

SAHRA Information – January 21, 2017

Old Orchard Park Community Consultation

Wednesday, January 25, 2017

6:30-7:30pm

Armour Heights Community Center, 2140 Avenue Road

Councillor Carmichael Greb has invited City Staff and the landscape architect to present concepts and answer questions on proposed playground improvements for **Old Orchard Park Playground**. This is YOUR OPPORTUNITY to provide input!

OOGRA, with the leadership of its new Board Member Andrew Holownych, has initiated some consultation with residents and has started a Facebook Group "Friends of Old Orchard Park".

<https://www.facebook.com/OldOrchardParkPeople/?ref=bookmarks>

Some ideas assembled by Andrew for the work expected to start THIS SPRING include:

- More benches/seating for parents to watch their kids play
- A new sign that says "Old Orchard Park"
- Some kind of interpretive signs about the creek (it's history, connection to other waterways) and the trees of the park (willows??)

Other suggestions include:

- Move the entrance on the north side of the park safer (currently there is no cross-walk or stop sign)
- Add a wading pool or splash pad (can cost about \$200,000).
- Add a teather ball, a painted game area (hop-scotch, four square).

All are welcome! Show support for our Community and bring your Neighbours!

Email Address Drive

SAHRA needs to collect email addresses for residents in our area so that we can send Newsletters and E-Blasts electronically. You can help us by forwarding this email to your friends and neighbours, asking if they would like to receive the SAHRA E-Blasts and Newsletters. If so, they can send an email to sahratoronto@rogers.com and we will add them to our distribution list.

Winter Parking Arrangements

Just a reminder – there is a City by-law in effect from **Dec 1 to Mar 31** that doesn't allow parking on the streets from **2:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m.** People have been getting \$40 tickets!

FoNTRA 2016 Year End Report

The Federation of North Toronto Residents' Association had a very busy year in 2016, their 15th year since inception. Their 2016 Year End Report is attached.

Highlights include:

- The first FoNTRA/City Planning Forum held in April focused on issues facing FoNTRA members in areas designated Neighbourhoods
- Participated in the development and work of the Toronto Noise Coalition; now are working with a stakeholder committee to advise on a new Noise By-law
- Submitted a comprehensive letter and summary to the Province with recommendations for changes to the mandate, role and operations of the Ontario Municipal Board
- A working group is preparing to meet to discuss issues residents face with the Committee of Adjustment
- FoNTRA representatives participated in various City initiatives to ensure the view of residents were heard

Please read the Report for details.

Armour Heights Community Centre Children's Program Winter / Spring 2017

Gymnastics – Cooking – Dance – Musical Theatre Arts – Karate – Floor Hockey – Basketball – Volleyball – Taekwondo – Archery – Girls-Only Teen Fit / Total Body Workout

For further information email ahcc@rogers.com
www.armourheightscommunitycentre.com
www.facebook.com/armourheightschildrensprograms

Downspout Disconnection Program

A friendly reminder that the deadline for Downspout Disconnection in our area was **December 31, 2016**.

Go to www.toronto.ca/water.stormwater for information and tips for safe and proper disconnection.

SAINTS

Student Assistance in North Toronto for Seniors (and Adults with Disabilities)

As a senior or a person with a disability do you need help with odd jobs around your house or apartment? SAINTS will find a high school student in our community who is available to lend a hand after school and on weekends. SAINTS student can help with gardening, snow shoveling, grocery shopping, cleaning, painting, odd jobs as well as basic computer and technical advice. Give SAINTS a call at 416-481-6284 or go to www.saintstoronto.ca for more information on the program.