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COMMUNITY LEAGUE NEWS



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## NORTH GLENORA COMMUNITY LEAGUE

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Together we will foster a community that understands our past, creates a sense of belonging, and strengthens supportive relationships with each other and the land.

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**“WINTER IS THE TIME FOR COMFORT,  
FOR GOOD FOOD AND WARMTH, FOR  
THE TOUCH OF A FRIENDLY HAND  
AND FOR A TALK BESIDE THE FIRE:  
IT IS THE TIME FOR HOME.”** *EDITH SITWELL*

As the last leaves fall and the grey skies threaten snow, I'm not steeling myself for months of dark mornings and frigid nights. For me, when winter creeps in it brings with it more thoughts of warmth than of cold.

Instead of blizzards, I am thinking of months of cozy sweaters and afternoons spent cuddled up reading or playing board games. I'm excited to catch up with friends at the toboggan hill and rink, and enjoy the magic of twinkling lights as we tour the neighbourhood at night. I know I'll be spending many late evenings knitting hats and sweaters that I probably should have started in October ... And, I'm already sweating imagining 25 guests squished into our tiny living room, eating borscht, cabbage rolls, perogies, and so many other delicious treats! There are so many warm memories waiting for me in the wintertime.

I hope your heart and home are similarly full of love and laughter this winter. And as you prepare for a season full of celebrations, if you find you've got warmth to share I encourage you to spread that love around to some of Edmonton's less fortunate folks.

Give your gently used winter coats to the **United Way** for their **Coats for Kids & Families campaign**, underway now until February. The drop-off location closest to North Glenora is **Sentinel Storage** at 14350 111 Ave NW <https://www.myunitedway.ca/coats-drop-off-locations/>

**Support youth in crisis with donations of clothes and personal items.** Donations to **YESS** (Youth Empowerment and Support Services) can be dropped off at the **Bissell Thrift Shop**, 8818 118 Avenue. Identify that the donation is for YESS and the **Bissell Centre** will provide YESS with these essential items, and surplus items will benefit the Bissell Centre clientele too. <https://yess.org/donate/>

Turn your donation of gently used items into giftcards for **WIN House** residents through their partnership with **Goodwill**. Drop off your items at any **Goodwill** in Edmonton, and say that they are for **WIN House**. Goodwill tracks these donations, and provides WIN House with giftcards their residents can use to independently shop for the items they need. <https://www.winhouse.org/goodwill>



Many local organizations are collecting urgently needed winter clothing to distribute to folks experiencing homelessness and poverty. **Especially needed** are new socks and new or gently used winter boots, mittens, and toques.

**Hope Mission** accepts donations at Hope Mission Warehouse & Second Chance Thrift Shop (Edmonton) 7011 Girard Road NW, Edmonton and Hope Mission Centre, 9908 106 ave NW  
<https://hopemission.com/ways-to-give/clothing-donations/>

**The Pride Center of Edmonton**, 10618 105 Ave, accepts donations during their drop-in hours.  
<https://pridecentreofedmonton.ca/contact-us/>

**The Mustard Seed** accepts donations at their Community Support Centre, 10568 114 Street at the rear of the building <https://theseed.ca/urgently-needed>

*Wishing you all the comforts of the season*

**Haley Mikula**

[president@northglenora.org](mailto:president@northglenora.org)

## INTERESTED IN CHATTING ABOUT COFFEE, OVER COFFEE?

Saturday,  
November 16,  
11am at the  
North Glenora  
Community Hall!



Do you like locally roasted **coffee** and **tea**? Great! Me too! Maybe you are not sure and you'd like to taste something different and amazing!

Do you think our community should have a cafe in the new apartment building at 135 St and 109 Ave? Do you like to explore on bike or foot? Try new outdoor activities?

**Let's meet and chat!** I'll have a few local brands of coffee to try for those who are interested! I encourage eco friendly options so bring your own cups to the meet up.

**Vicky**, your North Glenora neighbour.  
**Questions?** Send me a text to: **780.668.1615**.



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# NORTH GLENORA BITS & BOBS



## THE NORTH GLENORA DRAGON'S POND HOCKEY TEAM IS BACK FOR ITS 9<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL SEASON!

### Details

The season will start January 2025 and will run through to March 2025 (specific dates to be determined by ice and weather), Sunday afternoons and Thursday evenings at the North Glenora Community outdoor ice rink. Hockey equipment (as available) and hot chocolate are included in the registration fees.

We have room for approximately 35 children ages 5-12 and gear for 25 children. Pre-registration forms will be distributed in the community shortly.

### Equipment

The Dragon's have their own jerseys, hockey equipment and bags that are given to each child for the season (as available).

Every child will need to bring their own skates, helmet and stick, however, the North Glenora community has some stock available for borrowing and Kidsport also offers support for families who need it (i.e. paid registration fees). Go to [Kidsporthap.ca](http://Kidsporthap.ca) for more information on how to apply for funding.

### Questions?

Contact [ngcl.hockey@gmail.com](mailto:ngcl.hockey@gmail.com)



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# NORTH GLENORA BITS & BOBS

## WE ARE HIRING A RINK MANAGER!



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### Hours

10 hours per month, November to February (hours will be flexed depending on weather conditions and your availability).

### Rate

\$20/hour

### Job Duties

Overseeing volunteer rink flooding team, managing & communicating volunteer schedule, overseeing maintenance of rink equipment, filling in for rink-flooding shifts when necessary, reporting to community league board.

Open to anyone over the age of 16. Preference will be given to North Glenora residents.

To apply or for further information, contact **Melissa** at [member@northglenora.org](mailto:member@northglenora.org)

<https://northglenora.org/2024/10/we-are-hiring-a-rink-manager>

## COMMUNITY PAINT NIGHT

Wednesday, November 20, 7-9 PM

Come out to the North Glenora Community Hall for an evening of artistic creation and connection.

Local artist, **Joey Burdziuk** will help you paint a beautiful winter scene to take home. Registration is \$40/person and includes all materials, refreshments, and a 2 hour guided class.



Minimum age to attend is 13 years old. Maximum 30 participants.

To register, contact **Melissa** at [member@northglenora.org](mailto:member@northglenora.org) or 780.982.8889.

## RINK SHACK MURAL



A HUGE thank you to **Michelle Schurek** for sharing her time and artistic gifts with our community by continuing to keep our rink shack beautiful. The new mural on the south wall is truly a ray of sunshine!



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# NORTH GLENORA BITS & BOBS

## NORTH GLENORA BOARD MEMBERS

### Our 2024 NGCL Board Members

L to R: Karen Edwards (Grants), Ivy Koenig (P&T), Kasia Davidson (VP), Haley Mikula (President), Chet Domanski (Secretary), Heather Markham (communications), Lionel Pereira (safety), Alex Mather (sustainability), Melissa Campbell (membership), David Campbell (Treasurer). Missing are Katherine Woodford (fundraising) and Chris Hyde (past president)



## HARVEST FAIR UPDATE

Thank you to everyone who came out to our Harvest Fair. It was a wonderful celebration of all of the gifts we have in our amazing community. We also handed out over 90 volunteer thank you cards at the event! That is an amazing number of volunteers in our community. Thank you! We couldn't do what we do without you. Check out our new rain garden illustration [Thank You Cards](#) by [Heather Markham](#).



## QUOTE FROM HEATHER FAIRBURN

*"We are all longing to go home to some place we have never been – a place half-remembered and half-envisioned we can only catch glimpses of from time to time. Community.*

*Somewhere, there are people to whom we can speak with passion without having the words catch in our throats. Somewhere a circle of hands will open to receive us, eyes will light up as we enter, voices will celebrate with us whenever we come into our own power. Community means strength that joins our strength to do the work that needs to be done. Arms to hold us when we falter. A circle of friends.*

*Someplace where we can be free."*

**Starhawk**



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# THE VILLAGE GREEN



## A GREENER HOLIDAY SEASON



The Holiday Season is drawing near and while this is an exciting, warm, family-filled time of the year, it's also when we send the most waste to the landfill.

Albertans generate more garbage per capita than anywhere else in Canada at 1,034 kg per person per year with the national average coming in at 710 kg per person per year. After Christmas, the Edmonton Waste Management Centre receives twice the amount of garbage as it does in other months.

**Christmas Trees** Live trees are the more sustainable choice. Although a fake tree should technically last year after year, research shows that they are discarded as they become less attractive after repeated use, often ending up in the landfill. Artificial trees use up resources during manufacture and transport and are made from the petroleum product, PVC. If you have an artificial tree, taking good care of it is the key. Storing it carefully after each Christmas will allow you to get many years of use.

Live trees are generally locally grown and sold, contribute to air quality while they're growing, and are recycled into mulch after the holiday season. Edmonton will pick up live trees for recycling in early January. It's really important to make sure all decorations and garland are removed before placing your unbagged tree next to your regular garbage for pick up. Also note that large trees should be cut into 2 m lengths.

**Decorations** Choose quality decorations that will be able to be used year after year. Strings of lights and other electronic items should be brought to your local eco station to be discarded.

**Gifts** This is an area I really struggle with when trying to create a more sustainable Christmas. When I was little, Christmas was so special. While I absolutely loved spending time with family and the warm feelings that came along with this beautiful season, the presents were really important to me too! I try to reduce the number of gifts I buy my kids and will look for gently used items before buying new. In our family we also go through our toys in November, and send the ones that are still in good shape to the Salvation Army and other charities.

**Gift Wrap** 540,000 tonnes of gift wrap, gift bags and tape are discarded in Canada each year after Christmas. Foil wrap, tape and ribbon are not recyclable, so try to use non-foil paper and minimal amounts of tape and ribbon. This will make the paper easy to reuse or recycle. Better yet, use fabric bags, a scarf, or some other creative way to wrap your gifts this year. You can even get a roll of brown postal packaging paper and some holiday rubber stamps and let your kids make gift wrap as a fun activity.

For more information on reducing waste this holiday season, visit: [https://www.edmonton.ca/programs\\_services/garbage\\_waste/reduce-holiday-waste](https://www.edmonton.ca/programs_services/garbage_waste/reduce-holiday-waste).

*Wishing you all the very best of the holiday season and a sustainable new year!*

**NGCL Sustainability**  
[sustainability@northglenora.org](mailto:sustainability@northglenora.org)

A portrait of Sarah Hoffman, a woman with glasses and a dark top, smiling. The background is a gradient of orange and yellow. Text overlay includes her name, title, and contact information.

**Sarah Hoffman**  
MLA FOR EDMONTON-GLENORA

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# MEMBERSHIP DRIVE UPDATE

Thank you to our amazing volunteers who helped with our membership drive, allowing us to connect with our neighbours, and discover how we can make our community even better.

Memberships continue to be free because we believe no one should have to pay to be a part of our inclusive community. Thank you to everyone who chose to make a donation to the community league, either at their door or by e-transfer. Donations allow us to continue to have programs and events for everyone in our neighbourhood and maintain our hall and rink.

North Glenora Community League members can enjoy a **FREE swim every Sunday 1- 3 pm** at Commonwealth Recreation Centre (11000 Stadium Road).

## Donate

You can donate via e-transfer: [member@northglenora.org](mailto:member@northglenora.org) or contact **Melissa** to make a donation by cash or cheque ([member@northglenora.org](mailto:member@northglenora.org) or 780.982-8889).



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# NORTH GLENORA COMMUNITY LEAGUE MEMBERSHIP



## NGCL MEMBERSHIPS

### *Missed your canvasser and want a free community league membership?*

Please contact the *NGCL Membership Chair*,  
at [member@northglenora.org](mailto:member@northglenora.org)

### *Member Benefits*

- Networking with neighbours
- Online access to community news
- Free skating on outdoor, and some indoor rinks
- Admission discounts at any City of Edmonton sports and fitness facilities
- Ticket discounts to some professional sports games
- Option of playing sports on community league teams
- A voice and a vote on community issues, programs and services
- Borrow free tools from the Edmonton Tool Library
- Access to community social events
- Reduced rental rates for the community league hall
- The opportunity to help strengthen your community

### *Additional Benefits*

North Glenora Community League (NGCL) is a member of the Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues (EFCL). Along with numerous programs your community league membership gains the larger benefits of perks, deals, and discounts from various local businesses and organizations that partner with the EFCL. Memberships are also available through the EFCL website. Visit [www.efcl.org](http://www.efcl.org) for details.

Send greetings to community members to welcome new neighbours, celebrate births, milestone birthdays, or condolences. Contact **Melissa Campbell** at [member@northglenora.org](mailto:member@northglenora.org)

### *Pay it Forward with Donations*

Donations can be made by dropping a cheque in the community hall mailbox 13535 109A Avenue or by Etransfer to [member@northglenora.org](mailto:member@northglenora.org)

## Questions?

Please contact **Melissa** at [member@northglenora.org](mailto:member@northglenora.org).