



THE VIEW

SPRING, 2012

Varsity View Community Association

Website:
vvcasaskatoon.com

Spring's here!

Watch for signs of spring and get involved in the following events in our community:

When the ground thaws, watch President Murray park for installation of both the additional segment of the play structure, and the new benches, honouring the major donors.

Attend our AGM on April 25, 2012 at 7 pm. Please take notice that we will be discussing amendments to the constitution to add Article 5.08, requiring compliance with a Code of Conduct by members participating in VVCA activities, and to list the Community Garden Coordinator in Article 6.03. For further details, visit our website at vvcasaskatoon.com or contact James at nic.james@sasktel.net.

Watch for information about a community cleanup day planned for Saturday, April 28, 2012. Trash and discards may be brought to a central location, where bins provided by the City of Saskatoon will be located. We are looking for volunteers to assist with this event. Visit our website at vvcasaskatoon.com for details or contact James at nic.james@sasktel.net to volunteer!

Watch for the Community gardeners (now including the members of

a 4-H club at Brunskill School) to start readying their plots at the Community garden near Bishop Murray.

Watch for dates of upcoming VV Local Area Plan meetings, and plan to participate. The report coming out of the consultation process is still being written in stages. A section on infill guidelines is one of the remaining segments that will be of great interest to many community members.

Attend a Jane's Walk on May 7 and 8, 2012. For more information, call Cathy Watts 664-3908 or check out www.janeswalk.net.

Walk n Roll for Easter Seals on May 12, 2012 at Innovation Place. For registration and fundraising inquiries, call 374-4448 or email walkandroll@abilitiescouncil.sk.ca.

Finally, this year's VVCA social/fundraiser at Louis' will have taken place by the time of distribution of this newsletter. We invite everyone to attend next year's event, and we wish to thank WestJet for providing tickets for our raffle, and Blossoms for providing the floral decorations for tables.

Anne Hardy, Newsletter Editor

NOTICE OF VVCA AGM and amendment of Constitution (as described above)

**Wednesday, April 25,
2012
Brunskill School
7 pm**

playgrounds

Weekday Playground Program

July 3- August 23 (school locations close Aug 22)
Monday-Thursday 10:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m.
and
Friday 12:00-4:30 p.m.

Your nearest Playground is
Nutana Recreation Unit
506 Clarence Avenue

Weekend Playground Program Hours

July 7-August 19
Saturday & Sunday 12:00 pm-5:00 pm

Your nearest Weekend Playground Program is
Greystone Heights Recreation Unit
2711 Main Street

Draining and filling times vary for each pool. Please check with staff at site to confirm hours of operation.

Paddling pools will close during unsuitable weather conditions (14 °C or less and/or when raining heavily)


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Summer/Fall Planning

Although it is only the beginning of spring, it is time to make plans for the summer and fall. In this copy of the newsletter, we cannot accommodate advertisements, but we can provide information about options of which we've learned:

Kindergarten registration:

It is time to register for kindergarten. For the public system, Brunskill School, located on Wiggins Ave., serves Varsity View and Grosvenor Park. For information, call Brunskill School at 683-7130. St. Philip Catholic School, located on Haultain Ave., serves not only Haultain, but also Varsity View, Grosvenor Park and South Corman Park, and provides bussing to students from these areas. Call St. Philip Catholic School at 659-7450 for information.

Preschool registration:

Varsity View Cooperative Preschool, located in Brunskill School, offers a fun and caring teacher, a fantastic facility and a stimulating curriculum. To enroll, children must be fully potty trained and 3 years or 4 years old. For more information, please email vcvpregs-trar@gmail.com or call the preschool at 652-0015.

Language classes

The University of Saskatchewan Language Centre offers a number of conversational languages programs, and EFL/ESL teacher training. For information about language classes, call 966-4351 or visit ccde.usask.ca/learnlanguages. For EFL/ESL training, call 966-2085 or visit ccde.usask.ca/tefl.

Summer camps/ activities

The University of Saskatchewan runs many kids' activity camps during the summer. The activities cover an entire spectrum of different interests, from art and music through kinesiology to agriculture, ecology, history and science. Information is available at kidscamps.usask.ca.

The Saskatoon Zoo Society offers a variety of programs and events at the Forestry Farm Park and Zoo: the Young Naturalists' program, the next session of which is a Crocus Field Trip on April 19, 2012; week-long summer day camps for kids aged 7-10 or 11-14; 'feasts with the beasts' on Mother's Day, Father's Day and Grandparents' Day; the free Kinsmen day at the zoo on June 22, 2012; the Cameco Family Day at the Zoo fundraiser on July 22, 2012; and much more. Visit the website at www.saskatoonzoosociety.ca or follow the Zoo Society on Facebook at www.facebook.com/saskatoonzoosocietyinc

Redberry Bible Camp operates a camping program at Redberry Lake. For information, contact the associate director, Joeline Magill, at joeline@redberrybiblecamp.com.

Miscellaneous

Lakewood Indoor Tennis Club is offering open houses, designed to allow people of all ages to come out and try tennis for free. The Club will be providing balls and racquets. Also, it will have coaches volunteering to provide instruction and facilitate different skill games. The next two dates are April 15 and May 20, 2012, from 6 to 8 pm.

Riverside Badminton and Tennis Club offers lessons, camps, tournaments, and socials that cater to all levels of badminton and tennis. It is hoping to attract people of all ages, particularly youth, from all around the city, to the club. Call 242-5584 for information.

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