



Buena Vista Community Association

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2026 Spring Newsletter

BV COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION UPDATES

You may have noticed that after a long period of stasis, there are a couple of new names on our roster! Miranda, our new soccer coordinator, has been hard at work to get the balls rolling for the spring and summer.

Our new rink coordinator Mitch has been tending to the ice rink through these wild temperature swings, with some help from the school to clear some of the bigger snow falls. The snow blower needed a bit of tender loving care, but is all fixed and ready for next winter!

While I'm giving shoutouts, it would be rude if I didn't also thank two of our longest-serving members: President Sean and Treasury Minister Wendyl. With their generosity of time and attention to detail, they keep our programming going and support everyone else who contributes to local activities and create the fabric of connection for our community.

Stay tuned for our next instalment, where I will praise other volunteers. Want to see your name in this column? Contact buenavista1910@gmail.com to find out how you can join our dedicated and delightful crew.



JANE'S WALK SASKATOON

Multiple dates: April 23, April 30 to May 3

Buena Vista will again have its own walk, this time through Gabriel Dumont Park. Led Rylan Urban and scheduled for May 3 at 9am; check the website for more details:

janeswalkyxe.org/joinawalk.html

There are many other walks to choose from, including many others in the river valley, parks, and the northeast swale. Be sure to get out there and learn more about our amazing city!

BUENA VISTA BOULEVARD GARDEN - SPRING 2026

The Buena Vista Boulevard Garden will be up and running again this year! We are looking forward to another great year of gardening in the community.

Along with planting our annual vegetables, we will be tending to our many fruit shrubs and nurturing our new trees. Watch for the addition of some more native plants on the south end by the new crabapple trees. Last year our community added a new seed library and beautified the metal SaskTel box with some garden art!

Thank you to the BV community for your support through the fall and winter at the Pumpkin Parade and the New Year's Skating Soiree! If you purchased any of our new BV Garden clothing, you can pick up your purchase Wednesday, April 29th, 6:00 to 7:30 pm in the BV School Library. Afterwards, join us for an informal volunteer meet and greet from 7:30 to 8:00 pm.

If you have a unique way of contributing to the community space, have an idea, or would like to volunteer, please reach out: buenavistagardencollective@gmail.com or on social media: @buena_vista_garden-collective.

We are also welcoming donations of gardening and children's books for our little libraries, and of river rock or other gardening items anytime!

IMPORTANT DATES

- Apr 29—BV Garden merch pickup
- May—Heritage Month: Asian; Canadian Jewish; Polish
- May 3—Gabriel Dumont Jane's Walk, 9am; *see mid-left this page*
- May 3—Kaleidoscope opening party, 3-6pm; *see next page*
- May 9—Gardening with native plants, J.S. Wood Library, 4pm
- May 31—Pollinator celebration & plant sale, 1-4pm; *see over*
- Jun—Heritage Month: Italian; Filipino; Portuguese
- Jun 28—Sum Theatre in the Park, BV Park 4pm; *bring a friend!*
- Jul 30 to Aug 8—Fringe Festival

BVCA BOARD POSITIONS

President	Sean Sass
Vice-President	Jon Storey
Treasurer	Wendyl Saretzky
Secretary	Warrick Baijius
Members at large	Meghan Mickelson, Mike Winter, Susan Pederson, Jared Madsen

NON-BOARD POSITIONS

City of YXE	Lindsay Cockrum
Parks and Civics	Mike Winter
Programs	*Sean Sass
Volunteer Coordinator	VACANT Could be you!
Soccer	Miranda Buchinski
Rink	Mitch Beckett Jared Madsen
Newsletter	Warrick Baijius
Website	Meghan Mickelson
Facebook	Mandy Madsen, Susan Pederson
Community Garden	Leisha Grebinski, Amy Nixon
Pump Track	Jared Madsen

(* Interim basis)



POLLINATOR CELEBRATION AND NATIVE PLANT MARKET

It's time to go wild for wildflowers and the busy, buzzy insects that keep the world blooming and fruitful.

Wild About

Saskatoon



When: Sunday, May 31, 2026, from 1-4 pm, rain or shine

Where: In the Buena Vista Garden and school grounds (east side of the block)

Who: All ages. Everyone is welcome

Seek advice from experienced native-plant gardeners. Enjoy refreshments, conversation with other bee-and-butterfly enthusiasts, special guest Joseph Naytowhow, and live music from Garage Band. Plus an eco-fair!

Purchase bedding plants and seeds of native flowers and grasses from local suppliers, Blazing Star Wildflower Seed Co. and A Prairie Bouquet.

Joyfully advocating for Nature in beautiful Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.



5TH ANNUAL **KALEIDOSCOPE:** BUENA VISTA
A NEIGHBOURHOOD ART CELEBRATION
 2026 PARTICIPATION

SUN MARCH 01 **PICK UP WOOD CANVAS**
 Collect wood canvas from art bins at either 429b 5th St E or 209 2nd St E

RETURN ART Place finished art in bins at pick up location April 1st until 8th

WED APRIL 01

FRI MAY 01 **ART DISPLAYED**
 Art displayed around the Buena Vista paddling pool for the month of May

OPENING PARTY From 3 until 6 pm in Buena Vista Park

SUN MAY 03

BUENA VISTA CIVICS

As always, there is a lot going on behind the scenes in BV and in Ward 6 generally. Here is a brief update on a few of the projects we've mentioned in previous newsletters:

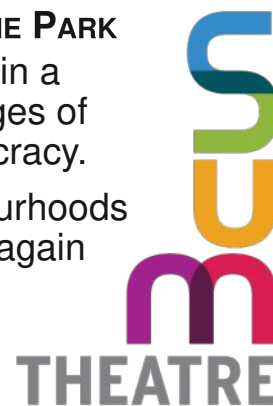
- Freeway walls at Kilburn Park: first step is budgeting for a pilot study to monitor air quality, then set metrics for acceptable levels, then study and recommend designs.
- Public Art: City has funding available for murals large and small and is looking for proposals. Got one? Let us know!
- Kilburn traffic calming: city admin does not see speed reduction as a traffic calming tool; speed reduction would need to be city wide, unlikely with this council.

2026 SUM THEATRE IN THE PARK

A hopeful story about living in a community and the challenges of working together in a democracy.

Touring Saskatoon neighbourhoods from May 14-31, then back again in late June.

Final show in BV Park, Sun June 28, 4pm



WALKING IN SASKATOON WITH WALKING SASKATOON

Winter is challenging for many of us. Between the cold temperatures, mounds of snow, and lumpy, uncleared sidewalks, there are many deterrents to winter walking in Saskatoon.

Icy and snow conditions challenge pedestrians in any part of the city, regardless of age or ability, but especially for older folks and people with mobility challenges.

We participate in the Active Transportation Advisory Group, engage with Council and committees, and have now started to meet with administrative managers. These meetings are another way we can share the challenges facing pedestrians and identify opportunities for the city to holistically improve programs and operations that affect the walking experience year-round. It's about more than just dollars spent.

Even with the occasionally treacherous conditions, the weather is turning to spring and it is great to see more people out walking. But just because winter seems to be finished, we haven't lost sight of the fact that there are many ways the city can improve pedestrian safety and comfort. Feel free to send us a note or sign up for our newsletter!

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BVCA NEWSLETTER ADS

Free classifieds for members, non-profit groups, preschools and recreation-based organizations within the Buena Vista Neighbourhood shall be published as space permits.

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