

Your Community Association

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To learn more about events in our community,
see www.qexca.ca or facebook.com/qexca.saskatoon

We welcome your questions,
suggestions and concerns!

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MESSAGE FROM THE ASSOCIATION

Well, that was summer! We hope you had a chance to relax and enjoy new experiences.

Things have been busy in our Community since the last newsletter: starting two **community gardens**, initiating a spring Zumba session and that great **Theatre in the Park** presentation!

A big thank you to all who made that event possible—the volunteers, Saskatoon Youth Soccer, the Saskatchewan Waste Reduction Council, the Children's Discovery Museum, of course SUM Theatre and, by no means least, the audience. Your generous donations will be given to SUM Theatre to continue providing wonderful entertainment throughout the city.

We're still busy—preparing our fall programs, which we hope you will join—preparing for the Annual General Meeting on October 9th, where we will be able to meet you, and—preparing **the rinks** for an even more successful season of public skating.

Exhibition Local Area Plan

The City of Saskatoon is launching a Local Area Plan for the **Exhibition neighbourhood** in **Fall 2018**. During the development of a Local Area Plan, the **City works together with residents, businesses, community groups and other stakeholders** to identify issues, develop goals and outline strategies to ensure the long-term success of the community. A Local Area Plan results in **local neighbourhood improvements**. **Watch for flyers** that will provide more information about how **you can get involved!**

SUM Theatre *Seraphina & The Land of Vertebrat* – Exhibition Park – July 23, 2018 Photos: www.jannik.ca



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VOLUNTEER TODAY!

Share Your Skills and Talents

The QEXCA offers residents a chance to join together, plan and provide programs and events and get to know your neighbours.

Take part in your Community Association and help make your community an even better place to live!

There are many ways you can volunteer:

- flood an outdoor rink
- chair a meeting
- network with other community groups
- help organize a special event
- coordinate youth activities
- assist with fundraising

QEXCA volunteers make friends, share their knowledge and expertise, get exercise or build their resume with positive work experience.

Contact us by [email](#) to find out how you can take action and improve life in your community!

DIABETES CANADA

From October 1-15, 2018, Diabetes Canada will be canvassing door to door in your neighbourhood raising funds to assist in the fight against diabetes.

To make the Residential Campaign as successful as possible, for the 100,000 people living with diabetes in Saskatchewan, Diabetes Canada is constantly in search of volunteer canvassers for this area. If you are willing to give **your gift of time for 1 1/2 to 2 hours** from October 1-15, to canvass, they would LOVE to hear from you!

Diabetes Canada
104 - 2301 Ave. C North
Saskatoon SK S7L 5Z5
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www.diabetes.ca

ATTENTION QEXCA BABYSITTERS!

We're compiling a babysitter list for the next issue of our newsletter.

If you'd like to be included in the list, please email qexca.saskatoon@gmail.com and provide us with the following info:

- Your name
- Your age as of August 2018
- Your phone number
- Whether or not you've completed the babysitter's training course through the Canadian Red Cross, St. John Ambulance or the Saskatchewan Safety Council.

COMMUNITY UPDATES FROM THE CITY COUNCILLORS

Hello Ward 7 residents!

I hope you're enjoying the warmer weather and that summer has been a fun and restful time for you. Below are a few updates from City Hall:

TRAFFIC

The Queen Elizabeth/Exhibition Neighbourhood Traffic Review has now been approved by Council. I'd like to extend a special thanks to all the residents who took time to participate in this process. This review includes 20 recommendations for calming traffic and improving safety and connectivity in the area. Some of these changes, like improved signage, are already being implemented whereas some recommendations, like adding new sidewalks, may take years to complete. Other measures will be assessed for effectiveness in the near future and will either be made

permanent or altered/removed depending on the results. Please do not hesitate to provide feedback and observations about traffic in your neighbourhood to me and City staff.

WASTE UTILITY

Most of you will have heard by now that the city is planning to change the way waste is managed in Saskatoon. The main features of this change will be the introduction of a utility and a city-wide organics program. The overall aims of both of these changes is to reduce greenhouse emissions, improve Saskatoon's waste diversion rate and to preserve the lifespan of our existing landfill. Council will be making it a priority to ensure that there is no 'double dipping' in the establishment of a utility and that residents get clear information about payment as this moves from the mill rate to a utility bill.

Council will be making further decisions about the structure of the utility in September and I will provide updates as they become available.

RIDESHARING

Council recently approved a series of bylaw changes which will allow for Transportation Network Companies—for example, Uber and Lyft—to establish business in Saskatoon. I know there is an interest in ensuring that the introduction of TNCs to Saskatoon happens on a fair playing field with the existing taxi industry and this is likely to be an area of ongoing work for months and years ahead.

Thanks for reading! If you have any questions or concerns about issues in the City or the Ward, please get in touch.



All the best,

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Community Updates from the City Councillors continued

I hope you've been getting in some *Saskatooning* this summer. It's been an exceptionally great summer in the city with fabulous weather, festivals and events. It's also been a busy one at City Hall.

Public and stakeholder engagement are ongoing as Council tries to flush out the way forward for transportation, as directed by the Growth Plan. **Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)** is designed to change HOW we do transit and thereby increase ridership, reduce vehicle congestion and ensure Saskatoon is prepared for the future—for the same operational cost that we spend

today. An **All Ages and Abilities Cycling Network** is also part of the Growth Plan. Cities across North America, including cold cities like ours (Winnipeg, Calgary, Edmonton) are moving to this model in order to improve traffic flow, enhance safety and increase options for those who either cycle or use other wheels such as walkers and wheelchairs. Council has passed a bylaw that will regulate the sale of **Cannabis** once it becomes legal in October. Of note, cannabis sales will be prohibited within 60 metres of schools.

Both the **Traffic Bridge** and **North Commuter Bridge** will open in

October. Also, a report on engineered solutions for major **Flood Zones** is expected this fall.

I hope to see you at the **Broadway Street Fair** on September 8th. I'll be hanging out at the Ward 6 booth, and you might also find me at the dunk tank. 😊

Have you signed up for City News from Cynthia? To receive e-updates or read previous updates, go to www.cynthiablockward6.com



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TRAFFIC PLAN

The **Queen Elizabeth / Exhibition Traffic Plan** was presented to the Standing Policy Committee for Transportation on April 16, 2018 and, subsequently, approved by City Council. The plan includes several traffic calming devices and signage to improve conditions in these neighbourhoods. The recommended traffic calming devices will be installed temporarily. The devices will be reviewed and monitored. Devices that are performing effectively will be installed permanently as funding becomes available. Traffic calming devices that are not performing as intended or have created operational issues have been removed.

Read the **full report** from the City's website. Also see "Traffic" in Councillor Loewen's *Update*—page 4.

VIRTUAL LANDSCAPING

Our website did not change much during the summer. We have been building a new one to provide you with an even better experience. The site will be built on WordPress to make it more secure, better for mobile devices and easier for our volunteers to manage.

It will look a little different but most of the information will still be there where you expect to find it.

Watch for the launch in September!

We owe much thanks Jack Friesen our volunteer from [Aden Bowman Collegiate](#), who has done most of the construction, and to Roger Williamson from the [Varsity View Community Association](#), who has been our mentor.

PUBLIC SKATING AT YOUR RINKS

Supervised Public Skating this season at Achs and QE Rinks will be:

Saturdays and Sundays
from noon to 3:00 p.m.

December to March -
weather permitting

MEMBERSHIP

WHY?

Memberships help power your Community Association.

By purchasing a membership ... you and your family give the QEXCA more opportunity to:

- raise funds to provide programs and events throughout the year,
- operate and maintain facilities, as well as plan and budget for new ones,

- create and distribute a newsletter, as well as maintain a website, to keep you informed,
- provide the Community a voice at the City level and
- protect the interests of the Community.

You and your family also are entitled to:

- register for Community Association programs and
- vote at the General Meetings to ensure your voice is heard.

HOW?

You can purchase or renew a membership by contacting us by email or in person at any event.

The cost to purchase or renew a membership is \$10.00 per family each year and is valid from September 1 to August 31.

Please, support the QEXCA to keep our Community healthy and attractive!

Contact us by [email](#).

POLICE "STREET CHECKS" POLICY

The Saskatchewan Police Commission has developed a Policy to guide municipal police services in the manner in which they conduct "Street Checks", also referred to as "Contact Interviews".

In response to those provincial guidelines, the Saskatoon Police Service is currently developing

training standards, reporting methods and record management procedures in accordance with the new provincial policy.

The resulting report will be reviewed by the Saskatoon Board of Police Commissioners in the fall of 2018.

The Police Commission would appreciate your input on the provincial Policy. A brief (*only 4 questions*) survey on this issue is available, on the [Police Commission website](#).

THIS FALL AT THE J. S. WOOD BRANCH LIBRARY

ADULT PROGRAMS

Enjoy a [Travel Talk](#) this fall! On Sep. 29th explore the excitement of New York City, then we're off to sunny Spain on Oct. 20th. Program runs from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. Drop in.

One-On-One Tech Help begins Sep. 14th. Register to get assistance, on select Friday afternoons, with topics such as internet searching, Microsoft Word, Microsoft Powerpoint, social media and ebooks. Registration is required, call the library at 306 975-7558.

BABIES AND TODDLERS

[Storytimes](#) especially for toddlers (10:30 a.m.) and babies (11:30 a.m.) on Saturday mornings starting Sep. 8th. Drop in.

KIDS

Our new [Evil Genius Club](#) begins on Sep. 13th at 4:00 p.m. Kids 6-12 can drop in, to enjoy some fun hands-on activities with robots, 3D pens or video game coders, every Thursday afternoon until mid-December.

Join us for [Sleepy Time Stories](#) on Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. starting Sep. 13th. Drop in.

ALL AGES

[All Hands-on Tech](#) is fun for everyone! Come to the library to try out digital toys, Makey-Makey, and video game coders.

Check our [Program Guide](#) and the [Events Calendar](#) for more listings.



QEXCA DIRECTORS MEETINGS THIS SEASON

THE DIRECTORS MEET QUARTERLY, USUALLY, ON THE FIRST TUESDAY OF SEPTEMBER, DECEMBER, MARCH AND JUNE

These meetings are open to all residents within the boundaries of the Community. The September meeting will be held on the 4th at 7:00p.m. [Amigos Cantina](#) 806 Dufferin Ave.

The December meeting is scheduled for the 4th at 7:00p.m. The location is yet to be determined. Watch the [website](#) and [Facebook](#) for additional details.

QEXCA AGM

The 2018 Annual General Meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 9th at 7:00p.m. at [Sports On Tap](#). Watch the [website](#) and [Facebook](#) for additional details, including the agenda.

The positions open for nominations this year are Vice President, Secretary and up to ten Directors-at-Large.

The meeting is open to all residents of the three neighbourhoods; Exhibition, Queen Elizabeth and West Haultain.

Please, join us to meet your neighbours, learn about the Community and the Association.

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QEXCA FALL PROGRAMS 2018

A non-refundable [membership fee](#) of \$10 per individual or family per year is required to participate in programs of registration and must be presented or purchased at the time of registration.

QEXCA honours memberships of other Saskatoon community associations. Please show your membership card.

QEXCA \$50.00 FlexPass! At the registration you can purchase a FlexPass that will allow you to attend any 10 classes of your choosing. This is a great way to try the variety of programs being offered by your Community Association.

In an effort to ensure everyone, who wants to participate in a program, can participate, QEXCA offers Cost-as-a-Barrier Assistance to those facing financial hardships. To enquire or apply, please [contact us by email](#). All enquiries are kept confidential.

A fee of \$10 will apply to late registrations.

For more information, please, contact the Program Coordinator.

Fall Registration: Wednesday September 12, 2018
St. Frances School Gym 7:00-8:30 p.m.

ADULT (18+)

Aerobics	Mon.	Sep. 17-Dec. 3	7:15-8:15 p.m.	\$40.00	St. Frances gym
		** No class Oct. 8 and Nov. 12 **			
	Wed.	Sep. 19-Nov. 21	6:00-7:00 p.m.	\$40.00	Queen Elizabeth gym
Beginner Yoga	Tue.	Sep. 18-Nov. 20	7:00-8:00 p.m.	\$55.00	Queen Elizabeth gym
Adele's Bolly Moves	Thu.	Sep. 20-Nov. 29	7:00-8:00 p.m.	\$55.00	St. Frances gym
		** No class Oct. 25 **			
Zumba®	Wed.	Sep. 19-Nov. 21	7:00-8:00 p.m.	\$55.00	St. Frances gym

YOUTH (8-12)

Drop-in Youth Night	Thu.	Sep. 20-Nov. 29	7:00-8:00 p.m.	No charge	Queen Elizabeth gym
		** No class Nov. 22 **			

CHILDREN (4 & 5)

Tiny Tots Soccer	Tue.	Sep. 18-Nov. 20	6:00-7:00 p.m.	No charge	Queen Elizabeth gym
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NOTE: watch our website and Facebook for updates or changes.

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