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Community parks update

Another summer has come and gone, our kids are back in school and we are back into the work routine. During the summer months, there was a lot of activity in park construction -- i.e., Parks 18-B, Pine Vista and Valin Park -- our Association's top priority. Although most park development is behind schedule, the City is working with developers to make visible progress.

Park 18-B located south of the Springridge subdivision and the hydro lines was graded and seeded this past spring and should be on-line for active sports activities in Spring 2008. A gravel pathway was installed and once Ashcroft builds the link from Mondavi Street to the hydro line, families will be able to use this safe pathway as a community connection (avoiding Trim Road). This 10 acre park is expected to be finalized in 2013, in conjunction with the Trim Road re-alignment.

Pine Vista Pocket Park is located in the south east corner of the East Village subdivision. It was graded and sodded over the summer and a small play structure is expected to be installed this fall.

Valin Park, in the middle of the East Village subdivision, has seen a lot of activity in the eastern portion of the park. Our Association has been informed that there are delays in developing the western portion of the park due to ongoing creek conservation issues. The remainder of the park has been top soiled and seeded/sodded, trees have been planted and most gravel pathways have been installed. The playground structures are expected to be installed in October 2007.

I am sure most of the 300+ home owners in the East Village area will be pleased to have full access to these park facilities in summer 2008.

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Parcs communautaires : mise à jour

La saison estivale tire à sa fin, nos enfants sont de retour à l'école et la routine du boulot recommence. Pendant l'été la construction des parcs 18-B, Pine Vista et Valin, une priorité pour l'association, a continué. Bien que le développement de ces parcs soit en retard sur l'échéancier, la Ville travaille avec les développeurs afin que des progrès visibles soient enregistrés.

Le parc 18-B, situé au sud du quartier Springridge près des pylônes, a été nivelé et ensemencé au printemps dernier, et devrait être ouvert aux activités sportives au printemps 2008. Un sentier de gravier a été construit, et dès qu'Ashcroft reliera la rue Mondavi aux lignes électriques, les familles pourront utiliser ce passage sécuritaire qui relie la communauté en évitant le chemin Trim. Ce parc de 10 acres devrait être terminé en 2013, en conjonction avec le réalignement du chemin Trim.

Le parc Pine Vista est situé dans le coin sud-est de East Village. Il a été nivelé et recouvert de tourbe pendant l'été et une petite structure de jeu y est attendue cet automne.

Le côté est du parc Valin, situé au coeur de East Village, a subit beaucoup de changements cet été. L'association a été informée que les retards dans le développement du secteur ouest du parc sont causés par des enjeux de conservation du ruisseau. Le reste du parc a été recouvert de terre et ensemencé, des arbres ont été plantés et la plupart des sentiers de gravier complétés. Les structures de jeu y sont attendues pour octobre 2007.

Je suis certain que les quelques 300 propriétaires de East Village seront ravis d'avoir accès au parc à l'été 2008.

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About the Cardinal Creek Community Association

The CCCA represents the interests of all residents in the neighbourhoods along the Trim Road corridor. We are a not-for-profit organization of community volunteers who are interested in making our growing community a better place to live. Some activities of our association include:

- Educating and informing residents about local issues,
- Organizing community events and activities,
- Lobbying on areas of common concern, and
- Providing a forum for discussion between residents and local elected officials and candidates.

For more information, please visit www.cardinalcreek.org.

Au sujet de l'Association communautaire de Cardinal Creek

L'ACCC représente les intérêts des résidents des quartiers longeant le chemin Trim. L'association, à but non lucratif, est constitué de bénévoles qui ont l'objectif commun d'améliorer la qualité de vie dans leur communauté en:

- Instruisant et informant les résidents sur les enjeux locaux,
- Organisant des événements et des activités communautaires,
- Faisant du lobbying pour des enjeux communs,
- Fournissant un forum de discussion entre les résidants, les élus et les candidats.

Pour plus de renseignements, visitez le www.cardinalcreek.org.

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As you can see, much progress has been made in park development this year. I would encourage you to contact Councillor Bob Monette's office or call 311 with any park development questions or safety/security concerns that you may have relating to these matters.

I also remind you that volunteers – particularly those with snow blowers or shovels and strong backs – will be needed this winter to operate outdoor skating rinks at Cassia Park and Maple Ridge Elementary School. Please stay tuned to your Cardinal Creek Community Association web page (www.cardinalcreek.org) for further information or to contact us to volunteer.

Regards, Sean Crossan

President, Cardinal Creek Community Association

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Comme vous pouvez le constater, la construction des parcs a beaucoup avancé cette année. Je vous encourage à communiquer avec le bureau du conseiller Bob Monette ou le 311 si vous avez des questions sur le développement ou sur la sécurité des parcs.

Je vous rapelle que nous aurons besoin de bénévoles - plus particulièrement de personnes possédant une souffleuse à neige ou des pelles et ayant un dos solide - pour le fonctionnement des patinoires extérieures au parc Cassia et à l'école élémentaire Maple Ridge. Consultez le site de votre association communautaire de Cardinal Creek (www.cardinalcreek.org) pour plus d'information, ou pour vous porter bénévole.

Salutations, Sean Crossan

Président, Association communautaire de Cardinal Creek

CCCA Public Meeting - November 1, 2007

The CCCA's next meeting will take place at the South Fallingbrook Community Centre, 998 Valin Street, on Thurs., Nov. 1 from 7-9pm. The Rideau Valley Conservation Authority's Grant Nichol will present the RVCA's City Stream Watch program and the upcoming 2008 Cardinal Creek study. All residents are welcome to attend!

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CCCA plans more community tree planting initiatives

Last spring, through a grant from the City of Ottawa's Community Partnership Tree Planting Program, 200 small trees were planted beside the walking path alongside Cardinal Creek in the Springridge neighbourhood. More than 60 local residents came out to help -- our biggest turn out ever.

Along with the 200 large trees planted in the fall of 2006, these new additions to the walking path are helping the CCCA and the City of Ottawa achieve the reforestation and renaturalization objectives set out for our area.

In October, there are plans to plant more trees in our community through the City's TREE (Tree, Reforestation, and Environmental Enhancement) Program, which aims to enhance Ottawa's urban and rural forests through the planting of 100,000 trees over the next four years.

At our June 2007 community association meeting, new planting priorities were established for public areas throughout the neighbourhoods within the Cardinal Creek Community Association boundaries. These will be implemented as new grants and programs are accessed.

Trees are vital to a healthy environment. They offset CO₂ emissions, provide wildlife habitat, mitigate noise and dust levels, produce oxygen, help reduce energy by lowering heating and cooling costs, provide windscreens, improve air and water quality, and reduce soil runoff from erosion. For example, one tree can reduce air borne dust particles by 7,000 particles per litre of air while windbreak can reduce residential heating costs by 10-15%.

Together, let's continue the greening of the Cardinal Creek area. Get involved by emailing environment@cardinalcreek.org.

Bruce Hollands,
Director of Environmental Affairs



City provides free trees to area residents

You can plant a difference. Take part and plant one of 100,000 trees to be planted in the City of Ottawa from 2007 to 2010 through the City's TREEs for Tomorrow initiative.

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OC Transpo Updates

On Sunday September 2, OC Transpo's new fall bus schedule came into effect. Many route and schedule changes were implemented as a result of OC Transpo's public consultation process (TransPlan 2007), while other adjustments were made to meet growing transit needs.

Across the greater Ottawa area, more than 40 routes had trips added to their schedule, a statistic that OC Transpo indicates is "over and above" their normal seasonal increase.

In the Cardinal Creek area, notable improvements were made to the 22 Express route, for which overcrowding has been a persistent problem both in the mornings and on the

return rides home. To better support our growing community, OC Transpo has increased the frequency of 22 bus service and has started using articulated buses for some peak period trips. The 94 bus schedule has also been adjusted to include mid-day trips in both directions.

As well, the \$700,000 expansion of the Trim Road Park and Ride facility is well underway. At completion, the facility will allow parking for an additional 216 vehicles, bringing the total to 632 spaces. The expansion is slated for completion this fall. For more information on these and other transit changes, or to provide feedback to OC Transpo on the current service, be sure to visit OC Transpo on-line at www.octranspo.com or call 613-741-4390.

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