

## 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](mailto: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 15<sup>th</sup> 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

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[www.facebook.com/armourheightschildrensprograms](https://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](http://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](http://www.saintstoronto.ca) for more information on the program.