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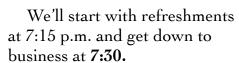
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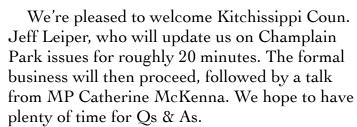


Annual general meeting Nov. 22

Ward Coun. Leiper, Ottawa Centre MP McKenna guest speakers

The annual general meeting of the Champlain Park Community Association is scheduled for Tuesday, Nov. 22.





The meeting will feature a report from the treasurer as well as updates from our committees: membership, planning and zoning, social, environment and a word about the Federation of Citizens' Associations.



Also important are the election of officers and a call for volunteers, as we are actively looking for new board members. A person can be nominated by any number of current members: please check our website for a complete list.

Most of the current executive members have volunteered to stay on. However, we would be delighted to have a fresh "member at large," a position without defined duties.

Please see the <u>CPCA organizational chart</u> on the web for ideas of how to contribute.

To be added to the slate of executive/board member nominees, contact Lynne Bankier, Co-Chair CPCA, at lynne_bankier@sympatico.ca

Please provide: Name, position/area of interest.

CHRISTMAS CRAFT SHOW NOV. 19, 10 TO 3

TREAT YOURSELF AND FIND A MOMENT TO STOP BY THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CRAFT SHOW @ THE FIELDHOUSE ON NOV. 19, FROM 10 A.M TO 3 P.M. WE THINK YOU'LL BE NICELY REWARDED.

EXPECT TO FIND HANDMADE GIFTS, INCLUDING SOAPS, JEWELRY, BAKING, KNITTED ITEMS, HATS, SEWN ITEMS, STAINED GLASS, AND FESTIVE DECOR ITEMS.

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Nov. 17 update on Urban Forest, Green Spaces

A team working on improving green spaces in Champlain Park would like to invite the community to a meeting Nov. 17.

It will be held from **7 p.m. to 9 p.m**. in the fieldhouse.

Learn about new efforts to foster a healthy urban forest and green space in our neighbourhood:

- * Community mapping of trees and tree health.
- * Tree planting in the NCC forest.
- * The Little Woods at Clearview and Patricia.

Bring your ideas for enhancing the green spaces in the neighbourhood and reducing the environmental footprint of our community.

All are welcome!



Wreath workshop **Dec. 4**

Make your own holiday wreath at the Champlain Park Garden Club workshop on Sunday, Dec. 4 at 12:30 (runs 60 to 90 minutes).



From a grapevine base, you will build a fresh wreath with four kinds of evergreens and berries. No experience necessary, just garden gloves and a garden hand-cutter (snips).

Cost is \$28, plus we'll have a few holiday cookies, punch and loads of fun. To register, call Laurie at 613-728-1945.

Water Rangers Nov. 29

Want to know more about the river that runs past our shore? Wish you could swim safely either at Westboro Beach or in the Carleton Avenue area?

Interested in fishing and wonder what you might catch nearby? You and your friends could become citizen scientists and build a storage of knowledge about the river, its health, issues around it, and how we can improve it in our own neighbourhood and along its entire length.

Everyone is welcome to attend a meeting on Nov. 29 at 7:15 p.m. at the fieldhouse. Kat Kavanagh, the designer and executive director of the Water Rangers website will explain how the site can be used to build knowledge of local areas of the river by regularly recording information online. For example, someone could record when ice has formed in the fall at a particular spot (say the bay at Carleton), and when it has left in the spring.



Sleigh ride **Dec. 22**, 6:15 pm start @ fieldhouse. Check web for deets.