

GRIESBACH COMMUNITY LEAGUE

INTELLIGENCE REPORT

October 2012

It's been just over a year since we first met to discuss the formation of a Griesbach Community League. We've come a long way. Here's an update you on the latest news.

CDRS Variety Show:

We were recently accepted as the seventh community member of the Castle Downs Recreational Society. It is an organization that benefits us immensely.

The variety show is an annual fundraising evening for CDRS and provides a fun evening out for adults. (Details at **www.castledowns.ca**). As a member community we have been asked to provide volunteers for this amazing event. There is a need almost every weekend from now until the final show in November. If you can help, please contact our volunteers director and let us know when you are available: griesbachvolunteersdirector@gmail.com

Community Watch: There have been sightings of coyotes and a fox in our community. So please place any garbage etc in appropriate containers and don't leave pet food outdoors. Many residents have reported recycling bags have been torn open by bottle pickers - leaving a mess in the alleys. Avoid leaving empties out back if possible. Questions? Contact Community Watch Director, **Vik Malhi**, at griesbachneighborhoodwatch@gmail.com

Volunteers: If you are interested in becoming a community volunteer (or joining the Board of Directors) contact the volunteers director or myself at griesbachpresident@gmail.com

Sports Teams: We partnered up with a couple of neighboring communities to provide our kids teams to join for indoor and outdoor soccer for this past season. We are planning to start a handful our own teams next spring (with a focus on younger players). Volunteers will be needed moving forward.

Memberships: It is time to purchase/ renew your annual membership. A Griesbach community membership can offer you many things (see our website for details). The cost for a family is only \$25 and may be purchased by calling Henny @ 780-475-3004 or e-mail. "griesbachmembershipsdirector@gmail.com" . They will also be on sale at our Playground Town hall meeting.

Babysitting Course Postponed: The babysitting course planned for Oct. 27 has been postponed due to lack of response. We think this is still a valuable idea, and will look for ways to streamline the process. We hope to reschedule this for the spring of 2013.

Canada Lands has been great at keeping us informed and seeking community input on many of its initiatives. We are involved with the planning of Central Park (and the relocation of the current community gardens within it). As well, we've lent our support to a memorial for the Airbourne that is being planned in Perron-Bergier Park. Thank you to Marvin Neumann and his staff at CLC for promoting a spirit of cooperation and collaboration.

Shake at the Lake: A huge success!!! Thanks to our organizers, volunteers and all who attended.

GRIESBACH PLAYGROUND PUBLIC PLANNING MEETING

Tuesday, November 6 7:00 pm

Major General Griesbach School

Parents. Neighbours. Please join us!

A big priority for our community league has been to construct a new playground to match our fantastic new school. This will be required as the existing one will eventually be dismantled to make way for the next phase of development on the old school site.

We want to get the ball rolling by hosting a "Town Hall" information session at Major General Griesbach School.

We have invited several officials to let us know what resources and support is available to help us achieve our goals.

It is a massive undertaking that will involve volunteers, community support and assistance with fundraising. We really hope you can attend as your input and engagement is important.

If you can't attend or would like more info:

Call Jim Chronopoulos at 780.695-8006 or email: griesbachstructuresdirector@gmail.com

What will it look like? Where will it be?
How do we make it happen?
That's up to you!

