

✂ Calendar of Events ✂

2003

**Tuesday,
September 9** September registration for
community programs

**Thursday,
October 16** Annual General Meeting
QGP Community Centre 7 p.m.

Watch the bulletin boards at community entrances
for more announcements of upcoming events.

COMMUNITY CENTRE BOOKINGS. Anyone
wishing to book the community centre should contact
Lesli Zanetti at 820-0848. Please give adequate notice to
ensure that you get your reservation. Any maintenance
issues at the community centre (broken locks, tables,
cupboards, etc.) should be reported to Lauria Blackwell at
721-3423.

BRAINY DAYS. Introducing Brainy Days – seven
Saturday Science Workshops for kids ages 8 to 12

Each workshop is \$15 per child. Register for all seven for
\$100. ALL MATERIALS PROVIDED.

Last Saturday of every month October through May from
11 a.m. to 12 noon (excludes December) at the QGP
community centre.

Come see what it's all about September 11 during the
QGP Community Association registration night.

Welcome to new residents of Qualicum/Graham Park!
Please feel free to contact any of the members of the QGP
Community Association for information regarding the
neighbourhood or to get involved with the association.
Attending the Annual General Meeting on October 16 is a
good way to meet your neighbours and find out what is
happening in the community.

Your Association Volunteers

Executive Committee

Co-President	Susan Finlay	721-7794
Co-President	Joel McGrath	829-1127
Vice-President	Shaunna Taylor	721-0748
Treasurer	Marcia Hayes	726-1177
Secretary	Linda Ryan	829-8916
Past President	Liz Barrett	829-8702
Members at Large	Lauria Blackwell	721-3423
	Kathy Kaitola	726-3604
	Karen Leggett	820-8778
	Leo Paoletti	820-0897
	Jennifer Payne	726-8772
	Lesli Zanetti	820-0848

Community Service Coordinators

Community Centre	Lesli Zanetti	820-0848
Skating Rink	John Willson	820-7264
Bulletin Editor	Judith Whitehead	828-8284
Bulletin Distribution	Linda Ryan	829-8916
Memberships	Bill Nichols	829-0935
Community Directory	Marg Miller	829-1422
Community Website	Andy Miller	829-1422
New Residents	Jennifer Rowan	829-8280
Neighbourhood Watch	Len Grummett	820-3018
Block Parents	Jean Campbell	820-4659
Traffic Issues	Leo Paoletti	820-0897

Programs

Kids' Club	Bhanu Mistry	820-6881
Playgroup	Lauria Blackwell	721-3423
Sparks	Sandy Jones	596-2987
	Barb Robertson	829-5036
Brownies	Karen Love	721-2721
Girl Guides	Barb Bartlett	820-8386
Beavers	Paul Clarke	829-8916
Cubs	Doug Corner	596-6068
Scouts	Doug Corner	596-6068
Common Threads	Lesli Zanetti	820-0848
Valleystream Tennis Club	Colleen Corby	829-0335

Community Events

Christmas Tree Sale	Paul Clarke	829-8916
Winter Party (January)	Sheila Armstrong	829-5011

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COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**



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VISIT OUR WEBSITE

<http://members.rogers.com/qgpc>

QUEENSWAY STUDY. The Ministry of Transportation of Ontario (MTO) has launched a technical study of the Queensway (QW) from Highway 416 to Anderson Road. The study focuses on aging infrastructure, operational and safety issues, and mobility and congestion issues. This study is not part of the City of Ottawa's public transit initiative.

The community's traffic coordinator (Leo Paoletti) attended a meeting in May with other community representatives, MTO, and the consulting company running the study. Items discussed that impact our community include:

- Likely outcome of study to recommend four continuous lanes each way (that is, on and off ramps don't impact the lanes).
- Transitway (not part of this study) could lead to the closing of on ramps north of the QW. The on ramps would be relocated to Holly Acres.
- The northbound Richmond on ramp to eastbound QW could change to accommodate four lanes or could be shifted to Holly Acres.
- Changes likely to eastbound QW off ramp to Richmond Road would impact Holly Acres.
- Changes likely to 416/417 interchange, especially to address access to Moodie. Likely to impact Holly Acres.

New public consultations will take place this fall. For details, go to <http://www.mto.gov.on.ca/english/engineering/417ea>.

Traffic issues discussed at last executive meeting:

- Amount of through traffic in the community.
- Number of accidents at Richmond/Nanaimo and lack of advance signal.
- Speeding through community (especially at access points: Nanaimo, Sioux/Okanagan, and from Morrison area).

PLAYGROUP. QGP Community Association Co-operative Playgroup is a great way to get out and meet the other families in the neighbourhood. Lots of toys and great company make the long, cold winter days fly by. We meet Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday mornings in the community centre from September to June. Cost is \$35

per family (for one day per week) and there is a small volunteer commitment as well. Children from birth to kindergarten age and their parents or caregivers are welcome. Call Lauria at 721-3423 for more information. Register at community registration night.

BEAVERS, CUBS AND SCOUTS. Programs run by the 19th Nepean Scout Group are for boys and girls as follows:

Beavers: ages 5-7, Thursdays 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Briargreen Public School Gym

Cubs: ages 8-10, Wednesdays 6:30-8 p.m.

Briargreen Public School Gym

Scouts: ages 11-14, Thursdays 7-9 p.m.

QGP Community Centre

Again this year you have a choice of two registration nights:

- Tuesday, September 9 at QGP Community Centre, 7-8 p.m.

- Wednesday, September 10 at Briargreen Public School, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

If you have inquiries, please contact Paul Clarke (829-8916) or go to the Scouts Canada website at www.scouts.ca.

SPARKS, BROWNIES, GUIDES AND PATHFINDERS.

Registration will be held Tuesday, September 9 from 6 to 8 p.m. at St. Paul's Catholic High School on Draper Avenue. For further information, call Pat Colfe at 828-3564.

KIDS CLUB will again be available from September 3 until the end of the 2004 school year. For those interested, please contact Bhanu Mistry at 820-6881. The kids club is also accepting résumés for the position of assistant supervisor starting in September.

COMMON THREADS. This craft group for adults meets every Wednesday from 1 to 3 p.m. at 30 Dickson Street, beginning in mid-September. Bring your unfinished handiwork project to complete, join in an occasional organized workshop, or get involved in a community service project. For more information, call Lesli Zanetti at 820-0848.

THE NANAIMO PARK JUGGLERS continue to have a great turnout with new members showing up monthly. The summer opened with a juggling performance and unicycle basketball demonstration at the QGP Community Association Fun Day. We're doing a lot more unicycling, thanks in part to Darren Bedford of Bedford Unicycles who donated one of his unicycles. Many of our jugglers can now juggle on their unicycles! We are also "riding" in parades as a group. We started out small with the QGP Community Association Fun Day Parade and moved up to the Perth Fair Parade!

Don't forget that we juggle on Tuesday nights from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. and on Sunday afternoons from 3 to 5 p.m. in Nanaimo Park or in the QGP Community Centre. For more information or to join us unicycling in a parade contact Carl Roth at carl@carloth.net or (613) 293-5856 or visit <http://carloth.net/nanaimoparkjugglers>.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH. Crime against property in our community has risen. Residential break and enters and thefts from vehicles have been most prevalent. The Ottawa Police Service suggests that security precautions be taken for all ground floor windows and floors. A free Home Security Inspection conducted by trained Neighbourhood Watch volunteers is available. Contact your coordinator for details or to arrange an appointment.

The summer season saw many new residents to our community. As part of your Community Association's service, the Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator will be visiting new neighbours to explain aspects of the program. While we try to reach all new residents, we are not always successful. Please call the coordinator at 820-3018 if you have not received a visit by the end of September. Residents who walk their dogs after dark are asked to report any suspicious activity to the police.

THE QGP COMMUNITY DAY was said to be one of the best in Ottawa this year! Thanks to Lauria Blackwell, Tracey Paoletti, Shaunna Taylor, Susan Finlay, Kathy Kaitola, Kim Butler, Jennifer Rowan, Cynthia Mar, Melanie Goldberg, Luisa Mirabelli, and volunteers Lesli Zanetti, Sandy Jones, Marcia Hays, Joanne Hanlon and many more! If you would like to help next year, please contact Susan Finlay, Lauria Blackwell or Shaunna Taylor.