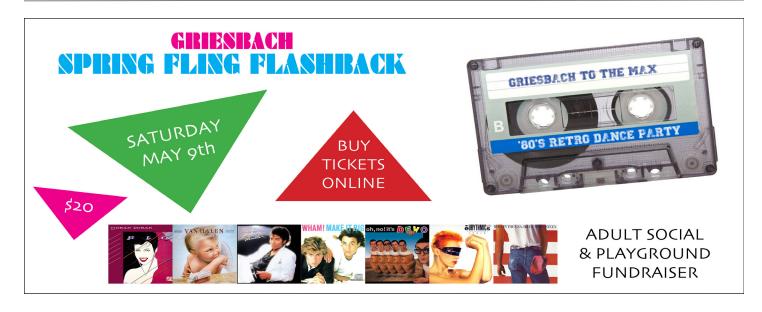




INTELLIGENCE REPORT

May 2015



GRIESBACH SPRING FLING KICKS IT OLD SCHOOL!

Get our your 80's gear, support our playground and get Dancing on the Ceiling.

SATURDAY, MAY 9th, 7:30 pm - 1:00 am Lorelei Beaumaris Community Hall 16220 - 103 St.

Tickets \$20 – Available online at griesbachcommunity.com

Feather that hair. Dig out the adidas bag. Scour the thrift store for acid wash jeans and rugby pants. (If you're lucky you might find a white blazer... a la Miami Vice).

Griesbach Community League's annual Spring Fling Social and Fundraiser is back.

It's a great chance to meet your neighbours (or their 80's alter-egos), request totally tubular tunes from our DJ, and enjoy a Tom-Cruise approved retro *Cocktail or two*.

The Spring Fling is also a fundraiser, with all proceeds being donated to our Playground Campaign.

The organizing committee has lined up some pretty amazing prizes this year: including an opportunity to get a curling experience from Griesbach resident and Team Alberta 2nd, Lori-Olson-Johns, golf packages and a collection of gift certificates from Edmonton's top restaurants. Plus our "99 Red Balloons" hidden prize draw. Have an item to donate? E: griesbachfundraisingdirector@gmail.com

Tickets are just \$20 and will include an adult beverage. Buy yours online through the Event-Brite link at: griesbachcommunity.com

So, make like a flock of seagulls and do-do-do buy your tickets today. Must be 18+ to attend.

GRIESBACH PLAYGROUND BOTTLE DRIVE

SATURDAY, April 25th

Save your bottles for our kids. GCL volunteers will be identified. If you leave bottles on your doorstep, indicate "For the GCL"



GRIESBACH COMMUNITY CLEANUP AND BIG BIN EVENT

SATURDAY, MAY 23rd

Cleanup 11 am start • Big Bin Event 10 am - 4 pm 104 St. and Griesbach Rd.

Share your pride in our amazing community. Help us tidy up. A fantastic family event to teach children the value of volunteering. Free hotdogs and pop. Plus, drop off garbage and oversized items at the on-site bins.

To volunteer for the community cleanup contact Chrystal: griesbachvolunteersdirector@gmail.com

DEVELOPMENT UPDATE:

NEW DEVELOPER TAKES OVER GRIESBACH COMMERCIAL PROPERTY

In an interview on 630 CHED, Canada Lands announced that **Brentwood Developments** has been selected to develop the 70,000 sq.ft. Griesbach Urban Village (the Commercial Centre on 97 St and 137 Ave). The local developer has purchased the land from Canada Lands.

According to Georgette L'Hirondelle of Canada Lands, "We expect the first retail shops and commercial services to open by late 2016."

No tenants have been announced as of yet. We will provide updates as we learn more. You can find a "tentative" plan posted on the Brentwood Developments website.

Longtime residents who have waited patiently have their fingers crossed that this project finally happens and is done right after so many years of waiting.

In Other News...

The Marriott Hotel and Valour Condominiums continue to rise. A sign has been posted for new development on the vacant lot on Gault Blvd. The Juno townhomes are moving along, as is ongoing development in the NW corner.

Recently a presentation was made to the GCL Board outlining plans for Flanders Park - located on the north end of Roundel Lake. Canada Lands has approached Castle Downs Recreation Society for support in creating a monument to John McCrae and his epic poem, "In Flanders Fields." CDRS has been a partner with Canada Lands as part of the initial arrangement with the City of Edmonton when our community was created (prior to the establishment of Griesbach Community League).

The park will feature a live poppy garden, a bronze plaque of the poem, and educational story boards. CDRS volunteers have put a great deal of passion and effort into this project, which will be a point of pride for our community.

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AROUND THE COMMUNITY:

Parks and Gardens Update

GCL is in talks with Canada Lands to come up with a new strategy for planting flowers and weeding in our traffic circles. Griesbach Community Gardens is aiming to open on the May long weekend or earlier (weather pending).

Drop-in Bike Safety Program – Griesbach Thursday, May 28

The City of Edmonton is hosting a bike safety program in Griesbach for young riders. It will be held in the parking lot by the old playground site (Kinross Road). Must bring your own bike and helmet. More details and a link available on our website.

Adopt a Block in Griesbach

DID YOU KNOW? Edmonton residents, businesses and community groups are encouraged to adopt a block in their community or business area and keep it litter-free during the spring and summer months. Check out this fabulous opportunity to do your bit to help Griesbach SHINE this summer! Find the link at griesbachcommunity.com

Soccer Program Going Strong Under New Leadership. Fielding 11 teams!

Our soccer program continues to thrive. We're pleased to announce we've signed up 121 players and will field 11 teams (U-4 to U-10) this year. It has been arranged to have our older kids play in neighbouring communities due to lack of numbers.

Our program is under the new leadership of Bill Countryman, who was recently elected as GCL Sports Director. Supporting Bill are Eric Sirrs and Jennifer Chahal. They've done a fantastic job and are committed to promoting our values of fun and fair play. Good luck to all teams and coaches.

If you missed it, check the notices on our upcoming **bottle drive** and **community cleanup** on page one.

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