

Parks Update (CHAPaRC - Civic Hospital Area Parks and Recreation Committee)

Recap – 2011 Parks Info

- New Parks president Sara Nixon was chosen to replace Sylvain de Margerie
- Thank you Sylvain for your tireless commitment to Friends of Reid Farm House (FRFH) and CHAPaRC
- In meetings with Councillor Hobbs, she agreed our parks lack services and facilities and was enthusiastic about saving historic Reid Farm House if financially feasible
- The City will give an estimate for a new community center and whether or not Reid Farm House can be incorporated into the template
- A new community center requires an incorporated recreation association – relevant models such as Dovercourt and Plant Bath are being investigated as potential models for the future



Parks Needs Your Input!

Parks Committee is launching a 3-part community engagement process to develop a blueprint for our parks:

- ✪ **Complete** our survey (sampler below) and give us your recreation ideas at www.chna4u.blogspot.com click on **Parks Survey**
- ✪ **Attend** the Parks Information Meeting Tue May 10th 7-9PM to discuss our parks and hear guest speaker John Rapp from Dovercourt (see Calendar of Events)
- ✪ **Join** us for a Parks BBQ in Reid Park on Sat June 25th 5-7PM to meet your neighbours and friends (see Calendar of Events)
- ✪ **For more information on Parks, visit www.reidfarm.com or send email to saranixonottawa@gmail.com**

Parks Information Survey Sampler www.chna4u.blogspot.com click **Parks Survey**

- Which parks** do you use & how frequently? Reid Park Fairmont Park Ev Tremblay Park
 Daily Weekly Monthly Seasonally Never
- What facilities** do you currently use at each park? Play structure Dog park Wading pool
 Hockey rink Tennis court Basketball court Sandbox Swing set Lawn bowling
 Outdoor seating Open space Other
- What changes** would you like to see added to our parks? Outdoor swimming pool Event gazebo & BBQ area Skateboard park Roller hockey surface After school drop-in
 Daycare/nursery Fitness activities Seniors activities Seasonal parties & meetings
- To which park** would you add a community center? Reid Fairmont Ev Tremblay

Civic Hospital Neighbourhood Association 2011 Calendar of Events

CHNA Public Meeting – Thu April 20th, 7-9PM

Civic Hospital Amphitheatre, 2nd floor

- 7 – 7:30 Call to order and CHNA business
- 7:30 Councillor Katherine Hobbs presents her vision for our neighbourhood
- 7:45 Question & answer session
- 8 – 8:30 “Lawn Care for Spring” presented by Neill Ritchie of Ritchie Feed and Seed with Q&A to follow – all attendees will be entered in a drawing for a gift certificate to Ritchie Feed
- 8:30 Public forum – What’s your vision? What would make our neighbourhood better? Major issues? We want to hear from you!
- 8:45 Closing comments



Cleaning the Capital – our Parks – Sat April 30th, 9-11AM

Rain Date Sun May 1st

This includes Reid, Fairmont and Ev Tremblay Parks. Gloves, garbage bags, lawn & leaf bags etc will be provided as well as some light refreshments. This a great way for everyone to pitch in to beautify our parks after a long winter, meet some neighbours and have fun. We are looking for additional volunteers to help lead the event at each park – please send an email to amanda@amandafarris.ca The 32nd Ottawa Scouts will also be pitching in so come on out and lend a hand!



Parks Information Meeting – Tue May 10th, 7-9PM

Join us at the Civic Hospital Amphitheatre (2nd floor) to discuss park improvements, guest speaker is John Rapp, Executive Director of Dovercourt. Hear from the expert on community participation through recreation and share your ideas on what you want to see in our parks.



Barrie Street Yard Sale and Street Party – Sat June 25th

Parks BBQ at Reid Park – Sat June 25th, 5-7PM

Join us at Reid Park for a community BBQ – bring your own food, beverages, something to share, plus your own chairs, small tables, picnic blankets – meet your neighbours, get information on historic Reid Farm House, give us your vision on the future of our parks.



Next Public Meeting – Wed July 20th

Hydro Ottawa guest speaker answers your questions about Time of Use Meters

CHNA Annual General Meeting – Wed Oct 19th

Year in Review and Election of Officers

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Parks Mission Statement
Civic Hospital Area Parks and Recreation Committee (CHAPaRC) is a non-profit volunteer organization with charitable status dedicated to the following principles:

- *Revitalizing and preserving the parks within our neighbourhood boundaries*
- *Building community participation through recreational activities*
- *Encouraging year round park usage with quality facilities and programs*



CHNA NEWS and INFO

CHNA – About Us

The Civic Hospital Neighbourhood Association is a volunteer non-profit community group of residents representing 2000 households adjacent to the Civic Hospital campus of The Ottawa Hospital (TOH) in Ottawa, ON

The CHNA boundaries are Hwy 417 on the north, Railway St on the east, Carling Ave on the south, and Island Park on the west.



CHNA – About Us

Visit CHNA at www.chna4u.blogspot.com for updates on executive decisions, committee meetings and other work of the association

Membership is \$5/household which supports community events, communications, printing costs, initiatives, etc. Fill out the form at the bottom of the next page and either mail it in or drop it off. For membership information contact amanda@amandafarris.ca

For 35+ years residents have volunteered their time and energy on many projects and issues that affect our neighbourhood – consider a future meeting or group event

Visit www.civichospitalliving.com for calendar of events, volunteer for an event, resources for all your home needs and much more

CHNA Mission Statement

Our mission is to promote the general interests and well being of the residents of the Civic Hospital area in the City of Ottawa.

We will do this by promoting and protecting the interests of the community with respect to the planning and future development of the community.

We will support programs which provide for the safety of community residents.

We will communicate local news and events of interest to community residents and conduct, promote and encourage social/recreational activities within our community.

We will also work with all levels of government on matters of concern to the community.

Parkdale Market Opens Apr 25th – Celebrate 87th Anniversary in July

- Celebrate 87 years on July 2nd with BBQ and cake hosted by Markets Mgmt/City Parks summer staff
- Master Gardeners start on Mother's Day weekend May 7/8, then every Saturday until June 26th
- Remodeled Park and Field House now open

Our Park Wading Pool Dates

- Reid Park pool opens June 29 to Aug 24
- Ev Tremblay pool opens June 23 to Aug 19 (weekday/weekend times not yet released)

Fisher Park Canada Day Fireworks

July 1st – better than The Hill, just walk over!



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Cleaning the Capital Event in CH Area Parks

The CHNA is participating for a second year in Cleaning the Capital Event. Last year we focused on our two parks, Reid and Fairmont. The weather was a picture perfect spring day and neighbours of all ages came out to lend a hand. We picked up sticks and leaves that had fallen off the trees during the winter, garbage that inevitably appears when the snow melts and even created some new flower beds at Reid Park. We had a great turn out of volunteers and the parks looked fantastic!

Since the event last year, we've added a third park, as well as several hundred households due to our expanded eastern boundary at Railway Street. See details of this year's effort under **Calendar of Events** or send email for information to amanda@amandafarris.ca

CHNA Committees:

Executive: Katherine Steinhoff, Alayne McGregor, Amanda Farris

Chairpersons and reps:

Traffic: Peter Eady

Planning and Development:

Katherine Steinhoff, Alayne McGregor

Community Advisory Committee

(CAC): Dr. Gisele Microys

Bayview/Carling CDP: Alayne McGregor, Katherine Steinhoff

LRT Review: Jean-Marc Comeau, Matthew Wells

Newsletter: Kate Harrigan

To all past/present officers and committee members – thank you for your dedication and determination – we need more volunteers like you!

2011 CHNA Membership Dues

\$5 per household

Name _____

Address _____

Email _____

Please make cheques payable to CHNA

Send to or drop in mailbox:

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