CHAMPLAIN SPEAKER



No messing around: Spring Cleanup April 27

The last weekend in April is Capital Cleanup Weekend, and Champlain Park needs volunteers.

Spring Cleanup is an annual tradition. It's a chance for neighbours of all ages – kids, teens, and adults – to get together and help spruce up the neighbourhood. It is part of the city's Cleaning the Capital campaign to beautify public green spaces each spring.

We'll meet at the fieldhouse Saturday, April 27 at 10 a.m. Juice, coffee and cookies will be served, and people will sign up and pick an area to do. Usually the work is done by noon. In case of rain, we'll meet instead on Sunday, April 28.

The designated cleanup areas are the south side of Premier above the transitway; the boulevard on Northwestern and the path at its north end; and the areas along the fence on Patricia and Pontiac. It can also include the area along the river at the foot of Carleton, or any other public spaces you think need it.

We recommend wearing pants and longsleeved shirts. Wear appropriate footwear and bring gloves. The City will provide garbage bags and other supplies.

The Keyworth School Age Program has adopted Champlain Park and the students of St. George School are doing a great job cleaning it each spring and fall. Thanks go to them.

Now it's time for the rest of us in the neighbourhood to do our part. Last year, roughly 40 people showed up – a wonderful turnout.

If you have any questions or suggestions, call Andrea Murphy or lan Reid at 613-715-9504.