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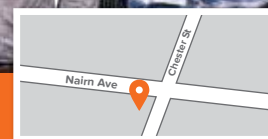
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# OFFICIAL GRAND OPENING: OCTOBER 6, 2015

On Tuesday, October 6th at 11:00 a.m., the ribbon was ceremoniously cut to mark the official grand opening of the new East Elmwood Community Centre. Ribbon Cutters included Matt Wiebe, MLA for Concordia, Mayor Brian Bowman, Marlene Amell, Executive Director of the General Council of Winnipeg Community Centres and Amanda Young, Volunteer Steering Committee member for East Elmwood CC.

We were extremely pleased that a grade six class from Kent Road School could join us, as our old Centre shared property with the school and the fire had a huge impact on the kids. After the fire, the school sold paper bricks for 25 cents each and raised \$738.65 for



the new centre. As the Kent Road School website states, "This was a great way for our students to learn that one person really can make a difference, and lots of us together can make a big difference."

We hope that the kids and the rest of the community will really enjoy our new Centre and invite everyone to stay tuned for the launch of our new website that will keep you up to date with our events and programs.

# YOU ARE IN THE EAST ELMWOOD COMMUNITY CENTRE SERVICE AREA IF YOU LIVE WITHIN THESE BOUNDARIES

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**West:** CPR Tracks. **East:** Lagimodiere Boulevard, from Mission to the CNR Lines.



## SPORTS CONVENORS NEEDED!

East Elmwood Community Centre has a long history of organized sports, but to continue that legacy, we need volunteers!

### Hockey Convenor – Soccer Convenor – Baseball Convenor – Others!

Currently, you would simply be required to represent the Community Centre at Association meetings.

Eventually, we would hope to develop the programs again!

If interested, or for more information, please contact the Community Centre!

## END OF SUMMER EVENT

On Sunday, September 20th East Elmwood Community Centre, 490 Keenleyside St., hosted an “End of Summer Event” for the residents & families of the East Elmwood area.

After numerous hours of planning and organizing, we were pleased

to see over 300 people attend the event. Residents and families had the opportunity to view the centre, see what programs are offered and how they could register if interested. People were treated to a free hot dog, drink & chips as well as entertainment as part of the event. Children had the opportunity to play outdoor games or to express themselves with arts & crafts or get their face painted courtesy of the City of Winnipeg Mobile Play unit. Afternoon music was provided by DJ Dale Holland, followed by the afternoon entertainment “Mr. Ken”, who performed a Magic Show. Mr. Ken provided the crowd with entertainment from beginning to end. Attendance draw was done and one lucky family received a \$100.00 gift



card to Sobey's on the behalf of East Elmwood Community Center.

Big thank you to the Catholic Woman's League from St. Gerard Parish and the many volunteers that helped make the event a success, and to Matt Wiebe and Jason Schreyer for attending.

**Amanda Young, Chair Person**

## CITY OF WINNIPEG PROGRAMS

City of Winnipeg offers many activities at our centre, as described in the Leisure Guide. Fall programming is now in

session, be sure to check out the Winter Leisure Guide brochure for activities starting in the new year. City of Winnipeg offers two Priceless Fun Free Programs at our centre; Children's Drop-in Play (6-12 years) on Monday,

Wednesday and Friday from 3:30 – 5:30 pm and Youth Action Centre (13-18 years) on Wednesday and Thursdays from 6:30 – 9:30 pm. Call 311 or visit Winnipeg.ca for further City of Winnipeg program information.



## GYM

Our 5376 square foot gym is suitable for a variety of sporting activities and is available for rental on an hourly basis.

**COST:** Children's sport activity rate is \$25/hour, Adult sport activity rate is \$35/hour.

As a social space, the gym is licensed for a capacity of 300 and may be used for larger birthday parties, celebrations and special events. It is conveniently adjoined to a kitchen equipped with two ovens, suitable for warming up food for your occasion and coffee maker. Please note that we are NOT taking bookings for Socials at the present time.

**COST:** 4 hour rental \$285 (and up)



plus a refundable security deposit of \$80.

**WEDDING (W/ALCOHOL):**  
5:00 pm – 1:00 am \$1640 plus a refundable security deposit of \$300

**WEDDING NO/ALCOHOL:**  
5:00 pm – midnight \$800 plus a refundable security deposit of \$280

## MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM

Our Multi-Purpose Room comfortably seats 67, and is suitable for Birthday Parties, Dinners, Meetings or Get-Togethers. It is conveniently adjoined to a kitchen equipped with two ovens, suitable for warming up food for your occasion and coffee maker.



**COST:** 4 hour rental \$185 (and up) plus a refundable security deposit of \$60.

## KITCHEN

Our 365 square foot Kitchen is fully accessible, with two ovens, induction stove top, ample fridge and freezer space and will compliment your rental of MPR or Gym for social occasions.

**SERVING ALCOHOL:** In order to serve alcohol at your event, you will need a Social Occasion Permit from the Liquor Gaming Authority of Manitoba. Please do not apply for this permit until you have an EECC Rental contract.

For rental information and to book your event, please call the centre at 204-667-2777.

## YOGA IS STARTING AT EECC!

Come and join us Saturday mornings for a gentle but invigorating yoga class that will help relieve tension in the body and mind while developing

focus and flexibility. This is a beginner class and open to both males and females. All you need is a mat and an open mind! (yoga mats are available if you don't have your own.) The class runs for 5 sessions and begins on Saturday November

7th. Your investment is \$45.00 for 5 classes or \$10.00 per drop in fee. Please call or text Pam at 204-807-3674 if you have any questions.

And further programming is being planned.



“THE TIMES  
THEY ARE  
A-CHANGING”  
- BOB DYLAN, 1967

Our newly opened facility replaces our original building that had been on Beach Street. (Technically, behind Beach Street, tucked behind Kent Road School!). Originally constructed in the 1950's, the building underwent various additions/renovations, and even survived a fire in the early 1970's. During its existence, it housed many activities, both sporting and social, and served the East Elmwood community well. On Wednesday, March 9th of 2011, the Community Centre was destroyed by a fire, later confirmed to be arson. Devastated by this loss, plans were soon underway to replace the facility. In July of the same year, the East Kildonan-Transcona Community Committee passed a recommendation calling the city's public services department to provide estimates on rebuilding the centre, and requesting that said cost be included in the City of Winnipeg's 2012 capital budget.



A series of community consultations ensued. Community members and stakeholders voiced wishes, hopes and concerns, and it was agreed that a new location at Keenleyside Park would be a more desirable place to build a brand new building. One common desire was for a full size gymnasium, something we never had in the past.

Together with BridgemanCollaborative Architecture, the City of Winnipeg, the General Council of Winnipeg Community Centres and East Elmwood Community Centre Board members, our 11,000 sf new building was designed, complete with a full size gym, Multi-Purpose Room, Kitchen and office. A brand new outdoor rink will be ready for skating this winter. The design of our building has received a City



of Winnipeg Access Award, as all aspects of the building were built barrier-free. We are also awaiting LEED Silver designation.

Funding for the redevelopment came from the Recreation and Leisure Infrastructure Program, jointly supported by the Province of Manitoba and City of Winnipeg plus funds from the city's insurance reserve fund. Additional funding from a federal Canada 150 Infrastructure Fund grant will further assist with amenities and equipment at our centre. Kent Road School students showed their commitment to our centre and fundraised \$738.65 towards the project.

*We are now open and excited to bring programming and events back into our community!*

PROGRAMS AT  
EAST ELMWOOD  
COMMUNITY  
CENTRE

**PICKLEBALL:** Come join socially active seniors as they learn and play Pickleball on Tuesday & Thursday mornings from 9:30 – noon. For more information call Jim at 204-771-2140.

**TAE KWON DO:** Come and

enjoy the benefits of Tae Kwon Do in a fun and inviting atmosphere with K. Saunders Tae Kwon Do Academy every Monday night from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm. Ages 5 to adult are welcome to come and join us. For information please call 204-510-2006.

**TIE:** Together in Elmwood (TIE) Parent Child Coalition is a network of organizations and individuals working together towards the best possible outcomes for children by supporting families in the diverse

areas of the Elmwood Community with free drop-in programs for carers and their children aged 0-6 yrs. TIE TYKES is open throughout the year at 3 locations, at East Elmwood Community Centre please join us on Wednesday – 9:30 am to 12 pm and 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm.

**YOUTH BASKET BALL:** Starting Monday October 19th, we will be offering a Youth Drop-in Basketball for ages 12-16 years, from 7:45 – 9:00. For more info contact Marty Doyle 204-880-7679.

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