CHAMPLAIN SPEAKER



Community garage sale

It's your chance to put the kitchen sink on the curb outside your home and have someone pay \$20.00 for it.

May 2007

It's also a chance to meet neighbours who have been hibernating all winter and to buy some of their used items so you'll have something to display and sell at next year's community garage sale!

More than anything, it's a chance to sit on a lawn chair and watch the world go by.

This year, Champlain Park will be holding its community garage sale on the same day as Island Park Drive's sale. The event will be advertised in the Ottawa Citizen, so expect to see lots of folks cruising the neighbourhood.

Things get started early. The sale runs from 8 a.m. until noon on Saturday June 2.

If you haven't yet cleaned out your basement or garage, now's the time to do it. Bikes, kids' toys that you don't use anymore, antique furniture, and yes, the kitchen sink can find a new home on June 2nd.



"You spelled garbage wrong."

Membership drive to begin

Craig Wells and Glenna Patrick from the Champlain Park Community Association have volunteered to lead the spring membership drive that begins in early June and will run for about three weeks.

If you bought a membership last fall, your name will be crossed off the canvassers' lists and no one will knock on your door.

Remember: the canvassers for the membership drive are your neighbours! They have volunteered their time to sell membership cards for the Champlain Park Community Association. If they call at your home and

you are not there, they'll leave an information sheet that has their name and phone number. You'll be able to call them to return at a convenient time so you can buy your annual membership.

This is the first time the membership drive has been held in the spring. The change from fall to spring was made to take advantage of nicer weather to do the canvassing.

Your membership fees support activities of the community association, including the sleigh ride in December and the winter fair.

Champlain Park Community Association

Executive members

Co-chairs: Lynne Bankier (729-0955) and Craig Wells (725-5488). Vice-chair: Glenna Patrick (729-5793)

Treasurer: potter (728-4980)
Secretary: Vacant (Lynne filling in)
Planning: Amy Kempster (722-6039)
Membership: Craig Wells and
Glenna Patrick
Neighbourhood Watch: Michael
Cheng (722-3344), Patrick Mates,
(722-4120) Neil Robertson (729-5439)
Fieldhouse co-ordinator:
Laurie Fagan (728-1945)
Rink co-ordinator:
Greg Doswell (722-7705)
Adopt-a-Riverbank co-ordinator:
Don Monet (728-1750)

CHAMPLAIN SPEAKER your community newsletter

Editor: Debra Huron 722-8048
dhuron@sympatico.ca
Proofreading: Becky Rynor
Delivery Chief: Kelly Egan
On-line edition: To receive an e-mail
once a month with a PDF of the
newsletter, contact Alexander Smith
agmsmith@rogers.com



Carriers: Kay Young, Terri Blanchard, Sandy Milne, Philip Cutfield, Patrick Mates, Rita Palin, Laura Robin, Becky Rynor, Jim Hay, Wendy Huculak, Heather Pearl, Ann Potter, Emma Morris, Linda Steele, Nancy Leigh-Smith, Benjamin Holland, Marlene Kells, Thomas and Meredith Lauzon, Kelly Egan.

The *Speaker* is produced monthly with the generous support of the Ottawa Citizen.

Teens are available for work

Thanks to Sutherland Downey, a new list of teens who are available as babysitters or mother's helpers in the neighbourhood is now available. Here's the most recent list.

> Emma J. 728-6681 Alexandra 722-7482 Berlin 722-2248 Leigh 715-9473 Emma I. 728-1063 Anastasia 728-9014 Fiona 761-9262 Emma M. 728-4642 Elisabeth (bilingual) 722-0454

The previous list of teens included some who were willing to do yard work and help with computer problems. The Editor of the Speaker phoned all the homes on that list and requested that the people listed confirm whether they were still available. If you didn't phone back, you name does not appear on the list above.

Teens who are offering services and whose names are not listed above, should contact the Editor. The updated list will appear in each monthly edition of the Champlain speaker.

Looking for help?

If you need help to do something that a neighbour might be able to help with, why not use the Champlain Speaker to get that help?

Maybe you need someone to do some painting inside or outside your home. Maybe you'd like someone to sew the hem on a dress. Who knows? There could be people in the neighbourhood willing to help you with these kinds of chores for free, as a goodwill gesture. You can put a "Help Wanted" ad in the Speaker for free.

Willing to offer help?

This space is available for short advertisements that are not business-oriented. If you charge professional rates for your services, you'll need to find a different place to advertise. But if you are willing to volunteer your services, this is a place to do so, free of charge.





Appearance by Ed Lawrence at 10 am, signing his new bestselling garden book

- Featuring Log House Perennials, La Vie En Rose Gardens, Connaught Acres
- Six speciality gardening groups offering advice & growing tips
- Garden accents antique chair planters, copper water fountains driftwood trellises & wrought iron
- Garden gifts herbal soap, tea cup bird baths, glass mosaics, painted bird houses
- Door prizes, including hanging baskets, gift certificates, trellises and much more
 - Delicious homemade sandwiches, sweets & drinks

Make it a day in the park **rain or shine!**



All proceeds go to the

Elmdale Playground Improvement Committee

to help make Elmdale School's playgrounds more beautiful!

Amy's Corner



by *Amy Kempster* 722-6039

Zoning By-law: The revised new Zoning by-law is now available. If you wish to comment on it, the Planning and Environment Committee will hear submissions on Friday June 8. They may also hear submissions on June12 and 13.

For your convenience I will remind you of the zoning which applies to our area, which I summarized in September. Besides overall changes made to most areas (allowance of group homes of up to 10 residents (revised from eight earlier), and secondary dwelling units) the zoning remains largely unchanged. From Island Park Drive east to Keyworth inclusive, the zoning is R1P, except for the school which is zoned I1A and the new houses on the north side of Clearview which are zoned R1P, with the exception of 530 and two areas zoned O1C and O1L(310).

The R1P zone allows single detached homes only (see below for permitted uses) and requires a lot width of 15 metres, a front yard setback of three metres, lot area of 440 square metres, a rear yard setback of 25 per cent of the depth (or between 6 and 7.5 metres), and a maximum height of 11 metres. From Keyworth to Northwestern inclusive the zoning is R2F, with O1 for the park, I1A [322] for the church, and I1A for the Imam's residence and the mosque (including the Tunney's parking which has exception [382] allowing only parking.

The NCC property near us is zoned EP except for the more open area at Carleton which is zoned O1L(316)-h. The R2F zone allows semi-detached and duplex houses as well as detached and the uses given below. Other requirements are: lot width of 15 metres, a front yard setback of six metres, lot area of 450

square metres, a rear yard setback of 25 per cent of the depth (or 6 to 7.5 metres) and a height limit of eight metres. For complete details consult the City website's draft zoning by-law. This too is mainly unchanged from the current by-law.

The permitted uses are: bed and breakfast (a maximum of three guest bedrooms); community garden; detached dwelling; diplomatic mission; group home (a maximum of 10 residents); home based business; home-based day-care; park; retirement home converted (a maximum of 10 residents); secondary dwelling unit.

The above list also applies to the R2F zone, namely duplex and semi-detached dwellings and linked detached dwellings. The lot width and area are 9 metres and 270 metres squared for each of these semi-detached or linked detached units.

New Official Plan: The province requires the City to review its Official Plan every five years. Thus a report was presented to Planning Committee on April 24 giving the scope and timing of this review, which will also include a review of the Transportation Master Plan and the Infrastructure Master Plan. The focus of the review will be on providing sufficient urban land to accommodate the growth in the urban population and ensuring the vitality of rural communities. As well there will be an environmental review based partly on the revised 2005 Provincial Policy Statements and the revisions to the Planning Act.

The Transportation Master Plan review will update the travel demand forecast, review targets and identify policies, programs, services and infrastructure to support growth and devise policies to minimize the impact of transportation on air quality and climate change. White papers on such issues as "intensification in the urban area" will state the issue, provide key information, identify optional approaches and seek input on critical questions. Public consultation on these white papers will take place in the fall.

To view the staff report that contains more information about this, go to the City's website and access the agenda for the Planning and Environment Committee's meeting of April 24. An electronic version of the report is part of that agenda.