

# CHAMPLAIN SPEAKER

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## A walk through time

The sound of cannons thundered across the neighbourhood May 24 during a display of war and peace, through the ages, at St. Joseph's. At right, Benjamin and Oliver Holland stand before an armoured vehicle. Below is a display of furs, including a beaver pelt strung tight in the lower corner.



## Perils of parking: how long is too long?

By Mark Cianfagione.

I'm writing this realizing that my position as association secretary was short lived. Hmmm, I wonder if that's a sign.

Speaking of signs, the annual general meeting occurred on May 23 and it was almost all about parking.

Our new community association officers were introduced. They are chair Jonathan Chaplan, vice-chair Mark Cianfagione, with Lynne Bankier taking over as secretary. Out new treasurer, Potter, takes over for Marie Laurence. Many thanks to Lynne, Linda McShane and Marie for their great work over the years. Most of the other positions were graciously re-accepted by their present

holders. However there is still the position of social convenor to be filled.

At this point, Lynne introduced our two guests for the evening. The first was Mr. Phil Edens of the Traffic Branch of the city of Ottawa. The second was Fabrice, from Shawn Little's office.

Our Jacques Bourbeau moderated a discussion about how to solve the worsening parking situation during day-time hours. There was a wide range of ideas, including: two-hour parking on all streets, no-parking zones, and even parking meters. Unfortunately there were drawbacks to many of the ideas.

Mr. Edens explained that, generally speaking, the people who don't want to buy parking permits are usually the offenders. It was mentioned by several people that the parkers seem to move

their cars before the parking control officers arrive. There was even the observation that one person may move several cars, as if on some kind of schedule in the office.

Mr. Edens said the standard three-hour limit is not usually enforced unless there are complaints from residents. A suggestion was put forward to send a letter to the various government department heads at Tunney's Pasture, explaining that there is a constant stream of people leaving work to shuttle their cars about and that this effectively is causing a loss of productive time.

Other issues mentioned were the issue of people parking on the north side of Pontiac. Mr. Edens explained that this was NCC property and that the  
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## Community Association

**Chair:** Jonathan Chaplan (728-7670)

**Vice-chair:** Mark Cianfaglione (722-5674)

**Treasurer:** potter (728-4980)

**Secretary:** Lynne Bankier (729-0955)

**Planning:** Amy Kempster (722-6039)

**Membership:** Amy Kempster (722-6039)

**Neighbourhood Watch:** Michael Cheng (722-3344)

**Fieldhouse co-ordinator:** 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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**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** On behalf of the Canadian Cancer Society, we would like to thank our canvassing team in Champlain Park for their great spirit in taking on this job: Helen Joseph, James Hay, Susan Murray, Judith Ann Lee, Alan Steele, Sandy Milne, Chris Hancock, Patti Hovey, Paul Ledwell, and Colleen Bigelow. If you wish to volunteer for April 2003, please contact **Paul or Carol Anne Copeland** (Team and Zone Captains) at **729-7824** or email [copeland@cyberus.ca](mailto:copeland@cyberus.ca)

**3** Playback Theatre Ottawa is holding a performance at the Champlain Park Fieldhouse on **Friday, June 14th at 8:00 p.m.** Residents from the community are welcome to attend. Admission is free.

Playback Theatre is a relatively new form of theatrical improvisation which



## Very Hush Hush

originated in America in 1975 and has spread to many other countries. Members from the audience are invited to relate a personal story, and the

teller and audience then watch while actors improvise, re-enacting the teller's story.

**4** After more than 60 years at its current site on Piccadilly Ave., **St George Elementary School** is relocating to the site of the present **St. Joseph Intermediate School** on Keyworth Ave. in September 2002. The community is invited to help say goodbye to our old building and raise funds for a new and better playground in our new home at our: Hello/Goodbye Year End BBQ and Reunion.

**Saturday June 15, 2002, 4:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.** (Special Mass celebration at 3:00 p.m. at St. George's Church) Live entertainment featuring Gail Gavan and The Mick Armitage Band from 4-10.

Air Rides (from Air Bounce) for the kids, BBQ, Refreshment tent, school tour, raffle draws.

For further information call the school, **728-8291.**

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NCC was responsible to enforce it. As to the rest of the streets, he did mention he would get parking control out to our community to do a parking blitz.

This lead into our second issue that was "parked" in the wings. (Sorry I had to do it.)

Our Debra Huron moderated a discussion about solutions to the parking dilemma during the day at the fieldhouse. There are five groups who use the fieldhouse during the day and, with the Tunney's vehicles already on the street, those taking part in day-time programs have nowhere to park.

The suggestion was to ask for angled parking on Cowley Avenue, on the west side of the baseball diamond. This would be considered private parking and, therefore, permits could be issued by the community to park there. Violators could be legally towed away. Apparently there was some contact with the city on this and the person who was

contacted said that the cost would be extremely high and therefore probably not feasible. A suggestion was put forward to see what the results of the parking blitz would bring. If there was no improvement, then the situation would be re-visited.

The last item was the financial report. (**See item below.**)

As the great Elmer Fudd says: "That's all folks."

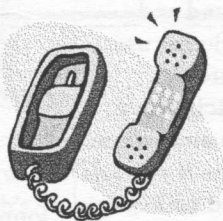
## BY THE NUMBERS

According to a report prepared by our new treasurer, Potter, the association chequing account balance on July 1, 2001 was \$2,567; balance on April 30, 2002 was \$5,502. There is also \$3,180 in a Money Market account, bringing total association funds to about \$8,600. The association has had income of \$14,740 since the fall of 2001 (from programs like aerobics, yoga, the outdoor rink) and expenses of \$11,805, creating a surplus of \$2,935.

# June 2002

Sunday      Monday      Tuesday      Wednesday      Thursday      Friday      Saturday

To add items,  
call **728-1945**  
or email  
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**Mental Post-It:  
Big Garage Sale on  
the 8th**

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<p><b>2</b></p> <p>7 P.M.</p> <p>KARATE</p> <p>CLASSES</p>	<p><b>3</b></p> <p>FITNESS CLASS 6: 45-7:45 P.M.</p> <hr/> <p>YOGA 8: 15-9:45 P.M.</p> <p><b>Blue</b> </p>	<p><b>4</b></p> <p>PLAYGROUP</p> <p>9:30-11:30 A.M.</p> <hr/> <p>CHAMPLAIN PARK GARDEN CLUB 7-9 P.M.</p>	<p><b>5</b></p> <p>YOGA NOON</p> <hr/> <p>BRIDGE CLUB 2 P.M.</p> <hr/> <p>FITNESS CLASS 6:45-7:45 P.M.</p> <hr/> <p>YOGA 8-9:30 P.M.</p>	<p><b>6</b></p> <p>PLAYGROUP</p> <p>9:30-11:30 A.M.</p>	<p><b>7</b></p> <p>ODS PLAYGROUP 9-11:30 A.M.</p> <hr/> <p>THEATRE GROUP 7-10 P.M.</p>	<p><b>8</b></p> <p>COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE</p> <p>8 A.M. TO NOON.</p> <p>RAIN DATE SUNDAY</p>
<p><b>9</b></p> <p>7 P.M.</p> <p>KARATE</p> <p>CLASSES</p>	<p><b>10</b></p> <p>FITNESS CLASS 6: 45-7:45 P.M.</p> <hr/> <p>YOGA 8: 15-9:45 P.M.</p> <p><b>Black</b> </p>	<p><b>11</b></p> <p>PLAYGROUP</p> <p>9:30-11:30 A.M.</p> <hr/> <p>OTTAWA FLY FISHING 7-9 P.M.</p>	<p><b>12</b></p> <p>YOGA NOON</p> <hr/> <p>BRIDGE CLUB 2 P.M.</p> <hr/> <p>FITNESS CLASS 6:45-7:45 P.M.</p> <hr/> <p>YOGA 8-9:30 P.M.</p>	<p><b>13</b></p> <p>PLAYGROUP</p> <p>9:30-11:30 A.M.</p>	<p><b>14</b></p> <p>ODS PLAYGROUP 9-11:30 A.M.</p> <hr/> <p>PLAYBACK THEATRE OTTAWA, 8 P.M. AT THE FIELDHOUSE. ADMISSION FREE</p>	<p><b>15</b></p> <p>FAREWELL BBQ, ST. GEORGE'S SCHOOL. 4:00-10:00 P.M. LIVE MUSIC, GAMES. MASS AT 3 P.M.</p>
<p><b>16</b></p> <p>7 P.M.</p> <p>KARATE</p> <p>CLASSES</p>	<p><b>17</b></p> <p>FITNESS CLASS 6: 45-7:45 P.M.</p> <hr/> <p>YOGA 8: 15-9:45 P.M.</p> <p><b>Blue</b> </p>	<p><b>18</b></p> <p>PLAYGROUP</p> <p>9:30-11:30 A.M.</p> <hr/> <p>OTTAWA WOMEN'S FLY FISHING 7-9 P.M.</p>	<p><b>19</b></p> <p>YOGA NOON</p> <hr/> <p>BRIDGE CLUB 2 P.M.</p> <hr/> <p>FITNESS CLASS 6:45-7:45 P.M.</p> <hr/> <p>YOGA 8-9:30 P.M.</p>	<p><b>20</b></p> <p>PLAYGROUP</p> <p>9:30-11:30 A.M.</p> <hr/> <p>MEDITATION PRACTICE GROUP, FIRST MEETING, 7:30 P.M. TO 9:30 P.M.</p>	<p><b>21</b></p> <p>ODS PLAYGROUP 9-11:30 A.M.</p> <hr/> <p>THEATRE GROUP 7-10 P.M.</p>	<p><b>22</b></p>
<p><b>23</b></p> <p>7 P.M.</p> <p>KARATE</p> <hr/> <p><b>30</b></p> <p>7 P.M.</p> <p>KARATE</p>	<p><b>24</b></p> <p>FITNESS CLASS 6: 45-7:45 P.M.</p> <hr/> <p>YOGA 8: 15-9:45 P.M.</p> <p><b>Black</b> </p>	<p><b>25</b></p> <p>PLAYGROUP</p> <p>9:30-11:30 A.M.</p>	<p><b>26</b></p> <p>YOGA NOON</p> <hr/> <p>BRIDGE CLUB 2 P.M.</p> <hr/> <p>FITNESS CLASS 6:45-7:45 P.M.</p> <hr/> <p>YOGA 8-9:30 P.M.</p>	<p><b>27</b></p> <p>PLAYGROUP</p> <p>9:30-11:30 A.M.</p>	<p><b>28</b></p> <p>ODS PLAYGROUP 9-11:30 A.M.</p> <hr/> <p>THEATRE GROUP 7-10 P.M.</p>	<p><b>29</b></p>

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## AMY'S CORNER



by Amy Kempster  
722-6039

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### More news on Scott; city charts a course

**Scott Street development:** The corner of Richmond Road and Churchill may have a small office building replace the car storage lot later this year.

**Charting a Course:** The results of public consultation on the Charting a Course Document are now available at [www.ottawa2020.com](http://www.ottawa2020.com). I am printing extracts from the principles here. If you disagree with any of these, now is the time to express your opinion to your councillors. If you agree, it is also good to say so.

**The Need for Balance:** The principles and accompanying objectives are equally important and must be considered and balanced when making decisions. Sustainable development balances the need for conservation, protection and enhancement of the natural environment and human health with the need for economic and social development and growth. It accommodates change and growth without undermining the environment or social systems on which we depend. What good is a strong economy if our environment is failing, or strong social programs if there are no jobs? Social, environmental and economic issues must be kept in balance to make a liveable, prosperous city. The Charting a Course principles have been drafted as visions for Ottawa, and are recommended to City Council for adoption.

Our Vision for Ottawa in 2020 is:

*A Responsible and Responsive City.*

**Accountability:** The City demonstrates leadership by following through and sticking to its decisions and by conducting on-going strategic monitoring and making appropriate adjustments.

**Fiscal Responsibility:** The city does not spend more than it can afford. It looks for innovative ways to fund and deliver services and makes efficient use of its infrastructure and resources.

**Conduct an Open and Participatory Process:** The city conducts business in a broad and open way that makes it easy for everyone to participate and collaborate.

**Partnerships:** The City works with other levels of government, the private sector and community-based organizations to achieve objectives.

**Public Awareness:** The City educates the public about important issues in order to raise awareness and understanding to enable the public to make knowledgeable choices.

*A Caring and Inclusive City*

**Personal Safety and Security:** All people feel safe in their homes and communities.

**Access to the Basics:** All people have access to adequate income, food, clothing, housing, transportation, health services and recreation.

**Citizen Engagement:** Everyone has the opportunity to fully participate in the life of their community.

**Healthy Living:** All people can participate in physical activity; preventive health care and risk reduction; and have access to a range of community programs and facilities.

**Diversity:** The people of Ottawa respect and celebrate cultural and social diversity, and have access to services that are responsive to special and differing needs.

*A Creative City Rich in Heritage, Unique in Identity*

**A Proud City:** The people of Ottawa are proud of their city and treasure its identity as a wonderful place to live.

**A Capital City:** We cherish the city's amenities, recognizing that as Canada's capital city, we have a rich variety of things to do. Being the nation's capital brings us tourists, gives us the national cultural perspective and a window to the world.

(For space reasons, this is but a fraction of the material in the document.)

## Association



## Notes

By Jonathan Chaplan  
728-7670

I offered to be chair of our community association because I have found that, in the last 8 ½ years, I have appreciated the fact that my family and I live in a community. I have read many authors and academics bemoaning the fact that communities don't exist in cities anymore. For those of you who live in Champlain Park, you know that is not true. That is not to say our community is perfect, or that we live in a paradise (although compared to many places in the world, we do), but that talking to neighbours and helping each other is seen as second nature to most.

Although I am a relative newcomer to Champlain Park, I agreed to chair the association, in part, as a natural progression of my professional life. Over the last several years, I have been involved in mediation, facilitation and collaborative processes. My hope is that, where necessary, I can help coordinate the energy already in the neighbourhood.

There have been many who have put in hours for the benefit of Champlain Park, but a special thanks should go to Lynne Bankier for chairing the association for years and for staying on to assist as secretary. I am looking forward to continuing to work with those on the executive. We lead busy lives, but I would encourage you to take on a task if you think it is important. The more people we have, the more manageable the work becomes. Often we don't volunteer because it seems that to take on something more would be overwhelming. Sometimes it is a matter of making it clear from the outset what it is you can and cannot do and not be pushed beyond the commitment.

On that note, a reminder that we are still looking for an events coordinator. If you do not feel that you can organize all the events, perhaps you can help organize the Halloween party.