

Fall 2014

# Stonebridge Community Association Newsletter

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Tuesday Nov 25<sup>th</sup>

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Saturday Nov 29<sup>th</sup>

Welcome to the Fall 2014 edition of the Stonebridge Community Association (SCA) newsletter. The Stonebridge community continues to grow and we are pleased to welcome new members to the association.

## Changes in SCA Executive

In June of this year, the SCA elected Jay McLean into the role of President of the association. We would like to extend our thanks to Josh Grundy and Matt Stephen for serving as interim Co-Presidents since the resignation of Chris Clarke in March.

A number of individuals have resigned from their positions on the board this Fall:

- Director of Development and Transportation, Josh Grundy (serving since 2011)
- Director at Large, Aniket Joshi (serving since 2011)
- Director of Sponsorship, Niraj Singhal (serving since 2010)

We extend our sincere gratitude for their numerous years of volunteer service on the board, and wish them all the best in their future endeavours.

## Call for Volunteers – Your Community Needs YOU!

The SCA board is focused on establishing a much needed volunteer base to assist with the delivery of SCA programs and events. To facilitate this effort we've created a Director of Volunteering portfolio. We are pleased to announce that Laura Fromow has taken on this new role. If you are committed to keeping Stonebridge a great place to live and have some time to help out, please reach out to Laura at [volunteering@stonebridgeca.com](mailto:volunteering@stonebridgeca.com).

Many of our initiatives are in jeopardy this year without some much needed resident assistance. Our immediate needs are for:

- Kilbirnie Rink Coordinator and 2 maintenance crews of 4
- Website Administrator/Developer
- Tree Canopy Project (Phase 3) – requires 10 volunteers
- Event teams for each SCA event
- Kids Christmas party helpers

We are also seeking community-minded neighbours who want to get involved in their community association. Please let us know if you are interested in any of the following portfolios:

- Secretary
- Director of Events
- Director of Sponsorship
- Kid's Soccer Program Manager (April to June)
- Director of Development and Transportation
- Director of Environment



### Just for Fun Soccer 2014 Recap:

- Over 145 players
- Special thanks to 25 volunteer coaches and over 40 volunteer helpers
- Over 85% registered online
- We're looking for a Soccer Program Manager for 2015



*Stonebridge Community Association - Barrhaven*

## Upcoming Events

### Minto Recreation Complex Barrhaven (MRCB) Open House

**Date:** Saturday November 29<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 10:00am

**Location:** Minto Recreation Complex Barrhaven (at the back entrance)

Enjoy a complimentary skate from 10 am to 2 pm, take a tour of the pool, meeting rooms and fitness rooms, and try out different sports in the gymnasium.

With a modern design and offering the largest recreational assets in the West end of the city, the new complex is a valuable addition to the Stonebridge community and offers exciting new opportunities for residents.

A member of the SCA executive played a key role on the advisory board for the MRCB and the art selection panel. Thanks to Jan Harder and Kevin Wherry for offering the SCA a sneak preview of this facility. Don't miss the grand opening celebrations!

### SCA Annual General Meeting

**Date:** Tuesday November 25<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 6:30pm – Refreshments

7:00-9:00pm – Presentation and Q&A

**Location:** Stonebridge Golf Course Clubhouse

Guest Speakers: Nicole Parent (Tree Canopy Project)  
Janis Phillips (Minto Recreation Complex)  
Juliann Whitney (Street Rep Program)

Join us for light refreshments, mingle with your neighbours and hear what your association has been up to over the past year, and the priorities going forward. We would also like to hear from you and what concerns you have about our community. We hope to see you there!

## Street Rep Program Update

The Stonebridge Street Rep Program, under the lead of Juliann Whitney, is actively pursuing new street reps in the neighbourhood by visiting residents door-to-door. We thank Amy Trafford for her contributions to advancing our efforts in this area over the summer months. Would you or someone you know be interested in joining the program? For more information contact [street.reps@stonebridgeca.com](mailto:street.reps@stonebridgeca.com). You can hear more about this program at the upcoming Annual General Meeting on November 25<sup>th</sup>.

## Tree Mapping Project – Phase II

We received our second Community Environmental Projects Grant (CEPGP) from the City of Ottawa in January 2014, to map all the street trees on the east side of Stonebridge. Our main goal for this project was to identify all Ash trees, both City-owned and privately-owned, in order to better deal with the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB), which is greatly affecting our community's Ash trees.

After several months of mapping our trees, we identified that the East side of Stonebridge has 1582 street trees (this includes trees in front of or on the side of properties). 470 Ash trees were identified: 373 were City-owned and 97 were privately-owned. Of those trees, the City has deemed 22 of their trees as being large enough, and in good enough health, to be treated with TreeAzin (which helps to combat EAB). Our findings suggest that in fact, 42 of the City-owned trees identified as Ash trees (and not currently being treated) are in good enough condition that they could be treated. Of the 97 privately-owned trees, 23 of these could be treated by the residents who own them.

We submitted our completed project to the city of Ottawa this past August and received positive feedback. Our full report and the findings will be available in November 2014 for SCA members. Please visit the SCA website for more details.

## St. Cecilia Playground Structures

Two new playground structures have been installed recently at the St. Cecilia Elementary Catholic School located in our community. The SCA played an instrumental role in organizing this project, and donated \$1000 to each play structure, one for the kindergarten students, and the other for the older children.

## St. Cecilia Road Safety

The intersection of Cambrian/Kilbirnie/Tucana was identified this Fall as warranting a crossing guard, as did 12 other locations in the city. As an important issue for Stonebridge residents, the SCA was actively involved in pursuing this need. Original expectations suggested that this may not be possible until the 2015 budget.

Many thanks to Jan Harder and the Canadian Safety Council for ensuring this crossing guard was in place for the start of this school year.

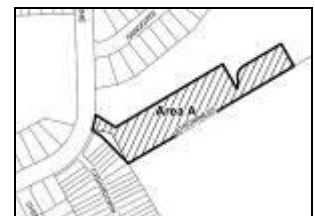
## Development of 11 New Homes on Hole 5

The City of Ottawa has approved the development applications related to Monarch's residential development plan behind the 5<sup>th</sup> hole of the Stonebridge Golf Course (D07-16-13-0021, D02-02-13-0080). These applications have changed in numerous ways since the public consultation was held on Dec. 2, 2013. Most notably Monarch is planning on removing the pro tee box (4th) to accommodate the addition of 11 new homes.

The SCA has actively participated in the opposition of these applications in the City of Ottawa's development approval process and has filed an appeal with the Ontario Municipal Board. The OMB hearing for these applications is scheduled to commence in January 2015. The SCA plans to engage Monarch in mediation.



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### NEW! Business Prize Draw Program

- Offers local businesses that cater to the Stonebridge community an opportunity to raise their visibility with our residents
- Donate a prize to be awarded to an active SCA member
- Your donation will be posted on the SCA website and our Facebook page
- Email [info@stonebridgeca.com](mailto:info@stonebridgeca.com) for more details

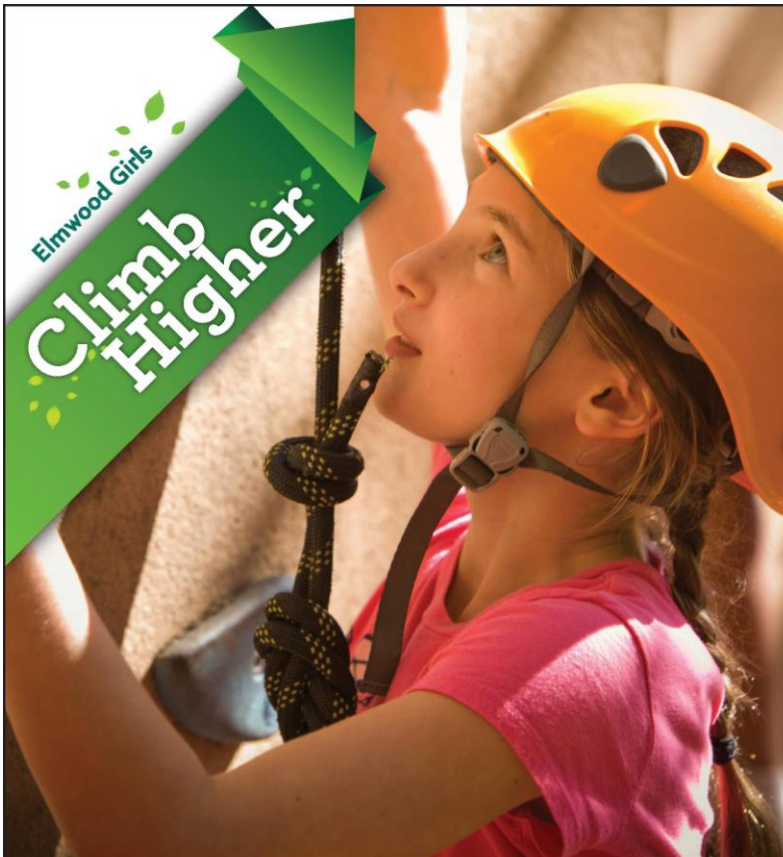
## Zoning – Barnsdale, Greenbank & Prince of Wales

On October 8<sup>th</sup> Ottawa's City Council refused by-law amendment 2008-250 to the Official Plan to re-designate 11 lands, including those south of the Stonebridge development, from Agricultural Rural to General Rural. Links to further information on this and related amendments are located on the City of Ottawa's [website](#) using file numbers D02-02-13-0115 and D01-01-13-0018.

## SCA Website Modernization

We have been working extensively over the summer to prepare for the move of our website to a new WordPress platform. This move will allow us to support online registrations for events and volunteering, offer a SCA calendar of events, simple credit card payments, as well as introducing a new local business directory, babysitter's registry and online support for our annual garage sale, to name a few.

We are hoping to complete this move in the coming months. If you have any questions, comments or recommendations for the SCA website, please don't hesitate to contact Jay McLean at [info@stonebridgeca.com](mailto:info@stonebridgeca.com).



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