

CHAMPLAIN SPEAKER

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Park your troubles at the AGM May 23

On-street parking is shaping up as the dominant issue for this year's annual general meeting, scheduled for May 23, 7 p.m., at the Champlain Park field-house.

Your community association has arranged for two aspects of this matter to be discussed.

1 Proposal to change parking restrictions from 3 hour to 2 hour parking on all Champlain Park streets (except for those that already have 1 hour parking). Purpose of proposed change is to address Tunney's Pasture employees parking on our streets

City Guest: Phil Ebers, Traffic Branch
Community Moderator: Jacques Bourbeau

2 Proposal to create angle parking from city road allowance at field-house. A plan will be presented. Purpose is to address problem of lack of parking near fieldhouse due to Tunney's workers parking there, and also to provide longer parking if 2 hour parking restriction is adopted.

City Staffer: Dan Chenier, Parks Branch
City Guest: Councillor Shawn Little and assistant

Community Moderator: Debra Hiron

Other items on the agenda include:

3 Election of Officers; Thank You to outgoing volunteers; How the community association will conduct business next year. VACANCY: Social

Convenor. Needed urgently to keep events such as the Halloween party going.

4 Financial Report

5 Business from the floor

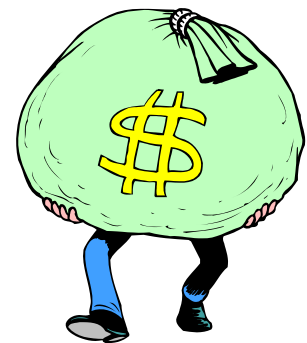
6 Social!



Do you want this sign in front of your house?

Some of the areas in Champlain Park already have one-hour parking, while others have the standard three hours of city streets. Are further restrictions needed? Express yourself at the AGM.

Gold found in garage



Community-wide garage sale on **Saturday, June 8** 8 a.m. to noon.

Same day as Island Park Drive. Rain date June 9.

Prepare your treasures, the world will beat a path to your driveway!

Community Association

Co-chairs: Linda McShane (798-1338)

Lynne Bankier (729-0955)

Vice-president: Jonathan Chaplan
(728-7670)

Planning: Amy Kempster (722-6039)

Secretary: Mark Cianfaglone (722-5674)

Treasurer: potter (728-4980)

Membership: Amy Kempster (722-6039)

Neighbourhood Watch: Michael Cheng (722-3344)

Fieldhouse bookings: Laurie Fagan (728-1945)

Rink co-ordinator: Jacques Bourbeau (728-0337)

Adopt-a-Riverbank co-ordinator: Don Monet (728-1750)

TEENS AT WORK

Tom (yard chores)	729-6639
Jessica (babysitting)	728-8413
Morgan (yard chores)	728-6530
Kym (babysitting)	729-5439
Paul (yard chores)	728-2583
Rory (yard chores)	798-0036
Karl (yard chores)	728-7589
Miriam (babysitting)	728-7589
Nick (yard chores)	798-7652
Daniel (yard chores)	798-7652
Joey (babysitting)	728-5792
Katrina (babysitting)	725-5423
Geneviève (babysitting)	722-0454

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Potter, Monique Kerr, Carole Anne
Copeland, Beth Buist, Linda Steele,
Nancy Leigh-Smith, Karen Maser,
Marlene Kells.



Take a break: Volunteers rest beside the pile of garbage collected near the shoreline

Thanks for taking out the trash

Organizers of the cleanup along the Ottawa River and in Champlain Park were delighted with the response from residents on April 27.

The weather was fine and spirits were high as a total of 37 volunteers registered at the fieldhouse.

Taking the prize for the strangest piece of trash was an exercise machine found in the woods. It appeared to be in decent working order. (My, but we're a fit community: even the beasts of the forest are using a Stairmaster.)

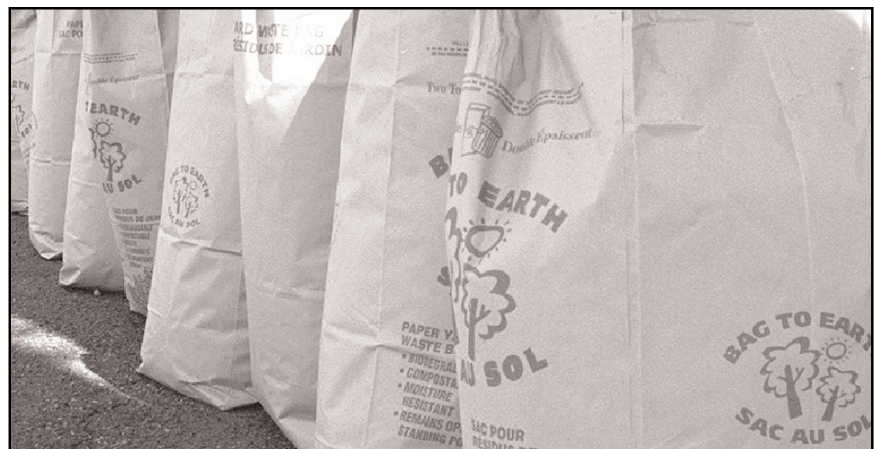
Heartfelt thanks to all the volunteers for giving up a Saturday morning. We all win by having a cleaner river and a tidier park.

Here's a list of those who registered, including 14 children, and their assigned duties.

River cleanup crew: Don Monet, Craig and Maija Wells, Johnathon Chaplan, Nhung Hoang and Avery, Nancy Gallipoli, Lisa Van Buren and Sue Gravelle (from nearby area), Ian Reid, Emily Ren and Xiaodong Chen. Hope we didn't miss anyone.

Park crew was Amy Kempster, Connie Moase and Scott, Tania Constanzo and Adam, Alex and Sarah plus John Badertscher, Kelly Egan and Will, Anna Sorokan, Chris and Scott, Aniko Levay and Csilla and Zsomer (from Island Park Towers) and Stephane Mercier.

Path crew included Marcella Winship; Debra Huron and Ryan, Daniel Buckles and Jack McVey and other areas were done by Ian Holland, Benjamin and Oliver.



More than a dozen yard waste bags were filled and stacked near the fieldhouse

May 2002

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

To add items,
call **728-1945**
or email
lfagan@magma.ca



1

Yoga
noon
Bridge Club
2 p.m.
Fitness class
6:45-7:45 p.m.
Yoga
8-9:30 p.m.

2

Playgroup
9:30-11:30 a.m.

3

ODS PLAYGROUP
9-11:30 a.m.

Theatre GROUP
7-10 p.m.

4

5

7 p.m.
Karate

Classes

6

Fitness class
6: 45-7:45 p.m.

Yoga
8: 15-9:45 p.m.

Blue

7

Playgroup
9:30-11:30 a.m.

Champlain Pa rk
Garden Club
7-9 p.m.

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Yoga
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Black

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O t tawa Fly
Fishing
7-9 p.m.

15

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Yoga
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Playgroup
9:30-11:30 a.m.

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Theatre GROUP
7-10 p.m.

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7 p.m.
Karate

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Community
Association
AGM
7 p.m.

24

ODS PLAYGROUP
9-11:30 a.m.

Theatre GROUP
7-10 p.m.

25

Spring cleanup
9:30 a.m.--NOON

AT THE PARK,
ALONG THE
RIVER

26

7 p.m.
Karate

Classes

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Fitness class
6: 45-7:45 p.m.

Yoga
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9-11:30 a.m.

Theatre GROUP
7-10 p.m.

Amy's Corner



by Amy Kempster
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Towers, townhomes and Loblaws, Act 2

Loblaws revised site plan has been submitted (apparently not very different from that used in the OMB hearing) for Kirkwood Avenue and Richmond Road. Open House, May 27 Churchill Centre 6 to 8 p.m.

Site plans for **Minto's 32-storey tower** on Lanark Avenue and the townhouse development west of the Hydro station on Lanark have been approved.

Still to come: **10-storey apartment** building west of the Island Park Towers on the south side of Clearview (site plan) and the development plans for the rest of the land on Lanark, east of the Hydro station.

On the south side of Scott Street, there is the Larco development on the Canadian Bank Note lands (Freiman Woodlot, see below). Given the completion of the Champlain Bridge later this year, the main concern with these developments is the increase in traffic on Island Park Drive, Scott and Richmond. Perhaps the city might consider, if we asked, doing traffic counts this summer or fall and then compare them with next summer or fall.

Development Charges

Development charges are an area to which citizens should pay more attention. The extent to which they cover the infrastructure required by growth affects the taxes of the existing residents, or the level of services they receive. There was considerable discussion in the newspaper about the draw-down of reserves in

the budget this year. To the extent that they were in reserves set up by development charges, this should not be a great problem.

However the current development charges do not cover all the cost of growth. One of the important steps the city might use to implement "smart growth" would be to ensure that development charges cover as much of the cost of growth as the law allows. The slight delay in indexation of the development charges was thus a setback for the idea of smart growth.

Larco Development

A fairly well attended meeting was held May 1 at 495 Richmond Road regarding this subdivision. The development requires rezoning, subdivision approval and site-plan approval before it can proceed. Only the first of these (rezoning) is likely to go to Planning and Development Committee.

City planner **Doug James** explained the process and outlined the development. Given the extent of land likely to be zoned protectively and donated to the city, the subdivision was generally accepted and not much opposition was expressed.

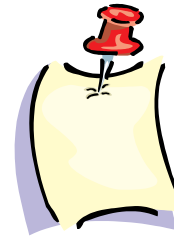
Residents of Clifton Road were concerned about traffic (new residents coming out to Scott and then using Clifton to get to Richmond) but their concerns relate not only to this development but to those along Lanark, the new Loblaws, etc. The idea of a noise fence along Scott was not popular and the city suggestion of a turnaround on Patricia (which might eliminate both lots on Patricia) was opposed by the developer. Given that most of the trees along Scott will be kept (to a depth of about 70 feet), the developer has taken a reasonable approach and it is hoped most of the more valuable trees will be saved.

Plant Bath

The new Plant Bath should be ready for the first swim sometime in the fall of 2003, according to a friend who attended the recent open house. It will be nice to have another city pool in the near west end, since Dovercourt is very busy.

To all and sundry: If anyone would like me to discuss such topics as the zoning for the neighbourhood or other planning matters, let me know and I can cover such material in a future column.

Association



Notes

By Lynne Bankier
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I am pleased to announce that we have a new Treasurer. Co-ordinates are as follows: "potter" 728-4980; also email address (potter2@sympatico.ca). A heartfelt thanks goes to Marie Laurence for carrying out the Treasurer's role for the past couple of years. The changeover is happening before the AGM as potter will be preparing a financial statement to present at the meeting.



Very Hush Hush

1 A meditation practice group will have its first meeting on June 20 from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Everyone, from seasoned meditators to those who have never tried meditation, is welcome. For more information call Nhung Hoang at 728-7670.

2 Champlain Park neighbour has cottage for rent. Great location, near Campbell's Bay on a small lake; no motor boats. Row boat and paddle boat. Has beach. Private location with sun and shade. To rent by the week, month or year. To inquire, leave a message with either Sandy (cell) 852-0183 or Dan, 722-3511.

3 Friends of the Central Experimental Farm are holding an information session for volunteers. The session for weekday morning gardeners and the Arboretum team is June 11 at 1 p.m. in building 72. Contact Debra Thornington, 230-3276, volcoord@cyberus.ca