The Whitmore Whistler

Spring 2015

"Little Free" Libraries Great Neighborhood Response

In the December 2014 Whitmore Whistler, "Little Free Libraries" were introduced as a possibility for the Whitmore Park Community. You may remember that Little Free Libraries (LFL) are a miniature box usually built in a house-like design, full of books located in the front yards of a local neighborhood where anyone, adults and children alike may "take a book, return a book".

Since that article appeared, we have been very pleased with the enthusiastic response. Whitmore Park residents Sean and Jackie McConnell and Darcy Sharman and Michael Shires have volunteered to host a library on their properties. Alison Lohans, a well-known children's author in our community, will contribute autographed books for our LFL's. Ken Walker, an expert woodworker and carpenter here in Whitmore Park, has volunteered to not only build and install a LFL on his own property, but will also provide building materials and build some of the other Little Free Libraries for volunteers who cannot build their own. Ideally, WPCA would appreciate it if those who volunteer to host a LFL would build their own LFL. We deeply appreciate all these and future volunteers and contributors for their support of this new concept for our neighborhood.

Free Libraries number 25,000 in 75 countries around the world. Saskatchewan has a few locations; Calgary and Edmonton have close to 50 locations. Please checkout the Little Free Library website at: **www.littlefreelibrary.org.**

If you are interested in providing a Little Free Library on your property, please contact Paula Doke by e-mail at: **paula.doke@whitmorepark.ca**

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The Editorial Committee members are: Lori Giroux, Leslie Mathiason, Terry Madole, Catherine Maier and Claude Seguin

We'd like to hear what you think.

If you have a story, topic, suggestion or advertisement, we'd like to hear from you!

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August 1, 2015

newsletter@whitmorepark.ca

The content of the Whitmore Whistler does not necessarily express the views of the WPCA.

Keep up to date on what's happening in Whitmore Park, or past issues of the Whistler at:
www.whitmorepark.ca

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Volunteer Appreciation: Glenda Calcutta

After many years of donating her time and energy to Whitmore Park as the WPCA Program Coordinator, Glenda Calcutta has decided it is time to step back.

Glenda has contributed to this community in many ways, such as:

- Member of the Whitmore Walkers
- Organized and lead some of the Mike Badham Memorial Walks
- Organized the 2009 Family Fun Day and the 2010 Community BBQ
- Program coordinator for Creative Dance, Acrylic Art, Learn Japanese.
- Organized the 2009 Grant Halkyard fundraiser
- Sold community memberships at registration nights
- Attended WPCA meetings
- Campbell High School: Community Council, Webmaster, After Grad Committee, Gala Committee, Campbell Aream Music Parents Association (CAMPA)
- Grant Road School: Parents Association, helped establish the Before & After School program, Webmaster

The WPCA would like to thank Glenda for all of her hard work!

"Best of Whitmore Park"

Photo Contest

Sponsored by the Whitmore Park Community Association and the Whitmore Whistler

We are celebrating the best community in Regina by holding our first photo contest!

We want to see your photos of anything Whitmore Park and what makes our neighbourhood great (for example: events, wildlife, scenery, people using Whitmore amenities, etc)

First, second and third prize winners will be chosen, with prizes being a $50, $25 and $10 gift card (merchants yet to be determined). Winning photos will be printed in an upcoming full colour edition of the Whitmore Whistler.

Submission deadline is September 15, 2015.

Email submissions to newsletter@whitmorepark.ca

Rules & Regulations

This contest is open to all city of Regina residents

(board members of the Whitmore Park Community Association are not eligible to participate).

Photots must be taken in the Whitmore Park area.

Photographs must be in digital format. No print or film submissions will be accepted for entry into this contest.

The photograph must be taken with a digital camera, and all digital files must be 3-10 megabytes in size, must be in JPEG or JPG format, and strive for the images to be at least 3000 pixels wide (if a horizontal image) or 3000 pixels tall (if a vertical image). Only minor image editing such as contrast/ exposure and/or colour correction is acceptable, as is cropping. High dynamic range images (HDR) and stitched panoramas will NOT be accepted. Watermarking of images is not accepted for this contest.

Photos must be submitted with a caption, description and full name of the photographer.

It is the photographer's responsibility to obtain permission of anyone appearing in their photos.

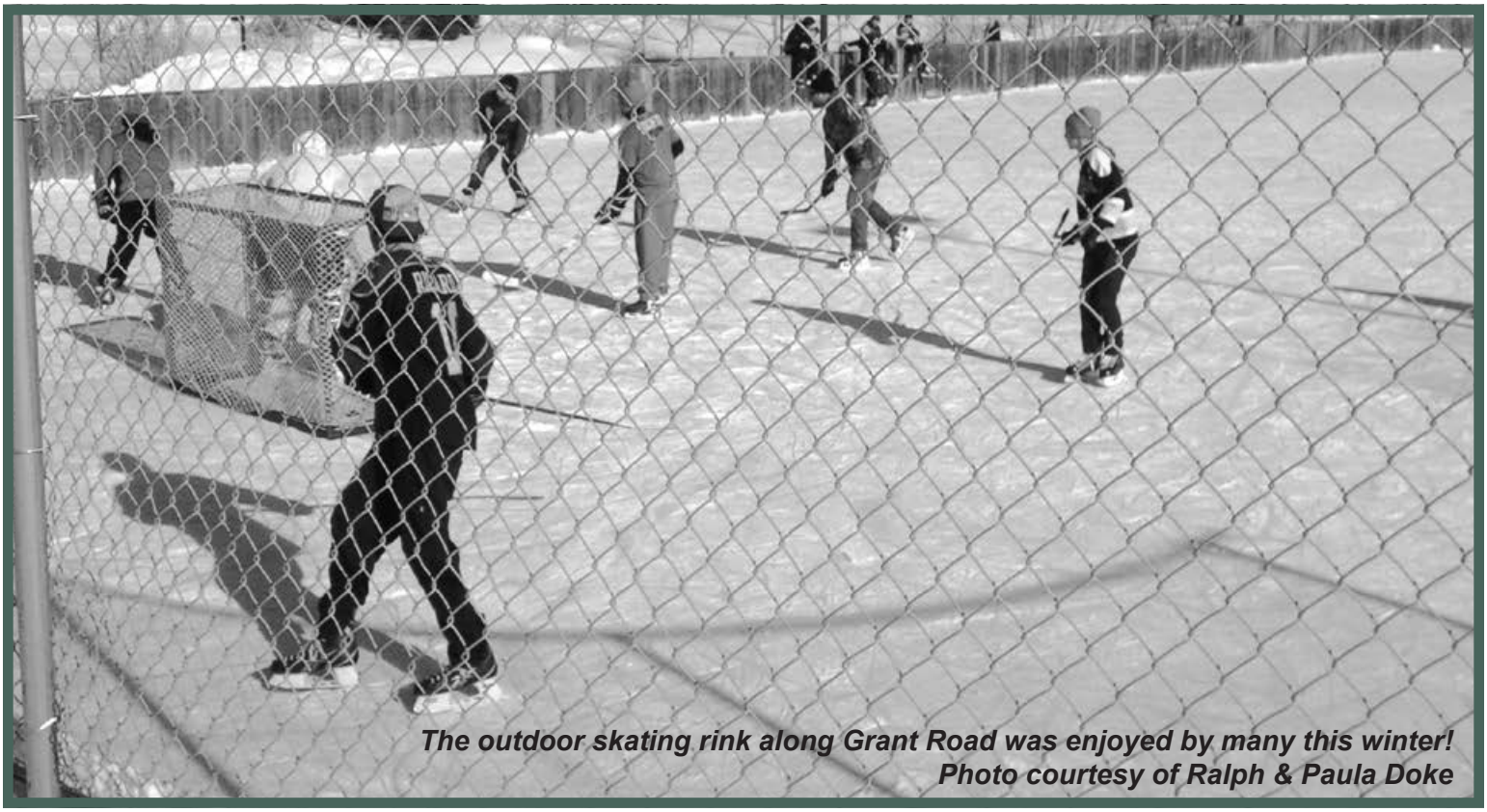
Final selections will be made by a panel chosen by the WPCA Board.

Spring Street Sweep

Boulevard sweeping will tentatively begin April 5. Street sweeping will tentatively begin April 12 and usually takes eight weeks to complete. The main arterials will be completed first followed by the neighbourhood streets and roads. Street sweeping could be delayed depending on weather conditions.

Drivers are reminded that signage will be posted in advance indicating when the clean up will occur. Please watch for the signs and do not to park in a no-parking zone or your vehicle could be ticketed ($100) and towed. Do not park in these areas until all signs have been removed. The sweep schedule will be posted on Regina.ca in early April.

Kindermusik
a good beginning never ends
Calling all Kids 7 and Under!
Music and Movement program for children.
Angelika....584-5199
www.kindermusik.com



The outdoor skating rink along Grant Road was enjoyed by many this winter!
Photo courtesy of Ralph & Paula Doke

Recycle & Re-use

Here are a few programs to help you get your spring cleaning started!

Saskatchewan Paint Recycling Program: drop off your old paint cans (full or empty) at any SARCAN location in the province. Examples of accepted items include interior and exterior latex, acrylic, and oil-based paint, stains, primers, aerosols and empty paint cans. For a complete list of accepted items, go to **http://www.sarcan.ca/pages/paint**.

Habitat for Humanity ReStore sells new and used surplus building supplies. Donated items must be in good working order and in re-saleable condition. If in doubt about your items, you can call 306-522-9705. ReStore is open 9am to 5pm Tuesday through Friday and Saturday from 9am to 4pm. They are located at 1740 Broder Street. For more information, visit: **http://www.habitatregina.ca/restore/donate-to-restore/192-content/532-what-we-take**.

Saskatchewan Waste Electronic Equipment Program (SWEEP): go to **http://www.sweepit.ca/** for a list of items accepted at SARCAN locations.

Also, watch for notice of the City of Regina's **Household Waste Day** this Spring.

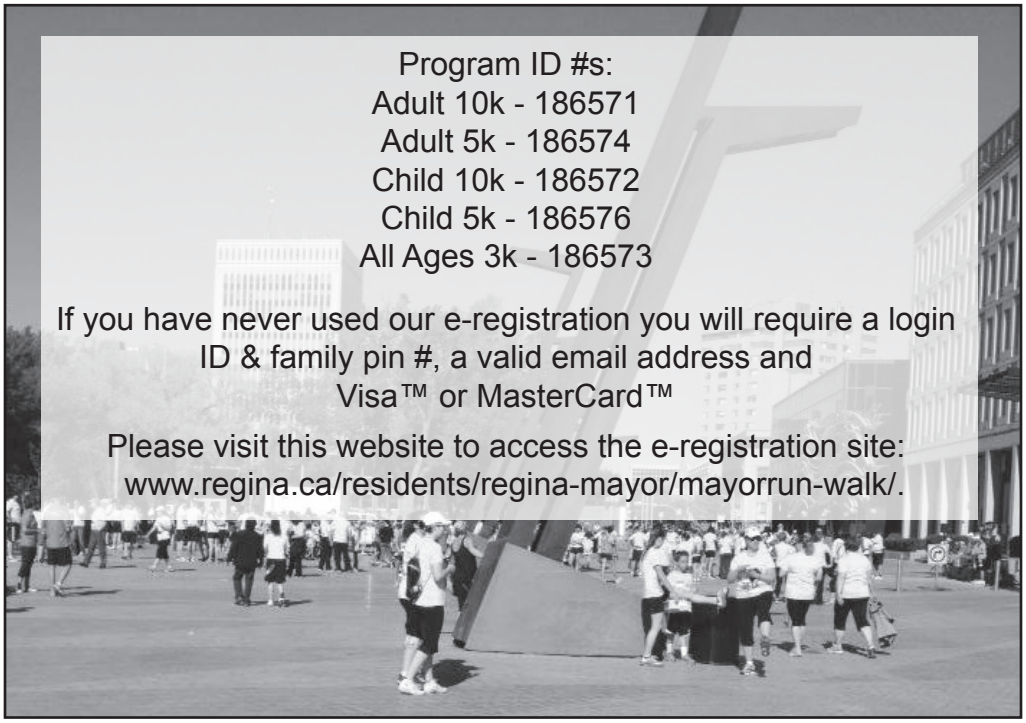
They will accept your household hazardous waste (such as fertilizers, aerosols and batteries). They will also accept major appliances (such as fridges and stoves), rimless tires, specific electronics, toys, books, bedding and more. They will reuse, recycle or dispose of the materials in an environmentally-responsible manner.

Please visit the following website for a full list of accepted items: **https://www.regina.ca/residents/garbage/recycling-programs/household-hazardous-waste/**

Mayor's Run/Walk for Fitness - May 31, 2015

Online registration for Mayor Fougere's annual Run/Walk for Fitness is NOW OPEN!

People of all ages and abilities can participate in the 10k run, 5k run/walk or 3k run/walk.



Program ID #s:
Adult 10k - 186571
Adult 5k - 186574
Child 10k - 186572
Child 5k - 186576
All Ages 3k - 186573

If you have never used our e-registration you will require a login ID & family pin #, a valid email address and Visa™ or MasterCard™

Please visit this website to access the e-registration site: www.regina.ca/residents/regina-mayor/mayorrun-walk/.

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Community Rec Co-ordinator	Loreen Anderson	306-777-7322	landerso@regina.ca

Register online www.bepositivetoys.com or call 306-924-5765

Home Alone/First Aid for Kids

Saturday, March 21
10:00 - 2:00 $43
George Bothwell Library

Saturday, June 6
10:00 - 2:00 $43
North West Leisure Centre

Babysitters Training

Saturday, April 11
10:00 - 4:30 $50
Regent Park Library

Saturday, May 16
10:00 - 4:30 $50
Regent Park Library

Pre-K and Kindergarten Registrations

Grant Road School, 2501 Grant Road, 306-791-8590

Children who will be five years of age by December 31, 2015, are eligible to attend Kindergarten in the fall of 2015. If you know someone in our school neighborhood who has a child of kindergarten age please pass this information on to that family. We are also taking registrations for Pre-Kindergarten (students must be at least 3 years of age). Please call Grant Road School at 791-8590 to register.

St. Matthew School, 4710 Castle Road, 306-791-7370

Children who will be five years of age by December 31, 2015, are eligible for Kindergarten starting this fall. If you are interested in registering, forms are available at our main office. Please be sure to bring your child's birth certificate, health card, baptismal certificate and record of immunization when you submit your registration. Registrations are currently being accepted.

The Regina Catholic School Admissions Policy provides an opportunity for baptized Roman Catholics and Eastern Rite Catholics to receive a Catholic Education. If you have any questions, concerns or inquiries, please contact the school at your convenience and speak with Ms. Pitzel. As a community we ask that you please notify families with kindergarten-aged children that we are currently accepting registrations and that they can contact the school if they have any questions.

Children between the ages of 3 and 5 are eligible to register into our Sunshine Pre-School or our Pre-Kindergarten Program. Registration for these two programs is open at this time and forms are available for both programs in our main office. Historically, our Sunshine Pre-School has filled up fairly early and we are expecting the same this year. As well, we anticipate our Pre-K, moving into its fourth year, will also be in high demand.

There are differences between the two programs and information is available at St. Matthew's office, or by calling the school and speaking with Ms. Pitzel. Registrations for both the Pre-School and Pre-K programs are being accepted, however, confirmation of placement will not occur until after Easter. Once again, we ask for your help in getting the word out to families you may know who have children between the ages 3 and 5 who may be interested in our Kindergarten, Pre-School or Pre-K programs.

Community Garage Sale Day
June 13, 2015

Clean out your basements and garages, go through your kids toys, we are doing it again! The Whitmore Park Community Association is once again coordinating a Community Garage Sale Day. To participate all you need to do is agree to hold your sale on June 13, 2015 and register your address with us by emailing **newsletter@whitmorepark.ca**. If we get 40 addresses registered by May 17, 2015, we will advertise our sale day city-wide!

By registering your address with us you agree to the publishing of your address on the Whitmore Park website and on a Google map.

Spring is Nature's Way of Saying...

"GET MOVING -> JOIN NINA'S FITNESS CLASSES"

Cardio Bootcamp:
Tuesdays 6pm • Grant Road School gym • Apr 28 - June 2 • 6 sessions

Guts, Butts and Core:
Thursdays 6pm • Grant Road School gym • Apr 30 - June 4 • 6 sessions

Classes: $36
Registration will be just before first class.
Community Membership required ($5)
Drop-in $7/ class

Coffee and Kids

All Saints Anglican

142 Massey Rd.

Friday Mornings
10am - 12pm

Drop-in program for preschoolers and those who take care of them. Come and enjoy adult company and conversation while our kids enjoy playtime!

Clip and attach this coupon to your Young Athlete Saskatchewan (YAS) 2015 summer basketball camp registration form and save $20.00 off the regular camp fee. See our 2015 summer basketball camps choices and contact information at ***www.yas.ca***
Limit one coupon per youth per registration.

Must be used at the time of registration.
Expires July 31, 2015

Thank You!

A shout out to the volunteers who assited with supervising the outdoor rink warm-up shelter during this December to February skating season. Brian Black, Vice-President of the WPCA, organized the volunteers in addition to doing some of the supervising himself.

Dave Fraser

Shawn Coghill

Ryan Hansen

Wendy Hendren

Rob & Sandra Rendall

Andi Schmalz

Ivan Stevens

Jim Swallow

Whitmore Park resident, Steve Choboter, was one of 100 people to receive a Snowbuster award from City of Regina's Mayor Fougere. A big thanks to all in Whitmore park who helped out their neighbours by clearing snow from driveways and sidewalks.

Photo courtesy of Ralph & Paula Doke

City of Regina Information

City of Regina By-Laws are not all actively enforced; rather City officials rely on residents to report infractions by calling 306-777-7000, weekdays 8:00 am to 4:45 pm.

BLOCKED CATCH BASINS

When street and lane catch basins are frozen or filled with debris in the spring, melting snow cannot drain away from alleys, streets, or greenspaces adjacent to your property.
Keeping your sidewalk, gutter and the area around catch basins free of snow, ice and debris provides a clear path for melting ice and snow to enter the storm drainage system,
Shovelling ice and snow from your sidewalk also helps your yard by providing your lawn with valuable moisture in the spring and reducing the amount of ice and snow melting into the gutter.
You should report blocked catch basins when the water that has accumulated may be hazardous or can cause significant property damage.

PARKING BY-LAW

No vehicle may be parked on the street for more than 24 hours except for Saturdays and weekends. These regulations apply to RVs and construction-related vehicles. Bylaws #10123, ss. 5 and 6, 1999; #10193, s. 5, 2000; #2005-95, s. 6, 2005)
http:// www.regina.ca/AssetFactory.aspx?did=216

REPAIRS? RENOVATIONS?

If your house is being repaired or renovated, you know that you suffer many inconveniences. Please consider the impact of the operations on your neighbours, especially if vehicles are parked on the streets and/or in front of neighbours' properties for lengthy periods. Please make sure that visiting workers & contractors don't inconvenience or endanger your neighbours

POTHOLES

Water from melting snow can cause potholes and road damage as it freezes over night and melts during the day.
The City of Regina is committed to maintaining and repairing its roads following a plan whereby priority streets are addressed first, along with those roads whose condition pose a driving hazard or significant damage to property. The City adopted this practice since 80% of Regina's motorists travel on these priority streets on a daily basis.
Reports of potholes on other streets are prioritized and are repaired on that basis.
Please be patient as it may take a while for crews to repair your reported pothole depending on its priority.

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