

GOLD BAR COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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Monday, February 20 noon - 3:00 pm

At the Capilano Community Hall (108A Ave. + 54 St.)

Gold Bar Community AGM

All residents are invited to the annual general meeting on

Monday, March 5, 2012 at 6:30 pm

Gold Bar Elementary School, library

10524 - 46 Street

This meeting is where the executive members give a summary of their work of the previous year and executive positions are up for review or nomination. Come meet the executive, hear what is going on in your community or express interest in joining the executive. Thank you to the principal for making the school available to us.

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FREE Horse and wagon rides FREE Hot chocolate, hot dogs and cookies Bonfire provided by 70th Gold Bar Scouts Bring your skates (weather permitting, the rink will be open) FREE outdoor activities like snow painting and snowshoeing FREE craft indoors. and bring your board games Enjoy balloon animals and face painting

celebrate winter _

Less Newsletters in 2012

Without a community hall, there are less events going on in our community so this newsletter will only be delivered in June, September and when there is noteworthy news about the hall.

Other Gold Bar community news sources:

- from the **Southeast Voice newspaper** in the Gold Bar section for the news that you are accustomed to reading here
- visit the Gold Bar Community web site: www.goldbarcl.com
- sign up for updates on facebook or twitter: facebook.goldbarcl.com twitter.goldbarcl.com

To submit an item to the SEV in the Gold Bar section, email sondi@telus.net by the following dates:

JAN 22, FEB 19, MAR 18, APR 22, MAY 13.

Please note that the SEV is delivered 8 to 16 days after the submission deadline.

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Upcoming Bingo Dates

Please call Lorna @ (780) 465-5594 to volunteer at bingo which raises money for our community.

Fort Road Bingo Hall

Monday, February 6 - evening Thursday, March 15 - evening Thursday, April 19 - afternoon & evening Tuesday, May 22 - afternoon

Parkway Bingo Hall

Saturday, February 11 - afternoon Thursday, March 15 - evening & late night Tuesday, April 14 - evening & late night Monday, May 28 - evening & late night

Our Condolences

The community sends condolences to the family of Jack Morrison, who passed away on November 10. Jack and his late wife, Maureen, raised their family of four here in Gold Bar. Residents are guite familiar with their son, Cameron, a local realtor, who had just recently sold the family home on 105 Avenue and 42 Street.

Our sympathy is also extended to the three children of Mrs. Theo Alderson, who has lived at 106 Avenue and 42 Street for a very long time. Theo had stayed in her own home until very recently, and passed away on November 17 at the age of 95.

We send sympathy to Jack Birmingham and family following the recent death of Jean Birmingham. The Birminghams were one of the original families in Gold Bar, having lived at 105 Avenue and 43 Street since 1959.

Gold Bar Communications

Please e-mail submissions to sondi@telus.net or call Sondi at 780-468-2237 by JUNE 4 for the next newsletter. To submit an item to the SEV in the Gold Bar section, email sondi@telus.net by the following dates:

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To post a message on the community sign located at 106 Ave. & 47 St., please e-mail Stacey at stacey.GoldBar@hotmail.com or call 780-465-0486.

To send a donation to the Building Committee, or any correspondence, please mail to: Gold Bar Community League

P.O Box 38124 Capilano 10155-50 St. Edmonton, AB T6A 3Y6

The "I've Outgrown It Sale"

This is a great way to sell your quality baby and children's items such as clothes, toys, books, baby furniture, bikes etc. (Sizes 0 - 12 yrs)

on Saturday March 10, 2012 from 10 - 2 at Hardisty School 10534 - 62 St.

Come shop at the event for just a \$1.00 admission. For information or to rent a table please contact Dee Dee at deedeenorwex@gmail.com or call (780) 914 - 6106.

Outdoor Skating

Capilano and Fulton communities are welcoming Gold Bar residents at their rinks, during this time of icelessness. Fulton accepts donations for those without community league memberships while Capilano doesn't have a formal policy regarding memberships and ice use. Visit their websites for hours. Please treat it their rinks you would our own rink; please help with scraping. Happy skating!

A Happy New Year to the community from your league executive. We are so pleased to report that we finally received the grants that so many have been working on for so long.

The provincial government has provided us with \$125,000 from the Community Facilities Enhancement Program followed recently by the City of Edmonton Infrastructure Grant of \$400,000.

With our own savings over the past years, we now have sufficient funds to proceed.

We would like to express our thanks to all of you that have provided help in various capacities, whether providing your input at the many meetings, fund raising, or advice. While we have taken great strides, we are not finished by any stretch.

The renovation process is just beginning: our hall was built with products that in their day were outstanding, but have been identified as somewhat less than that. If you have been by the hall lately, you will see a company providing an abatement process, to remove any hazardous materials, which is a provincial requirement for buildings of this vintage. Any of these potentially hazardous materials will be identified and dealt with to render them safe.

We estimate that the abatement should be completed by the end of March, after which the removal of the rink shack will begin.

Once that is complete, we will update you on the plan for construction.

I encourage anyone interested to come out to our monthly meetings on the first Monday of each month (the venue varies due to availability, if you are interested in attending; please contact me at 780-634-2888). We still need people to provide their input and support the process.

Sincerely,

Murray Badger, Gold Bar Community League President

Gold Bar Website: Now Open for Businesses

We are adding a feature to the website to advertise businesses that our community league members are involved in. Just email your business details to Veronica Vinge at Veronica@vlvconsulting. com; along with your community league membership # and we will post your information on our links and resources page free of charge.

Be a Snow Angel

What is the Snow Angels program?

The Snow Angels program is an awareness and recognition program encouraging Edmontonians to voluntarily shovel snow for a neighbour in need like a senior or person with disabilities. The program also allows those who've received help to recognize the volunteers who shovel their walkways by nominating them at www.edmonton.ca/snowangels

How to become a Snow Angel:

Becoming a Snow Angel is easy. Just shovel snow for someone in need in your neighbourhood. There is no pay for being a Snow Angel, but if you are nominated by someone, you will receive a lapel pin and letter from the mayor.

Volunteers, please talk to us!

We want to hear from you about what motivates you to volunteer in our community and how we can improve your volunteer experience. Please go to the website at www.goldbarcl.com. The survey link is on the front page of the website, and should only take you 5-10 minutes to complete. We really appreciate your thoughts as we work together to build our community.

Winter Festivals

We are very lucky to enjoy a number of new and returning winter festivals this year:

- Metropolis Edmonton International Winter Festival (eventsedmonton.ca) at Churchill Square (Dec.31 - Feb. 20);
- Ice on Whyte (iceonwhyte.ca) international ice sculpture festival (Jan. 12-22),
- Winter Light Festival (winterlight.ca) featuring the Mill Creek Adventure Walk (Jan.27-28) and
- Silver Skate Festival (silverskatefestival.org) in Hawrelak Park (Feb. 17-20); and
- Yukigassen (snowbattle.ca) snowball battle (Mar. 9-11).

[Info provided by Councillor Ben Henderson]

Speed Watch

If people have concerns about unsafe motorists in neighbourhoods around school zones, playgrounds, or other areas, here is information on a program that could help. Concerned residents can take it upon themselves to arrange for a portable photo radar unit. Visit www.goldbarcl.com for the links.

About the Program

Speed Watch is a community-led program that creates awareness about speeding in neighbourhoods.

Community volunteers encourage motorists to obey the speed limit by monitoring and recording the speeds of passing vehicles using a portable photo radar unit with a digital display screen. Drivers can see the travel speed of their vehicle on the display board, motivating them to slow down if they are traveling over the limit. They will also get a warning letter in the mail.

Requirements:

- Volunteers work in teams of 2.
- 1 member of each team must have an Alberta driver's license.
- You must be at least 18 years old to participate.

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