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### December 2015



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### **A Message from Your EECA Board**

Well winter is finally poking its head around the corner and the new year is only one month away, my how time flies. Just a reminder to make sure your heat tape is working to prevent frozen pipes. The community is starting to take on the spirit of Christmas and the light displays are looking amazing.

Tickets for NEW YEARS EVE are now available and the same price as last year at \$25.00 per person. Call AI at 780-756-3746 or Troy at 780-935-9611 to get yours before they are sold out.

The skate shack renovations are being completed! A lot of money and time went into fixing up the bathrooms, roof, electrical, paint, shed and deck. We are very grateful to funding we received from the government to complete this. We are now preparing to get into the season however the weather is the question of when we start!

On a sadder note, the Board of Directors wish luck in the future endeavours of one of our most dedicated, innovative and intuitive members. Natalie Silver-Haywood resigned from her position of Program Director to concentrate on the ever growing demands of her business "It's a Dog's Life" grooming salon along with spending more time with her family. Her wise counsel, commitment to the community, and desire to make this the best community through the programs she has developed, will be greatly missed. Natalie was the driving force behind the development and launching of our very successful Early Learning Program. The Community Association and Board of Directors wish her every success and happiness in the future and offer our most heartfelt Thank You! for your contributions to the community. You will be missed.

As well, we would like to wish the best of luck to our Sports Director, Ryan Haywood, who has also resigned. Thank you Ryan for your contributions.

On behalf of all of the board of the EECA, We would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year!

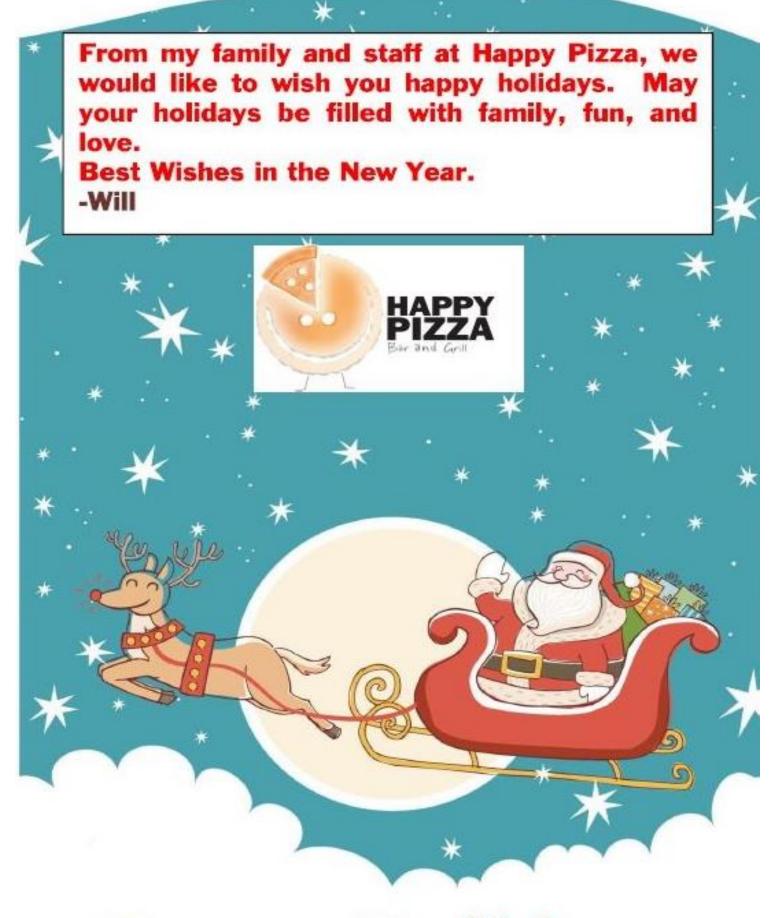
### EECA/Gentlemen of Evergreen Bottle Drive

Thank you to all the residents who contributed bottles and cans to the EECA/Gentlemen of Evergreen bottle drive on November 14th, 2015. Because of you, we collected over 4500 bottles and cans that added up to \$505.95 which was split 50/50 between the Edmonton Evergreen Community Association and the Gentlemen of Evergreen. The Gentlemen of Evergreen is a TAFEY youth centre program for young men ages 12-17.

Thank you to the Gentlemen for going door to door with Troy. Thank you to Don Wheaton Chevrolet Buick GMC Cadillac Ltd and James Paull for donating their trucks for use and to Al and James for driving!

Pictured to the right is our President, Troy Girard, buried in bottles and cans at the Bottle Depot on Sunday November 21, 2015





## Happy Holidays

### **Evergreen Seniors News**

Merry Christmas and a Healthy and Happy New Year.

We will be giving out Christmas Hampers for the Needy not the Greedy. So if you know a family who really needs help at Christmas to make a nice Christmas dinner, Phone Denis at 780-472-9985.

Denis will take names for the hampers from December 1st till 16th only.

Our Christmas dinner at the Seniors Hall will be December 9th at 6 p.m. Bingo will follow so you don't want to miss it. The food is great! There are gifts then bingo. Hope to see you there. Please get your name down or phone Agnes at 780-473-7226 so we know how many people will be there.

Dec 2nd Dec 9th	Seniors Calenda Meeting Bingo follows meeting Christmas Dinner Bingo follows dinner	ar 7 pm 6 pm	The Seniors are taking any items for the food bank. If you have anything to contribute, please drop it off at the Seniors Centre between 10am and noon daily or on Wednesday evenings.
Dec 16th	Bingo	7 pm	Seniors
Dec 23rd	Crib	7 pm	Craft & Quilt
Dec 30th	Bingo	7 pm	<b>Closed till January</b>

### Coffee & Pool every morning 10 a.m. to Noon

### Except for December 25, 26, 27 2015 and January 1, 2016

#### Hello Crafters and Quilters

We would like to thank the crafters and quilters for all their hard work in their creations for our Christmas in November craft and bake sale on November 28th. Also a big thank you to all the baking the seniors have done.

There will be no crafters and quilters meetings in December. Our next meeting will be January 7, 2016.

Hope you all have a Merry Christmas and all the best for the New Year.

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- FREE skating on our community rink (professionally produced and maintained this year at considerable cost).
- Access to EECA programs and activities for the whole family
- Access to sports programs through out the City
- Input on community issues, challenges and opportunities
- Having a strong community league helps promote a safe, healthy neighbourhood, while it increases a sense of community spirit and pride.
- FREE Swimming at Clareview Recreation Centre on Saturdays from 6-8 p.m.

#### Edmonton Evergreen Community Association Membership Fees:

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- \$15 Single Parent & Single Child
- \$20 Family

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### **Garden Club News**

Greetings fellow gardeners! It's official. It's winter. This certainly does not mean we stop thinking about growing things! If you are looking for the perfect chrysanthemum, consider a trip to Hole's greenhouse. Their selection will blow you away.

The winter months are cold and dark but it can sure cheer you up to spend a day in a bright greenhouse. Take your children to Kuhlmann's to see the turtles and fish and bask in the sun and tropical flora (they have a very unique temporary Christmas store too!). Have tea at the Muttart conservatory. Attend a nature show at the John Janzen Nature Centre. A few outings like that, and spring will be returning before you can say rhododendrons. Another way to help pass the winter hours is to join the Garden Club! Call Mary at 780-406-5710 to join us for speakers, crafts, trips and fellowship with gardeners in Evergreen (and a few from the city, too).



Our last meeting was very crafty. Members learned the fine art of decoupage and many garden-related masterpieces were created by the end of the night.

Our next meeting is our Christmas potluck! Bring any dish you'd like as well as a wrapped, anonymous, garden-related gift between \$15-\$20 for an entertaining gift exchange game. Please note that since we are having supper, the meeting will be one hour earlier! So bring your Christmas cheer to the hall on December 21st at 5:30pm.

Merry Christmas to all of you, from all of us.



EECA's Early Learning Program is for children ages 3-5 years (must be potty trained) and is designed to get kids ready for the challenges of school. The program encourages the developmental of social, sensory, and language skills through structured play.

Where: EECA Community Hall
When: Tuesday and Thursday beginning from September 15<sup>th</sup> 2015 – December 18<sup>th</sup> 2015 & January 5<sup>th</sup> 2016- June 16<sup>th</sup> 2016.
Time: 10am -1pm
Who: Instructed by Laura Scott
Price: Per child-\$80/Month

\*\*\*Only 10 spots are available, so register NOW to avoid disappointment.

To register please contact Laura Scott by email: <u>lascott@ualberta.ca</u> or by phone: 780.222.5722.



We would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and all the best in the New Year!!



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Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

We will be closed from Noon on December 24, 2015 till January 5, 2016.



**Evergreen** Youth Express

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### Evergreen Kids Christmas Party

Saturday, December 5th

Noon to 4 p.m.

EECA Hall

EECA or TAFEY members 12 and under welcome. Preregistration by Nov 28 required. Not members? Not a problem, we can hook you up!

MUST attend to receive gift. Unclaimed gifts donated to Santa's Anonymous immediately following the party.

\*If you have not pre-registered, please do NOT attend. It is heartbreaking to have to turn kids away at the door but it seems to happen every year. Please don't make us do that!

- Lunch
- Magic Show/Balloon Animals
- Crafts/Games
- And a Visit from You Know Who!!!

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### Way Cool Cooking School

We are fast approaching the end of round one of the Way Cool Cooking School Program. For the past 8 weeks, the kids have been cooking up a storm, learning to make a complete meal that they want to share with their parents.

December 8th, from 5—7 p.m. parents are invited to join their Jr Chefs for a meal made by your very own children.

Invitations are out. Please don't forget to RSVP so the kids can be sure to prepare enough food for everyone.

### Dojo Arts Evergreen

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### Gentlemen of Evergreen



Starting out the month helping out with the Evergreen Kids' Christmas Party on Dec 5th starting at noon. We'll be manning the drink station and hanging out with some cool kids playing games and doing crafts. After a quick clean up we'll head back to the Youth Centre for some traditional GofEG FUN!

### EG After School

Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday after school fun with Shreya from Boys & Girls Clubs.



Boys & Girls Clubs Big Brothers Big Sisters of Edmonton & Area



Youth Centre email <u>tafey@shaw.ca</u> or call 780.413.8248

### Taking the next big leap



As many of you know, Isaac is co-leader of the Gentlemen of Evergreen program and has been since the fall of 2010. We at Evergreen Youth are extremely proud of his accomplishments and thrilled to have played a miniscule role in his future direction working with youth.

Isaac Tyler is already putting his degree to good use, helping establish an after-school program and native studies course for Edmonton Catholic Schools' Aboriginal learning program.

- See more at: https://uofa.ualberta.ca/news-andevents/newsarticles/2015/november/taking-thenext-big-leap#sthash.etCHKK7i.dpuf

This year, Isaac Tyler had his best jump ever. A member of the UofA's varsity track team, he took 3rd at the CanWest championships—a big accomplishment. Now he's ready to take an even bigger jump into life after graduation and a new job as a curriculum support instructor with Edmonton Catholic Schools' Aboriginal learning services.

Working with youth has been a passion of Isaac's for several years. In 2010, he took a summer job with the City of Edmonton as a skate park host. "The job was basically just to hang out with the kids, play some cards, skateboard, hand out Band-Aids." There he discovered a talent for working with youth, finding it easy to connect with the kids at the park. He wondered whether it would be

possible to do more, telling his boss that he wanted to find a way to continue working with youth in his community. She helped him find funding to launch a program in his neighbourhood, Evergreen, a mobile home community with a small-town feel in Edmonton's northeast.

The community hired Isaac and another youth leader and opened the doors on a new Saturday drop-in program for teens.

Initially a broader youth program, it eventually evolved to support teen boys specifically as one of a number of programs provided by the Association for Evergreen Youth. With the program open every Saturday from 3-10 p.m., the teens know they can come and go as they like or stay for the whole time. Isaac explains, "We're trying to build responsible citizens who contribute back. So we try to teach basic life skills like cooking, even just putting on deodorant—they're teenage boys, it's a big thing! We just try to create a safe place for the kids to come: to come play sports, to come hang out. A lot of kids have made some of their best friends there."

That work with youth in Evergreen led to his new role with Edmonton Catholic Schools. One of his tasks will be to help establish an after-school program for high-school boys. "The boys want to work out, they want to play basketball, so it's almost what I've been doing—making a safe place for kids to come, hang out, stay out of trouble as well. Maybe somewhere safe to talk about what's

going on at home, work on extra homework, get extra help." Along with the after-school program, Isaac will be helping to develop content for a high-school native studies course. He's excited to be able to put his academic knowledge to use: "I get to use all of my knowledge of history and native studies and finally put it towards something really valuable that someone else is going to learn at a younger age."

Native studies wasn't his original plan when he first started university. A transfer student from MacEwan with an interest in history, he was initially drawn to Middle Eastern and African studies. But when he learned about the <u>Faculty of Native</u> <u>Studies</u>, he knew he'd found his path. "I didn't know what it would lead to when I was finished, but I knew it was going to be information I could use for a long time and something I could use to contribute back when I was done."

"People always ask me when I say I'm in native studies, 'Are you native?' That's the first or second question they ask."

His answer is yes and no. He describes his father, who moved here from Oklahoma, as Black, German and Choctaw, but he emphasizes his dad has always just said that he lives in Canada. For Isaac, Native studies isn't about his personal identity. "I didn't come back to school until I was 21. You kind of see what everything is like out there in the world, and then you come into university and you learn, oh, so that's why that's that way. It's kind of

putting all the pieces together." Now that he's graduating, Isaac is hoping to connect his academic knowledge back into the world in the same way that he saw the world reflected in his undergraduate studies. But grad school isn't far from his thoughts.

"If I could, I would do it right now. I like coming here so much. I love learning, and I love school so much. But I think this is a great way to get on the ground. It's groundwork." He wants to build a

real-world understanding of young Indigenous people's experiences and challenges living in Edmonton: "Ideally, I'll learn from there, and then when I come back here, maybe I can apply that to some type of thesis or research initiative." Until then, he's looking forward to having the chance to make

a difference in the lives of high-school students and to keep growing his understanding of concrete issues. "Ideally within a few years, I'll have more of a complete picture of everything. I'm excited for that."



### December 2015 EG Youth Centre Programs

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	big Brothers Big Sisters ton & Area	1 Way Cool Cooking School 4 pm Karate 7:30 pm	2 Make, Mime, Draw it 3:30 pm BOY ZONE 5pm	3 no program	4 Making Ba- nana Pops & Improv Club 3:30 pm	5 Kids Christ- mas Party noon Gentlemen of Evergreen 4 pm
6 Kobudo 1:30 pm Karate 3 pm	7 Shapes Tag 3:30 pm Library Fun 5 pm Pop Up Library 6 pm	8 Way Cool Cooking School 4 pm (Parents @ 5 pm) Karate 7:30 pm	<b>9</b> God's Eye Craft 3:30 pm BOY ZONE 5pm	10 NO PROGRAM	11 Nutri- tional Plate Matching Game & Im- prov Club 3:30 pm	12 Gentlemen of Evergreen 3 pm
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27 Kobudo 1:30 pm Karate 3 pm	28 Snow Shack 10 am	29 Snow Shack 10 am Karate 7:30 pm	30 Snow Shack 10 am	31 Snow Shack 10 am	Please note: With a few exceptions (ie Karate; Way Cool Cooking School), Evergreen Youth pro- grams are of a drop in nature. That means that without exception, your child must have a safe place to go if they choose to, or are asked to, leave the facility. Please make sure our information regarding your child is up to date and accurate. Thank you, and have an exceptional Christmasl The Association for Evergreen Youth	

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### **Hamburger Soup**

#### Ingredients:

- 1 1/2 lb ground beef
- 28oz can tomatos
- 2 cups water
- 3 cans beef consommé
- 1 can tomato soup
- 4 carrots, sliced
- 1 bay leaf
- 3 stalks celery, chopped
- parsley
- 1/2 tsp thyme
- pepper to taste
- 8 tbsp. barley

#### Instructions:

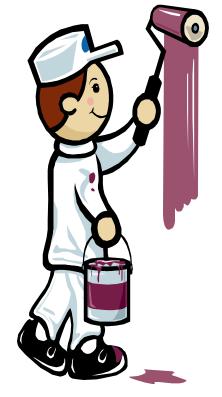


Brown meat and onions, drain well. Combine other ingredients in large pot. Add meat and onions. Simmer covered for two hours or more. Serves 8-10

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Contact memberships@eeca.ca or call 473-6962 to obtain your EECA membership!

Membership required to participate in EECA Programs

# CRIBBAGE

The EECA Drop In Cribbage take place every Thursday at 7pm. This is a drop in event so even if you can't make it every Thursday, we would still like to have you come out and play when you can! The bar will be open for your thirst requirements. Please note that this league is for Adults only!





Call Gloria at 780-756-3746 and leave message.

Deadline for ad's for the January issue of the EECA News is December 20th.

We're on the web! www.eeca.ca



31 Evergreen Park NW Edmonton, AB T5Y 4M2 Phone: 780-473-6962 Fax: 780-472-1506 Email: info@eeca.ca Website: www.eeca.ca

### WE NEED YOU!!!

Bingo and Casino events provide the funds to allow Evergreen Community Association non-profits to continue offering programs and events to the residents of Evergreen Community. If you attend programs or events put on by the Community league, EECA needs you!! Contact Troy: president@eeca.ca or 780-935-9611 to help.

### Next EECA Bingo Day

#### Sunday December 6, 2015 - AFT - Kensington Tuesday December 8, 2015 - AFT/EVE - Fort Road Saturday December 26, 2015 - AFT - Kensington

If your children participate in programs or events at the Youth Centre, Al needs YOU!! Call 780-413-8248 to volunteer to help.

Consider volunteering to help with this or in any other capacity. No contribution is to small or goes unnoticed!!!





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http://www.facebook.com/EvergreenCommunity

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		<b>1</b> Early Learning Program 10am	<b>2</b> Darts 7:30pm Seniors Meeting and Bingo 7pm	<b>3</b> Early Learning Program 10am EECA Crib 7 pm	4	<b>5</b> Member Free Swim Clareview Rec Ctr. 6-8	
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	t	o meet other	Seniors in the	Community!			