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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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AS THE GLOW OF FALL LEAVES FADES AND WE ENTER INTO THE WINTER SEASON AND THE END OF THE YEAR, I START TO SEEK WHAT FEELS COSY AND WARM – APPLE CIDER, HOME-MADE SOUP AND CUDDLING UNDER A BLANKET WITH MY CAT.

I want to extend a warm thank you to the nearly 20 **youth volunteers** who showed up at **Community Day** to lend a hand. You all did an amazing job to shape the success of the day. Thanks for being community leaders in North Glenora!

The Community League is working with **Stanley Construction** on the design plans for the community hall retrofit. We will be asking volunteers to provide input on early designs, especially related to accessibility features of the hall and we will also create opportunities to share the design plan with community members to collect input before finalizing the plan. Construction work is targeted to begin in late spring 2026.

We are also, unfortunately, dealing with a sink hole that appeared mid-September in the parking lot. Thanks to **Alex Mather**, our resident engineer and Sustainability Director, for bringing his expertise to work through the process with the City to get the root cause of this issue fixed. In addition to being our lead project manager working on the **Hall Retrofit**, he has stepped up in a big way to navigate the complicated processes of quotes, assessments and city processes.

This year we are seeing increased use of our hall through programming and private rentals. Rentals stopped during the pandemic but are gaining momentum again. Thanks to our intrepid facilities team – **Margaret** our volunteer Facilities Director, **Jo** our amazing Building Maintenance Manager, **Kurena** our wonderful Office Manager, and **Aida** for her diligent custodian work. We love that the hall supports so many events and programs and it does mean that we work tirelessly with our renters to help us keep the hall in good condition.

Enjoy your entry into winter and have a wonderful holiday season to close out 2025!

Cheryl Whitelaw President, North Glenora Community League
president@northglenora.org

NORTH GLENORA BITS & BOBS



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



The community league is looking for volunteers for these board positions:

Communications Director: Primary role to provide oversight to a fantastic volunteer team who maintain the website, social media, e-mail communications and bulletin board to the community and to coordinate and edit content for the bi-monthly NGCL News. Training support available from our prior Communications Director. Estimating 2-3 hours/week; 5-6 hours to publish the newsletter every 2 months.

Grants Director: Primary role to coordinate and assist with the writing of grant applications in collaboration with other NGCL board members. Estimating 5-7 hours/month.

Activities Director: Primary role to collaborate with community partners, Board and community members to provide and encourage participation in leisure, recreation, organized sports and/or education activities that meet current membership interests and needs. Estimating 5-7 hours/month.

The NGCL Board has a track record of providing training, accommodations and support to volunteers on the board and in ongoing volunteer roles. We can work with you to create a volunteer experience that is meaningful and enjoyable.

Interested?

Please contact **Cheryl** at president@northglenora.org

DRAGON'S POND HOCKEY TEAM

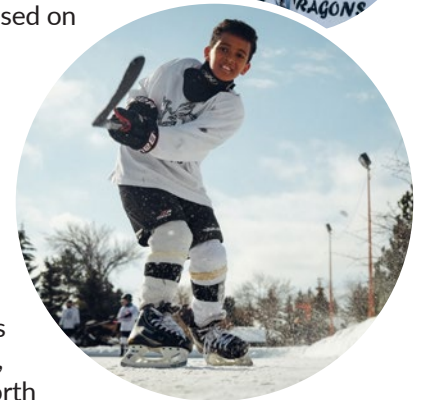
It's that time of year again when we are getting ready for the next season of amazing Dragons Hockey! Pond hockey is a fun, non-competitive way to get your kids outside in the winter and get them moving. Hockey experience is not required – kids will be divided into groups based on their skill level.

The North Glenora Dragons Pond Hockey team is open to children ages 5-12.

We have room for 35 kids, and can provide hockey equipment for about 25 kids. Every child needs to have their own skates, helmet and stick. The North Glenora Community League has some skates (limited sizes) and helmets that can be borrowed.

The Dragons will have one weekday evening practice and one weekend afternoon practice at the North Glenora Community League rink. The official season will start the second week of January 2026, but we plan to have a few pre-season skates in December, weather and ice permitting!

We are also still looking for two on-ice volunteer coaches to support the team this year. Please contact ngcl.hockey@gmail.com if you are interested! We look forward to having you join our amazing team of Dragons volunteers!



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BE SOMEONE'S SNOW ANGEL

Winter is coming and we are once again looking for folks to participate in our Snow Angel program.



Snow Angels are volunteers who shovel sidewalks for folks who are unable to clear snow in front of their homes. Volunteers are matched with another North Glenora resident, and are responsible for keeping their sidewalks clear throughout the winter months. Volunteers need to clear snow within 24 hours of any snowfall of 1cm or more, usually from late November through to the beginning of Spring (February/March, depending on weather).

This volunteer role is suitable for an adult or responsible teenager who is dependable, able to work independently, and physically able to shovel snow. The time commitment for this position depends on the weather and the travel time between your home and the resident you are matched with. We make every effort to match you with someone on your block or nearby!

Volunteers should live within walking distance of North Glenora and/or have access to reliable transportation, have appropriate clothing and footwear to work outdoors in cold weather, and must remain in Edmonton and be available to shovel snow throughout the entire winter season. Shovels are provided and all volunteers in good standing receive an honorarium at the end of the season.

If you are interested in this volunteer opportunity please contact **Haley Mikula** at pastpresident@northglenora.org or 780.977.8717 (please leave a message).

QUOTE OF THE DAY

Submitted by Heather Fairburn

"Things in the big world continue to dumbfound and infuriate. Our individual lives contain joy, worry, grief. This is when community is so important. Cherish yours, strengthen it, nourish it and nurture each other."

H. Byron Ballard

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NORTH GLENORA STUDENT REGISTRY



Don't forget to check out the students in our neighbourhood who are available for everything from babysitting and dog walking to piano lessons. Keep an eye on this page as it gets updated regularly.
<https://northglenora.org/student-registry/>

NEED HELP WITH CLEARING SNOW THIS WINTER?

If age, illness, or mobility issues are making snow removal a challenge for you, we can help!

Contact **Haley Mikula** at pastpresident@northglenora.org or 780.977.8717 (please leave a message) to be matched with a Snow Angel volunteer who can support you with shovelling your sidewalks this winter.



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- ✓ Clear the snow from driveway & walks
- ✓ Use a programmable timer for LED lights to go on in the evening
- ✓ Set up large floor mats at the entrance
- ✓ Keep the heat up - use a programable Thermostat if you can
- ✓ Watch humidity levels on the windows
*keep clean and clear of moisture build up



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LOVE TO SKATE?



Let's Keep Our Rink Up and Running This Winter!

Be a part of creating and maintaining one of North Glenora's greatest assets! We are looking for a part-time rink manager to get our rink up and running for the winter and manage maintenance through to spring.

We are Hiring a Part-time Rink Manager

Duties: Reporting to community league board, the rink manager trains & oversees volunteer rink maintenance team, oversees rink construction, monitors ice progress & assists with repairs & maintenance of ice, facilitates maintenance of rink equipment, fills in for rink-flooding shifts when necessary.

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

Rate: \$20/hour

Open to anyone over the age of 16. Preference will be given to North Glenora residents. Experience is preferable, but not necessary; all training will be provided.

If you have questions or would like to apply, please contact **Cara**, secretary@northglenora.org by November 15, 2025.

Join our Rink Volunteer Team

We're looking forward to another season of skating on our community rink. Once the snow flies, check our social media and the readerboard sign outside the hall for details about a **Rink Opening Event!** We will have hot chocolate and treats and there will be skates available to be signed out and borrowed for the entire season.

We are looking for volunteers for our rink team!

Be part of making an important asset to our community shine! Most volunteers report that this is a very relaxing and peaceful job, with no maintenance needed when the temperature is below -17°C.

Time commitment: 2-4 hours on one day every two weeks throughout the winter, for total of 10-15 hours between November and March.

Duties: Assist with rink construction (a few hours one day in early November), clear snow from rink and sidewalks using snowblower and/or sweeper, flood rink.

No experience necessary! All training provided. For questions and to indicate interest, please contact secretary@northglenora.org.



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MORE THAN JUST BOOKS!



As a new retiree, I realized fairly quickly that I couldn't sustain my love of reading if I didn't join the library.

We are very fortunate to have a library right on our doorstep at the Edmonton Public Library (EPL), Woodcroft Branch, 13420 114 Avenue, on the northside of Westmount Mall. Considering that EPL has only 21 locations throughout Edmonton we are very fortunate indeed.

I was surprised to discover that during COVID, EPL has expanded its services in many ways:

- **Free** Library card and no late fees
- **New, easy to navigate website** to reserve books and manage pickups at the branch
- **Free e-reading app** lets you order e-books and audio books to read or listen to on your favourite device
- **Free printing, faxing and computer access** at the branch
- **Homework help:** EPL offers online tutoring classes for K-12 students, plus many online resources to help students
- **Home service:** EPL provides home service for seniors
- **Literacy vans** bring the library to you, creating pop-up library spaces right in our neighbourhood.

Discover library offerings yourself by visiting the **Woodcroft Branch** or check out the EPL website at www.epl.ca

Heather Markham (Former Communications Director)

PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION UPDATE



Scavenger Hunt Winners

Congratulations to the scavenger hunt winners and thank you to our generous sponsors:

- Groat Road Auto Service (Movie Passes)
- Delta Art & Drafting Supplies (Art Supplies)
- The Grocery People 142 Street (Gift Certificates)
- West Edmonton Hyundai (Service Package)
- Chris Monson (Star Wars Lego Set)
- Margaret Burton (Giant Teddy Bear)

Lane Lighting

If your alley does not have lane lighting, an alley lighting local improvement can be requested by property owners. Contact the city's Local Improvement office at 780.944.7663 or localimprovement@edmonton.ca. Signatures are required from the majority of property owners adjacent to the alley to show there is support to have the work completed and share the construction, maintenance and energy costs.



Lane Speed Signs

If you are having problems with cars speeding in your alley the city will supply a laminated sign that can be posted on a telephone pole in your back lane. Call 311 (Transportation Department) to submit a request for a lane speed sign.

New Infill Development Permits

4 up and 4 basement units:

13828 - 110A Avenue

10962 - 141 Street

Demo permit issued for:

13511 - 110A Avenue (July 8, 2025)

13567 - 107 A Avenue (July 28, 2025)

11003 - 135 Street (August 7, 2025)

Before demolition, builders are required to fence off the property and install fences to protect the boulevard trees. Keep in mind that there may be traffic detours or access limitations as new builds take place around the neighborhood.

If you have questions or concerns about North Glenora development, transportation, or city works contact:

Plan@Northglenora.org

We may be able to help with the following:

- AISH
- Alberta Works
- WCB
- Service Alberta
- Housing
- Accessing health care
- Congratulatory Scrolls for Birthdays or Anniversaries
- Notary or Commissioner of Oath

Sarah Hoffman

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TIPS TO HELP KEEP YOUR HOLIDAYS SAFE



COOKING SAFETY

- Always stay in the kitchen when cooking. Turn your stove off if you have to leave the kitchen, even for a second.
- A large number of fires start in the kitchen from cooking with oil. Be careful when deep-frying foods. The safest way is to use a temperature controlled skillet or deep-fat fryer appliance.
- Never try to extinguish a cooking oil fire with water. Keep a lid close by that can be used to smother a fire if one starts.

CHRISTMAS TREES

For many, the Christmas tree is an important part of the Christmas season. There are many different types of trees including fresh and artificial trees.

Fresh tree tips

- Start by choosing a tree with a strong green colour and noticeable fragrance with fresh green needles that do not fall off when touched, or when the base of the tree is tapped on the ground.
- Cut three to five centimetres from the base of the trunk and make sure it is immersed in at least two to three litres of water. Check the water level daily to ensure the tree is always immersed in water. A dried-out tree becomes a fire hazard and ignites quickly.

Artificial tree tips

If you have an artificial tree, be sure it is labeled, certified or identified as fire-retardant.

Whether you have a fresh or artificial tree, make sure you keep your tree a safe distance from any heat sources like a fireplace, radiator, candle, heat vent or lights. Make sure the tree is not blocking an exit.

LIGHT SAFETY

- Use Christmas tree lights that have the label of an independent testing laboratory and make sure that they are used correctly for indoor or outdoor use.
- Discard any strings of lights with worn or broken cords or loose bulb connections. Check for kinks, damage to the wire and loose connections – when plugging in a cord, make sure it fits snug inside the outlet.
- Make sure to use CSA approved power bars and do not overload power bars.
- LED light strings are energy-efficient, produce very little heat and reduce the risk of fire.
- Always turn off tree lights before leaving home or going to bed.
- Never leave a lit candle unattended. Only use safe holders for candles and keep lit candles safely away from children and pets. Blow out all candles before leaving the room or going to bed. Burning candles need to be at least 1 ft away from anything that can burn.

FIREPLACE SAFETY

- Use only clean, dry seasoned wood in your fireplace.
- Never burn gift wrapping, boxes, cartons or other types of packaging in the fireplace. They burn too rapidly and generate too much heat.
- Don't hang Christmas stockings from the mantel when the fireplace is in use.
- Always use a screen in front of the fireplace to protect against flying sparks.
- Don't use Christmas trees for firewood.

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A TRIBUTE TO VOLUNTEERS WHO MADE A DIFFERENCE

North Glenora Community League would like to honor the lives of some incredible neighbors and community volunteers who have died over the past year.

David Beckman was a past League President whose experience and skill as a senior civil servant steered us through a number of sensitive issues, including the threatened closure of Coronation Elementary School. He died in January of Alzheimer's disease after spending many years in care.



Longtime North Glenorian **Marjorie (Marge) Lilley** died in July at the age of 102. She and her husband, John, moved into the community as it was being built. Coming home from the hospital, Marge had to



carry her newborn in her arms as she walked from 111 Avenue along 135 Street to her home because there were no roads, only mud! Secretary to the NGCL Board for many years, Marge was adamant that our newsletter be delivered to every household rather than only to

members, reasoning that newcomers wouldn't know about the League or care to join it if they didn't know what it was doing. She developed the role of League Historian because she believed that our initiatives and accomplishments deserved to be recorded. Marge was also an accomplished pianist, often playing at hall events, and a dedicated gardener who developed the butterfly garden in the hall parking lot. She was an astute judge of character and was always looking for ways to engage North Glenorans who she believed could benefit from the League and be of benefit to it. Many were touched by her kindness and self-effacing manner.



At the end of July, **Harvey Humbke** died at the age of 79, having spent most of his married life in North Glenora. His volunteer activities both in the League and in Scouts were important to him. For several years he served as Membership Chair and he was also a familiar figure during the Scout bottle drives in the neighbourhood. He often picked up the slack on many repairs required at the hall, always available to change a light or screw down a loose board as well as set up or take down chairs and tables for hall events. He had the hallmarks of a wonderful volunteer: cheerful, reliable and always ready to pitch in.

We also acknowledge with gratitude **Ken Donnelly** who died in August. He was an active participant in the 45 Plus/Neighbourhood Club, graduating to supervising duties when constrained by his health.

Natalia Krawetz (Director at large)

LOOKING FOR NORTH GLENORA INFORMATION?

We've added a new [Quick Links navigation](#) to our website to make it easier for you to quickly find what you are looking for.

Check out the [Quick Links](#) on our website: <https://northglenora.org/quick-links/>

The links provided are based on our most common questions and we will be adding more in the future, however, if there is a North Glenora link you would like to see on our website, please send an email to communications@northglenora.org for consideration.

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

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 for details.

Send greetings to community members to welcome new neighbours, celebrate births, milestone birthdays, or condolences. Contact 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

Questions?

Please contact member@northglenora.org.