Lois Ough, and John Yakimishyn. You did a fine job! John's wife Lil Yakimishyn was the lucky winner of the 50/50 draw!

Thank you to the City of Edmonton, Ticketmaster, Solis Wellness, Patti Babyn (Mary Kay consultant), and Laurie Scott for your extremely generous contest prize donations. A special thank you goes to Glen LaValley who made amazing balloon animals for the winners and all the children in attendance. The organizing committee consisting of Lorna Abramic, Lise Allman, Trudy Berry, Pat Cork, Heather Hopgood, and Isabella Pierce did an outstanding job, with additional help from Tim & Stacey Herbrik, Diane Ryan, Linda Stein, and Murray Badger. A final thank you goes out to everyone who helped “at the last minute” where help was needed. In all, \$801.40 was raised for the new hall.

“Embracing Our Future”

You should have received a bright yellow brochure with your February Gold Bar newsletter. The brochure provided information about the hall project and how to donate. If you did not receive the brochure or misplaced it, download a printable version of the donor form from our community web site or call any committee member to arrange for a brochure to be dropped off at your home. For a donation of \$250 or more your name and/or family name will be recognized on a permanent Donor Wall in our new facility. The categories are: Bronze \$250+, Silver \$500+, Gold \$1000+, Diamond \$1500+, Platinum \$2500+. Donations of \$10 or more receive a charitable tax receipt.

Did You Know?

You can claim charitable donations under you, your spouse, or your common law partner. Contributions of \$200 or less result in a 15% federal tax rebate. Donations after \$200 result in a 29% rebate.

Thank you to all who have already donated!

“Working on our Dream while Embracing our Future”

Gold Bar Spray Deck Project

With heaps of snow flanking our sidewalks, it is a relief to turn our thoughts to the warmer months ahead: the Gold Bar Spray Deck Committee would like to confirm that our community wading pool will be converted to a spray deck this very year! The spray deck re-fit is a City of Edmonton/Community project, as required by Capital Health. The rainbow colored spray deck will fit into the area the wading pool occupies, complete with arches, geysers, a tall flower, dumping buckets and a misting pole. Installation will not affect the ice rink. Construction will occur through the spring and into the summer but the Green Shack program will run as usual during July and August, although there will not be a water feature at the playground until the spray deck is completed. We will keep you posted as more details are made available.

Spring Break Out

March 30-April 3

Kids aged 6-12, join us for an action packed **Spring Break Day Camp, Amazing Adventures.**

Enjoy many indoor and outdoor activities such as arts & crafts, games, sports and a new adventure theme from 8-4 daily.

Locations: Ottewell Comm. Hall, 5920 - 93 A Avenue (code 316611) **or**

Yellowbird East Community Hall, 10704 - 19 Avenue (code 316612)

Register by Phone 311 **or** eReg.edmonton.ca **or** at any City of Edmonton Leisure Centre

Summer Job Opportunities

Opportunities are now available for those who have a passion for recreation and love working with children and youth. The City of Edmonton is currently hiring our summer staff, so don't miss out! Part-time positions also open. Visit our web site for more information: www.edmonton.ca click on City Jobs/Job opportunities

Scouts Spring Bottle Drive

The 70th Gold Bar Scouts will be holding their **SPRING BOTTLE DRIVE** on Saturday, **April 25, 2009.**

We would appreciate if volunteers came between 10 am and 4 pm for their hour or two, as this is when the youth and most of the parents are going door-to-door picking up bottles and cans. Extra sorters at this time of day will be a big help. Anyone who helps is welcome to join us in the Hall basement for a hotdog and a drink.

If you would like more information, or to volunteer, please call Lorna @ 780-465-5594.

Play Field Hockey

Field Hockey is a game that combines the fitness of Soccer and the finesse of Hockey.

Try It Free Events, Spring & Summer programs Boys & Girls 5-14 years of age.

Register now for this inexpensive Sport!

www.fieldhockey.ab.ca

780-760-2180

Upcoming BINGO Dates

Please consider volunteering for these upcoming Bingo dates:

PARKWAY

Friday, April 17, 2009

Saturday, May 9, 2009

Tuesday, May 12, 2009

Monday, June 15, 2009

Thursday, July 9, 2009

Wednesday, August 12, 2009

FORT ROAD

Thursday, March 26, 2009

Wednesday, May 20, 2009

Thursday, June 11, 2009

Wednesday, June 17, 2009

As always, your help is appreciated by the Gold Bar Community.