



Although these past weeks have been challenging - *working from home, not working at all, working from home and helping your kids with school work online, finding safe childcare while you have to go out to work, or just staying home alone* - we trust that it has been a mostly positive experience for you - *finishing projects, starting spring cleaning, catching up on your reading, trying new recipes, learning new skills or going for a walk in the middle of the afternoon.*

Like you, Your Community Association has tried to be socially active while staying physically distant. Since the March Association meeting, your Board has had two online working sessions, many email conversations and hosted the online Community Meeting earlier this month. We have wrapped up the 2019-2020 program year and begun planning - *optimistically* - for the fall.

The challenges for us have been: cancelling part of the Winter Program schedule, cancelling Winterfest at the last minute, not being able having a physical Community Association meeting this month and the not hosting a summer event.

With the cooperation of all Saskatoon residents, we hope the virus will be under control at least in time for some fall activities.

SIGNS OF THE TIMES



The June Community Association meeting was our first using the Zoom video conferencing system. At that meeting, we adopted a system for making e-transfer payments. We introduced our Director of Volunteers, Ashley, who will help us recruit and retain volunteers. We discussed the confusing regulations around planters on residential boulevards. Our City Councillors, Mairin Loewen and Cynthia Block, were asked to inform us when the engagement process will begin to address this confusion.

This relatively quiet summer will provide the opportunity to think of new ideas for yourselves and for Your Community. The Board is always looking for proposals, for recreational programs, community events and fund-raising, to involve and enrich the lives of, all residents. Please, send us your suggestions.

Our main project this fall will be **rebuilding QE rink!!**

Thanks to a substantial grant from the City of Saskatoon, with your help, Your Community Association plans a major renovation to the rink at QE School, this fall: new boards and whatever else we can do with the resources we can get.

For more information, and to offer your skills, time or enthusiasm, email us at volunteers@gexca.ca.

Mostly we're looking for people! - volunteers to help make Your Community an even better place to live! Specifically, we are looking for:

- ♦ a Newsletter Coordinator to compile and design our newsletter using Microsoft Publisher or other publishing software,
- ♦ help to develop recreation programs for youth, adults or seniors,
- ♦ help to connect with schools or churches,
- ♦ Anyone with a skill or interest to offer and a commitment to your neighbours.
- ♦ At the Annual General Meeting, in October, there will be openings, on the Board, for Executive positions and for Directors.

If you can help, contact Ashley at volunteers@gexca.ca.

We invite you to take a moment to visit our [website](http://www.gexca.ca), [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/gexca) and [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/gexca) to see what we've been doing to stay connected with you. Please, share these links with your neighbours to let them know about this great community. We welcome your feedback. Connect with us by email at info@gexca.ca.



We are planning to produce a Fall 2020 Newsletter. Until then, we hope this communicate will let you know that Your Community Association is working actively to make Your Community an even better place to live!