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President's Corner

My term as President has been great. I appreciate all the support I get from the Community. Thank you to

everyone that has stepped up and helped everything run smoothly.

The Youth Centre was used this year by so many kids in the Community. I have also taken my younger children along for the ride to the Londonderry Pool. Thank you Alice, for all your hard work and your dedication to the children of Evergreen. We are looking forward to the Block Party on Saturday, September 17th. This event is going to be a blast! I hope to see all residents of the Community come out and join us for a pancake breakfast (put on by EECA), a BBQ lunch (put on by the Youth Centre) and beer gardens (put on by Happy Pizza Bar and Grill). We will have a bouncy castle and tons more fun! Come and get your new membership and learn about all the programs that we offer here in Evergreen.

Our children are going back to school on the 1st of Sept. This is when we will be starting off all our winter programs. Join us for Darts, Crib, Tots and more.



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Contact

Phone: 780-288-0208 Email: edmontoncornmaze@gmail.com www.facebook.com/cornmaze www.twitter.com/corn_maze Your Community League President, Denise Criss

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Back to school safety



Alberta Health Services EMS would like to remind parents and students of some basic road safety tips as streets become busier with the return of the school year. Pedestrians and motorists each have an important role to play- road safety is a shared responsibility.

Motorists

- Avoid talking on cell phones, texting, or any other behavior that diverts your attention away from driving.
- Give right of way to pedestrians who have activated overhead crossing lights or who are waiting to cross from a street corner.
- Remember it is illegal to pass vehicles, other than those that are parked, in school zones or playground zones during posted hours.

Around school buses

- Flashing amber lights mean a bus is slowing down to stop. Motorists should do likewise.
- No matter which direction you are coming from, STOP when approaching a school bus with activated flashing red lights - unless the bus is on the opposite side of a
- the bus is on the opposite side of a divided highway from you.Driver courtesy goes a long way. By
- simply being alert and cautious when approaching a school bus, you are contributing to school bus safety.

Pedestrians

- Cross only at marked crosswalks or street corners that have clear visibility from all directions.
- Make eye contact with all drivers before crossing the street.
- When activating overhead crossing lights, pause before stepping off the curb to ensure motorists in both directions have come to a complete stop.
- Stay within the crosswalk lines until fully clear of the road way.
- Obey pedestrian lights at intersections. Cross the street only when you see the 'walk' sign and only when all cars have come to a complete stop.
- If you are with young children or pets, hold your child's hand firmly and keep a solid grip on leashes when crossing.
- Remember: children learn by observing you. By teaching them safe crossing habits as early as possible you can reduce the chance your child may be involved in a preventable auto/pedestrian collision.

Evergreen Garden Club News

Greetings fellow gardeners! Fall is just around the corner, in fact some of the ravine trees are already

starting to turn. Some of our flowers are dying, but our potatoes, turnips, carrots, corn and pumpkins (and many other things) are just getting started.

Our last meeting was on August 15th at the Community Hall. Garden Club members were treated to a lively presentation by Dr. Ieuan Evans, founder of the Evans Cherry and much, much more. Club members were delighted to be able to purchase award-winning perennial flowers and fruit plants at rock bottom prices! Wish you could get in on these inside deals? The Garden Club is always looking for new members. Call Mary at 406-5710 for more information.

We had our annual summer BBQ at Alice Hinchey's house on August 20th. Almost all members were able to turn out and we had a fantastic evening. The weather was perfect. Thanks to Alice and Ron for hosting the party and to all the guests for bringing such delicious potluck items to accompany the meat and beverages provided by the Garden Club. Thanks also to the Garden Club's official Grill Chef, Matthew Ramsay, who grilled all the meat to perfection. Our next meeting is on Monday, September 19th at 6:30pm at the Community Hall. Garden Club members will be assembling and decorating birdhouses for their gardens following the announcement of the

Sunflower Contest winners. Members are

encouraged to bring some unique decorations to adorn their birdhouses, but the Garden Club will supply enough for everyone. As usual, I'm sure a wide vari-



ety of quality works of art will be created!

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Join the club, meet new friends, share a few laughs...and go home feeling good.

Evergreen Seniors Group News

Events to Remember:

Sept 7 Meeting/Bingo Sept 14 BBQ/Bingo (6 pm @ Seniors Centre) Sept 21 Bingo Sept 28 Crib We hope you all enjoyed a fabulous summer! Evergreen Seniors Centre is open to all residents of

Evergreen aged 55 or over. Our membership fees are kept low. Join us for coffee any weekday morning. A group of crafters and sewers get together on Tuesday &Thursday afternoons at I and you're welcome to join them as well.



Horse Hill Community League indoor soccer registration dates at Evergreen Community Hall: Tuesday August 30th 6-8 pm Thursday September 1st 6-8pm Thursday September 8th 6-8pm

Call Ann for more info: 780-473-6962

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The Association for Evergreen Youth Bingo Dates: none

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Evergreen News

You Told Us You Wanted...

The Association for Evergreen Youth

September 2011

ALL NEW PROGRAMS:

Kid Zone (3:30—6 Monday to Friday for ages 6—11 yrs) because you said you wanted: help with homework, practical life skills, healthy eating and to learn how your actions impact others (empathy)

Youth Zone (6—8 Wednesdays & Thursdays for ages 12—17) because you said you wanted: help with homework, practical life skills, healthy eating and to learn how your actions impact others (empathy)

Karate (Mondays 6—9 and Saturday mornings for 6—17) because you said you wanted: to become more active and to address the issue of bullying.

EGgz(Evergreen Girl Zone) (6 -9 Tuesdays for girls ages 12—17) because you said you wanted: to

become more active, to learn practical life skills, to learn about bullying, empathy and peer relationships

YEP We Can (Saturdays 3—10 for ages 12—17) because you said you wanted: to learn about leadership, being able to resist peer pressure, how to say no to drugs/alcohol and how your actions impact on others

...and we're responding ...

...now we need a few things from YOU...

- Your commitment to the program(s) you sign up for (which includes staying for the entire program...not leaving part way through) Every program is no more than 2 hours in length. This is NOT a huge time commitment on your part!
- Your active participation in those programs (again, staying and participating beginning to end)
- Your commitment to the association by purchasing your annual membership.
- Your realization that Evergreen Youth Centre is NOT a babysitting service. It is an agency devoted to providing programs designed to address the needs of the children and youth of our community.

- Cool Moves: Healthy living; becoming more active
 Kid Zone: Homework help; empathy; practical life skills; healthy eating;
 G.E.L. (Growth, Empowerment, Leadership): Leadership
 Karate: becoming more active
- Lrn2Sk8 (Learn to Skate)

Children's Programs (ages 6 - 11):

Spring Break: Practical life skills; healthy eating;

Snow Shack: Practical life skills; healthy eating;

- Safe @ Home: being safe while home alone; being more resistant to peer pressure;
- Summer Green Shack: Becoming more active;

Youth Programs (ages 12 - 17):

- Clareview Youth Group: empathy; healthy eating; becoming more active
- YEP We Can (Youth Engagement Program): empathy; healthy eating; becoming more active; how to cope with bullying; homework help; practical life skills; peer relationships;
- Girl Zone: empathy; healthy eating; becoming more active; how to cope with bullying; homework help; practical life skills; peer relationships;;
- Youth Zone: Practical life skills; healthy eating; Homework help; empathy; practical life skills
- Karate: becoming more active
- Cool Moves: Healthy living; becoming more active
- G.E.L. (Growth, Empowerment, Leadership): Leadership

<u>Special Projects:</u>

- Information Day: Resisting peer pressure; drug/alcohol use/abuse; how to say no to drugs; understanding impact of choices on others; belonging/fitting in; parenting
 - Children's Dances: becoming more active;
 - Youth Dances: becoming more active;



Evergreen Youth Centre Program September 2011

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Are cyber-bullies worse for victims than 'real' bullies?



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BULLIES SUCK.

But cyber-bullies suck even more, a researcher reveals at this year's American Psychological Association annual convention.

Elizabeth Carll's research says that victims of cyber-bullying, including harassment and online stalking, are more likely to experience heightened feelings of anxiety, fear, shock and helplessness, as well as changes in their eating and sleeping patterns. Numbers from the U.S. Department of Justice show that some 850,000 adults, most of whom are women, have been the targets of different kinds of online harassment. And cyber-bullying is as pervasive as it is upsetting to its victims. Things such as hacking into your e-mail for stalking purposes and sending harassing text messages count as online bullying. But, according to Dr. Carll, they all have very serious, negative emo-

tional health consequences.

"It is my observation that the symptoms related to cyber-stalking and eharassment may be more intense than in-person harassment, as the impact is more devastating due to the 24/7 nature of online communication, inability to escape to a safe place, and global access of the information," she said.

No safe place is right. Once that smear/threat/humiliating photo is out in the ether of the Internet, it's often there forever. And with public websites such as TheDirty.com, which allows anonymous users to upload pictures of people, name them and then run that name through mud, the embarrassment can be endless. You

might think that something as despicable as a virtual bathroom wall would be booed off the Internet by now, but thanks to the vast population of bullies scribbling new muck on it, and the master-bullies who run it, sites like TheDirty.com are alive and well and as libellous as ever. It's also a lot harder to stop a bully when you don't even know who that person is. But Dr. Carll sees a solution to cyberbullying and it's more technology. "Imagine a cell phone application that can tell you if someone threatening you is nearby," she said, adding that the way this would work is by having reoffending meanies wear a GPS unit.

The logistics for this blue-sky idea aren't entirely clear yet. Would bullies get registered like sex offenders? Would it be paired with some sort of bully rehabilitation? Ultimately, will cyber-bullying come with stiffer legal penalties?

This half-cooked "solution" shows just how hard it must be for the victims of online bullying. Not even this expert can find a solution.

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Hours of Operation Monday - Friday 9:00 A.M - 9:00 P.M Saturdays 9:00 A.M - 6:00 P.M To Book An Appointment Contact Linda @ (780)477-1990 Just a reminder folks: Evergreen Youth Centre does <u>NOT</u> provide a babysitting service. The Youth Centre offers <u>programs</u> to the children and youth of Evergreen between the ages 6 and 17 years. Children and youth can enter and leave the facility at will. Also remember that the playground is NOT a supervised area (unless a group activity is taking place in that area). Youth Centre staff are responsible for the children and youth <u>only</u> while they are actively participating in specific Youth Centre programs. Thank you!

Evergreen Youth Board and Staff

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End date: Wednesday November 30th, 2011

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Thanks, Sheri



Clareview Youth Night Program is supported by Evergreen Youth. (Please note: If there are fewer than 3 Evergreen youth going see Alice for bus tickets. A ride will NOT be provided for less than 3 participants so make sure you have permission to use

<u>ETS.)</u>

Watch for the start up of programs like Darts and Crib to start soon! Check our Facebook page for regular updates



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And the sun goes down on yet another wicked awesome Evergreen summer program! Thanks Doug, Kaitlin, Josh and Cora! Well done!





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Evergreen Community Recipe Corner

Ann's Lemon Square Delights

Ingredients

1 cup Graham Crumbs	6 Tbsp. butter, melted				
1/2 cup sugar, divided	2`pkg. (250 g each) Light Cream Cheese, softened				
3 cups Light Whipped Topping	2 pkg. (4-serving size each) Lemon Pie Pudding				
Instructions:					
Mix graham crumbs, 1/4 cup of the sugar and the butter until well blended. Press firmly onto bottom of 13x9-inch pan to form crust. Set aside.					
Beat cream cheese and add remaining 1/4 cup sugar together, spread half over graham crust.					
Cook lemon pie filling (follow package instructions) and let cool for 5 min, then poor over cream cheese and let set for 10 mins.					
Pour remaining cream cheese into large bowl. Fold in whipped cream with remaining cream					

Pour remaining cream cheese into large bowl. Fold in whipped cream with remaining cream cheese mixture until well blended. Spread over lemon pie filling in pan. Refrigerate 2 hours. Cut into squares to serve. Store leftover dessert in refrigerator.

If you have a special recipe you would like to share please feel free and we will post it onto our new Recipe corner. Just either email to eeca@shaw.ca or drop it off to Ann at the Community office.

Lot Rent up to 700 Dollars a month?

Living in the Evergreen community for several years and enjoying it for the lovely neighbors and friends we have here, I felt the urge of trying to find out why we are paying such a high rent for our lot.

Not only my wife and I keep wondering about it and about the rise every year. Everybody I talked to since the beginning of the year complained about it. So I thought we should voice our concerns and started a petition.

I went from home to home, collecting vour signatures and spending a lot of hours listening to your concerns, complaints and your ideas. I managed to get in touch with 401 households and while 49 homes were afraid to sign and being picked on later, 352 signed the petition stating "give me that!"

That is an outcome of an overwhelming 87,8% of the people I talked to signing.

My numbers I presented to Desiree Ross and Fred Rasmussen of Parkbridge Lifestyle Communities Inc..Desiree is responsible for the Evergreen Community locally while Fred is the regional manager for Parkbridge.

Mrs. Ross, who grew up here in Evergreen, cares about concerns, but as she stated "there is only so much she can do".Mr. Rasmussen pointed out that our meeting was a "privileged platform" and not all the information I was given or all the statements that have been made I can publish and give to those who have signed the petition.

So the following is the information I can give you without fearing legal action against me.

We talked about the improvement Parkbridge has made during the past seven years, like paving the roads and many home parking pads. In 2010 funds were used to provide visitor parking spots and a walking path along the north end of the Community. I was informed that during the current year, this path will be extended along the east side of the Community and through the utility corridor past the playground.

I mentioned that probably only those on skateboards and bicycles will use it and that it was a waste of money. Mr. Rasmussen claimed that it will get lots of use.

Talking about my other concerns in particular the rent, Mr. Rasmussen mentioned that I signed a lease when I moved in and if I don't like it I am free to move out.

That was surely not what I wanted to hear. This petition is not about me, it is about all of us.

A lot of families living in the park have to live on a strict budget and it is hard at times to make ends meet. How can they possibly pay the lot rent? How much higher will it go up?

Nevertheless while walking in the park my wife and I have noticed how many people have improved their houses and lots and how they take pride in their homes. It would be nice to see that Parkbridge cares as much about the people living here.

Parkbridge Lifestyle Communities Inc. is operating over 80 properties in British Columbia, Alberta, Ontario and Quebec and is proud to "provide a lower-cost alternative to conventional home ownership. Our reasonable and considerate community standards ensure that families can live and grow in neighbourhoods that are not only remarkably affordable but sound and secure, as well,"

And while the company is making this statement on it's website, our rent keeps rising every year.

Whether that is going to change now after an investment company (bcIMC) from British Columbia acquired Parkbridge is questionable.

I estimate that with Evergreen alone Parkbridge has made approximately 4 -5 million Dollars in one year. Although I understand that a business is operated to make a profit, it is my believe that a customer should not be gouged.

The two other Edmonton mobile home parks under Parkbridge ownership -Oak Ridge and Maple Ridge - are home to many unhappy renters too. I did manage to talk to Brandy Austin head of the community league civics committee - and will be meeting her to see what their goals are and how they want to proceed. Maybe Evergreen Community can join in with the other parks to improve our situation.

Watch for further updates on this and further meetings and information

I feel that the many people who told me that I was wasting my time with the petition because Parkbridge doesn't care, were right. Let's see how many of us at Everareen Community Mobile Home Park care and will do as I have done and be heard.

If you have a complaint, put it in writing with your house number, telephone number and signature as I was instructed during a meeting with Evergreen Community management and it will be dealt with. You can get in touch with Desiree by sending her an email to desireeross@shaw.ca

Richard Stockard Evergreen MHP Edmonton, AB

