

## 2019 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday, May 14, at 7 p.m.

**Carrington Village West Social Centre, 9375 – 172 Street**

- ◆ Refreshments from Italian Centre
- ◆ Door prizes from H&W Produce and Sawmill and Famoso restaurants
- ◆ Meet your neighbors, community updates, elections, and speak with special guest Councillor Andrew Knack.

### BIG BIN EVENT IS BACK

Get rid of your trash...

Purchase your membership...

And have a coffee and doughnut on us!

**Free for Summerlea residents**

**Saturday, May 25, 8 a.m.–1 p.m.**

- ◆ Bins will be located at 175 St and 93 Ave. (northwest corner of the big park)
- ◆ Electronics: Get rid of your old television sets, monitors, microwaves, etc.
- ◆ Household appliances: *Please remove the doors from refrigerators and freezers*
- ◆ Sorry, no toxic substances (chemicals, paint, etc.)
- ◆ Memberships available on site

Meet your Summerlea Community League Board and your neighbors!

### SUMMER FUN

**Green Shack Program is back!**

Meet at the playground

July 2 to end of August, Monday to Thursday, 10 a.m.–1:30 p.m.

**Swim outdoors**

Free swim at City of Edmonton Outdoor Pools all season! Call 311 for more information.

**JAMIE PLATZ YMCA**

Free for Summerlea Community League members

**Swim time:** Sundays 5–7 p.m.

**Games room times:**

All Day Saturdays & Sundays

Tuesdays 6–9 p.m.

Thursdays 11:30 a.m.–2 p.m.

## A COMMUNITY GARDEN IN SUMMERLEA?

**If you've been craving more room for gardening...while eyeing our grassy neighborhood park, then this is for you**



We're a group of Summerlea residents who would like to have a community garden. A possible space would be somewhere in the Summerlea Community Park.

The City of Edmonton supports these projects through Sustainable Food Edmonton. Each year they give out \$30,000 in grants for establishing and renovating community gardens. But in order to apply for grants and build the plans, we need people like you.

### Why should Summerlea have a community garden?

1. **The growing spaces in our yards are shrinking.** We're putting in firepits and ponds, and the maturing trees are casting more shade.
2. Like many people, we want to **grow more of what we eat.**
3. **Our park could use more diversity.** A garden in the park would foster a community presence that includes more adults from the neighborhood and perhaps older children and teens—all engaging in a healthful, natural, and rewarding activity.
4. **Community gardens add value and beauty.** Think beyond vegetable plots and imagine a **fruit orchard...** and flowers for cutting. Community gardens are good for the soul and for property values too.



Imagine fresh asparagus in the spring and pumpkins in the fall...harvested from our own neighborhood.

We can have that.

### What's involved?

First we work with Sustainable Food Edmonton. They will give us a one-hour workshop that lays out the process. After the workshop, we'll start work on idea-gathering, planning, design, and approvals. Along the way we'll submit an application for one of those grants mentioned above.

We've been told that this phase is a fair amount of work, so it would be helpful to have a team of 9-12 people. But beyond sharing the workload, we know that the more people we have who are passionate about community gardening, the better the garden will be.

If you would like to help, now's the time to get in on the ground. To join us or find out more, call JoAnne at 780-487-0645, or send an email to [joanneburek1@gmail.com](mailto:joanneburek1@gmail.com)

P.S. If you're not ready to join us, follow our web page at [summerlea.org/garden](http://summerlea.org/garden)