



The Emerald Newsletter

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President's Report

Dear friends and neighbours,

For over 30 years the EWRA has been representing the community, organizing events and trying to make our neighbourhood a better place to live.

We held our Bi-Annual General Meeting in November and a new Executive was elected. The members of the new Executive are listed on our website. We were happy to welcome a few new members, but we will still need additional volunteers to help with the events we organize. If you have an idea for an event or if you can spend an hour or two for your community, let us know at ewra300@gmail.com or leave a comment on our website <http://emeraldwoods.ca> or on our Facebook page.

We have a busy schedule of spring events coming up, including the Emerald Woods Park Cleanup, the neighbourhood garage sale, mini-soccer, and an exciting Fun Day in the Park which will include a special musical event to celebrate Canada's 150th Anniversary.

We regularly post on our Facebook group page and our website, so check them for important community news and contact information.

The new Executive would like to thank you for your continued support and we look forward to serving our community.

Sincerely

Kamen Garbouchev
EWRA President

Spring Activities

Please see our busy calendar of neighbourhood spring activities on the following page.

Volunteers Needed

As in the past, we need the assistance of many volunteers to make our neighbourhood events a success. Many of you have helped in the past and we need your assistance again this year, in particular to help with the Fun Day in June. If you can contribute a bit of time prior to or during the event, please let us know with an email to ewra300@gmail.com, by posting on our Facebook page or contacting a member of the Executive Committee and we will contact you when help is needed.

Volunteers are also needed to assist with coaching in our mini-soccer programs.

Assisting with our events is a great way for students to get required volunteer hours!



Emerald Woods Residents Association is on Facebook!

Become a member of our closed group to keep informed of what's going on in your neighbourhood, share news or simply chat with your friends and neighbours!

New to the Neighbourhood?

For lots of great information including important phone numbers, events and local businesses that support our community please go to:

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EWRA Spring 2017 Calendar

April	<p><u>EWRA Membership Drive (April-May)</u> The Association will hold our bi-annual membership drive this spring. Please support association by becoming member. The bi-annual fee of \$10.00 per household covers the membership for two years. Please complete the attached membership form and return it to the EWRA volunteer listed on the form. Benefits of membership include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community events • Reduced registration rates for members • Community Membership Directory • Updates on what is occurring in our neighbourhood such as development, park planning, sports programs, meeting updates, etc. • Opportunities to have your concerns and ideas heard by City officials and your neighbours
	<p><u>Spring Cleaning the Capital</u> Sunday, April 30th 12:00 – 3:00 pm Emerald Woods Park Help us clean up Emerald Woods Park and get it ready for summer fun! Wear your rubber boots and bring your rakes and shovels. Meet some new friends! See you there! (Students – this is a great way to get volunteer hours!)</p>
	<p><u>Mini-Soccer Registration</u> Thursday April 27th – 6:00-7:30 pm 2834 Mozart Court Monday, May 1st – 6:00-7:30 pm 3800 Autumnwood St. For children aged 3 to 8. \$15 per child for EWRA members, \$25 for non-members plus \$10 for t-shirt</p>
May	<p><u>Emerald Woods Neighbourhood Yard Sale</u> Saturday May 6th (rain date Sunday May 7th) A member of the EWRA will be by to collect \$5 to offset the cost of advertising.</p>
	<p><u>Mini-Soccer</u> Tuesdays May 16 – June 27 6:30-7:30 pm at Trappers Park Soccer Field (Rain dates – Thursdays) Volunteers are needed to assist with coaching – parents or students looking for volunteer hours. Experience not necessary. Email the EWRA at ewra300@gmail.com for more information or to volunteer.</p>
June	<p><u>Emerald Woods Fun Day, including Art in the Park and Plant Sale</u> Sunday, June 4th 11:00 am – 2:00 pm in Emerald Woods Park</p> <p>Our annual "Fun Day in the Park" is going to be bigger and better than ever before this year! We will be featuring live music by SOAKER performing all Canadian material and celebrating Canada's 150th birthday party a little early. We are an official City of Ottawa sanctioned Ottawa 2017/Canada 150 event this year.</p> <p>Come to the park and enjoy the petting zoo, balloon animals by Bunky the Clown, face painting, games and arts and crafts. Our older residents will enjoy the new covered sitting area and free iced tea or lemonade. We will be offering hot dogs, hamburgers, pizza, salad, water, pop and juice at the BBQ and food stand.</p> <p>Local artists and crafters are invited to set up booths for Art in the Park. Residents can drop off plant cuttings from their garden which will be sold for a dollar or two at our Plant Sale.</p>