



# NEWSLETTER

of the Nutana Community Association

January 2012

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## Another Successful Pumpkins in the Park Festival

See story on page 3.



## NCA Winter Programs

Registration Monday, January 9th, 2012

See back page for details

To contact the NCA, visit our web site: <http://www.nutana.ca/>

## Kindergarten at Ecole Victoria School

Children who will be five years old by January 31, 2013 are eligible for kindergarten for the 2012-2013 school year. Ecole Victoria School offers both French and English programs.



Transportation is available; please call the school to see if you qualify. Pick up a registration form at the school or call 683-7470 to have the registration form mailed, faxed, or e-mailed to you.

An open house for parents will take place on Wednesday, January 18, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. in the LRC. Everyone is welcome. If you have any questions, please call the school at 683-7470. ❀

## English-German Preschool

The Hansel and Gretel Preschool is holding an Open House and Registration night on January 31st, 2012. We are located in Brevoort Park School and offer a unique 2 or 3 day a week English-German bilingual preschool program. For more information visit: [hanse-landgretelpreschool.ca](http://hanse-landgretelpreschool.ca) or call Uli Hecker at 651-0436. ❀

## Saskatchewan Blue Cross MS Walk

**April 29, 2012**

The Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada-Saskatchewan Division is holding its annual Saskatchewan Blue Cross MS Walk in Saskatoon this spring to raise funds for client services and research initiatives across the country. In addition to annual research contributions of at least \$11 million nationally, the MS Society offers financial support programs, including scholarships, bursaries, and emergency funds for people with MS and their families in Saskatchewan.

For more information or to register, visit [www.mswalks.ca](http://www.mswalks.ca) or call 1-800-691-0890.



EVERY STEP MATTERS. ❀

## February is Heart Month

The Heart & Stroke Foundation is looking for volunteers to help out in your neighbourhood during Heart Month this February. To register, visit: [heartandstroke.ca/help](http://heartandstroke.ca/help) ❀

## NCA News

### *Spring Soccer Registration:*

Spring comes quickly in the world of soccer! Registration forms for the outdoor mini soccer season will be available on the Nutana web site ([www.nutana.ca](http://www.nutana.ca)) at the end of February. The season runs from May to June 2012 for players born between January 2002 and December 2008. Registration information will be available on January 9, at registration for NCA winter programs (see page 8).

Parents please consider coaching your child's team! Saskatoon Youth Soccer provides support with free coaching clinics and written information. Without coaches, there is no soccer! Contact Nutana's soccer coordinator Jesse Green by e-mail at [soccer@nutana.ca](mailto:soccer@nutana.ca) or by phone at 370-2994.

For information on soccer for older children, phone 477-2336 or visit <http://www.eastsidesoccer.ca/>

### *Marr residence:*

Garth Cantrill has been appointed to the Marr Residence Management Board as the Nutana Community Association representative.

### *Another new board member:*

Kacey Keene has volunteered for the role of Social Coordinator.

### *Skating Rink Times:*

Victoria School: Fri 7-9 p.m., Sat & Sun 2-4 p.m.; Idylwyld Park: Tues 7-9 p.m., Sat & Sun 1-3 p.m. ❀

## New Nutana MLA



Nutana's new MLA is Cathy Sproule, who was elected in November, 2011. Pat Atkinson, our long-time provincial representative, has retired from provincial politics. Cathy has lived in Saskatoon-Nutana since 1988. She is a lawyer with the federal government, specializing in Aboriginal law. For contact information, see page 7.

The Nutana constituency runs roughly from the top of the University Bridge south to Adelaide and west to the river. It also includes the Exhibition grounds and Diefenbaker Park. In neighbourhood terms, it encompasses Nutana and Buena Vista and parts of Varsity View, Haultain, Queen Elizabeth, Exhibition, and Adelaide/Churchill.



## Nutana Community Association President's Message

By Mark Bobyn

### *Broadway 360*

The Broadway 360° Development Plan is an innovative collaboration between the Nutana Community Association, the City of Saskatoon, and the Broadway Business Improvement District. The plan looks at wide-ranging improvements to the built environment to create a healthier transition between Broadway and the residential district directly behind the commercial corridor.

This plan has been created over the last four years and now is going through the implementation phase with the city. We would like to hear what you think of the plan. So please make time to come out to the open house in January, at the Cosmo Seniors Centre. See page 5 for more background information and details about the open house. We look forward to seeing you there.

### *Pedestrian realm improvements*

You may have noticed some peculiar looking street alignments being tested out on a stretch of lower Saskatchewan Crescent between McPherson Avenue and Idylwyld Crescent. For years the city has been receiving complaints from area residents, runners, and pedestrians regarding aggressive motorist behaviour along this unpredictable stretch. As part of the lift station construction, the city committed itself to making improvements during the reconstruction of the area.

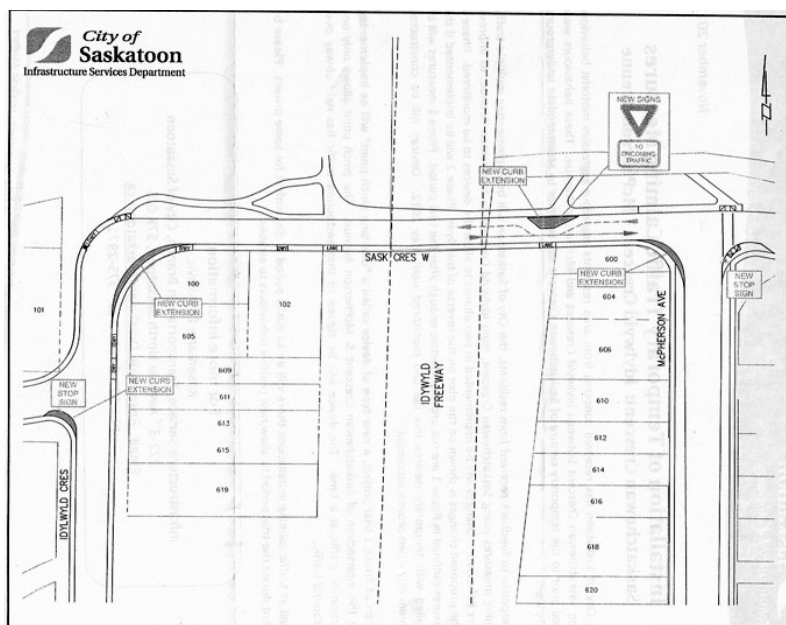
Temporary bumpers have been placed to make the corners sharper, requiring motorists to slow down to make their turn, and a new device called a "one-lane pinch point" has been installed to allow only one direction of traffic to move through at a time. This device is modelled on a natural traffic calming system already at play throughout

Nutana's narrow streets, replicating the pattern you see when one car needs to pull over between parked cars and allow the oncoming car to pass before proceeding.

This winding stretch of road has been cited as one of the most dangerous and busy pedestrian linkages, and once everyone is comfortable with how traffic moves through this stretch, the end goal is to create a safer environment for the large numbers of pedestrians and visitors who use this linkage.

Among them are the increasing numbers of pedestrians and sports enthusiasts who are making use of the area around Rotary Park, who have seen the lower Saskatchewan Crescent stretch as an impediment to this natural outdoor fitness area.

Let the Nutana Community Association know how you feel about these improvements to the area by logging on to [www.nutana.ca](http://www.nutana.ca) and giving us your feedback. You are also encouraged to send your comments to councillor Charlie Clark at [Charlie.Clark@Saskatoon.ca](mailto:Charlie.Clark@Saskatoon.ca)



The map at left shows the changes planned for the stretch of Saskatchewan Crescent between Idylwyld Crescent and McPherson Avenue, to create a safer environment for both pedestrians and vehicular traffic. The shaded areas represent the traffic-calming measures proposed.



## New Windows for Historic Trounce House

*In 2011, the Nutana Community Association provided a grant of \$1,000 to the Gustin/Trounce Heritage Committee towards renovation of the windows of the Trounce House, Saskatoon's oldest building, located at the back of the Gustin House property, at 512 Tenth Street East. We are proud to have been able to assist in a small way with the preservation of this important heritage structure, located in the heart of Nutana, Saskatoon's oldest neighbourhood. Following is a description of the restoration project, adapted by Joan Halmo, member of the Gustin/Trounce Heritage Committee, from the report prepared by fellow committee member Peggy Sarjeant.*

— Ed.

Restoration and painting of the windows of the Trounce House took place during the spring and summer of 2011. The restoration work was done by a fine local craftsman Zach Hauser, who paid particular attention to restoring or reproducing all details of the original construction of 1883. This included using the same species of wood as the original and the replacement of

damaged glass with old glass from a similar time period.

Work accomplished on the windows and frames had to take account of deterioration of the wood during the 128 years since the house was built. Only seven panes of glass were reusable. The new windows were made of aged Douglas fir in the same manner as the originals, pegged corners and all. The only significant difference was the use of wire nails instead of cut nails. All missing glass was replaced with salvaged old glass; all exterior exposed nail heads were squared off to resemble the original cut nails. After completing his work on the windows, Mr. Hauser reassembled one complete window from the best-preserved pieces of the original windows for the historical record.

When the original paint colour (a dark brown) had been determined, the final exterior painting of the windows was done in September 2011. Painting was carried out by members of the heritage community; namely, Peggy Sarjeant, a member of the Gustin/Trounce Heritage Committee, and her group of volunteers: Margaret Hendry, Meg Gerwing, and Della Greer.

The complete restoration of the windows of Trounce House is a major step in ensuring the conservation of the oldest house in Saskatoon. Gustin/Trounce Heritage Committee Inc. warmly thanks the Nutana Community Association for the generous project grant; we also thank the volunteers who did the painting and recognize the Benjamin Moore community restoration program for funding assistance.

— Joan Halmo



*At top: the new window on the north side, seen last summer, when the grass was green and the ferns lush and the window had only a coat of primer; at far left: the same window as it looked in December, having received its final coat of paint (the casing is brown, the muntins and frame white); near left: the west side of the house, with its two windows; above: the north side of the tiny house*

Photos by Michael Pomedli



## **Broadway 360° Development Plan**

In 2009, the Broadway 360° Development Plan was created to help shape future public and private decisions and investments in the Broadway Area. Since then, a number of stakeholders, including local residents, business owners, property developers, and representatives from the Nutana Community Association, Broadway BID, and City of Saskatoon have worked together to establish a new zoning district and architectural control district for Broadway Avenue.

The Broadway 360° steering committee is now seeking public feedback on the proposed B5B Commercial Zoning District and its corresponding Architectural Control Overlay District.

Please mark your calendars and plan to attend the

Land Use Implementation Open House on *Thursday, January 19, 2012, from 5:30–8:30 p.m. at Cosmo Seniors Centre, 614 11th Street East.*

This is a “come and go” event with a presentation to take place at 6 o’clock and again at 7:30. A question and answer period will follow each presentation. Steering committee members will be on hand throughout, to answer questions and discuss the impact this proposal would have on future Broadway Avenue development. There will also be visual displays outlining these proposed changes. Everyone is welcome. It will be worth your while!

For more information, contact Brent McAdam at 975-7642. ❀

## **Pumpkins in the Park Festival a Success**

The fourth annual “Pumpkins in the Park” on November 1st drew record crowds to Rotary Park.

The jack-o-lanterns were out in full force again this year, and it’s always amazing to see how fantastic the carvings are, especially when lit up in streams around the Peace Flame and beyond. Hopefully this festival does justice to the obvious care taken in making these carvings! We saw close to 375 of those jack-o-lanterns and we can be sure there were more than 400 people.

We expand our community and spirit every year to more neighbourhoods that find out about our festival. Neighbours from Willowgrove, Dundonald, Lakeview, and Eastview came to join the “Area 6” crowd. That’s part of what community associations are about: camaraderie, with friends coming together from all over the city. Anything for a party!

Once again, all enjoyed free hot dogs and hot chocolate from our gracious sponsors. Marv and gang at Broadway Extra Foods supplied the amazing array of hotdogs, onions, and condiments. Amy at Broadway Starbucks supplied some of our hot chocolate and this year, we also had Toni at the 2nd Avenue location top up our order. We served almost 500 hotdogs and cups of hot chocolate. Next year we’ll definitely need a bigger barbecue! Community-minded sponsors right in our neighbourhood and across the river is a big reason for the success of our event.

The gathering around the well-used fire pit was a



nice sight. We may have been fortunate to avoid the snow which arrived a week later, but it was welcome warmth we needed, with temperature hovering somewhere around the zero degree mark.



This year, the Nutana Community Association was joined by Varsity View Community Association, and we can’t be more pleased to have this event grow. We were told “Pumpkins in the Park” events are popping up everywhere, and from its original inception four years ago, based on just such a celebration, having this expand to more areas of the city is awesome! The spirit and enjoyment of community events such as this is one of the reasons why community associations exist.

— Linda Streifel

## Message from Ward 6 Councillor, Charlie Clark



Dear Nutana Residents:

There continue to be lots of things going on in the Nutana area. Your community association pulled off another great Pumpkins in the Park event; open houses will be held in the New Year to introduce a set of suggested zoning

changes for the Broadway district as a result of the Broadway 360 plan; and there are experiments in traffic calming on Macpherson Avenue and on Saskatchewan Crescent.

While there is much to talk about, for this update I am going to concentrate on one issue that has been a growing concern in our community: homelessness.

Homelessness has forever seemed to be one of those issues that everyone acknowledges is unacceptable and troubling, but that many people have felt pretty helpless to do anything about. The local "Occupy" protests have brought attention to this issue. This fall I had a call from a resident about someone sleeping in Buena Vista Park for a period of time. The resident commented to me how he felt troubled that someone had to resort to sleeping under a bush in the park, but didn't know what he could do to change the situation.

In Saskatoon we learned recently that there are tangible steps that can be taken to transform the issue of homelessness in a community. In fact, right next door in Calgary they have managed to dramatically reduce homelessness in only three years by shifting their paradigm to a "housing first" approach.

Tim Richter of the Calgary Homeless Foundation ([www.calgaryhomeless.com](http://www.calgaryhomeless.com)) visited Saskatoon in November to talk about how Calgary has gone from having Canada's fastest growing homeless population to being able to close down shelters by figuring out how to get and keep housing for people. The beauty of the story in Calgary is that they have been able to find dignified solutions for people, while reducing the police, ambulance, hospital, and incarceration costs associated with people living on the street.

Dozens of other North American communities are also implementing plans to end homelessness with tremendous results.

In Saskatoon we are seeing a consensus developing that if Calgary can do it, so can we. The Saskatoon Health Region, the police services, the United Way, business leaders, church leaders, mental health and addictions services, and many of the service agencies working with homeless people are talking together about how to end homelessness in Saskatoon.

This type of initiative will require the support of people from all walks of life. I know homelessness touches many people in various ways. If you would like to learn more please let me know, and stay tuned for announcements in the coming year. There is also a good five-minute video put out by the Alberta government on the success they have had there. You can find it at

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h5qi4sBwy6U>

Thanks, best of the season to you and I hope you enjoy the winter! ❁

## Description of Classes in Winter Program

**Forever Young** is a new and innovative approach to fitness for older adults. It combines workouts for cardio, agility, strength, and flexibility. **Mitzvah Technique** is a unique form of fitness and health to improve posture, increase mobility, and maintain a healthy, balanced body structure. The exercises are easy to learn and are designed for most age

groups and fitness levels. More information at [www.kmbodywork.com](http://www.kmbodywork.com). **YogaFit** involves linking poses together in a sequence to build strength, endurance, balance, and flexibility. These sequences can be physically demanding. The yogaFit class on Monday is less intense than the Tuesday class. **Yoga for Runners and Others** involves

linking poses in sequences that build core strength and improve strength and flexibility in the hips and legs. **Yoga for Youth** classes introduce young people to the many benefits of yoga, building strength and flexibility. **Zumba** is a "Latin-inspired" class involving a range of movements and aerobic conditioning set to high-energy music. ❁

## Community Consultant Report

By Dylan Czarnecki

*Dylan Czarnecki is the community consultant for Area 6, which includes Nutana. Community consultants work for the City of Saskatoon, in the Community Development Branch. — Ed*

### Eastside Indoor Coordinators Workshop

This year, we have decided to host two separate workshops, focusing on the east and west sides of the city separately, rather than going city-wide with all community associations. We have separated this workshop into two meetings to encourage a regional focus on programming and to facilitate smaller group discussions with indoor coordinators in your area of the city. Full attendance would see 23 associations from the east side of Saskatoon involved in the workshop.

This workshop will be held Thursday, March 22 from 6:30–9pm in the Eagleview Room at the Willows Golf and Country Club.

### Saskatchewan Lotteries Community Grant

This grant is for sport, culture, or recreation projects that are conducted between April 1st, 2012 and March 31st, 2013. Eligible projects are to provide access to sport, culture, and recreation activities for all people regardless of age, sex, ethnicity, economic status, or physical or mental ability. Day in the Park, Night in the Park and Art in the Park are examples of community events that are popular. Deadline to apply: Monday, January 16th, 2012 at 12 noon. Grants range from \$500 to a maximum of \$5000. Application forms can be e-mailed upon request.

For more information or to obtain an electronic copy of the application, please call 975-3378 or e-mail [grants@saskatoon.ca](mailto:grants@saskatoon.ca) ❀



# Hang with the Huskies!

**FREE Sports Clinics for kids Grade 3-6.**

All clinics are instructed by the Huskie Athletics.

Come and learn new sport skills, techniques and have fun doing it!



**Football**

Sat. Jan 21, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm  
Holliston School

Sat. Jan 21, 12:30 pm - 2:30 pm  
Holliston School

Sat. Jan. 21, 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm  
White Buffalo Youth Lodge

**Wrestling**

Sat. Mar 10, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm  
Bedford Road Collegiate

Sat. Mar 10, 12:30 pm - 2:30 pm  
Bedford Road Collegiate

**Floor Hockey**

Sat. Mar 24, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm  
Holliston School



Sat. Mar 24, 12:30 pm - 2:30 pm  
Holliston School

Sat. Mar 24, 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm  
Bethlehem High School





**Call 975-3378 to register.**

Be a part of the Global Dance Party and learn dance moves from around the world including zumba, hip hop, bollywood, hoop dancing and more!!


**WHO?** Girls, Grade 4 to 8

**WHERE?** Prairieland Park  
503 Ruth Street West

**WHEN?** Friday, January 27, 2012  
8:45 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

**COST?** FREE!

For more information, visit [www.saskatoon.ca](http://www.saskatoon.ca)  
(look under 'C' for Community Development)  
or call 975.3378



### Newsletter Policy

**Publication:** three issues per year:  
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**Content:** information about local events, programs, organizations, people, places, etc. that are likely to be of interest to the Nutana community

**Contributions:** unsolicited contributions welcome; acceptance depends on appropriateness and timeliness of content, space available, etc.

**Advertisements:** no ads, except from the city

**Contact:** [nutanaca@sasktel.net](mailto:nutanaca@sasktel.net)

**Deadline for submissions:** the first day of the month that precedes the publication month

### Useful Contacts

**For information about our provincial government or help with your concerns, contact:**

**Cathy Sproule**, MLA for Saskatoon Nutana  
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E-mail: [csproule@ndpcaucus.sk.ca](mailto:csproule@ndpcaucus.sk.ca)

**For local concerns and information, contact:**

**Charlie Clark**, City Councillor for Ward 6  
(which includes Nutana) City Hall,  
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E-mail: [Charlie.Clark@Saskatoon.ca](mailto:Charlie.Clark@Saskatoon.ca)

**Community Liaison Officer  
East Division:**

**Constable Tracy Shepherd #556**

Tel: 975-2263

[tracy.shepherd@police.saskatoon.sk.ca](mailto:tracy.shepherd@police.saskatoon.sk.ca)



## **NCA WINTER PROGRAMS**

**Registration: Mon, Jan 9, 2012, 6:30-8 p.m. at École Victoria School gym**, 639 Broadway Avenue. Enter at rear of building. Annual NCA membership fee required: \$3/individual; \$5/ family. Memberships from other community associations accepted. Cost-as-a-barrier funding available to Nutana residents. For more information and updates, visit [www.nutana.ca](http://www.nutana.ca) or contact the indoor coordinator at [programming@nutana.ca](mailto:programming@nutana.ca)

**NOTE:** See page 6 for descriptions of some of the exercise classes.

### **ADULT & YOUTH**

Intro to Ballroom Dance (partner required)	18 yrs & older	Victoria Sch gym	7:15-8:15 p.m.	M	Jan 16-Mar 26	\$60/ couple
Forever Young	50 yrs & older	Victoria Sch gym	7:30-8:30 p.m.	W	Jan 18-Mar 28	\$55
Mitzvah Technique	16 yrs & older	Victoria Sch auditorium	7:15-8:30 p.m.	W	Jan 18-Mar 28	\$60
Yoga (Vinyasa Multilevel)	16 yrs & older	Victoria Sch auditorium	6:15-7:45 p.m.	M	Jan 16-Mar 26	\$60
Yoga (Beginner)	16 yrs & older	Victoria Sch auditorium	7:30-8:30 p.m.	Tu	Jan 17-Mar 27	\$50
Yoga (Beginner)	16 yrs & older	Victoria Sch auditorium	7:30-8:30 p.m.	Th	Jan 19-Mar 29	\$50
Yoga Fit	16 yrs & older	Victoria Sch auditorium	5-6 p.m.	M	Jan 16-Mar 26	\$60
Yoga Fit	16 yrs & older	Victoria Sch auditorium	6:15-7:15 p.m.	Tu	Jan 17-Mar 27	\$60
Yoga for Runners & Others	16 yrs & older	Victoria Sch auditorium	6:15-7:15 p.m.	Th	Jan 19-Mar 29	\$60
Zumba	16 yrs & older	Victoria Sch gym	6-7 p.m.	M	Jan 16-Mar 26	\$55
Badminton	18 yrs & older	Victoria Sch gym	8:30-10 p.m.	M	Jan 16-Mar 26	\$25
Badminton	18 yrs & older	Victoria Sch gym	8:30-10 p.m.	Tu	Jan 17-Mar 27	\$25
Badminton	18 yrs & older	Victoria Sch gym	8:30-10 p.m.	Th	Jan 19-Mar 29	\$25
Volleyball	18 yrs & older	Nutana Collegiate gym	7:30-9 p.m.	Tu	Jan 17-Mar 27	\$25
East Indian Cooking	18 yrs & older	Victoria Sch home ec rm	6:30-9:30 p.m.	W	Feb 1	\$35
Italian Cooking	18 yrs & older	Victoria Sch home ec rm	6:30-9:30 p.m.	W	Mar 7	\$35
Vietnamese Cooking	18 yrs & older	Victoria Sch home ec rm	6:30-9:30 p.m.	Tu	Feb 28	\$35

### **CHILDREN & YOUTH**

Creative Movement	3-6 yrs (co-ed)	Victoria Sch gym	5:45-6:30 p.m.	Tu	Jan 17-Mar 27	\$25
Yoga for Youth	6-10 yrs (co-ed)	Victoria Sch auditorium	5-6 p.m.	W	Jan 18-Mar 28	\$35
Yoga for Youth	11-15 yrs (co-ed)	Victoria Sch auditorium	6-7 p.m.	W	Jan 18-Mar 28	\$35
Recreational Soccer	3-4 yrs (co-ed)	Victoria Sch gym	5:45-6:30 p.m.	Th	Jan 19-Mar 29	\$25
Recreational Soccer	5-6 yrs (co-ed)	Victoria Sch gym	6:45-7:30 p.m.	Th	Jan 19-Mar 29	\$25