



SJHRA LATE FALL NEWSLETTER

Hi Neighbours;

Welcome to our late fall Newsletter. This Newsletter is full of information about what has been happening and will be happening in our neighbourhood until the end of the year.

The board would like to take this opportunity thank our members that came out and supported us at this year's AGM. Below you will find a summary of what was discussed as well as all other activities that have or will take place for the 2014.

Thank you for your continuing support.

Kaila Sugeng

Webmaster and Editor, SJHRA

I will miss this neighbourhood, but most of all, the neighbours whom I have come to know as friends.

I leave knowing that our Association is in good hands, with Alina Zogala returning as President, and a very able and enthusiastic Board supporting her.

I thank each and every one of you, for your help and support over the past five years.

Regards,

Michael Spicer

PAST PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

As some of you are probably aware, I stepped down as President of our Association as of November 11th. My wife, Fiona, and I are moving to Stoney Creek at the end of December. The time I spent on the Board of SJHRA has been eventful, given all that our association has done, but most of all it was a lot of fun. I would encourage you to participate in the Association events and if so inclined, join the Board. You will not regret it.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

I just wanted to take a moment to thank our members for promptly renewing their membership in our association. The length of the canvassing period has been reduced and this allows our board to focus on other matters. For those that have not renewed, a final email reminder with an attached membership form will be distributed this week. Completed forms (in an envelope along with your name and address) can be dropped in the mailbox at 3248 SJH or contact one of our board members and they will gladly pick up your fee. Please make cheques payable to: Sir John Homestead Ratepayers Association Inc.

Craig Finlayson

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING SUMMARY 2014

Our annual general meeting was held on October 7th, 2014 at 7:30 pm at the Grange. Below you will find a summary to what was discussed at this years' AGM:

1. Michael Spicer commented on our fabulous membership participation. We signed up 100 homes in the neighbourhood, which reflects 75% of the 134 homes. This is an excellent achievement and we should all be proud of how our members are eager to participate in our community.
2. Activity Reports- There have been tremendous efforts to maintain our neighbourhood this year. A fair number of members came out and volunteered their time and energy to beautifying our neighbourhood by cleaning up our public gardens and parks on Gardening Day, which was held on May 10th. In addition, 20 members came out and supported our community by collecting garbage on Earth Day on April 22nd. On another note, the old playground was removed by the city and replaced with a brand new playground in August. In addition, the City has now contracted a third party to maintain the Erindale SS track and field as a result of discussions with your Board.
3. Kaila Sugeng reported on the importance of reporting a crime to the police as well as Safecity Mississauga. All reported crimes are public information. If you would like to see crime statistics for your neighbourhood, you may do so by visiting the peel police website and setting your search criteria.
4. Goodbye and thank you to Katie Mahoney – As many of us know, this year was Katie Mahoney's last term as Councillor of Ward 8. She served our area for 23 years with extraordinary support towards our community. She summed up by telling us on how she became Councillor for Ward 8 and recapped on some of her experiences during her term.
5. Parks and Forestry- Gavin Longmuir was another special guest at our AGM this year. He spoke about various insects that have been infecting our trees, with special attention towards the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB). He emphasized how important it is to treat any infected ash trees in the neighbourhood immediately. For more information on treating these trees please call 311 or visit the City of Mississauga website.

6. Approval of 2013 AGM minutes – led by Michael Spicer
7. Treasurer's report- led by Andy Harvey stating that our opening balance for 2014-2015 fiscal year is \$4,061.71
8. Membership update led by Craig Finlayson- fees are to stay at \$20.00 per household for the 2014-2015 fiscal year.
9. Election of new members led by Alina Zogala. After the AGM a couple of new members volunteered to join the board of directors. We would like to welcome, Kurush Godsey as our new secretary and Axel Breuer as our new MIRANET rep to our Board of Directors. We look forward to working with them.

Kaila Sugeng

CHRISTMAS CAROLING AT THE GRANGE

Heritage Mississauga's Annual Christmas Caroling will take place on Sunday December 14th, from 6-8 pm. Dress warmly and join the Grange staff in a true holiday tradition!! Bring the whole family and get into the spirit this year and support our local heritage site. There will be tea, coffee, punch and of course some goodies to eat! The Grange has asked those attending to please bring a non-perishable grocery item for the Deacon's Cupboard which is the food bank at St. Peter's Anglican Church.

HERITAGE MISSISSAUGA 54th Birthday

10th Annual
"Carolling at The Grange"

Sunday, December 14th, 2014
6-8pm

Free Admission

Enjoy old fashioned Christmas Caroling around an outdoor campfire, with a cup of hot chocolate and fun for the whole family.

We're celebrating our 54th birthday, cake will be served at 7pm.

The Robinson-Adamson Grange
1921 Dundas St.W.,
one block west of Mississauga Road
Entry from Sir John's Homestead
For more information please contact
905-828-8411 ext. 0

Help those in need, please bring a non-perishable donation for the Deacons Cupboard Food bank at St.Peter's Anglican Church

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