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President's message

Now that we can start looking forward at seeing over the majestic snowbanks that line our streets (except for me because I am a skier), we can look forward to the events coming up this Spring.

I first want to highlight the events and people who made our winter bearable and fun. First, a huge thank you to Mark Lister and his incredible team who took great care of maintaining our outdoor rinks from late December right through to March break! It takes an enormous amount of effort and dedication to do this during the coldest months—I know that the whole community greatly appreciates their efforts! On top of freezing in the middle of the night to water the rinks, Mark and his team organized this year's Hockey Day in the Hamlet that was held on February 9th. It was a windy but sunny day and they were able to draw a great crowd of people to take part in a day filled with sun, hockey, pizza and prizes. As usual our community came through with helping with the event. A special thanks to the following: Blackburn Arms pub and Restaurant, Oxygen Medi Spa, Joe's Barber shop, Hair alive beauty salon, Imilios pizza, the BGM Re/Max team (Laurie Gagnier, Christine Bussièrès and Jeff Miller), Ottawa 67s and our city councillor Laura Dudas.

A group of Hamlet residents are organizing community potlucks at the Community Hall. It is proving to be a great opportunity for the community to gather, eat, laugh and connect with other community residents. For more information please contact Auramarina Sawyer at hall@blackburnhamlet.ca.

Upcoming BCA events include our annual Spring Clean-up, the Blackburn Garage Sale, free fitness classes, Looking ahead, don't forget that your Blackburn Hamlet FunFair committee is working extremely hard in preparing this year's fair and if you are interested in helping by volunteering your time, if only for a few hours over the weekend or helping with an event please contact our FunFair Chair, Brent Lawrie at funfairchair@gmail.com.



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19th Annual Blackburn Hamlet Spring Clean-up

by Kendra Brett

When: Saturday, April 27 at 9:30 a.m.

Rain date: Sunday April 28 at 9:30 a.m.

Where: Blackburn Community Hall
190 Glenpark Drive

Join the Blackburn Community Association and your neighbors as we clean up the community in honor of Earth Day. Meet us at the community center where we will provide the garbage bags and latex gloves, and help you choose an area for litter pick-up. Volunteers are invited to join us afterwards at 11:30am for the annual photo, and a BBQ (including vegetarian options) to say thanks for all your 'dirty' work.

This event is for everyone: whether you are new to the community or you've lived here for years; if you're a highschool student looking for volunteer hours; if you have children attending school in the area; or if you're looking to get out and get moving now that all the snow banks have finally melted!

If you have any questions, contact the BCA Environment Committee at: enviro@blackburnhamlet.ca



If you take any photos of the event please Tweet them (on Twitter) with the hashtag #ThingsArePickingUp or share them to the Blackburn Hamlet Community Association Facebook group for your chance to win a great prize!

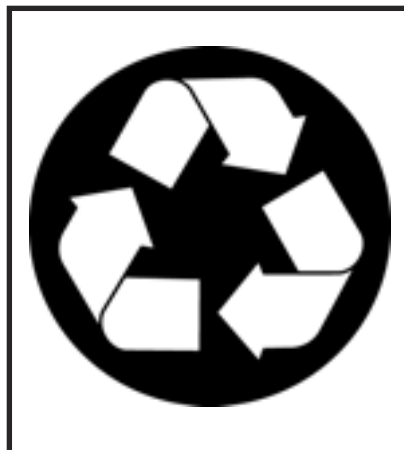
Blackburn Community Garage Sale: May 4th

Saturday May 4th, 9am to 3pm (Rain date: Sunday May 5th)

by Kendra Brett

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Were you inspired by Marie Kondo to declutter your home this winter, but have yet to have a chance to get rid of everything due to all the ice and snow? Now is your chance to pass these items along, hoping they may 'spark joy' in someone else, and make some



extra cash in the meantime! Or maybe you've been searching for a great deal on something that will make you smile and help keep our landfills, well, not full. Join the fun with our annual community garage sale the first weekend in May.

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BCA Safety Corner: Spring Time Safety

by Don Kelly

With warmer weather coming there will be an urge to get out of the home and start the spring cleaning. Before you start this undertaking ensure that you have an understanding of what products you are handling. Many of our household products have chemicals in them that can seriously hurt you. Moreover, the containers may now have a leak or the bag may be busted. Always wear the appropriate clothing and gloves when handling these products. Also, be most careful in the disposal of these products.

The City of Ottawa has sites throughout the year where you can safely dispose of hazardous home products. You can contact the city website for details.

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how to safely
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Another annual event that arrives with spring is rain and melting snow (especially this year with our record snowfall). This can lead to flooding, maybe a basement, maybe your entire home. The goal should be to have the water flow away from the home. It is the grade or slope of your home foundation that determines the

direction the water flows. Ideally the ground around the home should slope 6 inches downhill away from the home for a distance of 10 feet. The spring time can be a good time to assess this condition and take the appropriate measures.

Here are some other simple tips to also help you with the spring water:

- 1) If possible, move the snow away from your foundation,
- 2) ensure your eaves troughs or gutters are clear of debris,
- 3) ensure the downspouts are not damaged or blocked and extend beyond the foundation,
- 4) ensure your sump pump is working efficiently.

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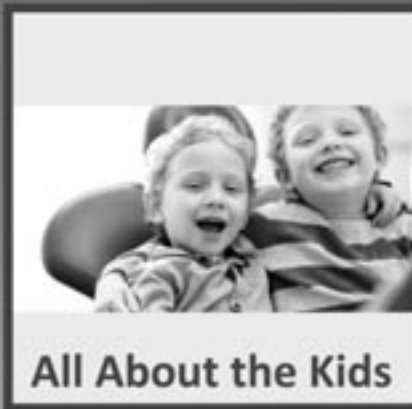


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Cancer Chase supports major cancer advancements

by Lee Stach

Planning has begun for the 2019 Blackburn Hamlet Cancer Chase. The Blackburn Hamlet Cancer Chase is a 5K walk/run that raises money for the Ottawa Hospital Foundation. All money raised is used to fund cancer research right here in Ottawa. Last year, the lucky benefactor of the Cancer Chase funds was Dr. John Bell.

Here is a word or two from Dr. Bell about how the Cancer Chase is making changes for cancer patients right here in Ottawa.

“Because of Blackburn Hamlet Cancer Chase and community support, major advancements in cancer research are happening right here at The Ottawa Hospital, right in our city. New treatments that harness the immune system to fight cancer, called

immunotherapies, are already benefitting our patients. We’re also developing and testing exciting new immunotherapies, including cancer-fighting viruses.



These viruses are specifically designed to recognize and kill cancer cells while leaving normal tissues intact. They also stimulate the immune system to recognize and attack cancer cells. Cancer-fighting viruses have shown promise in clinical trials, but we think we can make them even better! We’re also looking at

combining these viruses with other kinds of immunotherapies. Thanks to your continued support, we’re getting closer every year to chasing cancer out of “Blackburn and Beyond!” Thank you so much for your years of support.”

Dr. John Bell is clearly putting the funds raised by the Cancer Chase to good use. This year, we are hoping to raise even more to support cancer research initiatives in Ottawa.

The 2019 Blackburn Hamlet Cancer Chase is sure to be the best yet—in part due to an amazing new Chair who has stepped up to make sure the Cancer Chase continues. Mr. Don Kelly is excited to take on the 2019 Chase but needs your help! If you can help in any way, drop us a line at info@cancerchase.com.

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Councillor's Corner

Over the past few years many residents in our community have expressed an interest in a splash pad for the enjoyment of our young residents, and for those who are young at heart.

It is with great pleasure that I share with you that Blackburn Hamlet will be receiving a splash pad in 2020, thanks to a funding partnership between my office, the Blackburn Community Association and the City's Major Capital Partnership.

The next step will be for city staff to provide their expert opinion on potential locations, taking into account what would best serve the community's needs, have access to water, and would provide the most value for the investment.

In the coming weeks, I will organize an opportunity for residents to have a say on the design of the splash pad. My intention is to provide opportunities for feedback that will enable children and youth to also be engaged in the public consultation process.

I commend the Blackburn Community Association's commitment to serving the community through

projects such as the splash pad and I thank them for their financial contribution to the project.

I would also like to take this opportunity to announce the launch of my website, LauraDudas.ca. The website is where you will find helpful resources for residents and businesses, regularly updated information on local projects, community events and news as well as opportunities to provide feedback about city matters both online and in person. You can also sign up for the Innes Ward newsletter through my website or contact me directly at Laura.Dudas@ottawa.ca.

As councillor, my goal is to be accessible and accountable to you. Keeping you advised of what is happening in the ward and at city hall is essential. I appreciate you taking the time to visit my website for updates.

Sincerely,

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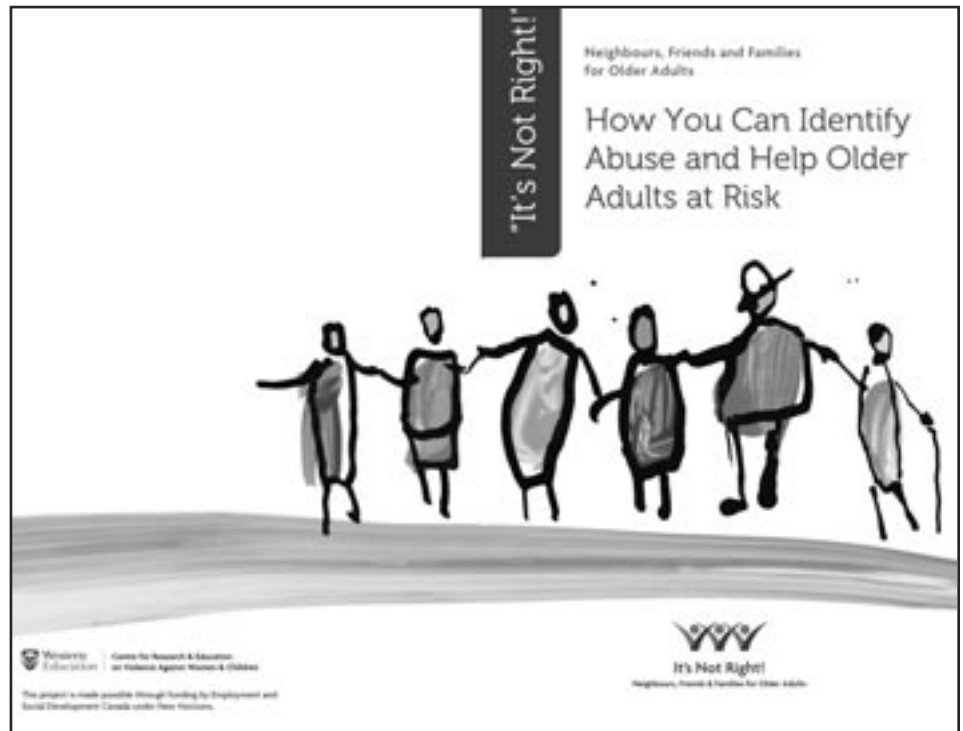
Educational Talks for Seniors

by Beverly McGrath, Seniors Action Committee

The **BCA Seniors Action Committee** will be hosting educational talks on the first Friday of each month at 2 pm at Bearbrook Retirement Residence. Refreshments will be served.

Mark you calendar:

- April 5—*It's Not Right!* Neighbours, Friends and Families for Older Adults presentation by Beverly McGrath
- May 3—*Downsizing Seminar* with Bob Lobban from Only Seniors
- Upcoming topics will include Cannabis, Memoir Writing, Alternative Medicine and much more!



Ageism is part of abuse

Ageism is discrimination against older adults. It happens when older adults are treated as if they were less important or less valued because they are older. These attitudes are a factor in abusive situations because they allow

people to believe that they have the right to ignore, harm or control an older adult. Ageism is common in our society.

What is abuse of older adults?

The terms “elder abuse” or “senior abuse” are often used to describe the experience of older adults who

are abused, usually by someone they know and often by someone they care about.

It is abuse whenever someone limits or controls the rights and freedoms of an older adult. The older adult is unable to freely make choices because they are afraid of being humiliated, hurt, left alone or, of the relationship ending.

When a spouse is abusive, it is called domestic violence. When abuse is used to maintain power and control over a spouse, it is called coercive control. Women are most often the victims of coercive control.

Abuse can be physical, verbal, emotional, financial, sexual, spiritual or neglect.

Article taken from the brochure “It’s Not Right!”. Visit their website at www.itsnotright.ca.



Blackburn Hamlet TREE Team

by Sarah Morgan-White

Come and be part of the Blackburn Hamlet TREE Team! All levels of knowledge, all ages and abilities welcome. Led by the Blackburn Hamlet Community Association's Environment Committee, the Tree Team's first meeting will be held on Friday, April 5th starting at 7 pm at the Blackburn Community Hall (190 Glen Park, next to the arena). Let's be part of something big and green together! Those interested in receiving a copy of the agenda prior to the meeting can email Sarah@Morgan-White.ca.

Venez faire partie de l'équipe des ARBRES de Blackburn Hamlet! Tous sommes invités à participer qu'importe vos niveaux de connaissances au sujet des arbres, votre age et vos habiletés. Cette équipe sera dirigé par le Comité sur l'environnement de l'association communautaire de Blackburn Hamlet. La première rencontre aura lieu vendredi, le 5 avril à partir de 19hres au centre Communautaire de Blackburn Hamlet (190 Glen Park, à côté de la patinoire). Travaillons ensembles sur l'avenir verte de notre communauté! Si vous êtes intéressés à recevoir une copie de l'agenda avant la rencontre, veuillez svp envoyer un courriel à: sarah@morgan-white.ca.



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ANNOUNCING! Blackburn's FUNFAIR 2019

Hello Blackburn. Spring is slowly getting here and before you know it Blackburn Hamlet's annual FunFair will be just around the corner. We have the biggest FunFair organizing team this year, which has been working hard to make this years FunFair better than ever. I'm sure young and old will be entertained to the max with this years fantastic entertainment, events, vendors and activities. Make sure you're there to enjoy the best pre-summer event in our niche we call Blackburn Hamlet.

Here are some highlights we are putting together for this year's FunFair: Our fantastic Friday Night Movie, which will soon be announced; the return of the Friday Craft Brew Night with fantastic entertainment including the newly added Karaoke; our always awesome Parade, this year's theme is 'Comicon'; our expanded Showcase, to run on both Saturday and Sunday; the Mixed Softball Tournament; a fantastic lineup of Saturday entertainment on the big stage under our large tent; our new Sunday afternoon Bingo; Field Games; Fireworks; and a whole lot more.

See "25th Fun Fair rolls into town" (in 1996)
on page 23

Check the current schedule below for a listing of all the exciting events we'll have at this years FunFair:

Friday May 31st

4 pm to 10:00 pm Midway Opens—on the grounds

5 pm to dusk Recreational Mixed Softball Tournament—Tauvette ball diamonds

6 pm to 8 pm Movie Night featuring "To Be Announced"—Arena

6 pm to 10:30 pm—Craft Brew Night, with local Ottawa brewers at the Beer Gardens. No cover!

6:30 pm to 10:30 pm—Stage Show and Karaoke—behind Community Centre (check Friday line-up page)

Grounds close at 10:30 pm

Saturday June 1st

8 am to 10 am Pancake Breakfast—in Community Centre

10 am to dusk—Recreational Mixed Softball Tournament—Tauvette ball diamonds

10 am to 10:45 am 'Comicon' themed FunFair Parade—Bearbrook Road (start at Louis Riel School; end Community Centre)

10 am to 3:30 pm expanded Showcase—Arena

10 am to 3:30 pm Used Book Sale—Arena

Join the BCA! Your \$10 annual membership helps support BCA activities such as: the BANAR, representation to various levels of government, Fun Fair, Hockey Day, Canada Day, Santa's Breakfast, and many initiatives for youth, seniors, and other local groups. Each membership is good for all family members living at the same address.

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You can also join online at this link: <http://blackburnhamlet.ca/membership/>

The BCA relies on volunteers. If you will help with membership activities, please check this box. Yes I will help!

Mark your calendars—May 31st to June 2nd

10 am to 3:30 pm Silent Auction—Arena
11 am to 11 pm Midway—main grounds
11 am to 3 pm FunFair BBQ—near Community Centre (featuring Hot Dogs, Hamburgers and Sausages)
11 am to noon, 1 pm to 2 pm, and 3 pm to 4 pm - Ray's Reptiles—Arena
11 am to 3 pm Fruit Stand—east of Community Centre
11 am to 4 pm Bouncy Castle—Arena
11 am to 7 pm Face Painting—east of Community Centre
11 am to 4 pm Dunk Tank —west of Community Centre
11 am to 11:50 pm Stage Show—behind Community Centre (check Saturday line-up page)
11 am to 8:15 pm Beer Garden—behind Community Centre (closed for 45 mins, reopens at 9 pm, cover charge after 9pm)
12 pm to 3 pm Field Games (free games with prizes like a throwback to the original FunFair)—soccer fields next to Community Centre
1 pm Cake cutting ceremony—Beer garden
9 pm to 11:45 pm Beer Garden—behind Community Centre (Cover charge, no minors)
10 pm Fireworks Show—Blackburn park baseball diamond
Grounds close at midnight

Sunday June 3rd

8 am In-person registration for Fun Run—Community Centre
10 am to finish—Recreational Mixed Softball Tournament (if necessary)
9 am 5K Family Fun Run—start and finish on main field (check Fun Run webpage for route)
10 am 1K Kids Fun Run—start and finish on main field (check Fun Run webpage for route)
11 am to 3 pm Extended Showcase—arena
11 am to 3 pm Midway—main grounds

VERY IMPORTANT: Please mark on your calendars the time of the FunFair Parade as Bearbrook Road between Louis Riel High School and Innes Road will be closed on Saturday, June 1st, from 10:00 am until approximately 11am.

12:00 noon—To be announced
12:30 to 1:30 pm FunFair Dog Show—stage behind Community Centre
1 pm to 3 pm Bingo
Grounds close at 3:30 pm
Planning continues, so keep checking out our FunFair web page for all the latest updates and schedule of events at: www.blackburnfunfair.ca. As always, if you are interested in volunteering, please sign up at the FunFair web page or e-mail me at funfairchair@gmail.com. We are always looking for help and new ideas.
I always look forward to another great FunFair.

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grandmas AIDing grandmas Spring Events

by Barb Nolen

Card Party

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Tickets are \$30 and all proceeds go to support African grandmothers as they struggle to care for millions of children orphaned by AIDS. Reserve tickets early at or 613-824-3524, as they do sell out.

Plant Sale

On Saturday May 4 the grandmas will hold a Plant Sale in conjunction with the Blackburn Garage Sale, at 59 Woodhill Cr. (corner of Southpark). Stop by for



We thank you for your support and look forward to seeing you this spring.

coffee and cookies, say hello and pick up an interesting addition to your garden.

The “grandmother campaign”

We are not at the end of the scourge of AIDS in Africa and we must not forget African grandmothers and their community-based organizations. To this end, the Stephen Lewis Foundation “grandmother campaign” has raised more than one hundred million dollars since 2003.



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Blackburn Tennis News and Events

Join us for registration on April 27 and May 4 (10am-2pm) and chat with our friendly staff about what to expect around the courts this season. For example, on May 4 join us for a session of "Drills and Skills" open to members and non-members, a good way to meet new friends, brush up on your strokes, and try out our new court surface, if you haven't already.

Back this season is the very popular "Stroke of the Week" starting May 8, the daytime round robin starting May 6, group lessons for all skill levels, and an opening BBQ and Open House on Saturday, May 25. As well there will be a new "House League", with a Saturday morning adult round robin starting June 1, and the evening adult league will be back starting June 3.

Social events include a "Battle of the Sexes" skills competition on July 13, a Rogers Cup trip to Montreal on August 8th, an

"Over 50's Tournament" on August 15, and a closing BBQ on September 21.

There will be five weeks of kids' full day camps These are very popular and parents are advised to register early to get the spots they want.

First time members still save 25%, and card-carrying BCA members save 10% at registration.

Check our website at www.blackburntennis.ca for information on these events and more, updated all season. The clubhouse phone in season is 613-824-0002 and the email address is blackburntennisclub@gmail.com. Drop in any time the clubhouse is open. We welcome all ages and all skill levels and hope to see you on the courts.



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REGISTRATION

Saturday, April 27th & Saturday, May 4th
Register at the Clubhouse between 10am - 2pm

Membership Fees

Adults: \$120.00	Couples: \$ 160.00	Family: \$195.00
Juniors: \$70.00	Seniors: \$95.00	

The Blackburn Tennis Club offers a full slate of tennis activities for all ages and skill levels!

- Daytime Drop-in Round Robin
- Adult Evening League Play
- Weekend Drop-in Round Robin
- House League Match Play
- Cardio Tennis & Stroke of the week
- Drills and Skills Clinics
- Private & Group Lessons
- Social and Family Events

FULL DAY JUNIOR CAMPS

<u>Summer Sessions</u>	<u>Weekly Rates</u>
Session 1: July 2 - July 5	Club Member: \$180.00 (Session 1)
Session 2: July 8 - July 12	Non Member: \$200.00 (Session 1)
Session 3: July 15 - July 19	Club Member: \$225.00 (Sessions 2-5)
Session 4: July 22 - July 26	Non Member: \$250.00 (Sessions 2-5)
Session 5: July 29 - August 2	

Register early as spaces are limited!

For more details on all our Junior tennis activities and programs, visit www.blackburntennis.ca

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Humanitarian aid for Peru

by Brett Maxwell

Viviane Côté-Maxwell and her extended family are preparing to go to Pucallpa, Peru this July to construct a house for an underprivileged family. Karine, her daughter, came up with the idea as a family adventure with her husband Gavin and their children Gabrielle, Caleb and Brianna having thoroughly enjoyed a similar experience in 2014 as a Leader with the 4e cie St-Claude Guides franco-ontariennes (with Viviane as Cheftaine!). They are again working with **Padré Gérald Veilleux** from the **Société des Missions Étrangères**, a long time friend of Viviane's who has been a missionary priest in Pucallpa for 45 years and has built over 30 houses for other families in similar situations.

The house built in 2014 is shown in the picture above.

Julio and Erika Dinado travelled 25 hours by boat with their children Edwin, Janelly, Binde and Isaac on the Ucayali river, a tributary of the Amazon river, to reach Pucallpa.



This family from the country came to this town of 500,000 where the children will have proper health care and schooling, as well as a better future. The only accommodation they have been able to find so far is a single room.

Purchase of land and materials in Pucallpa will cost \$10,000 CDN. This ambitious project will improve the life of this family dramatically, and help their children to achieve success through education and health care that are not available in the countryside.

A variety of fundraising activities are underway, among them a fundraising campaign with GoGetFunding, a crowd funding website at:

<https://gogetfunding.com/we-need-a-house-2>.

The Blackburn community has a strong connection with this project. Viviane and Brett raised their children Stéphane, Treena and Karine after moving here in 1979. Colette d'Avignon is also from Blackburn—her parents still live on Glenpark Drive. Six of Viviane and Brett's grandchildren will be participating in this unique growth experience. Several other Ottawa families have joined the project.

If you want to learn more about this exciting initiative call Viviane (613-837-1839) or email: vicomax@hotmail.com or call Karine 613-837-1160.



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“Dancing Doc” for the Ottawa Hospital Foundation

Dear Blackburn Hamlet neighbours!

My name is Dr. Sue Dojeiji. My husband and I have lived in the Hamlet for over 26 years. I am an Ottawa Hospital physician—a specialist in Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation.

I’ve decided this year to participate in the annual Ottawa Hospital Foundation Dancing with the Docs Gala, on Saturday, April 6th at the Casino du Lac-Leamy.

This annual event provides physicians with an opportunity to target fundraising towards a specific hospital focus. As this is the 20 year anniversary for The Rehabilitation Centre Volunteer Association (TRCVA) Patient Fund, I wanted to do something unique to raise profile and funds for this important program. Any money that I raise goes towards this fund.

At the same time, I’ll be competing for the Medicine Ball Trophy by performing a choreographed Latin ballroom dance with a professional dancer from the Arthur Murray Dance School. The winner of the trophy is judged based on the total amount raised and dance performance.

The TRCVA Patient Fund provides access to equipment and devices that improve function, independence, and for some ensure dignity; examples would include boots, artificial arms and legs and parts of wheelchairs not covered by government.



I could really use your help!

Charitable giving is very personal. If you wish to donate, I would be grateful.

You can donate online by going to www.dancingwiththedocsottawa.ca. Click on “Meet our Doctors”, and then click on “Sue Dojeiji”. You can purchase tickets there as well. If you don’t wish to donate or attend, that’s okay!

I wonder if you may be able to forward this message on to your network of family and friends to

spread the word about the event and its mission. I would truly appreciate it! You can follow my progress on LinkedIn, Instagram and Twitter. I’ll be posting updates regularly, so stay tuned!

Thanks very much for your support.

PS I want to thank the Blackburn Metro, my go-to store for our groceries and also for the support getting this information out.

Dr. Sue Dojeiji (aka “Dancing Doc”).

What's happening at the Blackburn Library

Winter is finally over! Now that the ice has melted and the gales have subsided, come on in and check out our program lineup for spring. We have lots to offer for both kids and grown-ups.

Computer and Tablet Tutorials

We offer basic computer, Internet, Email, eBook or Library Catalogue Tutorials. You can bring your own laptop or tablet or learn on one of our public computers. Please call the branch to book a one-on-one appointment. Limited spaces are available. 60 minutes

Adult Programs

Round Table and Book Chat

For adults, the book club will meet on the third Monday of the month at 2:00 pm. Please join us as we discuss exciting titles. New members are always welcome! No registration necessary.

- Monday, Mar. 18, *Life after life* by Kate Atkinson
- Monday, April 19, *We'll All Be Burnt in Our Beds Some Night* by Joel Hynes
- Monday, May 13, *The Best Laid Plans* by Terry Fallis
- Monday, June 17, *A God in Ruins* by Kate Atkinson

Computer Programs

How To Buy a Digital Camera

Chris Taylor, Ottawa PC Users' Group, will help "focus" your search for the ideal digital camera to fit your budget and suit the style of photography that interests you.

- Thursday, April 11, 6 – 8 pm. Registration required.

Windows 10 – The good, the bad and the ugly

Chris Taylor, President of the Ottawa PC Users' Group, will talk about some of the important changes both visible and "under the hood". If you find Windows 10 confusing, or just want to know more about what's hidden, this session is for you.

- Thursday, May 16, 6 – 8 pm. Registration required.

Family Programs

National Film Board Movie Night

The Breadwinner: "A headstrong young girl in Afghanistan disguises herself as a boy in order to provide for her family." Rating PG 13. Some scenes of violence. Not suitable for younger children.

- Wednesday, April 17 at 6 pm. Drop in.

Children's Programs

Babytime

Stories, rhymes and songs for babies and a parent or caregiver.

Ages 0 to 18 months. Registration required. Wednesdays from 10:30 to 11:00 am.

Session 2

- March 27 to April 17

Session 3

- May 01, 2019 - May 22

Family Storytime

Stories, rhymes and songs for children and a parent or caregiver.

Ages 0 to 6 years. Registration required. Thursdays from 10:15 to 10:45 am or from 11:00 to 11:30 am.

Session 2

- March 28 to April 18

Session 3

- May 02, 2019 - May 23

Easter—We're Going on an Egg Hunt!

Join us for a program full of colours and adventures. Stories, rhymes, songs and an egg hunt for children and a parent or caregiver. Ages 0-6 years. Registration required.

- Saturday April 13 from 10:30 to 11:15 am.



The Blackburn Library in conjunction with Arteast is proud to present an exhibition of photo-based and digital art by Mike Phillips from March 23rd to May 25th. This collection is a mix of resurrected images, using a combination of lightroom and photoshop tools to digitally create composite images, ranging from whimsical to surrealistic scenes to images containing purely colourful, abstract compositions.

This is a unique opportunity for the public to enjoy, encourage and support local artists in their community as well as engaging with the Blackburn Library.

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Jennifer and Cathie will be offering programs for all ages. Please check above for program information. We encourage parents and their children to speak with our knowledgeable staff about our wonderful databases and resources for homework, projects, book reports and more!

LIBRARY HOURS

Closed Friday, April 19 Good Friday
 Closed Monday, April 22, Easter Monday
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* Both dates are 3 Points Parish Worship at St. Mary's Anglican Church, Navan. (Corner of Trim & Smith Rds.)

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Fri, April 26 7:30pm

They Shot, He Scored:

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given by **Dr. James Wright**
 Professor of Music, Carleton University

Fri, May 31 7:30pm

Computer Security: Practical Advice

given by **Dr. Sonia Chiasson**
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 School of Computer Science, Carleton University

Thus, it is written that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that repentance for the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations (Lk 24:46-47)

HOLY WEEK SERVICES
APRIL 14-21



PALM SUNDAY

1pm - Holy Communion

MAUNDY THURSDAY

7pm - Holy Communion

GOOD FRIDAY

10am - 7 Last Words

EASTER SUNDAY

10:30 am - Holy Communion
 (Easter egg hunt for the children)
 No 1:00pm Service

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Gloucester Historical Society Presentation and AGM

The Gloucester Historical Society (GHS) presents “Lost Ottawa: Local History and the Future of the Past”

with the author of two books, storyteller David McGee, at the (very brief) Annual General Meeting.

Sunday, April 14, 2 p.m.
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There will also be a special presentation of the Gloucester Chain of Office to His Worship Mayor Jim Watson. Come and see this historic artifact. It is fitting that it will be presented in the building that was once the Gloucester City Hall.

The GHS has been adding more information to their website. This is an ongoing project and more information will be available as it is found. In addition, there is now a link to access land records, which provides information formerly only accessible at the Land Registry Office. This is invaluable for those who wish to research the history of a particular property or building. Enjoy the growing amount of information accessible on the Internet.

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How can you help the GHS?

Their interest is in anything related to the former Gloucester Township— areas that are east of the Rideau River which includes Vanier and Rockcliffe.

They maintain family files such as family trees and histories and welcome photos of family members. They are also always looking for neighbourhood histories or stories of community events, businesses, organizations, churches and copies of historic photos of streets and buildings.

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25th Fun Fair rolls into town (in 1996)

by Anne Moralejo (reprint from 1996)

There will be a reunion, of sorts, to help celebrate 25 years of the Blackburn Hamlet's Fun Fair.

Willard McWilliams from Navan, will bring Rowdy—the world's largest horse, Doug White is bringing birds and a pot belly pig, while a representative from Canaan Farms are providing some cows.

The first Blackburn Hamlet Fun Fair was held in 1971 to raise funds for the school association. Over the years, Fun Fair profits have contributed \$210,000 to the community, including almost 40,000 donated towards the pool and tennis courts.

Organizers admit, however, the Fun Fair has had to struggle to reach its 25th anniversary. Except for this anniversary year when everyone is eager to help, finding fair conveners has been a chronic problem and in 1987 there was no fair at all.

Combating this difficulty has required that the Fun Fair evolve, says Lois Kemp, an original Fun Fair organizer and one of this year's event directors.

Changes included extending the length of the event and holding it in the new Bearbrook Park facilities. A major change took place in 1978 when the organizer introduced the idea of shares, where funds are divided among the groups who stage events.

In order for the Fun Fair to continue, Kemp says organizers have to get back to that "sense of community" that is Blackburn Hamlet. A sense, she says where everyone is included, not just those with young children. She got involved in this year's event, she says, because she felt there was nothing in the Fun Fair for seniors. So she went out to fill that need.

"Twenty-five years ago," she says, "if you needed something in the Hamlet, you organized it. That idea still applies.

This year's Fun Fair takes place May 31–June 1 and will be kicked off with an RCMP-led parade. Events on Saturday include a Cow Milking Challenge with media personalities, a scuba diving demonstration and a canoe race in the pool. Bed races, palm readers and a Magic Show are also part of the fun.



*Check out the Fun Fair table in the arena for memorabilia and slide show
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For an up-to-date schedule of the free classes, please join "Ottawa community fitness" on Facebook.

City of Ottawa Summer Camps

Summer camps are being offered at the Blackburn Community Hall and at Emily Carr Middle School. All camps are programmed with active, engaging games and activities. Visit <https://ottawa.ca/recreation> and click on "Spring and Summer Recreation eGuides".



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Join the Blackburn Ladies Softball League

Teams are recruiting new players! Have you played before? Are you new and looking for a fun night out? This is a wonderful group of ladies who play recreational softball and are looking to add a few more players to their league.

They play Monday and/or Wednesday nights, have recreational and competitive tournaments, meet and greet at opening night, end of year banquet, and other exciting activities throughout the season.

For information and to register contact Johanne Danis at blslvicepresident@gmail.com or visit blackburnladiessoftball.com.

Blackburn Art Group

Newcomers are welcome to bring your art project, a cover to protect the table and a mug for the tea break. Also pack some indoor shoes for comfort and to keep the floors clean.

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Tick Tock... Days are getting longer and warmer... and the bugs are waking up



Spring is finally around the corner! Unfortunately, ticks start to be active when it's above 4 degrees Celsius:

What can you do to prevent ticks on your pet:

- * Ticks mostly live in tall grass, cedar edges and wooded areas. It's always a good idea to do a tick check on your pet and also yourself when going in those areas.

- * Ask your veterinarian about tick prevention or if the Lyme vaccination is a good option for your dog.

Tick species:

- * There are several species of ticks. Please make sure the tick prevention you are using for your pet is effective against the Deer Tick (*Ixodes Scapularis*). This tick is the

one that can transmit Lyme Disease and the main one in the greater Ottawa area.

- * A good tick prevention should protect your pet for a minimum of one month against several tick species

Although less common, there are several other diseases that ticks can give your dog besides Lyme.

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