

**THE VIEW****Varsity View Community Association**Website:
vvcasaskatoon.com**“The Joy of Community Service”**

As a long-time resident of Varsity View and Grosvenor Park with several years of involvement in our community association, I often talk about my volunteer commitments which leads to the people to ask, “so.... that’s fun?”

The question, (in its many forms) doesn’t come that sharply of course; it is always more oblique but does show the speaker’s curiosity why volunteers do what they do. With family commitments, extra-curricular lessons, and our jobs, it is a valid question.

My first answer is always the volunteers. VVCA has a diverse group of talented people that are a pleasure to work with. Volunteering with them has given me opportunities to work with wonderful individuals outside my field and build friendships with our families.

The second part of my answer is the programs and projects. With the organization’s broad mandate to improve the quality of life for residents in our neighbourhood, it’s such a rewarding accomplishment to be able to create a new program for children, host a new rec sport, or start a new tradition like Movie in the Park. Sitting with the VVCA executive or a potential partner group, I often ask “why can’t we do this?” and know that some elbow grease and problem solving is the only thing we need to do to make amazing things happen.

By this point, (if my listener hasn’t drifted off to the artichoke dip), I share that the third aspect is the community. Thank yous from our neighbours and community make a big difference to us and we are thrilled when our programs are full or there’s a field of attendees for Theatre in the Park. Support from the community in terms of gratitude, recognition and financial support through donations is a huge motivator to our volunteers and I encourage you to thank them next time your family uses our programs or attends our events.

As we move forward this fall with our partners on park improvements in Raoul Wallenberg Park and Albert Recreation Centre, we hope we can continue to count on the support of our community to make our neighbourhood a better place.

Regards,

James Perkins, President

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GREETINGS FROM YOUR COUNCILLOR



Dear Varsity View Residents

Please join me in greeting the fall, always a favourite season for me, especially when it extends as far as possible into the oncoming winter.

A highlight of the summer for our family for sure was joining over 200 people in President Murray Park for the awesome SUM Theater performance of the Pied Piper. It was a magical evening that made me feel so grateful to live in Saskatoon. It also revealed this incredible potential of a park to be transformed into a performance center and a gathering of people with just the addition of a rope and theater props. Awesome.

Planning for more sustainable growth continues

This fall the City will be carrying on with very important planning towards trying to come up with a more sustainable and manageable model of a City at 500,000 people – under the banner of Growing Forward/Shaping Saskatoon. The work underway is to develop plans for a Bus Rapid Transit System 0- along major 8th St, College Drive, 22nd St and Idylwyld. Part of this process is also re-envisioning these corridors to become more ‘complete streets’ easily accessed by car, walking, and cycling, and with more people living on them to access the Transit system directly.

Varsity View is surrounded by these kind of corridor streets, so it is a plan that will have an effect on the borders of the neighbourhood, as discussed quite extensively in the Local Area Planning Process. There will be public open houses to explore these issues further, keep your eye out or sign up to

my newsletter to get more information about where and when they will be held.

More information at www.growingfwd.ca

Active Transportation

There will also be an Active Transportation Master Plan process underway to create a coherent and connected plan for cycling and improve pedestrian accessibility throughout the City. This is a long needed plan to move us past one-off projects here and there that are not tied into an overall system. Part of this will also be moving forward with planning and discussion of the Better Bike Lanes idea for downtown, with the goal of implementing a pilot in May of 2015.

Infill

While Garden and Garage suite regulations have passed, new rules for infill development are still being finalized and worked out, with a hope of coming to City Council in the next couple of months. This continues to be a big issue in Varsity View I know, and I have talked to many people in the neighbourhood about your concerns, I am working hard to ensure that we achieve a set of guidelines that ensures new infill better fits into neighbourhoods and complements neighbours. This has been a challenging file but we will get there. Stay tuned for more on this.

Traffic Calming

Finally, studies and planning is underway now to measure traffic speeds and volumes in Varsity View as part of the Neighbourhood Traffic Calming process underway. Once this information is gathered it will feed into some proposed ideas and strategies for calming traffic in the neighbourhood, to be discussed at an open house in December. Thanks everyone for your patience on this, the process does take time.

If you want more information on these and other Civic issues, consider signing up for my e-newsletter – which you can do easily by going to my website at www.charlieclark.ca

That’s all for now, enjoy your fall!

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JOIN US!

ANNUAL MOVIE IN THE PARK

What: Muppets Most Wanted

When: Friday September 12 at sundown

Where: President Murray Park

This year the Movie in the Park is being presented by VVCA along with Nutana Community Association. It has been generously sponsored by J & H Builder's Warehouse and Canadian Basement Replacements. This is a family friendly event! Bring your friends and a blanket and enjoy the show! Questions? Email amelia.lowe@usask.ca.



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“Varsity View Yesterday and Today” Cultural Heritage Mapping

Hello,

My name is Brittney and I am a Regional and Urban Planning student at the University of Saskatchewan. This past summer, I have been doing an internship for the City of Saskatoon, which focused on the cultural heritage mapping of Varsity View. The project involved gathering research and information on the notable people, places, buildings, architecture, and businesses within the neighbourhood.

One of the end goals of this project is to create an online historical database under the headline “Varsity View Yesterday and Today” on the Varsity View Community Association website (www.vvcasaskatoon.com). The Varsity View Yesterday and Today is expected to become available for viewing at www.vvcasaskatoon.com sometime in September.

I will also be doing two presentations: one at a Varsity View Community Association meeting on Wednesday, October 15th and another presentation for the City of Saskatoon in November. You are welcome to attend both presentations. Once presentation dates and venues are confirmed, they will be posted on the Varsity View Community Association website.

Thank you and I hope to see you at a presentation,

Brittney Beckie

SMF FLAG FOOTBALL REGISTRATION

Hi everyone,

It's that time of the year again! Fall flag football season is just around the corner and we are contacting you to help get your community involved!

Our flag football league is for boys and girls in grades 1-8. We have all girls teams, and mixed teams. As an added bonus the first 500 kids registered will be entered to win a pair of Saskatchewan Roughriders tickets to the September 21st game against the Ottawa Redblacks. The season starts September 6th and will conclude with a year-end Jamboree on October 18th. The cost is \$75 per child.

This year we at SMF will handle all registrations and will disperse all teams. For more information and registration, please visit our website!

<http://saskatoonminorfootball.com/fall/index.php>

Registration closes September 2nd!

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MEND is starting soon near you. **Join today!**

Programs are starting the week of September 29th!

Check out the MEND programs for 5-7 and 2-4 year olds.

VARSITY VIEW PROGRAMS

Registration is September 4 & 9, 2014 from 7:00-8:30pm at Brunskill School - 101 Wiggins Ave. A membership fee of \$5 per individual or \$10 per family is required to participate in programs and must be presented at time of registration. Varsity View Community Association honours other community association memberships.

ADULT & CHILD

Romp and Read	2-5 yrs & Adult	Souris Hall	10:30 AM-11:30 AM	Tu	Sep 16-Nov 04	FREE
Tae-Kwon Do-Advanced	6yrs-Adult	Brunskill School - Main Gym	08:00 PM-09:00 PM	W & F	Sep 17-Nov 19 & Sept 19-Dec 5	\$100
Tae-Kwon Do-Beginner	6yrs-Adult	Brunskill School - Main Gym	06:30 PM-07:15 PM	W & F	Sep 17-Nov 19 & Sep 19-Dec 5	\$60
Tae-Kwon Do-Intermediate	6 yrs -adult	Brunskill School - Main Gym	07:15 PM-08:00 PM	W & F	Sep 17-Nov 19 & Sep 19-Dec 5	\$80

YOUTH

Basketball	6-13 yrs	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
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ADULT

Badminton	Adult	Brunskill School - Main Gym	08:00 PM-10:00 PM	Tu &/or Th	"Sep 16-Nov 25 &/or Sep 18-Nov 20"	\$30 or \$60
Bike Polo	Adult	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
Boot Camp	Adult	Brunskill School - MPR	08:30 PM-09:30 PM	W	Sep 17-Nov 19	\$70
Cardio & Muscle Sculpt	Adult	Brunskill School - MPR	08:30 PM-09:30 PM	M	Sep 15-Dec 01	\$70
Conversational Spanish-Beginner	Adult	Brunskill School-Library	06:00 PM-07:00 PM	Tu	Sep 16-Nov 25	\$80
Financial Literacy Workshops	Adult	Brunskill School-Art Rm	06:30 PM-08:30 PM	Tu	Sep 16-Oct 14	FREE
Yoga (multi-level)	Adult	Brunskill School - MPR	06:30 PM-08:00 PM	M	Sep 15-Dec 01	\$80
Yoga (multi-level)	Adult	Brunskill School - MPR	06:30 PM-08:00 PM	W	Sep 17-Nov 19	\$80
Yoga Introductory, gentle, restorative	Adult	Brunskill School - MPR	06:30 PM-08:00 PM	Th	Sep 18-Nov 20	\$80
Zumba	Adult	Brunskill School - MPR	08:15 PM-09:15 PM	Tu	Sep 16-Nov 25	\$70

CHILDREN/YOUTH

Bricks 4 Kidz	5-12 yrs	Brunskill School-Library	06:00 PM-07:00 PM	M	Sep 15-Dec 01	\$100
Drama	9-12 yrs	Brunskill School-Library	08:00 PM-09:00 PM	Th	Sep 25-Nov 27	\$50
Play & Sign	2-5 yrs + adult	Brunskill School-Library	06:00 PM-07:00 PM	Th	Sep 18-Nov 20	\$50/Family
Soccer Competitive	U6, U8, U10	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA

PRESCHOOL

Soccer Rec	3-4 yrs	Brunskill School - MPR	06:00 PM-06:45 PM	Tu	Sep 16-Nov 25	\$30
Tae-Kwon Do- Pre-Beginner	3-5 yrs	Brunskill School - Main Gym	06:00 PM-06:30 PM	W or F	Sep 17-Nov 4 or Sep 12-Nov14	\$50

Parents are reminded to walk their children in to class to make sure the school is open and the class is still on. As well, children must be picked up immediately after class is over.

Remember that VVCA is sensitive to the needs of families facing financial hardships, and may partially fund, or fully fund participation fees in various activities. Subsidization is only to cover the cost of programs and will not include membership in VVCA. Please contact one of us at registration night. We are more than willing to be of assistance in a very confidential manner. In addition, assistance may be available through KidSport.

MESSAGE FROM INDOOR COORDINATORS

Greetings everyone!

Well when summer came it was great! A long time waiting, but good things come to people who wait!!!! Back on the topic – get ready for our Fall line up. We have a new program this term – Drama for 9-12 year olds! Come on out and show your hidden talent.

Some programs are returning to see if the interest has sparked. Planning a holiday in sunny Mexico this winter? You may want to learn some of the language to help you out!

The line up is above, so check it out and let's get busy! See you on the 4th or 9th of September!

Barb & Maya, Indoor Coordinators