

# RIVERDALE COMMUNITY LEAGUE DECEMBER 2016

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## Parking in Riverdale

**Lindsey Smithson**

As many Riverdalians are aware, parking in Riverdale has been a longstanding problem. This is especially the case near the northwest corner of Riverdale where people will park and walk downtown rather than pay for parking. Residents have advised the Community League that the situation has gotten worse. This is likely due to a number of factors:

1. Closure of the footbridge has pushed the "park and walkers" from Cloverdale to Riverdale.
2. Revitalization of the Quarters and downtown, as well as the opening of the Ice District, has increased use of the areas adjacent to Riverdale.
3. Costs of parking downtown have increased while availability has decreased.

The current situation causes significant safety concerns, especially in the winter. Parking is so dense that residents exiting alley ways and driveways do not have clear sight lines to oncoming traffic. The city is also unable to completely clear the roads as there are always cars parked. This causes additional safety issues on Cameron and 100A Avenue especially as the windrows build up on the sides of the road, making the lanes narrower and narrower over the winter. Between the windrows and constant line

of parked cars, people are not able to safely pass each other when going up and down the hills into Riverdale. Residents have reported accidents and near accidents as a result. They have also reported that the "park and walkers" will sometimes park so close that they are boxed in for the day. Additionally, perilous attempts at parallel parking, in the winter, on the hills have resulted in people hitting residents' vehicles and then driving away.

It is presumable that these issues will continue to increase as the downtown/Quarters revitalization continues and the LRT opens. The Community League, as well as individual residents on Cameron Avenue, have [approached the City with](#)

[their concerns](#). In response, the City released a proposed Parking Management Strategy for Cameron Ave., 100A Ave, and 94 Street. It proposes to implement a 2-hour parking restriction from 8:00 – 18:00 Monday thru Friday. This restriction will apply to residents as well. Affected residents are eligible to apply for two annual visitor parking permits. It is at the discretion of the City whether the permits will be awarded. Residents who do not have driveways or alley parking will be prioritized. Residents who have off street parking available to them may not receive a permit. Residents are also eligible to apply for "Permission to Park" permits (PTPs) when they have additional visitors. This would apply, for example, if a resident was hosting a large party, required multiple tradespeople to attend their property, or had a health professional attending their home. The

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Above: Lower Louise McKinney Park bulldozed clean in preparation of the SE LRT line, November 2016

Below: Louise McKinney Park, a quiet summer afternoon, August 2013

**Is this progress?**

Photo: Allan Shute

**Information Session  
Community League Meeting  
December 5 at 7:00 pm**

**Alldritt Developments is proposing to build an 80 story hotel/condo complex on Jasper Avenue, just east of the Shaw Conference Centre. Their plan calls for changes to the Quarters Plan, the River Valley Bylaw as well as a swap of land in the river valley for land they currently own on Jasper Ave, just west of St. Barbara's Russian Orthodox Cathedral.**

**A Public Hearing on this complicated proposal is scheduled for January 23, 2017.**

**Representatives for the developer have agreed to attend the regular League meeting on December 5 to make a presentation and to answer questions from the audience.**

**This promises to be a jam packed meeting (the Cameron Avenue parking issue follows at 8:00 pm) so plan to be there at 7:00 pm sharp!**

**Riverdale Community League Meeting: Monday December 5<sup>TH</sup> @ 7PM, Riverdale Community Hall**

## **Parking in Riverdale continued from front page**

PTPs are time limited depending on the event or service and must be applied for in advance. The City also proposes to extend the no parking zone on Cameron Avenue further south down to the open area by the Riverdale playground. This was in response to safety concerns of residents accessing the park.

The Community League posted the City's proposed plan on Riverdale's Twitter and [Engaging Riverdadians Facebook](#) page to request feedback from residents. In true Riverdale fashion, there is already a great debate! While the consensus is that something should be done, some voiced concerns with the plan specifically proposed by the City.

Some residents are concerned the proposed restriction is too small and that it will only push the parking issues further into Riverdale rather than solve the problem. Areas identified, which are also struggling with parking issues, include 93rd and 92nd Street, 100 Avenue, and 89 Street north of Rowland Road. The City requires that 2/3 of affected residents support the proposed changes. There is a risk to widening the scope too much and unnecessarily catching residents who do not have parking issues. They might oppose the restriction and could leave residents without any solution for the time being. One proposed solution to this is to have the city roll-out the restriction in phases. For example, first apply to the proposed streets and then widen based on feedback from residents who are still having concerns.

Other residents are concerned that the parking restriction ends at 6:00 p.m. and is only during the weekdays. This would not address parking pressures caused by evening and weekend events. Most of Riverdale is inundated by "Folkies" every August long weekend and, although we love them, it does create chaos. Further, the top of

Riverdale is approximately a 15 minute walk to the Shaw Conference Centre, Citadel, Winspear Centre, and A.G.A. The Ice-District and the incoming Royal Alberta Museum are a slightly longer trek but some residents have already noted an increase in parking during Rogers Place events. However, others

may feel extending the restrictions would not be beneficial as people are more likely to have visitors in the evenings and on weekends and would like unlimited parking (assuming there is a spot to be found). Riverdale is a unique community in that we have distinct day-time vs. evening parking pressures. It is arguable that Riverdale may need a parking solution more tailored to our specific needs.

Some residents are concerned about the maximum of two parking permits available. If a family has two vehicles and no off-street parking, this means they are unable to secure guests or family members staying with them any parking. An additional concern raised was the fear that this proposed Parking Management Strategy is a "stepping stone" towards the City instituting pay parking in Riverdale.

The City has Residential Parking Programs in effect for other communities in Edmonton that provide alternative parking restrictions. For example, in Windsor Park parking is prohibited except for vehicles displaying a permit. Residents qualify for decals on their personal vehicles (as many as they need), 2 visitor passes, and they can also apply for PTPs when necessary. Garneau on the other hand, does not allow for the 2 visitor passes. Rosedale and Commonwealth have major events parking restrictions in effect. Residents obtain parking passes prior to specified events (for example Eskimo football games) and all other parking is prohibited during those time periods.

The City has advised the Community League that Riverdale does not qualify for a Residential Parking Program as it does not meet the size requirement of 10 square blocks. One possible solution proposed to address this is reaching out to our friends in Cloverdale to see if



**Riverdale's parking concerns will be discussed at the December 5<sup>th</sup> League Meeting, 7 pm, Riverdale Hall.**

Photos: Gillian Austin

they would be willing to make a joint application for a Residential Parking Program and thus meet the 10 square block minimum. This would also require the support of 2/3 of affected residents which requires a significant amount of legwork and consensus. The City also identifies "mini programs" on its website which, presumably, would be a Residential Parking Program applied to a smaller geographical area.

The City has advised they will shy away from implementing a Residential Parking Program if they do not feel it is reasonable to implement in a community. In communications with the League, the City has also emphasized that they are always willing to work in consultation with the community in order to address its parking needs.

**The Community League is inviting residents to attend the December 5th Community League Meeting to express their positions concerns.** The City has been invited but is unable to attend. The League will be meeting with the City before the December 5 meeting as well will communicate resident concerns afterwards. It is my hope that the League will be able to get enough feedback from residents to effectively represent the entire community's needs to the City.

**It is important to note that the city has imposed a December 16, 2016 deadline for residents to provide feedback** to the city for the proposed Parking Management Strategy. The contact number is (780) 496-2664. Please note that those who are opposing the proposed restriction must be the affected residents (i.e. on Cameron Ave., 100A Ave., and 94 Street). The City advises that, if the proposed plan is approved, it hopes to have it implemented by late January or early February.

Last day for badminton is  
**December 7th. Starts  
up again Wednesday,  
January 4  
7:30 to 9:00 pm  
Riverdale School**

## Introducing: Your neighbour through Abundant Community Edmonton

### Danny Hoyt, Riverdale Community League Director At Large

Do you know how much talent is in Riverdale? How many avid readers there are? Did you know that your neighbour is a sommelier or that they are not only new to Riverdale but new to Canada?

Me neither, but I'd like to and so would your Community League. As neighbourhood leaders the League recognizes the importance of a vibrant neighbourhood life and they believe that strong neighbourly connections on every block will contribute to a culture of caring and belonging. But the League is made up of only 16 people. They are too few in number to get to know all 2,005\* of you which is why they have applied to fund **Abundant Community Edmonton**. If funding is approved then your new Neighbourhood Connector's work begins.

initiate conversations. As the point person on the block, cul-de-sac or apartment/condo building, a Block Connector acts as a leader to engage and encourage residents to meet their neighbours. They model neighbourliness by getting to know their neighbours, their vision, interests and abilities. They are the people who initiate block parties and other neighbourhood gatherings or social activities on the block.

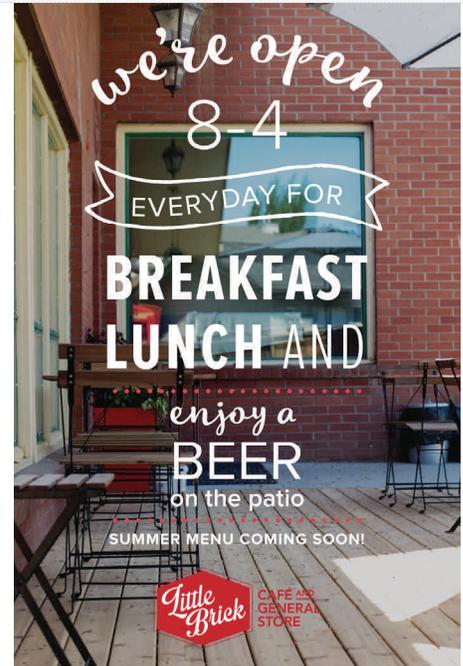
#### The Process

With the help of the **Block Connector Introduction Letter** and the **Neighbourhood Conversation Guide** up to 50 Block Connectors initiate conversations with approximately 20 of their neighbours to talk about their vision for Riverdale, mutual interests, and activities that their neighbours may want to engage

in. Also they discover the skills, abilities and experiences that they would like to share with their neighbours and Riverdale as a whole.

It begins with a simple hello. This introductory conversation, aimed to be informal yet intentional, is

meant to begin the formation of a strong neighbourly relationship. There are three distinct parts of the conversation: Vision, Activities & Interests, Skills, Abilities and Experiences and each can have different outcomes.



The Neighbourhood Connector and the Block Connectors gather and collate the information to form the basis of an abundant community in the neighbourhood.

As a Block Connector you:

- **Introduce yourself** and your role to your neighbours with the aid of the Block Connector introduction letter.
- **Connect with four households** within four weeks of your commitment to be a Block Connector.

**"Abundant Community Edmonton invigorates neighbourly relationships by providing community leagues with a simple way to nurture opportunities for supportive social connections that perhaps didn't previously exist"**

*Susan Petrina  
Community League Past President*

A **Neighbourhood Connector** is a person in the neighbourhood who takes on the role of identifying, mobilizing, encouraging and supporting the **Block Connectors**. This network of Block Connectors is made up of outgoing, invested neighbours who

**"Vital to society, and personally transforming"**  
*Tim Senger, Block Connector*

• **Enter the responses** you receive from your conversations with neighbours into the database your neighbourhood has chosen to use. Your Neighbourhood Connector will provide you with access and instructions. *The privacy of the information gathered is the responsibility of the neighbourhood connector and the neighbourhood leadership (e.g. community league executive). It is not accessible by the City of Edmonton.*

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Season's Greetings  
and Best Wishes for a  
Happy New Year



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## THE SUSTAINABLE Part 2

by Allan Shute,  
Riverdale Historian

### Immigrants fed themselves from the soil

Following is the second chapter of a multipart series on Sustainability in Riverdale.



In 1903, the W.H. Hooper ran an advertisement to appeal to settlers with dreams of self-sufficiency. It offered land on an inner bend of the North Saskatchewan River, then known as Kenneth Macdonald Flats, one of Riverdale's pre-1909 names.

As settlement grew in the Fort Edmonton area and spilled beyond the walls of the fort and into what is now Rosssdale and along the crest of both sides of the river, a thriving real estate industry met the needs of Europeans arriving in ever-increasing numbers in response to federal immigration incentives.

On May 4<sup>th</sup> of 1903, W.H. Hooper offered 200 lots, each 50 feet by 150 feet, on the lower half of River Lot 20, which dated back to the federal survey of 1882. By the time of the ad's appearance, the Cree encampment had given way to an experimental farm, a step backward for the indigenous community, for the benefit of incoming European settlers.

Most significant was the ad's opening sentence — glowing prose extolling the land's fertility to anxious buyers: "On each Lot enough may be grown to support a family." Mr. Hooper knew his audience, which was caught up in a heated land boom. Many newly-arrived settlers were unable to find accommodation so lived in tents. Growing food was part of their lifestyle. Richard Hamilton further opened up the area to residential life by his subdivision of 1905, which gave Fraser Flats — yet another name — the district's present grid of a road system.

#### Backyard gardening became a fine art

Most yards back then boasted large gardens as evidenced by Ernest Brown's panoramic photograph of late June 1915 when an unprecedented flood swept over all of the river flats. Quite visible are rows and rows of tilled gardens clearly outlined by slowly receding floodwaters.

Several small greenhouse operations



Sarah Little, second wife of the pioneer brickmaker, created a top-rate garden for social gatherings and lived beside it until her death in 1957.

arose down here to provide gardeners with vegetable seeds, seedlings, sprouts and potted flowers. The hot-house tomatoes of 1911 immigrant Wesley Cliff of 89<sup>th</sup> Street were legendary, but he grew no flowers. Arriving a year later, Frank Cullimore became a greenhouse keeper and market gardener on 90<sup>th</sup>. His sweetpeas won many trophies and cups. Wesley Cliff also had a greenhouse on 89<sup>th</sup> Street. Niels Jensen and Gordon Ewing in later years took over the F. Charles Whitton greenhouse on 87<sup>th</sup> Street and carried with a much expanded operation with a city-wide clientele and celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 1992.

#### The Chinese Market Garden

While it was Donald Ross of Rosssdale who in the 1870s blazed the trail for market gardening, greenhouse growing and horticultural experimentation, a host of successors picked up the challenge to meet market demand. Among them were

Chinese immigrants who, in the late 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> century, began to till the soil up and down the river valley. Their goal was to send money back home to China for their families and wives who were not allowed by immigration laws to enter Canada.

By 1935, Hop Woo is recorded as running a particularly large gardening operation on vacant land leased from J.B. Little just east of 92<sup>nd</sup> Street where the Broxton townhomes and the west field of Riverdale School now stand. As market gardening is labour-intensive, Hop Woo joined with fellow countryman Lung Chew (also known as George) to work the land. Families in the neighbourhood also



George Chew on sales trip downtown with son George Jr.

appreciated paid jobs. Bark Ging Wong joined them in the mid-to-late 1930s. The two eventually succeeded Hop Woo and worked together for some time. In the late 1940s, George and Bark Ging went into a partnership over a land purchase in Calder. They finally went their separate ways in 1958.

In their various plots of land around town, they grew practically every known vegetable: lettuce, cabbage, cauliflower, celery, bok choy, shui choy (Chinese greens), spinach, parsley, onions, radishes, carrots, corn, beans, potatoes, rhubarb, peas, turnips and more. According to George's son, George Chew Jr., their clients were local restaurants such as the Seven Seas and the Blue Willow, along with grocery markets, vegetable and fruit wholesalers



Joan & Tom Harland on their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

#### Gardening tradition lives on in Tom Harland

One later exemplar of backyard horticultural prowess still gardening is Tom Harland, just past 90 at time of writing, who taught me the basics of soil care and conditioning. Still active and sharp as a tack, Tom is the last of his generation living on the old Harry Taylor boat-building property at 2 Riverdale Boulevard, and who married into the Taylor-Thompson family.

Tom taught me the importance of building up the soil each year, instead of just mining it of nutrients. Spading in the tops, as he called it, involved recovering



With engineering precision, Tom Harland prepares the ground for planting.

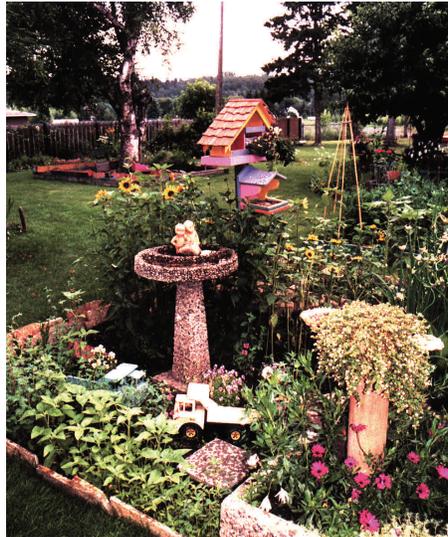
the leftover greens from a summer's garden and burying them, well chopped up, in trenches each autumn. You can add in grass clippings and autumn leaves from the lawn, kitchen waste and anything that will dissolve into soil. Then you turn over the next row's earth to cover the previous trench. It's a form of composting in place. If you can time this garden prep to include a good, hard frost it's possible to leave large clumps of earth sticking up into the frost to further break down what is inside them. Using this method, my wife Kath and I turned a backyard sandpit and lilac bed behind the old F.W. Speer store into a bed of deep, rich loam more than a foot higher that it was when we acquired the property in 1981. We grew enough potatoes, garlic and herbs to see us over most of the winter.



Irma & Emil Lueck were twice honoured by Edmonton's Front Yards in Bloom contest.

Emil and Irma Lueck, a German family who came to Canada after the Second World War, turned their backyard at the corner of 90<sup>th</sup> Street and 101<sup>st</sup> Avenue into a bountiful patch of veggies, berries and flowers. Irma remembers working for

George Chew in his market garden across the way. Their daughters Hanna and Hilda have learned well from them, and Hilda, who lives on 88<sup>th</sup> Street, continues the tradition, and they both help out their widowed mother in her garden. This family well illustrates the old maxim: "The best fertilizer is found in the footsteps of the gardener." Their gardens are weed free, thanks to daily tending, again proof of another old proverb: "The closer you are to your plants and animals each day, the easier it is to observe and respond to their needs."



Arlene Birmingham's garden in the old brickyard

One other garden, now only a fond memory, was that of Arlene Birmingham, a great-granddaughter of pioneer brickmaker J.B. Little. Arlene raised her family in the same house and on the one-acre plot that J.B.'s second wife Sarah once gardened. Arlene kept the tradition alive and the property blossomed into an abundantly rich and whimsical display that won her second place in the 1999 Front Yards in Bloom competition. Though the J.B. Little house itself was protected during the development of the Brickyard property in the first years of this century, the yard and surrounding spruce were not. Fortunately the old brick house has seen new life with the establishment of the Little Brick Café by young entrepreneurs intent on maintaining historical standards and traditions.

The most elaborate show garden at the corner of 89<sup>th</sup> Street and 101<sup>nd</sup> Avenue belonged to celebrity photographer Con Boland who repurposed the old Lentz property as a backdrop for wedding photos. Over the

years, Con took great care in the selection and care of a wide spectrum of visually appealing plants, which attracted passersby as well as potential customers. The garden was sold in late 2015 and is to revert to residential use. The Bolands have moved to their new home directly across 89<sup>th</sup> Street. Con's wife Rose has taken to gardening and grew the tallest sunflowers in 2015. The summer of 2016 saw an even more ambitious vegetable and decorative garden surrounding their new house and studio.



Riverdale was lucky to have Kit LaCroix who, for many years, had gardened the great open space between Sundance and the schoolyard and who generously shared veggies and practical advice.

### The Riverdale Garden Group

The early spring of 2015 saw a permaculture group to develop the north slope of Riverdale House by the skating rink into a food forest, receiving national recognition that same fall. There are so many splendid gardeners now in Riverdale it would be impossible to mention them all. **Andrea Wilhelm** and **Pamela Johnson** are early promoters of permaculture, the development of agricultural ecosystems intended to be sustainable and self-sufficient. They are passionate about creating alive and abundant growing spaces in the urban environment. These goals are at the root of the Food Forest, edible plants growing north of the rink shack, demonstrating the invaluable concept of permaculture.

**Rayne Johnson** is the founding head of the League's Sustainability Committee. One of the most interesting of her most recent advocacies is green burials, a low-cost and earth-friendly alternative to the traditional and elaborate interments.



The newer generations have independently discovered the virtues of gardening. And for those without the benefit of much arable space of their own, they have pioneered a community garden on the Riverdale Community League grounds with full blessing from the League. Note as well, the recycled Tenpas home as the upper half of the rink shack, at right, with its modest array of solar panels. This group of committed gardeners has evolved in the recent past. Names appearing in the Riverdalian are Andrea Wilhelm, Rayne Johnson, Pamela Johnson, Kit LaCroix, Rocky Feroe, Eric Gormley, Carolin Maeder, Tracy Deline, Marie Cloutier, Lorna Thomas, Linda Moore, Daltry Lemire and others.

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- **Continue to meet your neighbours.** Initiate conversations with each household on your block and ensure you have reached out to everyone by the date agreed to with your Neighbourhood Connector.
- **Attend Block Connector gatherings** (for orientation, training and support) coordinated by your Neighbourhood Connector.
- **Plan periodic social gatherings,** such as block parties, with your block. See [Edmonton.ca/blockparties](http://Edmonton.ca/blockparties) for block party organizing tips.

### The Benefits

Riverdale has the potential to become an even more engaged and connected community. Abundant Community Edmonton:

- Encourages and enables neighbourly relationship building.
- Advances connection and belonging in the neighbourhood.
- Builds block and neighbourhood identity, pride and shared ownership/responsibility.
- Shapes neighbourhood life according to residence vision.
- Facilitates neighbourliness by linking residence to groups, existing and newly formed, within the neighbourhood.

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- Enables local care of one another by linking the skills, abilities and experiences of all residents.
- Reduces social isolation.
- Increases safety on the block and in the neighbourhood.

The potential benefits of a better connected neighbourhood are varied and vast. As the former Neighbourhood Connector in Oliver some of my favourite outcomes included the bi-weekly Fire-side Hot Chocolate Social in Kitchener Park. This park was generally vacant during the dark, cold winter months. Through our conversations we found that neighbours noticed that illicit activity often occurred in the park after hours and so they avoided it. By igniting a campfire in the middle of it and setting up notices we let all of the neighbours surrounding the park know that it was a safe place to come out and meet each other.

I'm also proud of our "Conversations in Oliver" pieces that were featured on

our [Facebook page](#) to encourage neighbourly recognition and normalize conversation. wherein These [mini-profiles](#) allowed Block Connectors to introduce themselves to random neighbours for a short conversation and a photo opportunity. It also showcased the photographer talent in our neighbourhood.

### The Task

Your Neighbourhood Connector will be looking for a Block Connector on every block/apartment building in Riverdale. You may already be a Connector of sorts or maybe you know one; someone who organizes rummage sales, or holds game nights. This role is for anyone with the desire to connect with their neighbours and the confidence to make it happen. Interested parties should review the resource guide or email [abundantriverdale@outlook.com](mailto:abundantriverdale@outlook.com)

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**Cost:** \$3 for members; \$5 for non-members

**Theme:** Healthy Holiday Foods  
**Bring:** your favourite festive vegan or raw vegan dish to serve at least 6 people, plus your own plate, cup, cutler, serving spoon and holiday table decor. Everyone welcome!

# Learn to Skate

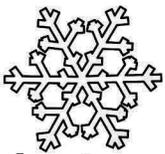
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### League Memberships

Please call the Membership Coordinator, **Audrey Chomik**, at

780-964-2645 or email [audreychomik@gmail.com](mailto:audreychomik@gmail.com)

for details about the wonderful benefits of a community league membership!

### Booking/Enquiries

**Riverdale Hall:** Call 780-426-6528 or visit

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