



# Buena Vista Community Association

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## 2017 Fall Newsletter

### CIVICS UPDATE

#### KEEPING CATS AND BIRDS SAFE

- Unsupervised outdoor cats face a number of environmental and human hazards. They also pose a threat to common bird species as well as several species at risk of extinction or extirpation. See [www.catsandbirds.ca](http://www.catsandbirds.ca) for more information on how to keep cats and birds safe.
- City by-law #7860 requires that cats and dogs be licensed, prohibits them both from being at large (running free).

#### NEIGHBOURHOOD TREES IN TROUBLE

- A lot of Ash trees in the neighbourhood have contracted the Cottony Ash Psyllid and will be removed by the City either this year or soon after; you probably have some of them near you. There are also many Schubert Chokecherries with Black Knot Fungus that are being identified for removal.
- The City of Saskatoon will inspect diseased trees on City property adjacent to your house, and if necessary, remove and replace with a new tree of your choice. Google search 'City of Saskatoon Trees' and click on the 'Trees for Established Neighbourhoods' link to see what types of tree are available. Avoid planting Ash trees as they are threatened by multiple serious diseases.

### BUENA VISTA CREATIVE PRESCHOOL



- We are happy to welcome Kristen Howlett back for her third year as our preschool teacher!
- There may still be some space in the Tuesday/Thursday class for our 2017/18 school year.
- Please contact [bvcreativepreschool@gmail.com](mailto:bvcreativepreschool@gmail.com) to register, or check us out @ [bvcreativepreschool.com](http://bvcreativepreschool.com).

### MOVIE AND POTLUCK IN THE PARK

Join us for a potluck and movie night at Buena Vista park!

Tables will be set up near the playground, and the movie will be projected on to the pool building.

- Date:** Saturday September 16  
**Time:** Potluck at 6:30pm  
 Movie at 7:00pm or when it is dark enough  
**Movie:** Winnie the Pooh  
**Provided:** Snacks, drinks, cups, plates, cutlery  
**Bring:** Potluck dish and serving spoon, bug spray, warm clothes and blankets, chairs

### IMPORTANT DATES

- September 5—First day of school!
- September 6—Fall registration; *see page 4 for programming.*
- September 9—Coffee with Councillor
- September 9—Broadway Street Fair
- September 10—Walking Saskatoon Meeting
- September 16—Movie and Potluck
- October 18—2017 AGM, 7pm, BV School LRC; *everyone welcome!*
- November 3+4 —Saskatoon Unitarian Art show and sale

### BVCA BOARD POSITIONS

President (*)	Sean Sass
Vice-President	VACANT
Treasurer (*)	Wendyl Saretzky
Secretary	VACANT
Preschool chair	Megan Bartake
Members at large	Garry Colin, Sarah Story, Jason Blair, Susan Pederson, Justin Buhler

### NON-BOARD POSITIONS

City of Saskatoon	Kevin Ariss
Parks and Civics	Mike Winter
Programs (*)	Sean Sass
Volunteer coordinator	VACANT
Soccer	VACANT
Rink	Jared Madsen
Newsletter	Warrick Baijuss
Website	Meghan Mickelson
Facebook	Susan Pederson, Mandy Madsen
Community garden	VACANT
Pump track	Jared Madsen

(\*) Interim basis

# What's happening in your community

## A MESSAGE FROM YOUR WARD 6 COUNCILLOR

Hi Everyone - I hope you are enjoying a fabulous summer in Saskatoon! City Council has been busy on a variety of fronts. Here are a few highlights:

- Basic services are a big focus this summer, as the City continues the most aggressive road program for construction, repairs and maintenance in its history. If your street hasn't seen improvements yet, a plan is in place to get there. For more information go to Building Better Roads on our website: [www.saskatoon.ca](http://www.saskatoon.ca)
  - Sidewalk improvements are also being accelerated in conjunction with road repairs
  - You may notice Victoria Avenue getting a big overhaul this summer, from 8th Street to the new Traffic Bridge. This multi-modal corridor will be a showcase for the City's Active Transportation Plan.
- Flooding is an issue in many neighbourhoods and the recent storms have highlighted again, a need to find better long-term solutions. We need to ensure that our majestic communities aren't left out as Saskatoon grows. Gaps need to be closed where wide discrepancies in infrastructure exist between neighbours and neighbourhoods.
- You may have heard about the garbage debate. While no decisions have been made, there seems to be some misunderstanding about what may be considered.. Saskatoon needs to divert 70% of its waste in order to avoid building a new landfill and decommissioning the old one, which would cost hundreds of millions of dollars. Any decision by Council will be focused on avoiding tax increases and reducing waste. If this results in a new method to charge for garbage, your property tax bill would be reduced by the amount that you currently pay for the service.

I wanted to give a shout out to the Community Association volunteers who play such a pivotal role in helping our neighbourhoods thrive. They are also essential conduits to Council, keeping us informed and on top of issues. Thank you!

One final note, I'd like to invite you to meet with me in person to discuss any ideas or issues you may have:

**Coffee with your Councillor**  
**Thursday Sept 7, 2017 @ 7am -9am**  
**Good Earth Café—475 2nd Ave. S.**

Hope to see you there!

I'll also be at the **Broadway Street Fair** on Saturday, September 9, 2017 from 10am to 5pm - including the dunk tank.

Sincerely,

Cynthia  
[cynthia.block@saskatoon.ca](mailto:cynthia.block@saskatoon.ca)



**SCOA**  
saskatoon council on aging

Positive Aging for All

### SPOTLIGHT ON SENIORS

Booths, displays, entertainment

**Keynote:** Harold Chapman

TCU Place—October 3, 2017 @ 9am—3pm  
\$10 admission

### SASKATOON ZOOMER IDOL (55+)

Talent show and competition

**MC:** Rob MacDonald

TCU Place—October 19, 2017 @ 5-9:30pm  
\$100 (incl. dinner, partial tax receipt)

### CONTACT US

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# What's happening in your community

## BUCKWOLD BRIDGE WALKWAY UPDATE

On June 12, Cam McMillan (Walking Saskatoon) and Warrick Baijius (BVCA) gave a presentation on the pedestrian and cyclists' experience on the Buckwold Bridge walkway.

The City's Standing Policy Committee on Transportation (SPCoT) unanimously voted in favour of investigating the feasibility and cost of the requested upgrades (from 1.5m to 3m walkway; improved barriers; delay any work that would impede foot/cycle traffic until the Victoria Bridge is completed).

Once the requested information has been assembled, it will go back to SPCoT for a second vote to send it on to Council. The most difficult part of the process will likely be finding funding. Approving the upgrades in principle (without funding) would mean the improvements would be filed away until the next round of bridge maintenance—in 25-30 years.

If you want to learn more about this, and other pedestrian concerns around Saskatoon, Walking Saskatoon will be holding their next meeting on Sunday September 10, from 1pm-2:30pm in the upstairs room at Brainsport (616 10th Street E, just off of Broadway).

Walkingsaskatoon.org | Facebook: Walking Saskatoon  
Twitter: @WalkingYXE | Instagram: walkingsaskatoon

## SPOTLIGHT ON SIDEWALKS



Do you know where this sidewalk is? Seen other sidewalks in disrepair, or even missing? Problematic paths impassable on foot, by wheelchair, or stroller?

Take a photo and use the hashtag #sidewhere on Instagram, Twitter, or Facebook. Be sure to include us in your post!

## IMPORTANT—PROGRAMMING CHANGES!

The 2017 Fall Leisure Guide lists some BVCA programs incorrectly.

Due to school board cuts, we've lost access to the third floor hallway space. As a result, we've had to play music chairs with some of the programs:

Monday night Yoga on the third floor has been moved to Tuesday night in the gym; Tuesday night co-ed volleyball has been cancelled.

## PUMP TRACK AND PARK ENHANCEMENT UPDATE

We have received City approval for the pump track, ordered bike pedestals and benches, and are waiting for the right time to install.

Keep an eye out on the website, or email [buenavista1910@gmail.com](mailto:buenavista1910@gmail.com) to join the work crew.

## ART & SOUL—ART SHOW & SALE

Friday Nov 3 - 5—9pm  
Saturday Nov 4 - 12—4:30pm

Unitarian Centre  
213 2nd St E.

Come see "Art and Soul", our annual art show and sale at the Saskatoon Unitarian Centre.

Join us and see a number of very fine artist as they show various styles and mediums.



## BVCA NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

Free Classifieds for members & non-profit groups, preschools and recreational-based organizations, within the Buena Vista neighbourhood, shall be published as space permits.

Email [buenavista1910@gmail.com](mailto:buenavista1910@gmail.com) for more information.

**FREE**

# BVCA REGISTRATION NIGHT—SEPTEMBER 6, 2017 BUENA VISTA SCHOOL GYM—6:30-8:00PM

Program (& start date)	Day/Time	Where	Cost
<b>ADULT FITNESS</b>			
<b>All Levels Yoga</b> (Sept. 19)	<b>Tues.</b> 8-9 pm	BV School Gym	\$60 (10 classes)
<b>Pilates</b> (Sept. 19)	Tues. 6:45-7:45 pm	BV School Gym	\$60 (10 classes)
<b>Co-Ed Volleyball</b> (Sept. 20)	Wed. 8-10 pm	BV School Gym	\$25/person
<b>Boot Camp Cardio</b> (Sept. 21)	Thurs. 8-9 pm	BV School Gym	\$60 (10 classes)
<b>Total Body Sculpt</b> (Sept. 21)	Thurs. 7-8 pm	BV School Gym	\$60 (10 classes)
<b>Pickleball</b> (Sept. 18, equipment only;)	Mon. 8-10 pm	BV School Gym	\$15 (11 sessions)
<b>Zumba</b> (Sept. 21)	Thurs. 6-7 pm	BV School Gym	\$60 (10 classes)
<b>ADULT RECREATION/CRAFT</b>			
<b>Beginner Traveler Spanish</b> (Sept. 18)	Mon. 7-8 pm	BV School Library 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	\$60 (10 classes)
<b>Intermediate Traveler Spanish</b> (Sept. 18)	Mon. 8-9 pm	BV School Library 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	\$60 (10 classes)
<b>Book Club</b> (Oct. 19, Nov. 16, Dec. 21)	7-9 pm	BV School Library 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	\$5/person
<b>Beginner Social Dance</b> (Sept. 15)	Fri. 7-8 pm	BV School Gym	\$30/couple (8 classes)
<b>Intermediate Social Dance</b> (Sept. 15)	Fri. 8-9 pm	BV School Gym	\$30/couple (8 classes)
<b>CHILDREN/YOUTH</b>			
<b>Martial Arts for Kids</b> (Sept. 18; age 6-14)	Mon. 7-8 pm	BV School Gym	\$50 (10 classes)
<b>Supervised Youth Drop In</b> (Oct. 11; age 9-13)	Wed. 6:30-8 pm	BV School Gym	Free
<b>Family Gym Time</b> (Sep. 22; access to equipment; must be supervised)	Fri. 6-7 pm	BV School Gym	\$15/family
<b>Indoor Soccer</b>	<b>Register with SK Soccer for competitive and over age 10.</b>		
<b>Learn to Play Soccer</b> (Sept. 25; age 3-5; equipment provided; parents must coach)	Mon. 6-7 pm	BV School Gym	\$25 (10 sessions)

- ◆ **All dates and times are subject to change.** Check for up-to-date information at [bvcasaskatoon.ca](http://bvcasaskatoon.ca).
- ◆ Class will run based on reaching minimum required registration numbers. Classes are run on a not-for-profit basis.
- ◆ Non-refundable \$5/individual or family BVCA membership fee is required.
- ◆ Late registrations are subject to a \$10 surcharge.
- ◆ Refund Policy: Once class begins, **No Refunds**. All other refunds at the discretion of the BVCA.
- ◆ BVCA honours other community association memberships and supports “shared programming”.
- ◆ KidSport funding available to ensure everyone can participate in programs: e-mail us for funding. All inquiries are confidential.
- ◆ **Minors are to be supervised by parent/adult guardian while on School property at all times.**
- ◆ Email [buenavista1910@gmail.com](mailto:buenavista1910@gmail.com) with any questions, or for KidSport funding.