

Wildrose Polio Support Society

WPSS News

Special Edition!!!

Summer 2005

Special points of interest:

- Canadian Medical Association
- Telus Science Centre
- Canada Post
- Peaceful Valley
- Annual BBQ

Summer is upon us and things are really heating up!!

In the last newsletter there was a call for volunteers to “man” the display at the Canadian Medical Association Conference, August 14—17, 2005. That is still the plan.

But since then, there have been some other opportunities offered in conjunction with this. The details, as far as we know them are on the inside pages and we would appreciate your careful consideration and attention.

Errors and Omissions

In the last newsletter, some glaring errors occurred that need to be addressed.

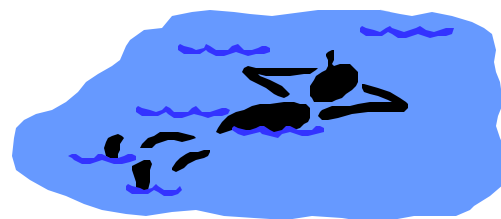
It is with profound sadness that we learned of the death of Morna Chorney, wife of Bill, on May 16, 2005. Our heartfelt condolences to Bill and his family.

Then, Cliff Cyre broke his polio ankle and got laid up for awhile. He reports to be on the mend and will be out and about soon.



Although the swimming dates were included, we forgot to put in the times.

Saturdays are 4-5 PM and
Tuesdays are 5-6 PM



"Conquering the Crippler: Canada's Role in the Fight Against Polio"

This display was created by C.J. Ruty, L. Barreto, R. Van Exan, S. Gilchrist, and is sponsored by Sanofi Pasteur (formerly Aventis Pasteur), It has been touring the country and will be in Edmonton for the Canadian Medical Association Annual Conference and then at the Telus Science World.

For a preview of the display go to <http://www.healthheritageresearch.com/clients/Aventis/Polio/SP-C-PolioExMontreal-May2005/>

We are looking for volunteers to provide a personal touch to the exhibit while it is at the Telus Science World. The organizers have decided that the exhibit will run from August 18th (Friday) through to September 5th (Labour Day). The hours are from 10:00 AM to 9:00 PM and we would like as many of those hours covered as is humanly possible. We anticipate that the shifts would be 4 hours in length but if you can handle more at one time, that would be terrific.

Please contact Pat Laird 992-0969 bunkyp15@yahoo.ca or

Bernie Hornung 428-8842 wpss@polioalberta.ca

Let us know your 3 preferred times: Date and time

We would certainly need the most people for the weekends, especially the opening one.

Thank you everyone for your assistance. This will be a major event for us.

Annual BBQ

Saturday

September 10, 2005

12:00 PM to 4:00 PM

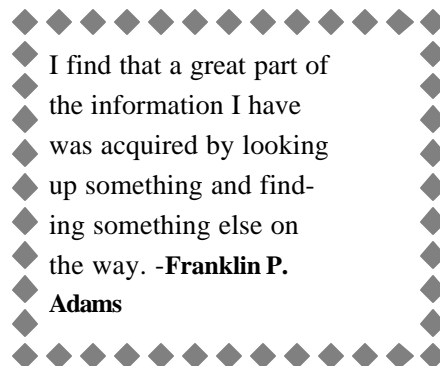
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Social Room

ACT Centre

Rundle Park

29 St and 113 Ave, easy access from Yellowhead or 118th Ave.



I find that a great part of the information I have was acquired by looking up something and finding something else on the way. -Franklin P. Adams

Canada Post to launch Commemorative Stamp marking the 50th Anniversary of the Salk Vaccine.

We recently learned through PolioCanada, that their lobbying has finally paid off with the announcement of this stamp issue. The launch date is scheduled for September 2, 2005, and this will coincide quite nicely with the Telus Science World Exhibit.

We have applied to be one of the 4 or 5 launch sites in the country. If we are not chosen (hopefully we will know this by the time you get this letter) we are still planning a parallel event. We have chosen St. Vincent Catholic Elementary School located at 10530—138 St., Edmonton, as our site. One of our members, Marie Kunec, had taught at this school for many years and was familiar with some of its history. It was intended to open September of 1953, but due to construction delays, **and the Polio Epidemic**, it did not open until January 1954.

The Principal has been contacted and is very excited about this as the school will already be open for the new school year.

Anyone interested in attending and/or assisting, please contact Pat or Bernie.

I feel that the greatest reward for doing is the opportunity to do more.
- Jonas Salk

Take the Plunge

July

Saturdays—2,9,16,30

Tuesdays—5,12,19,26

August

Saturdays— 6,13,20,27

Tuesdays— 2,9,16,23,30

September

Saturday—3,10,17,24

Tuesday— 6,13,20,27,



ACT Pool is located at Rundle Park 29 St and 113 Ave, easy access from Yellowhead or 118th Ave.

I would like to recommend the swim program at the A.C.T. Pool as therapeutic and fun. Exercising at your own pace and socializing is all part of a positive experience. I often feel pain and discomfort prior to going to the pool. However, I leave the pool feeling rejuvenated. Even as a non-swimmer, I enjoy the benefits of exercise without placing undue stress upon my weakened joints. My ability to enjoy a restful sleep increases as well. Dianne

Events Page

Greetings All.....The day in the country we have been talking about since last year has been tentatively booked for Tuesday September 6th from 11:00 Am to when we want to leave...there is no charge. I know this is only 4 days before the bar-b-q but all other days for July and August were booked unless we wanted to take 4:00 to 7:00 Pm which I didn't think was good.

The chalet has room for 50 people, has a stove, microwave, kitchen, etc is available for food prep if required as is a barbeque for those who want to make burgers or hotdogs. Everyone would be responsible to bring what they want to eat.....Kathy and I usually just make a few sandwiches and bring a thermos of coffee. Lots of picnic tables outside and the view is great, over looking the Battle River Valley. There is a trail looping through the woods with benches and rest areas along the way. They have a modified golf cart that can be used to take folks through the trail system if walking is a problem.

Peaceful Valley is about a 40 - 50 minute drive from south Edmonton, almost to Pigeon Lake. People would have to arrange their own way to get their.

Let me know what you think about the timing...the booking is tentative. Also, how to spread the word. I suggest by email and ask all those with email to call others they know who don't have email. We could also organize a phone blitz.

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There are two golf tournaments in August that might be of interest if you, or someone you know is a golfer.

Canadian Paraplegic Association (Alberta)

6th Annual Edmonton Charity Golf Tournament

Sponsored by Ron Hodgson Group

Jason Smith, Captain of the Edmonton Oilers, has been confirmed to lead off the 6th Annual Canadian Paraplegic Association Charity Golf Tournament. Thursday, August 18th, 2005 at RedTail Landing Golf Club, 1:30 p.m. shotgun start. The Texas scramble format will also include many fun and challenging contests. Golf Registration - \$225. per golfer, includes lunch, green fees, power cart, steak BBQ. (\$80 tax receipt)



Easter Seals/March of Dimes

Kevin Karius Golf Tournament

August 24, 2005 - August 24, 2005 (Belvedere Golf & Country Club).

The Registration is about \$185. Start time and other details not available right now

If you are interested contact Bernie at the office for more information