

Bannerman Community League Newsletter

Bannerman Bulletin

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Are the Ice Rinks Open?



No... Not quite yet.

Sorry folks. Covid-19 restrictions are currently in place to keep the public safe. Keep watch on Edmonton.ca as more information becomes available

BANNERMAN SHINING STARS

2020 has been a difficult year for all of us and it has made connecting with our neighbours and friends even more challenging. Below are just two examples of individuals rising to the challenge and connecting with their neighbours safely while encouraging unity within the community.

Bannerman in Action 2020 included a tile panting project for the Bannerman Mural of Hope. This is where we met eleven-year-old Elayna; she painted 37 tiles to be included in our mural. When the community announcement for the mural project came out, it excited Elayna and she originally painted the one tile that was delivered to her home. While she was painting the tile on her front steps, a few neighbours approached her and asked if she would be interested in painting their tiles. At that moment Elayna wondered if other neighbours might not be as enthusiastic as her and wouldn't be participating; she was worried people would throw the tiles out and they would go to waste, she didn't want this to happen. She told her mom that she wanted to write a letter to her neighbours letting them know that she would accept their tiles and paint them for the project.





Shortly afterwards Elanya now had 37 tiles in her possession in which she got started on the project right away; she wanted to make sure the tiles were completed and delivered to the community league on May 23 for Bannerman in Action Day. On Bannerman in Action Day, Elayna and her mom showed up to the community league with a box full of tiles; these tiles are now part of the Bannerman Mural of Hope.

We wanted to thank Elayna for painting 37 tiles for the Mural of Hope; these tiles made our mural complete and her volunteerism spoke to our message of "hope".

The Bannerman Community Garden has been a hidden gem in our community for quite some time but this summer it became more important to many with the pandemic. More community members wanted to get gardening and it also provided an opportunity for others to grow their own produce to help with food security concerns. This fall the community league was able to upgrade some of the garden beds and on Thanksgiving weekend we held a socially distanced and safe worker-bee; in which community members and fellow gardeners rolled up their sleeves and pitched in to help fill the upgraded garden beds with 12 yards of soil.

On this day a member of our community, Dastageer, walked by and volunteered to help us out, without anyone asking. His help assisted us greatly and we were able to complete the project a lot faster. Dastageer immigrated to Canada 12 years ago and has been living in Bannerman for the past 11 years with his family. He immigrated to Canada because he wanted to provide a better life for his family. Dastageer told us he offered to help out that day because that is what a good community member does, they see people that need help and offer their assistance. He told us that offering to help out your neighbours is what builds a community and helps make the community and world a better place.



We wanted to thank Dastageer for his assistance, without his assistance we wouldn't have completed the project as quickly as we did.

EDMONTON REGION COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS

Alberta is now under a state of public health emergency. Beginning **November 24** for at least three weeks, additional restrictions are in place for the Edmonton Region and other enhanced areas. Here's what you need to know about the new measures in the Edmonton region:

Gatherings

- · no indoor social gatherings in any setting
- outdoor gatherings, weddings (receptions not permitted) and funerals max of 10 people
- no festivals or events
- places of worship at 1/3 normal attendance with mandatory masking

School and Work

- grades 7-12 at-home learning Nov 30, 2020 - Jan 11, 2021
- K-grade 6 at-home learning after break until Jan 11, 2021
- working from home should be considered, where possible
- masks are mandatory in all indoor workplaces, except when working alone in an office or a safely distanced cubicle or an appropriate barrier is in place

Restaurants and Bars

- restaurants, bars, pubs and lounges will be open with restrictions
- max of 6 people from the same immediate household at a table
- people who live alone can meet with up to 2 non-household contacts (as long as they're the same contacts throughout the duration of these restrictions)
- only seated eating and drinking is permitted
- liquor can be sold until 10 p.m. and establishments must close in persondining at 11 p.m.
- Albertans are encouraged to use take out, delivery, drive-thru and curbside pick-up options

Entertainment

- some entertainment and event services may remain open with capacity limited to 25% of their occupancy
- these include movie theatres, museums, galleries, libraries, indoor entertainment centres and casinos (slots only; no table games)
- Albertans are encouraged to limit inperson visits and use curbside pick up, delivery and online services instead

Now Closed/Suspended

- banquet halls, conference centres, indoor playgrounds
- · all levels of team sports and group fitness

Retail and Grocery Stores

- most retail businesses may remain open with capacity limited to 25% of their occupancy
- these include retail, liquor and cannabis, grocery, clothing, computer and technology, hardware, automotive, pharmacies, farmers markets approved by Alberta Agriculture and Forestry and unlicensed outdoor seasonal markets
- Albertans are encouraged to shop local, limit in-person visits and use curbside pick up, delivery and online services instead

Fitness and Sport

- facilities can be open, operating at 25% capacity
- facilities can be open for individual studio time, training or exercise only
- there can be no group fitness, group classes, group training, team practices or games
- these facilities include indoor fitness, recreation, sports and physical activity centres, including dance and yoga studios, martial arts, gymnastics and private or public swimming pool
- all public health guidance and physical distancing requirements must be followed

Services by Appointment Only

- services open by one-on-one, appointment only (no walk-in services) include:
- personal services such as hair salons and barbershops, esthetics, manicure, pedicure, body waxing and make-up, piercing and tattoo services
- wellness services including acupuncture, massage and reflexology
- professional services such as lawyers, mediators, accountants and photographers
- private lessons (no private group lessons permitted)
- · hotels, motels, hunting and fishing lodges

More details about these new measures can be found at <u>alberta.ca/enhanced-public-health-measures.aspx</u>

Please continue to follow public health measures in effect for your community, wear a mask, wash your hands and stay home if you're sick.

Together we will get through this. Stay safe, treat people with compassion, support your local businesses when you can and take care.







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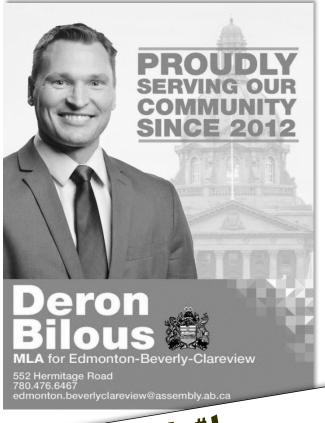
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Join Our Next Community League Meeting!

December 16th, 2020 at 7pm Online via virtual meeting

Open to all community members. Share your input on community activities. Request a meeting link by sending an email to bannermanleague@gmail.com



Riddle #1

I can travel from there to here by disappearing and then travel here to there by re-appearing. What am I?

Riddle #2

What falls but never gets hurt?

Riddle #3

If you drop me, I'm sure to crack. If you smile at me, I'm sure to smile back. What am I?

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Hall rentals!

Due to the Covid-19 restrictions imposed by the Alberta Government on November 24th, Bannerman Community Hall is closed until further notice. For information, call Carol 780-999-5469