



March 2021

**Meadowlark Community League**

15961 92 Avenue NW

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**March 2021 Update**

We hope you are all staying safe and warm as we inch ever closer to spring. We've continued to be busy over the last few months. As you may know, our community skating rink has been open since November and has been well used by community league members. There have been some reports of overcrowding on the rink and as always, we encourage everyone to adhere to 10 skater capacity limit and to wear a mask whenever possible. The rink is financially supported by those who have purchased Meadowlark Community League memberships, however in addition to those funds we also were successful in receiving over \$9,000 from the Edmonton Oilers Community Foundation for rink operations this year. A big thank you to the EOCM for their support!

We've also been actively working on repairing the roof at the Meadowlark Community League Building. We've had a number of leaks over the years and repairing the roof has been long overdue and we are very happy that it has now been completed. The repairs were made possible through grant funds from the Community Facility Enhancement Program (CFEP). Additionally, with the roof repairs coming under budget, we've also upgraded the building's electrical panels which will address some of the issues we've had this year in keeping the lights on at the community rink in the evenings. Thanks to JRM Electrical Contractors for their work on the electrical panel and A. Clark Roofing & Siding for the roof repairs!

I'd also like to thank those who participated in our "16 Days of Meadowlark" Christmas Scavenger Hunt. We loved seeing people getting out and checking out the holiday decorations in our community. I hope you all enjoy your gift cards!

Lastly, we will be holding our 2021 Annual General Meeting (AGM) on **Wednesday, April 14, 2021 at 7:00 pm**. Similar to last year, we'll be holding our AGM online and all are welcome to attend. Please email [info@meadowlarkcl.net](mailto:info@meadowlarkcl.net) to receive a link to the meeting. We will also distribute the meeting link on social media. We are looking for a new Vice President and Memberships Director. If you see an opportunity where your skills can be used to make our community better please reach out to us!

Kim Dineen  
President, Meadowlark Community League

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**2020-21 League Memberships are *still* available!**

Find more information about membership benefits on our website:

[meadowlarkcl.net/get-involved/membership](http://meadowlarkcl.net/get-involved/membership)



## Annual General Meeting

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



**GET INVOLVED!**

**Wednesday, April 14, 2021 @ 7:00 p.m.**

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### Looking for:

- Vice President
- Membership Director

## Show Us Your Meadowlark!

For over 50 years Meadowlark has been shaped into the great place that we call 'home'. Some have come and gone, some have been here since the beginning, some have come later, and some are just finding out about this great little neighbourhood.

Regardless of your age or history with the community – we are hoping to collect:

- Stories
- Photos
- Relevant paperwork
- Drawings or paintings
- Memories
- Poems
- Keepsakes
- Any item that you feel represents what living in Meadowlark means to you.

If you have any items you'd like to send our way or have any questions, please email [board@meadowlarkcl.net](mailto:board@meadowlarkcl.net).

By collecting all your submissions, we are aiming to create something special to capture all that our community means to us. As a board, we feel it is time to celebrate this history and do something to capture and document all that this neighbourhood has been to people over the years.

To raise money for this project we are putting on a 50/50 Raffle. Please find it online at: <https://www.rafflebox.ca/raffle/meadowlarkcl>.

You can also find the link on our Facebook page or by using the QR code to the right. Feel free to share with all of your friends or family. Anyone over 18 years of age and who lives in Alberta can participate.



## Meadowlark School Update



Meadowlark School is a hidden gem nestled in the Meadowlark community in west Edmonton. We have

Kindergarten to grade 6 in both our mainstream and Chinese Bilingual program. We have approximately 440 students enrolled in both programs. There is an on-site daycare as well as busing service from a variety of locations to the school. Lunch supervision is available on a user pay basis.

Meadowlark School offers a strong academic program in English and Mandarin as well as support for Early Literacy Learning and English Language Learners. Students in the mainstream program also take French as a second language instruction from grades 4-6.

We have a highly dedicated team who inspire success, one student at a time, through high quality learning and teaching and through meaningful engagement of students, parents and community. Meadowlark provides an inspiring and dynamic academic environment. Our students work in an inclusive environment, utilizing a range of resources and technologies to develop foundational knowledge, skills and attitudes across different subject disciplines to foster a growth mindset.

For more information on our wonderful school, please visit our website at [meadowlark.epsb.ca](http://meadowlark.epsb.ca). There, you can virtually tour our school, meet our Kindergarten teacher, visit classrooms and learn about the Bilingual Program. You can also contact us at 780-489-5200.



## Bad Dad Joke

**How excited was the gardener about spring?**

*So excited that he wet his plants.*



## Waste Collection Changes      Support Local Business



The way that we sort, set out and collect waste in our neighbourhood is changing. The City of Edmonton will provide all single-unit and some multi-unit homes with a garbage cart, food scraps cart and a food scraps pail between March—August 2021.

This new system will include four collection services:

1. **Food Scraps**—collected weekly from spring-fall and every 2 weeks in winter, using the provided cart.
2. **Recycling**—collected in blue bags year-round on a weekly basis (*no change*)
3. **Garbage**—collected every 2 weeks year-round, using the provided cart.
4. **Yard Waste**—collected twice in the Spring and twice in the Fall in clear plastic bags or double-ply paper yard waste bags and/or bundles wrapped in biodegradable twine.

The City of Edmonton will also be holding workshops for Community League members on **March 16, 2021**. You can sign up these workshops using the link below or find the link on our website and social media platforms.

<https://forms.gle/a9PGSNiFvYHHzwAY9>

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Business Card - \$10 per issue  
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½ page - \$50 per issue  
Full Page - \$100 per issue

Contact us for more details:  
[communications@meadowlarkcl.net](mailto:communications@meadowlarkcl.net)

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**HERE**

## Electric Vehicles (EVs)

Did you know that there are a number of programs that are available to help offset the cost of purchasing an electric vehicle (EV) or plug-in hybrid electric vehicle (PHEV) as your next vehicle purchase?



The Government of Canada provides up to \$5,000 for electric vehicles and long-range, plug-in hybrid vehicles and up to \$2,500 towards the purchase of a short-range, plug-in hybrid electric vehicle. Additionally, eligible businesses can access a tax write-off for the costs of purchasing an EV or PHEV. More details can be found on the Government of Canada website:

<https://tc.canada.ca/en/road-transportation/innovative-technologies/zero-emission-vehicles>

Additionally, the City of Edmonton is offering a rebate to help Edmonton businesses and homeowners install an electric vehicle charging station on their property. This program can cover up to 50% of the costs for the purchase and installation of Level 2 charging stations to a maximum of \$600 for residential properties, and \$2,000 for commercial properties. Funds are limited and applications will be accepted until **May 31, 2021 or until all funds for this year are expended**. More details on the program can be found below:

[https://www.edmonton.ca/city\\_government/environmental\\_stewardship/electric-vehicles.aspx](https://www.edmonton.ca/city_government/environmental_stewardship/electric-vehicles.aspx)

## Slippery Sidewalks



With the spring melt soon on its way, please note that free sand for icy sidewalks and walkways is available at the Meadowlark Community League Hall.

(15961 92 Avenue NW)

Remember to bring your own container when you visit your community sandbox or roadway maintenance yard.

**If found empty,  
please call 311**

## Community Kitchen/Grill

### Mediterranean Feta Burgers with Lemony Feta Spread

#### Ingredients:

##### Burger:

1 lb ground beef  
1 egg  
Scant ¼ cup breadcrumbs  
½ cup finely chopped parsley  
1½ tsp minced fresh dill  
1 tsp dry oregano  
½ tsp salt  
¼ tsp ground pepper  
¼ tsp cayenne pepper  
¼ tsp cumin  
¼ roughly chopped feta cheese

##### Lemony Feta Spread:

¾ cup mayonnaise  
⅓ cup chopped feta cheese  
1 tbsp fresh dill  
1-2 tsp lemon juice (to taste)  
1 tsp lemon zest  
½ - 1 tsp minced garlic (to taste)

##### Other:

Hamburger buns  
Red onions cut into rings  
Sliced Roma tomatoes

#### Directions:

Whisk egg in a small bowl. Add egg, along with all other burger ingredients to a large bowl and mix well with your hands until all ingredients are incorporated. Form into 4 burger patties.

To make spread—put all ingredients in a food processor (or blender) and blend until mixture has the consistency of chunky peanut butter (mainly smooth, with small bits of feta visible).

Grill burgers on a prepared grill. Toast buns when burgers are close to done. Serve burgers with a good spoonful of lemony feta spread on bottom bun, topped with sliced tomato and fresh red onion rings. Enjoy!

*\*courtesy Morgan Truax*

