

## Programming

Recent successful programs and events sponsored by the QGPCA include the Rag and Bone puppet show and puppet making workshops, the children's safety workshops, Pilates, and Yoga. If you have a program that you would like to see brought into the neighbourhood, please call an executive member to discuss it. The community centre is often free during daytime hours and can be wonderful resource for all kinds of groups and programs.

## Community Information Links

[www.qualicum.org](http://www.qualicum.org)

President	Leo Paoletti	820-0897
Past-President	Susan Finlay	721-7794
Vice-President	Shaunna Taylor	721-0748
Treasurer	Kim Butler	721-2732
Community Centre Bookings	Lesli Zanetti	820-0848
Community Centre Maintenance	Lauria Blackwell	721-3423
Community Directory	Andy Miller	829-1422
Neighborhood Watch	Len Grummett	820-3018
Traffic Issues	Leo Paoletti	820-0897

## QGP \$10.00 Annual Membership - Have you Paid?

Please remember that the number of paid members represents the size of our Community Association and therefore the size of voice we have when representing the community on issues. **Membership money goes towards:** This bulletin, AGM costs, [www.qualicum.org](http://www.qualicum.org) fees, Community Directory, Community Day, Winter Carnival, community information and printing, entrance signs, park clean up, Garage Sale ads, Community Center needs and programming. **Please complete this information and drop payment by cheque or cash to 54 Beaumaris.** Cheques should be made out to the QGP Community Association.

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## QGPCA Membership for 2005-2006

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_



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## Calendar of Events

- **Dec 11** Scouts' Christmas Tree Sale: 9AM to 1PM in Nanaimo Park
- **Dec 19** Annual Christmas light contest judging
- **Feb 7** Winter Carnival: 1:30 to 3:30 in Nanaimo Park

## Winter Carnival

Come out and join us for the 2006 QGP Winter Carnival! This year it will be held on Sunday February 5 from 1:30-3:30pm in Nanaimo Park. There will be lots of fun outdoor activities including games, skating, and sleigh rides. Or warm up inside the Community Centre with some hot chocolate or hot cider, face painting and raffles. We need volunteers to help with preparing the hot chocolate and cider, to help with games and to sell raffle tickets. If you would like to help, please call Francine at 820-5158. See you there and don't forget to bring your skates!

## Annual Christmas Light Contest

Untangle your lights and display them in a beautiful and/or unique way to be eligible for the Qualicum Christmas Light Contest! Judging will take place the evening of Sunday, Dec. 18, so make sure your lights are turned on! Winners will be added to a plaque displaying past champions, and will be announced in the next community bulletin and on the community website.

## Winter Pilates Sessions

Winter Pilates sessions will take place Monday evenings, Wednesday afternoons and evenings, and early Friday and Saturday mornings in the Community Centre. For more information about times, fees, and registration, check out the website ([www.qualicum.org](http://www.qualicum.org)) or contact Joanne Hanlon at 829-7111.

## Nepean Reserve Fund

You can finally see the results of the Nepean Reserve Fund in our neighbourhood! New trees are in at Nanaimo and Mohawk parks and a new fence for Nanaimo Park. More work will be done this winter and spring so watch for new play structures and benches at Nanaimo Park.

### **Skating Rinks – Volunteers needed!**

John Willson will again be coordinating the maintenance of the rink in Nanaimo Park. He is looking for adult volunteers, as well as reliable teenagers who will be paid. Sign up for a 1-2 hour shift/week or be on the on-call list. Call John at 820-7264.

### **Winter 2005- 2006 Rink Schedule**

Weather permitting; the rinks will be ready around Christmas. The weekend and holiday hours are from 10am to 9pm, weekdays from 4pm to 9pm. The rink is reserved for adult hockey on Wed. from 7:30-9:00. Any further schedules and reservations will be posted. Call John to reserve your event! The small side rink is reserved for recreational skating: no hockey sticks are allowed. Feel free to shovel snow to the side if maintenance hasn't been done. Please stay off the rink when the temperature is above zero. Most of all, enjoy some winter fun!

### **Scouts' Christmas Tree Sale**

Again this year the local Beavers, Cubs and Scouts will be selling top quality evergreens on Saturday, December 10, 2005. The sale takes place from 9 AM till 1 PM at the skating rink in Nanaimo Park. Profits from the sale help fund scouting activities, so please come by, enjoy a cup of hot chocolate, and pick out a tree. We can even deliver your tree if it won't fit in your car.

### **Music with Shannon**

Instructor Shannon Eddy Smith will be offering this popular program again in the new year. Winter session starts Monday, Jan 16<sup>th</sup> and runs every week from 10am – 10:45am at the Community Centre. Cost is \$84 per child and covers 12 sessions. For more information or to register call Melanie at 721-3384.

### **Nanaimo Park Jugglers**

The Nanaimo Park Jugglers continue to juggle, unicycle and have fun on Wednesday nights from 7:00 - 9:30 pm and Sunday afternoons from 3 - 5 pm. Learning to unicycle is still very popular but juggling is making a comeback! Lots of new faces can be seen learning to juggle so don't hesitate to come out to learn to unicycle or juggle. We have props and two unicycles to help you learn. Lastly we had a great turnout for the 2005 Help Santa Toy Parade with over 15 unicyclists volunteering to help make the parade another big success. For more information contact Carl Roth at (613) 293-5856 or [carl@carlroth.net](mailto:carl@carlroth.net) or check out our web site at <http://carlroth.net/nanimoparkjugglers/>.

### **Community Safety**

Many people at the Annual General Meeting were concerned about safety in the community. There are several simple things we can all do to help! We can SLOW DOWN. The speed limit in the neighbourhood is 40km/h. Also, check the bulb in your

exterior light and replace as needed. Pedestrians should be sure to wear light or reflective clothing when running or walking at night.

### **Playgroup**

The QGPCA sponsors a neighbourhood playgroup for children from birth to age 5, Friday mornings in the Community Center. We are full right now, but some spaces may open up after Christmas. For more information, please call Lauria at 721-3423,

### **Kids' Club**

Kids' Club is our neighbourhood after school program. For more information call Bhanu Mistry at 820-6881.

### **Follow-up from the AGM**

At the 2005 Annual General Meeting there were lively discussions on issues such as traffic and pesticide use. Rick Chiarelli attended, as did representatives from the Queensway-Carleton Hospital. Complete minutes from the AGM are available on the website, or by request from a committee executive member. This includes Leo Paoletti's detailed report on Transportation Issues, complete with maps

### **Preparation for Community Day 2006**

Preparations are ongoing for Community Day 2006. If you would like to get involved in the planning phase, please call Shaunna Taylor at 721-0748.

### **Academie de la Capitale Bake Sale**

Acadecap (located in the school on Esquimalt) will be holding its International Bake Sale on Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2005 from 1:00 to 6:00 pm. They will also be selling their International Cookbook, a collection of recipes from the Acadecap Community.