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## Message From our CL President

Good day, Rio Terrace Community Members.

There has been a great deal of neighbourhood engagement over the infill discussion. We have many people in our community who have very strong beliefs on both sides of this issue. Some people are very much opposed while others are very much in support of property subdivision for the purposes of infill. What we do know for certain is that we have very passionate people in our community - people that care about a vision of what makes our community strong, vibrant and the great place it is to live.

There have been three large meetings about infill – one lead by a small group from the Rio Terrace neighbourhood, one run by the community league and one information session hosted by Councillor Oshry. After these three gatherings the Community League Board has passed a motion in respect to subdivision and infill. The motion reads as follows:

“...the Rio Terrace Community League Board remain neutral on the issue of subdivision of property in the Rio Terrace community because our priority is community, harmony, and spirit.”

We strive to strengthen the bonds of friendship, foster a sense of pride in our community by maintaining vibrant programs in a place where we promote happiness and inclusiveness for our entire community.

If you would like to engage with your community, we encourage you to join us as we continue to offer programs that make a difference for you and your neighbours.

See you around the Community!

Lance Burns  
President, Rio Terrace Community League



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**Guinness World Record Attempt for the World's Longest Ball Hockey Game**  
**MAY 19 – 23** Rio Terrace Community Hall

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**MAY 21 9 pm** Rio Terrace Soccer Field

**Rio Terrace Preschool Movie Night**  
**JUNE 10 6 – 9 pm** Rio Terrace Preschool

**Spray Park Fundraiser Bottle Drive**  
**JUNE 18 11 am – 3:30 pm**

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# COMMUNITY SOCCER MATTERS

## Rio Terrace Soccer News

### 2016 outdoor soccer season underway

The weather has cooperated and the Rio Terrace 2016 Outdoor Community Soccer Program is fully underway. Once again the Rio Terrace Soccer Program is one of the larger community programs in the northwest quadrant of Edmonton. Rio Terrace is hosting 15 youth soccer teams that play in the EMSA / EMSAWEST community soccer program in the U8 through U18 age groups. This means that we have over 260 children registered and playing on these Rio Terrace teams. The Rio Terrace Soccer Program continues to be a vibrant and strong community program. Every Rio Terrace team is now full to capacity and we are unable to accept any more registrants.

May and June will be busy months for these soccer players (and parents) as they play games twice a week and generally practice once a week. There are 5 U8 teams and 3 U10 teams who have the school fields at either of Patricia Heights or Rio Terrace as their home fields, so there will be lots of soccer being played in our community. Weather permitting, every weeknight Monday through Thursday there will be games starting at 6:15 PM on these fields. Come on out and enjoy some of the action and see why soccer is such a popular activity for the community youth.

Many of the Rio Terrace teams will also be playing in the EMSAWEST Slurpee Cup soccer tournament June 3 - 5. Good luck to all of our teams and enjoy a weekend full of great soccer, great times and hopefully great weather!

### Rio Terrace U6 FunSoccer - WOW 2.0 !!!

The Rio Terrace U6 FunSoccer Program for 2016 has again reached the amazing numbers that we had last year - 8 teams and nearly 80 players are participating in the Program. This is an in-house program - meaning that we run this ourselves and all of the activity takes place Mondays and Wednesdays starting at 6:15 PM on or near the large soccer field north of the Rio Terrace School.

**Special thanks to Jeff Chow for once again taking on the role of U6 Soccer Coordinator for the season.** Jeff is very focussed on making sure that all players learn lots and

have an absolutely great experience. I have no doubt that this will be the case

**We as a community are very fortunate that we have so many dedicated parents willing to act as soccer coaches and team managers - these parents give their time, effort and expertise to make community soccer a fun and rewarding experience for our youth. The whole community thanks you for all that you do with the youth of our community.**

A special welcome goes out to the 18 new to Canada children and their families that now reside in Rio Terrace and are participating in the Rio Terrace Soccer Program this season. This is a great opportunity for our youth and their parents to help welcome the new residents and assist in their transition to life in Canada.

### 2016-2017 Indoor Soccer Registration

Soccer registration for the 2016-2017 Indoor Soccer season will be conducted through an on-line registration process (as it was last year). Registration dates and fees will be confirmed at a later date. Check the [rioterrace.ca](http://rioterrace.ca) website in June for the registration info.

### Soccer Volunteer Opportunities Available

#### Community Soccer Coordinator (my position)

Honestly - it is time that I hand over the torch and get someone trained and ready to take over as the Community Soccer Coordinator. This is a great way to meet and get to know all of our community soccer players and their parents.

#### Community Soccer Committee

Working under the direction of the Soccer Coordinator, a committee of 5 or more people would be a huge help in activities such as registration, picture organizing, fee collection, soccer equipment distribution, recovery & replenishment, and more.

If interested in learning more about the Coordinator position or how you could assist in some capacity with the Rio Terrace Soccer Program, please contact Perry Wynn at [director@rioterracesoccer.ca](mailto:director@rioterracesoccer.ca)



# COMMUNITY PRESCHOOL MATTERS



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## COMMUNITY PRESCHOOL MATTERS

# MOVIE NIGHT

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## "THE GOOD DINOSAUR"

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**RioTerrace** community **Preschool**

### Rio Terrace Community Preschool

What a year it has been... We can all hardly believe that the 2015/2016 school year is drawing to a close already. The teachers, community supporters and parents could not be more proud of the kiddos that will be finishing up their year at Rio Terrace Community Preschool at the end of June. But before the year comes to a close, we still have so much fun filled days to spend together.

At the beginning of May, the 4 year old class got to take a field trip to Safety City to participate in the Pedestrian Traffic Safety program. Role playing was used to teach kids important safety rules while they were "walkers" and "drivers" on the streets of Kiwanis Safety City, using battery powered scooters. The Kiwanis Safety City features a miniaturized traffic and pedestrian site. Life-size operational traffic lights, railroad and pedestrian crossings and scaled-down buildings donated by supporting corporations all give their site the look and feel of an actual working city. Also at the beginning of May, both the 3 year old class and the 4 year old class celebrated the Moms in their lives with a special Mother's Day Tea hosted at the preschool.

We have planned a day full of fun and activity for the year end wrap up on June 21<sup>st</sup>. And we know that the kids are going to have an absolute blast.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone involved including our teachers, parents, community supporters and of course, our fantastic students for a wonderfully successful year at the preschool and we are looking forward to continued success next year.

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## Haying in the 30's

Last summer, Joyce and Gordon Fuerst invited my wife Michele and I to the Haying in the 30's event that they had heard about a few months before. We were awed by the scope of this "festival" and thoroughly enjoyed our visit to Mallaig, a Hamlet 250 Km northeast of Edmonton. Gordon thought that many other friends and neighbours would also like to experience time travel into rural Alberta set in the 1930's. He has therefore arranged a unique adventure trip for up to 40 passengers in a chartered coach.

This event is organized by the Haying in the 30's Cancer Support Society. 100% of the donations received are passed on to families to help them pay the expenses incurred in dealing with the challenges of cancer. All the event operation expenses are funded by sponsors supported by volunteers. Read more about this event at: <http://www.hayinginthe30s.com>.

When you come,

- Be prepared for a 13 hour day (travel time plus time on the event site).
- Be prepared for walking on country grass (the site is bigger than Hawrelak Park).
- Be prepared to see some things that you might have seen a long time ago or have never seen before; bring your camera.
- Be prepared to enjoy FREE lunch and refreshments in the afternoon and a FREE beef-on-a-bun supper at day's end.
- Be prepared to witness what has been, and is being accomplished by a HUGE team of volunteers.
- Be prepared to experience that warm feeling of satisfaction by doing a good deed that will help someone in need.

\$44 gets you a seat on the coach. Admission to the event, refreshments and food are FREE.

You can make a charitable donation at the event and will get a tax receipt.

*Yves Fortè*



Collecting hay



making hay bales



The grounds

**Reserve your seats for Saturday July 30,**  
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**First come, Fuerst served!**



# COMMUNITY MATTERS

## Restrictive Covenants for Rio Terrace & Patricia Heights

**BACKGROUND** In April 2015, Edmonton City Council changed the development bylaws to allow for increased density in all mature neighbourhoods. This has implications for Rio Terrace, Patricia Heights and many other neighbourhoods. The changes allow dividing existing lots into smaller lots with the intent of building two skinny houses.

Many residents have expressed concerns about this. They like the neighbourhood the way it is, with low population density and wide lots. The bylaw changes will, over time, alter the character and value of our neighbourhoods.

Many residents approached City Council and attended public hearings to ask Council to reconsider these changes. Despite all our efforts, the City is determined to approve every subdivision and, on Friday April 8, 2016 lot 51 subdivision was approved. We have lost a battle but not the war, and we do need to limit the changes that the bylaw will cause.

A potential solution for owners who oppose the new city bylaw is to band together and enter into an agreement called a **Restrictive Covenant (RC)** to prevent lot splitting and the inevitable changes to our neighborhoods.

**GOING FORWARD** A “covenant” is a contractual obligation that involves a promise by one party to another. In the real-estate context, a Restrictive Covenant is a promise by the owner of land that restricts or prohibits the use of that land in some way. RCs usually operate outside of, and in addition to, municipal zoning bylaws. A RC is an agreement between the owners of two or more parcels of land instead of being rules imposed by government.

Restrictive Covenants set rules about what can be done with a property. Sometimes, they are prepared by the neighbourhood developer and are registered against the title to land. Our understanding is that the developer of Quesnell Height has registered such an RC for most of the lots in that neighbourhood. However this was not done in Rio Terrace and Patricia Heights.

The rules set out in Restrictive Covenants are usually placed or registered against the title to property at the Land Titles Office and the rules “run with the land”. This means that the rules are binding upon both present and future owners of the property.

If a homeowner does not follow the rules on the property, then any other person who owns property in the neighbourhood and has the same Restrictive Covenant registered on his or her title, is entitled to go to court to enforce the rules. This could include a Cease and Desist court order to stop a construction project, or a Court Order for the forced removal or demolition of a non-complying structure. The proposed RC will not be enforceable by any owner who does not have the same RC registered against his or her land.

### **Main purpose of the Restrictive Covenants**

The main point of our RC will be to prevent lot splitting and the construction of two skinny houses, duplexes, apartment buildings and row houses.

If both you and your neighbour sign on, you can prevent him, her or a new owner from subdividing his or her lot. He or she can do the same for your lot. Bottom line, your neighbour and you will effectively protect each other against future lot splitting.

Two successive meetings on this topic were held on Saturday May 14<sup>th</sup> at the Rio Terrace Community Hall. Our lawyer, Chris Bowie, described the Restrictive Covenant and answered our questions. Residents of Rio Terrace and of the eastern part of Patricia Heights were informed about this meeting in a mail drop off, and many attended. Many also provided the information the lawyers will require to prepare the final version of the Restrictive Covenants, one for Rio Terrace, and one for Patricia Heights.

Ultimately, all homeowners who have agreed to participate in the Restrictive Covenants will be asked to attend a later meeting to sign the RC in front of our lawyer and a witness. Our lawyer will then register the RC against the title to the property of every participant. That is how any future buyer or owner will have notice that the property is bound by the RC.

**COST** Legal costs and registration of the Restrictive Covenants will be \$150 per home and will be payable to McAllister LLP in trust at the time you sign the final documentation in front of the lawyer.

Remember that this process is entirely voluntary. You should feel free to consult your own lawyer to have the document reviewed prior to signing. If you or your lawyer has any questions please do not hesitate to contact Gary Elliott at 780 487-4058 or email him at garyelliott@shaw.ca and he will do his best to provide you with the answers you require. **Continue on page 9**



## Green Corner by Sandra Gangel

It's May 5<sup>th</sup> as I write this and our city is receiving an influx of residents from the Fort McMurray region (aka Wood Buffalo). I just checked the latest updates and the official estimate is that the wildfire has currently swelled to cover 85,000 hectares of land.

You're reading this days or weeks after the initial evacuation began. What's been happening since then? Are updates still front page news? Are donations of money and materials still needed?

I can't predict the future, sadly, but I hope that we are all still invested in the lives of our fellow Albertans, I really do. I'm certain I won't meet even one half of a percent of the people who've had to come south, fleeing to safety, but I'm nevertheless praying for them all. I've already been moved to tears by the generosity and compassion of people all across our province, offering their homes, their dollars, their kindness and practicality. I cried reading a friend's Facebook update, about her brother going into the danger

## Restrictive Covenants - continued from page 8

**Did you miss the meetings?** Rio Terrace residents suffered a rude awakening with Lot 51 and that is not something that we wish for our neighbours of Patricia Heights. City council has been unwavering about lot subdivision and the only way we have found to protect the character of our beautiful neighbourhoods is Restrictive Covenants. The largest possible participation will give us the largest possible protection.

Westbrook residents signed their legal documents (same documents as Rio Terrace and Patricia Heights) on May 7 and we have been advised that 85% of the residents have agreed to participate.

If you were not informed about or unable to come to the information meetings, you can still join the Rio Terrace or the Patricia Heights Restrictive Covenants. Please send an email to [protectrio@shaw.ca](mailto:protectrio@shaw.ca) to receive a blank copy of the Information sheet needed by our lawyer. Your Property Tax Notice will give you the information needed to fill this form, such as the name of the Registered owners, the Plan, the Block and the Lot number. You can leave the completed sheets in Gary Elliott's mailbox, at 15100 Rio Terrace Drive, and he will take the action needed for you to join in the appropriate RC. Gary has agreed to assist the residents of Patricia Heights west in the Restrictive Covenant process. We hope that you will join us if you have not already done so.

*The Steering Committee*

zone, not because he's a first responder nor an emergency relief worker, but because he's a heavy duty mechanic for the oilfields and they need him to maintain the machines that are used to build fire dams. He's left his wife and baby for an indefinite time period to do this.

All over social media, there are many stories like his, of people doing their jobs and going above and beyond, in the name of helping out those caught in a terrible situation. Sadly, there are also posts about the wildfire being karma for working the oilsands and for creating climate change.

So, just to be clear, I now presume to represent all the other compassionate and empathic environmentalists out there, by telling you the following:

*I don't care if these wildfires were caused by climate change.* There's time, after everyone is safe and the rebuilding is begun, for scientists to figure out the cause and thus, some way to mitigate future extreme weather events.

I don't care if an evacuee is an oilsands worker or a nurse or a teacher or a daycare worker, a mother, a father, a child. *They all matter to me equally* because they are human beings, just doing their best. They are just like us; they love and laugh and cry, and I'm hoping they're all okay.

We don't have time to suffer fools nor their foolish rumblings. We are all part of a community as big as our planet. Environmentalism borne of divisive politics and finger-pointing is not any kind of worthwhile cause to me.

As you read this, I hope the fires have been dowsed, but I bet the people of Wood Buffalo could still use our help. Please check out [www.redcross.ca](http://www.redcross.ca) to see if there's still need for more financial donations. As of this writing, the City of Edmonton has a page called Helping Wood Buffalo: [http://www.edmonton.ca/programs\\_services/helping-wood-buffalo.aspx](http://www.edmonton.ca/programs_services/helping-wood-buffalo.aspx). It's a good resource for ways to help.

Being a good neighbour can easily extend beyond the streets of our beautiful corner of the world. I hope you'll join me in finding ways to do more for those in need.

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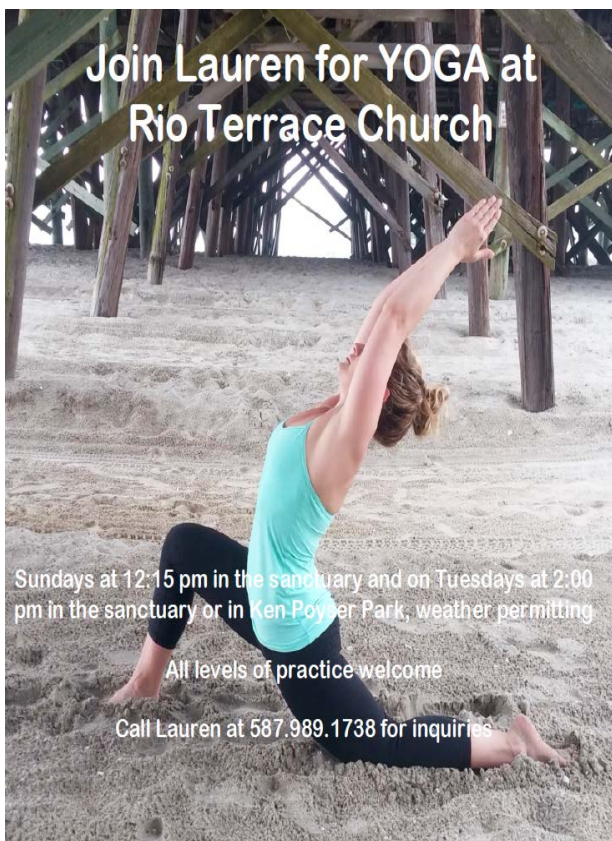
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## COMMUNITY SPRAY DECK FUNDRAISING MATTERS

### Rio Terrace Community League Spray Park Development Committee Bottle Drive

#### Drop off option:

Please help support our Spray Park Development Committee by dropping off your bottles at the Callingwood Bottle depot on Saturday June 18! It is very quick and easy to drop your recyclables at the bay door at the bottle depot. There is no need to sort, no need to wait, just drive up and drop off! A Rio Terrace community league representative (Elaine Seibel) will be there to greet you at the bay door.



**Date:** Saturday June 18 from 11 am – 3:30 pm

**Where:** Callingwood Bottle Depot: 6408 177 street (Bay Door)

**Questions:** [rioterracespraypark@gmail.com](mailto:rioterracespraypark@gmail.com)



#### Pick up by volunteers option:

Alternatively if you can't drop off your bottles that day please feel free to leave them at your curb on Saturday morning by 10 am. Please attach the form below to your bottles to help us identify the bags that need to be picked up. Trucks will be driving through the neighbourhoods of Rio Terrace, Patricia Heights and Quesnell Heights from 10 am to 3 pm that day to pick up all your recyclables. Thank-you for your donation!

#### Volunteers Needed:

If you have a truck or you are available to help pick up bottles from your neighbours on June 18 please e-mail [rioterracespraypark@gmail.com](mailto:rioterracespraypark@gmail.com) . We would appreciate your help.

*(Cut here and attach the portion below to your bottles that you would like picked up)*

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# Rio Terrace Spray Deck Fundraiser

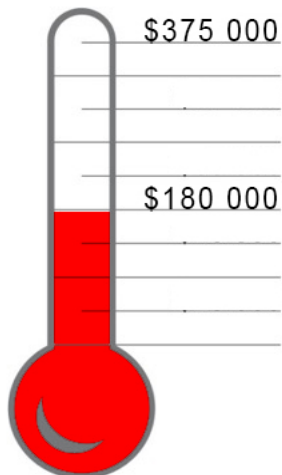
Please set out by **10 am Saturday June 18** for pick up by Trucks



## COMMUNITY SPRAY DECK FUNDRAISING MATTERS



### TOTAL PROJECT GOAL



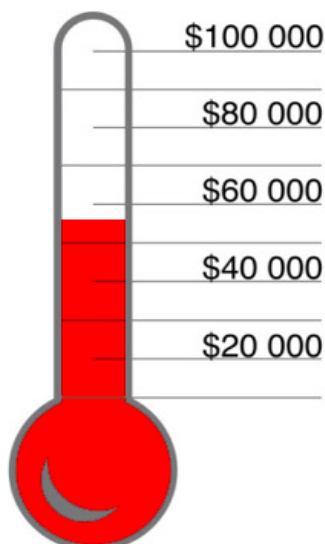
### The nice weather has arrived!!

What a wonderful spring we have had so far! The weather is heating up and it's wonderful to see everyone out enjoying our neighbourhood. Wouldn't it be great to have a brand new spray deck next to our Rio Terrace playground for all of us to cool off in?

Your spray deck committee is committed to this project becoming a reality, and the warm weather only motivates us to work harder to raise the funds we need to start construction in 2017.

In this newsletter you will find a blue insert outlining the benefits of donating to this project as well as a donation form. Please take a moment to read and consider this opportunity... and do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions ☺

### Fundraising Goals



### More fundraising planned to meet \$100k goal

The total budget for the spray deck is approximately \$375,000.

We have received a \$125,000 grant from the City and are waiting to hear on another major grant from the Province (could be up to \$125,000). We are also applying for numerous other grants.

As a community, we have set a fundraising goal of \$100,000. We have raised \$55,000 so far, which is amazing! But we still need to raise \$45,000 before next January to meet our target.

The committee has been brainstorming interesting and fun ways to fundraise over the next year. Please watch the newsletter, Facebook and website for more information. Please also consider making a financial donation to this project. Your donation is eligible for a tax receipt for the 2016 year.

If you are a business owner in our community and would like to talk about sponsorship opportunities, please contact us. We would be happy to tailor a sponsorship package just for you!

Contact us: [rioterracespraypark@gmail.com](mailto:rioterracespraypark@gmail.com)

# COMMUNITY SPRAY DECK FUNDRAISING MATTERS

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If you have a unique fundraising idea that has been successful, please contact us.

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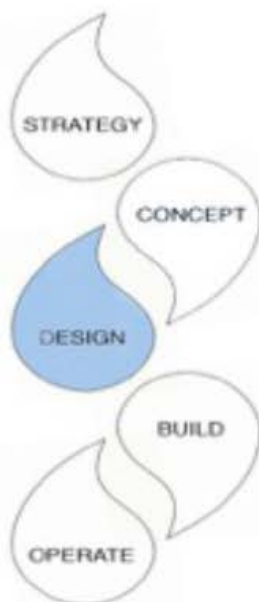
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We are always looking for new committee members. Contact us if you are interested in joining!

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5 Phases to Enjoyment!  
Our progress:



## Save the Date! Upcoming fundraisers include:

**End of May:** *Game of "Thrones"* ....keep an eye out for the moving pink toilet.....

**May 31<sup>st</sup>** *Billyco Junction CSA order deadline.* See newsletter ad for more details.

**June 18:** *Bottle Drive.* Donate your bottles at Callingwood Depot from 11AM-3:30PM, or leave them for a porch pick up. See newsletter ad for more details. Volunteers needed!

**July (TBA)** *Rio Terrace Family Fun Run.* Register to Walk or Run 1km or 5km around our neighbourhood. Watch the website and Facebook for more information...

**August 27:** *End of Summer Bash and Silent Auction.* Watch the website and Facebook for more information...Silent Auction donations needed! Contact us at [rioterracespraypark@gmail.com](mailto:rioterracespraypark@gmail.com) if you have items to donate!

## Thanks for your support!

A big thank you to all who shopped at Chapter's Terra Losa, who enjoyed pizza at Famoso MaGrath, who ordered Mundare sausages and who have signed up for the Billyco veggie CSA. Thank you also to those who have made financial donations throughout the past year. Your support is making a difference and it is always wonderful to see members of our community coming together!

## Design Phase

We have moved from the concept phase of the project into the design phase! We now need your input into the project! Thank you to those who filled out our initial survey back in 2014... We have compiled that information and will be offering additional opportunities for community members to provide feedback into the design and look of our spray deck.

Watch for us at upcoming community events. We hope you can stop by, say hi, learn about this project and provide your input!

Have a wonderful Spring and Summer!!!

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# COMMUNITY SPRAY DECK FUNDRAISING MATTERS

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Order Form

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Email: \_\_\_\_\_ How did you hear of us? \_\_\_\_\_

**5% discount on orders received via email or postmarked by May 31, 2016.**

**12% is returned by Billyco Junction Ltd. towards the fund raising effort after the above discount.**

Step one: Check your share options and desired amounts below.

CSA Share options	Description	#	Choices	Price				
<b>Vegetables Option 1</b> grown without chemicals & pesticides on our farm	Produce is sorted, rinsed and packaged, in most cases is ready to use. Program goes for 16 weeks. 150 shares available.		For a couple or growing family - 16 weeks	\$480.00				
<b>Add Ons for 2016</b>	Not sold apart from a vegetable share.							
<b>Fruit Share/8 weeks</b> Clean, naturally grown berries & fruits from our farm	Rhubarb, honeyberries, strawberries, raspberries, saskatoon berries, cherries, currants and apples. Shop early, only 75 shares available.		Eight deliveries during first half of the season.	\$160.00				
<b>Easy Fun Share/8 wks</b> on farm processed goods from our produce	Frozen fruit, fruit pies, unique jams, homemade breads, pickles, soups, dressings, ready to go salads etc.		8 deliveries during the last half of the season.	\$450.00				
<b>Egg Share/15 weeks</b> from a neighboring farm	Free run, hormone & antibiotic free. Not sold separately		Dozen per week _____ X of weeks _____ Total \$ _____	\$6.00 ea				
<b>Vegetables Option 2</b>	For customized deliveries, use this portion to indicate when you want your shares							
Delivery weeks → Share Price each week ↓	Jun 21,23	Jun 28,30	July 5,7	July 12,14	July 19,21	July 26,28	Aug 2,4	Aug 9,11
Vegetable share each week \$33.00								
Egg share a dozen \$6.00								
Delivery week→ Share Price for each week ↓	Aug 16,18	Aug 23,25	Aug 30 S1	Sept 6,8	Sept 13,15	Sept 20,22	Oct 4,6	Oct 18,20
Vegetable share each week \$33.00								
Egg share a dozen \$6.00								*No eggs

## Step two:

Check your neighborhood drop off choice, note some hosts have pick up hours. \_\_\_\_\_ would you like to host for your neighborhood?

### **Delivery to: Edmonton on Tuesdays**

\_\_\_\_ Rio Terrace – Samantha - pick up before 10:00pm.  
\_\_\_\_ Belgravia – host to be announced  
\_\_\_\_ Bonnie Doon – Heather & Gary  
\_\_\_\_ Highlands – Carly & Yuri  
\_\_\_\_ Glastonbury – Terri

### **Delivery to: Ponoka on Tuesdays**

\_\_\_\_ 58 street, Ponoka - Tyler & Christine

### **Delivery to: Red Deer on Thursdays**

\_\_\_\_ 5935 63rd Street - Steven & Alexis 6pm – 8pm  
\_\_\_\_ 48 Anderson Close – Grant & Jennifer 4pm - 6pm

### **Delivery to: Calgary on Thursdays**

\_\_\_\_ Temple NE – Jamie – evening pick up  
\_\_\_\_ 908 17 Ave. SW – Janis - pick up before 5:30pm.  
\_\_\_\_ Lakeview SW – Kristen  
\_\_\_\_ Glendale Community SW - Cheryl  
\_\_\_\_ Quarry Park SE - Katie  
\_\_\_\_ Airdrie - Mark & Denise

### **Farm pick up**

\_\_\_\_ Tuesday after 11:00am  
\_\_\_\_ Thursday after 11:00am



## COMMUNITY SPRAY DECK FUNDRAISING MATTERS

### Step three:

Make a note on your calendar when your shares arrive. Shares arrive around 1:00 to 2:00 in the afternoon. As we get started a more accurate time will be given.

Tuesdays are Edmonton and Ponoka delivery days. Thursdays are Calgary, Airdrie and Red Deer delivery days.

Farm pick up can be made on Tuesday or Thursday. (Delivery dates are listed above)

#### Just a note about our up pick policy:

In the event that you cannot get your share in a timely manner on your set day, please send your host a courtesy note saying when you are able to make your pickup. Hosts do not have a lot of fridge space to keep your produce cool.

As a courtesy, your host will only remind you once or twice. Without a message from you, your left over share can be used by the host, given away or sold with proceeds going to the spray deck. Please initial showing your agreement. \_\_\_\_

Thank you. ☺

### Step Four:

#### **Pay for your order in full**

**Total Order \$** \_\_\_\_\_

less 5% \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (if paying before May 31st)

**Total \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**OR**

#### **4 equal payment plan**

**Total order \$** \_\_\_\_\_

less 5% \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (if paying before May 31st)

÷ 4 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ include post-dated cheques with your registration using the following dates.

\_\_\_\_\_ 1<sup>st</sup> payment at registration

\_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> payment due July 8, 2016

\_\_\_\_\_ 3<sup>rd</sup> payment due August 5, 2016

\_\_\_\_\_ 4<sup>th</sup> Payment due Sept 2, 2016

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## Questions About Feeding Backyard

**Birds** *By Dave Cleary of Wild Birds Unlimited*

### **Q: How do I keep the birds coming to my yard?**

You have your favourite places to eat, whether it's a quick bite or a really nice meal. You trust and rely on them, never considering they might run out of food. Birds are similar. They constantly check their food sources. They may stay and eat a while, grab a quick bite or not eat at all. But, they want to know they can rely on that food source when weather is good or bad or when times are abundant or lean. As much as you enjoy feeding the birds, it's a challenge to tend to the feeders every day. So, it's important to have at least one feeder that does not have to be filled very often. Of course, the birds will return after you refill an empty feeder, but it might take a few days. No matter how many bird feeders you have in your yard, it's important to have one that is the foundation of them all. This foundational feeder should be one that is able to accommodate many birds at one time, such as hopper, tube or cylinder feeders. It should have a quality food that attracts the widest variety of birds like No-Mess Blend or Cylinder foods. It should hold enough food for at least 4 days giving birds a reliable food source, ensuring you'll have more birds to watch! Be sure to place your foundational feeder where it's easy to fill and easy to see. Having a foundational feeder in your yard that never goes empty is key to being the birds' favourite restaurant and keep them coming year-round; bringing you more joy!

### **Q: When should I put my hummingbird feeder out?**

The hummers have already started migrating, crossing the Caribbean and heading up through the southern states on their way to western Canada. We can expect to see returning Ruby-throated Hummingbirds by mid-May. It's a good idea to get your feeders filled and ready to put out shortly after **May 5** or as soon as possible after that date. The reason to put them out this early is so that the males, who usually arrive before the females, will see your feeder as they begin passing through looking for territories with good food supplies. Most hummingbirds recognize feeders as sources of food as they have either been shown them by their mothers, or have used them on their journey south on migration. It's good to use a feeder that is easy to fill and clean, and one that allows you to see the bird regardless of where it is on the feeder. The nectar they need is easy to prepare, 1 part granulated white sugar



mixed with 4 parts warm water, to help it dissolve. Don't put coloured dye in the solution as it's unknown how different dyes affect the health of the hummers, and brightly coloured feeders are designed to attract them anyway. Keep some in the fridge to make it easy to refill the feeder.

### **Q: Can I attract Bluebirds to my yard?**

Although Mountain Bluebirds are common in Alberta, unless you live in the countryside it's unlikely you will be able to attract them to your yard. They breed in prairie landscapes and parkland areas, such as those surrounding Edmonton. They will nest in cavities in trees but they are most often seen using bluebird boxes attached to fence posts in rural areas with open fields and trees along the fence lines. If you have suitable land around you, you could consider putting up a few bluebird boxes, especially if your yard is next to open spaces. They begin to arrive in our area in March. The first recorded sighting this year was on **March 11th** just southeast of Edmonton, perhaps the earliest sighting ever of a Mountain Bluebird in our area. Bluebirds are members of the thrush family. Like Robins (also a thrush), they eat insects and sometimes fruit if snow and cold make insects unavailable. The good news is that you can still see bluebirds by driving along range and township roads from April to July. In the fall they migrate as far south as Mexico. Contact us if you'd like us to send you a map of where to go in Parkland County to find Mountain Bluebirds.

*Dave Cleary and Jan Chapman are owners of Wild Birds Unlimited at the corner of 122 St and 107 Ave on the northside in Edmonton. The mission of Wild Birds Unlimited is to bring people and nature together. See their website at [www.wbu.com/edmonton](http://www.wbu.com/edmonton), email: [wbu.edmonton@gmail.com](mailto:wbu.edmonton@gmail.com) or call them at 587-521-2473.*



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### Ready to Read

#### 5 things you can do this summer to instill a love of reading in your children.

We all want our children to love to read. Preparation for literacy begins sooner in a child's development than most parents realize. Setting the stage for our children to be strong readers starts long before they are taught the actual process of reading in school. Here are 5 things that we as parents can do this summer to set them up for success.

**1. Talk to them!** By the age of 3, our children have had approximately 15000 hours of time spent learning. They "absorb" their environment through taste, touch, sound, sight and smell. The more we as parents and teachers talk to them, the higher quality of language they develop. While you are out for a walk or bike ride, talk about what you are doing, what you are seeing and what is going on. At the park, get down in the sand with them and chat it up! Fill their lives up with words and language.

**2. Read with them!** Before they can decode the words on the page, children are learning how to read. They are learning how to turn the page. They are examining pictures and illustrations for clues and context. They are learning we read (in English) from left to right. Take advantage of the lazy summer afternoons and read a story. Allow them to touch, feel and experience books on their own and together with you.

**3. Play with bubbles!** That is right – I said bubbles! First, everyone loves bubbles. Second, tracking and focusing on bubbles as they float through the air helps to develop motor skills kids need in order to become fluent readers. Eye muscles, depth perception, hand-eye coordination (reach-to-pop), and cause and effect are all targeted when kids play with bubbles. Yay for bubbles!

**4. Bake a cake!** I am not recommending this just because I love cake! Children learn how to interact with text by watching and mimicking us. So, on a rainy summer day, take out a recipe and get to work. Talk to them about the steps as you work through the recipe. Read it out loud and ask questions like "What are we going to do next?". Show them how to refer back to the recipe when you need more information. This teaches about following instructions, organization and finding information. And... you will have something yummy to eat when it is all over.

**5. Put them to work!** For children playing is their job and play is where writing and reading begin. Children who have more real world experiences from interactions and creative play have better language and in turn develop into better readers. Play groups and play-based preschools (like the ones in our community) are great environments for little ones to expand their world and their language.



By Kathy Senger B.A., B.Ed. (Teacher - Westend Community Preschool)



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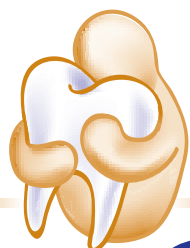
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available for conversation, weddings, funerals, relationship coaching,  
and other things pastors do.

The mission of Rio Terrace Church is to acknowledge and respect each person's spiritual journey. We do so primarily as followers of Jesus, who offers a message of compassion and justice, and we acknowledge that our congregation maintains a healthy diversity of thought about God, politics, and other makings of good conversation. We do our best to be a people who welcome, and to be friends with our neighbours. **If you are looking for something more - more conversation, more relationship, more than your work, more compassion, more ways to share – come get to know us.**

## Looking Ahead

### **Sundays, 9:30 am – Waffle Church**

Waffle Church is a project that we're working on. We aim to offer a safe place where children and their loved ones can come, play, eat waffles, hone their senses to justice, and engage their spiritual formation. All are welcome.

### **Sundays, 10:30 am – Sunday Morning Worship**

As a church in the ancient Moravian tradition, we are liturgical, flexible, and use inclusive language. Childcare is provided. If you like to sing, consider joining the choir!

**Sunday, May 29, 4 pm – TAT and energy healing workshop**, led by Marguerite Webb. For more information and registration, visit our website or call the Church Office.

### **Sunday, June 12, 2 pm – Environmental Paint Night (\$30)**

Local art teacher Beth Gillard will help us craft a natural scene. Supplies and snacks are provided. Money raised will be donated to Nature Conservancy of Alberta.

**Sunday, June 19, 10:30 am – Eat Local Lovefeast** Instead of a traditional worship service, we will have an eco-stewardship fair, with a creation oriented hymn-sing, local food, speakers about gardening and the Rio Terrace naturescape, and many projects for children.