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### **Celebrations honour and acknowledge Canada's past**

The weather forecast leading up to Canada Day 2022 looked stormy, but the afternoon proved warm and sunny. Throughout the day, families arrived at Kingsmere Park to enjoy the wading pool and Canadian musical stylings of DJ Arien. In the evening, volunteers served up popcorn and sparklers as residents settled in by the fieldhouse to watch National Film Board shorts like The Sweater, The Big Snit and The Log Drivers Waltz.

To acknowledge Canada's history of colonization, Glabar Park

residents and Bay Ward **Councillor Theresa** Kavanagh met with Algonquin youth activist Kyrstin DuMont at Lorry Greenberg Park. In the sacred circle, they discussed the road towards reconciliation.

Reconciliation circles like this one are being held across Canada, and those who were unable to attend on July 1st are encouraged to find other opportunities to join the discussion. Migwetch to all participants for taking an important step forward in this healing iourney.



Above: Residents participate in the sacred circle.

Below: Movie night at Kingsmere Park.



### Community rink welcomes new coordinator for 2022-2023 season

The Alliance is pleased to announce that Curtis Thorne will be coordinating operations at the Kingsmere Park rink this winter. Curtis. who has spent the last four years as deputy coordinator, is stepping into the role following the departure of Adam Norman from Glabar Park. The rink is now looking for more volunteers to maintain the ice and to supervise the fieldhouse where skaters can change and access washrooms during peak times. "We are hoping to return to full

operations this winter, after two seasons of COVID-related challenges," Curtis said. "Ours has consistently been one of the best-kept outdoor rinks in the city, but we need volunteers to keep things running smoothly - especially on evenings and weekends."

Residents are invited to look over the various roles and reach out to Curtis by email at kingsmererink@gmail.com or by call/text at 613-619-5476. This is a particularly great opportunity for students looking to get community service hours.

#### Maintenance team

Clears and floods the ice surface daily between mid-December and late-February (typically in the evenings after skating closes but can be during the day, too, depending on snowfall and other weather conditions).

#### Supervision team

Keeps the fieldhouse open so that skaters have a place to change and use the washroom. Logs the number of skaters per hour, which is a requirement for the City to provide the boards, lights and other equipment for the rink.

#### Ice-building team

Needed at the end of December to build the base ice, packing down snow with sleds or other tools and then flooding regularly for 10-14 days.

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The Alliance wishes to acknowledge that Glabar Park sits on the unceded territory of the Algonquin People.

#### Save the date

\*For more details, please visit www.glabarpark.ca or the Glabarhood Facebook group closer to the date.

Annual General Meeting of the Glabar Park Community Alliance Tuesday, October 4, 2022 7pm-9pm Online

**Great Glabar Giveaway Day** Sunday, October 16, 2022

Winter Fun Day Saturday, January 28, 2023 (TBC)

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### **Returns and departures as seasons change**

A message from your Glabar Park Community Alliance

It's certainly felt like a summer of change. COVID continued to spread across the world, and hospitals across Canada continued to buckle, but many measures have disappeared. People are returning to schools, offices, and large in-

borne for years to come. person gatherings. The Alliance will also Closer to home, Ottawa adjust to the departure of is looking different after one of our longest-serving an unprecedented storm directors. A past president in May that left this of the Board and the community without volunteer coordinator of power for more than a the community rink for week. Not every property many years, Adam Norman in Glabar Park was has been a force in this





damaged by the derecho. but many residents have noticed the change it wrought on the area's tree cover – or will once the fall colours arrive. Meanwhile, the costs to the City, and the implications of climate change for our public infrastructure, will be

neighbourhood. If you've enjoyed an outdoor skate at Kingsmere Park, read a past issue of the Glabar Gazette or attended one of our Annual General Meetings, you'll understand why he'll be sorely missed. We want to thank Adam for his many contributions and to wish his family the best during their time away from Glabar Park. We will try not to change too much in his absence - but certainly enough to keep the community he served moving forward!

Volunteers participate in Glabar Park's Cleaning the Capital initiative on May 1, 2022 . Adam Norman (second from right) is a past president of the Alliance's Board of Directors, and the longtime coordinator of the Kingsmere Park rink. He and his family moved away in the summer.

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### Alliance to seek new board members at next annual meeting

The Glabar Park Community Alliance is inviting residents to join its 2022 Annual General Meeting on Tuesday, October 4 at 7pm. The virtual event will include presentations on community activities, reports on the Alliance's financial statements, and discussion of issues important to the neighbourhood. Bay Ward City Councillor Theresa Kavanagh will then give an update on municipal business, with a questionand-answer period to follow. There will also be an

election of members to

the Board of Directors for 2022-2023, and the Alliance is hoping some new people will join. As a volunteer-driven association, board members are needed to help organize community events and coordinate responses to resident concerns. To learn more about the role of an Alliance director, please send an email to glabarparkca@gmail.com, or attend the AGM. The agenda, financial records and connection details for the Zoom meeting will be available at www.glabarpark.ca in the coming days.

### **Development continues apace in Glabar Park**

As previously reported in the Gazette, members of the Alliance's board of directors are forming a committee to create guiding principles for developers interested in building in Glabar Park. While the committee awaits a meeting with City of Ottawa planners to assist in framing this document, they are closely following residential projects across the neighbourhood.

The re-development of two properties is underway on

Aaron Avenue, next to Fairlawn Plaza. The twobuilding project at 847 Woodroffe is nearing completion and two new houses are also being built on Lenester Avenue, between Hare and Melwood. Meanwhile, excavation has begun for a new house at the north end of Hare.

A proposal is being prepared to build houses on the vacant property at the corner of Fox Crescent and Fairlawn Avenue, and a site plan approval meeting

will be held in September on a large, single-family home proposed for a lot on Cedar Lane Terrace. A house was demolished at 877 Killeen Avenue to make way for a new-build and, over the objections of several residents. a mature red oak was removed from the yard. The derecho in May then took down a second.

There's nothing new to report on the proposed construction of an apartment building at 1940 Carling Avenue, but the City will soon

schedule a final site approval to determine what the scope of this project will look like. This neighbourhood continues to be a developer's hotspot, which is why it's so important to create some standards and make recommendations for the proposed development plans. Residents interested in following this issue are encouraged to reach out to the committee via the Alliance email: glabarparkca@gmail.com.

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### **Reduce and reuse** on Giveaway Day

The fall edition of Giveaway Day in Glabar Park will take place on Sunday, October 16. Residents can leave their items at the end of their properties with a sign marked "free" (but please do not obstruct sidewalks in doing so). Get ready for winter by getting rid of your gently used, unwanted household items. Then, take a walk around the neighbourhood to see what others are giving away.

Let's reduce our landfill commitments by giving these items a second chance at life. Removing clutter can also help avoid problems with wildlife, so take advantage of this great community event to clear up those yards, garages and crawl spaces.

Check www.glabarpark.ca closer to the date for information about a rain check, should the weather warrant one.