

CHAMPLAIN SPEAKER

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All-candidates meeting Oct. 9 in city election

Everyone is invited to a meeting of all candidates running in Kitchissippi Ward in the Nov. 10 municipal election.

The gathering will be held **Oct. 9** in the field-house, beginning at **7 p.m.**

There are several declared candidates, including the incumbent, Shawn Little.

Each candidate will be permitted to make a statement and there will be a question-and-answer period.

The evening will be moderated by an executive member of the Champlain Park Community Association.

The deadline for finalizing the list of candidates is Sept. 30.

So far, there are seven registered in our ward, including: Linda Davis, Les Gagne, Kris Klein, Shawn Little, Gary Ludington, David McConnell and Daniel Stringer.



Mosque parking raised in mayor's office

By Lynne Bankier

On Aug. 28, four members of the Mosque Sub-Committee of the Champlain Park Community Association (CPCA), (Jonathan Chaplan, Lynne Bankier, Amy Kempster, Heather Pearl) attended a meeting at the mayor's office, with the current and past president of the Ottawa Muslim Association (OMA).

As many of you know, there was a motion passed at City Council a few years ago that would result in the City serving as an intermediary between the OMA and Public Works in a purchase of land to be used for mosque parking.

The CPCA had asked that certain

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This Old House: See it during Ottawa West tour Sept. 27

By Bonnie Campbell

An eclectic mixture of decorating ideas and historic architecture await visitors at this year's Seventh Annual Old Ottawa West House Tour. Here is a snapshot of this year's tour.

The Collectors' Gallery, Civic Hospital neighbourhood.

This home masterfully sets off an international art collection. A signature block motif was used to link all the wonderful elements of this place of beauty: up the stairs, the room dividers, even the glass blocks.

The Tea Room Cottage, West Wellington Village.

Built in 1918, this rare Mission style home became a tea room during the

Depression. It is in almost original condition and features the original wood wainscoting, an extra wide staircase, gorgeous wood pillars, and lovely antiques. Special Feature: Meet Gill Magnan, owner of House Heritage Residential Biographies.

The Mini "Montebello" House, Westboro

Follow the welcoming inukshuk into this landmark log cottage built in the 1940s and recently renovated. Max Finklestein, explorer, raconteur, and author of *Canoeing a Continent: On the trail of Alexander Mackenzie*, will display his canoes used to explore over 20,000 kms of water throughout Canada, Africa and Australia.

Out of Ruins, Highland Park

Diane Proulx uses broken glass and old frames to create works of art inspired by her love of gardening. Her art is on display everywhere: in the garden, the basement studio where she gives classes, and in the custom designed kitchen.

St. Basil's Catholic Community, McKellar Heights

In 1960, the first round church in Ottawa may have seemed and felt radical, but in fact it is deeply traditional and functional. It features the paintings of renowned Canadian artist, Gerald Trottier. He also designed the baptismal font, the crucifix, and the corpus built by the distinguished sculptor and metallurgist W. Schwazkoglär.

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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

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 (**computer help**) 798-7652

Daniel (**yard chores**) 722-6134

Joey (**babysitting**) 728-5792

Katrina (**babysitting**) 725-5423

Serena (**babysitting**) 792-3829

Geneviève (**babysitting**) 722-0454

Caitlin (**babysitting**) 728-6530

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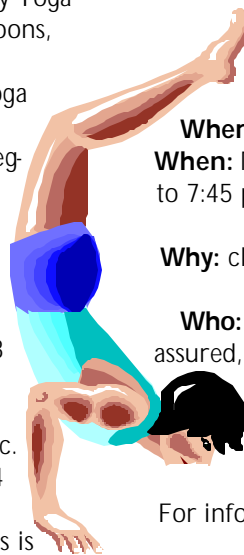
Yoga, fitness underway

Assume a position

A new class called Serenity Yoga has begun on **Monday** afternoons, from **4:30 p.m. to 5:45 p.m.**

Join our class of classic yoga postures, inspirational quotes, and deep relaxation. Call to register, for a series (\$40 for 4 classes) or drop-in (\$12). **724-9888.**

In other yoga news, the regular classes start at the fieldhouse on Monday, Sept. 8 and continue to Dec. 15. (No class Oct. 13.) The Wednesday class runs from Sept. 10 to Dec. 10. Both classes will run for 14 weeks and the cost of each is \$112. The time for both classes is unchanged, 8 p.m. to 9:30 pm.



Feel the burn

A new session of low-impact fitness classes, led by certified Y instructors, will start Sept. 15 and run to Dec. 17.

Where: Champlain Park Fieldhouse
When: Mondays and Wednesday, 6:45 to 7:45 p.m. (You can sign up for both days or just one).

Why: classes are enjoyable, affordable and so convenient.

Who: everyone is welcome, but rest assured, this is not a spandex and bare midriff crowd.

The cost will be about \$100, depending on the number of participants (maximum 12).

For information or to register call **Val at 728-4980.**

1 The Wednesday afternoon bridge club will recommence on **Sept. 3 at 2:00 P.M.** and continue on Wednesdays

from 2-4:30 p.m. This is friendly rubber bridge with the emphasis on a pleasant time rather than strong competition, and a willingness to help those who have not played much bridge before. So do not be shy! Even if you are an inexperienced player you are welcome to join us. Experts are also welcome!

2 We will be organizing the community association membership drive early in September. We are short a few volunteers so if you can canvass half your street we would like to hear from you soon. Call **Amy at 722-6039.**

3 Part-time caregiver needed for five-year-old boy in the Carleton and Premier area, from 2:45 pm to midnight. Days needed: one to four per week. **Please call Brenda @ 798-2918.**

4 Interested in **Pilates?** Come and join a fun abs workout on Saturday mornings, 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m., beginning at the end of

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September. Cost depends on the number of registrants. For info, call **Laurie, 728-1945.**

5 Looking for **exercise partner:** 30-year-old woman,

trying to get fit, looking for another woman interested in going for brisk evening walks, once/twice a week. **798-5262.**

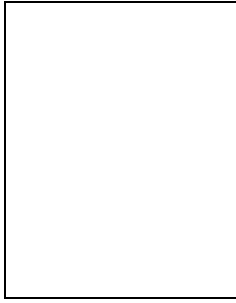
6 **Champlain Park Garden Club.** Join us the second Tuesday of the month for guest speakers, slide shows, garden tours, hands-on demonstrations. Next meeting, Tuesday, Oct. 14. For info, **728-1945.**

7 The city is **redesigning Scott Street**, between Island Park and Ross Avenue. A study is now underway looking at the number of vehicle lanes, and the possibility for bicycle lanes and repositioned sidewalks. A second open house on the project is being planned for **mid-October** in the fieldhouse. The Speaker will have more details in the next issue. Comments and information can be sent to Richard Holder, senior project manager, **580-2424, ext. 16212.** The email address is **richard.holder@ottawa.ca**

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Yoga 8 to 9:30 p.m.	2 Playgroup 9:30-11:30 a.m. Ottawa Fly Fishing 7-9 pm	3 Bridge Club 2 p.m. Yoga 8-9:30 p.m.	4 Playgroup 9:30-11:30 a.m.	5 ODS PLAYGROUP 9-11:30 a.m.	6
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Amy's Corner



by Amy Kempster
722-6039

Rebuilding Scott to make bike lanes

By the time you read this, you will have had a chance to attend the open house on Sept. 4 regarding the reconstruction of Scott Street. The project involves the stretch from Island Park Drive to Ross Avenue. The question, I believe, is how to provide for bicycle lanes: Lose some vehicle lanes or widen the road? You have until Sep. 19 to send your input to Richard Holden, Senior Project Manager, City of Ottawa, Infrastructure Services branch, 560 Rochester St., 2nd Floor, Ottawa, Ont., K1S 5K2. E-mail richard.holder@ottawa.ca.

Newsweek changes

A meeting was held July 31 on the future of *Newsweek*. There is a proposal to include it as an independent entity within a new community newspaper. That new paper would take over advertising, debt, layout and distribution but pay for the editor and guarantee independence for three years. The meeting decided to hold another meeting, given that many people were away on holidays and that the public had not received proper notice.

Those for the proposal stated that problems with finance, obtaining volunteers, etc..., made it an attractive solution. Those opposed felt that the loss of the advertising base would mean that independence would be difficult to maintain. Read the latest issue and visit the website (www.Newsweek.org) for more details.

(From Page 1: **Mosque parking**)

conditions be attached to the deed to ensure the land was used solely for mosque parishioner parking, and not for commercial parking or building purposes. These conditions were later contested by a subsequent executive of the OMA, and the transaction has been stalled.

The purpose of the recent meeting was for the mayor's office to determine the current interests of the CPCA and the OMA, and to try to move the transaction forward. The results:

The OMA does not wish to build on the land in the near future, so they are willing to retain the "no-building for 20 years" condition.

The OMA does not currently wish to rent parking commercially on Friday, their day of worship, and they are willing to have a new "no commercial parking on Fridays" condition.

The OMA does wish to continue commercial parking Monday to Thursday, as they rely heavily on the revenue. They also point out that the church next door uses commercial parking to supplement its revenue. It should be noted, however, that there is a significant difference in the numbers parked at the church (about 30) and those that will be parking at the mosque (about 170

in the currently leased lot, according to a 1998 car count).

The CPCA does not wish to have cars destined for the mosque's commercial parking venture travel through the neighbourhood. Both parties agreed one way to address this is to request that Public Works allow an entrance to the commercial part of the lot through Tunney's Pasture (Ross Avenue.) This has been requested before, but Public Works has refused. It was agreed by all parties that the time may be right to launch a new lobby effort to build an entrance from Ross into the mosque lot. If that entrance were to be approved, and a barrier erected to ensure that commercial parkers would enter the lot only from Ross, and not from Northwestern, the CPCA would be willing to waive the no-commercial parking condition.

In summary, since the "no building for 20 years" condition is acceptable to both parties, the commercial parking condition is the only source of disagreement. If a Ross Avenue entrance to the mosque parking lot could be achieved (with barriers blocking access to the commercial part of the lot from the neighbourhood) and a new "no commercial parking on Fridays" condition is added, the CPCA and the OMA could resolve the current impasse.

(From Page 1: **This Old House**)

Growing In Place, McKellar Park

Take a small, 1950s bungalow and put it into the hands of a homeowner who is a skilled contractor. The result is a 3,000 square foot house with a gourmet kitchen. No detail is missing. Open the front door and the grace of Spanish design welcomes you. The hallmark of this home is elegance.

Modern Frank Lloyd Wright Delight, Woodroffe North

The living room balcony is an ever-changing work of art as it lets you watch the seasons on the Ottawa River. The house was built on the design principles of Frank Lloyd Wright, emphasizing geometric themes externally and curvature internally. This one will take your breath away.

The Author's Retreat, Britannia Village

This classic old 1898 Britannia

Village home is a wonderful funky retreat for the homeowner, the renowned Canadian author, Caroline Perry. You will be inspired by her purple study, the Chinese dragon on the cottage porch, the garden oasis and the collection of antiques peaking out from everywhere.

The self-guided tour takes place between **10 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. on Saturday September 27**. Tickets (including a map) cost \$20 and can be reserved by calling 729-4217.

Tickets are on sale at the Newport Restaurant at 334 Richmond Road; Country Clover at 281-A Richmond Road; Uproar...Modern Design at 1200A Wellington; Critter Jungle in Hampton Park Plaza and Collected Works Bookstore and Coffee Bar at 1242 Wellington. Proceeds will support the work of the Communities Before Cars Coalition.

