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News from the Heritage Community Association

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Harvest Moon Festival: Sept. 15

by Kristen Windigo



Round Dance at the 2017 Harvest Moon Festival. Photo by Nichole Huck.

We’ve been busy this summer planning the ninth annual Harvest Moon Festival!

Festival Origins

The fall festival was created in 2009 as a chance for Heritage community members to come together and celebrate the neighbourhood’s cultural diversity. The festival also gave the chance for residents to deepen their connections with fellow community members, in a relaxed and fun atmosphere. It’s a time of the year that members of the community are able to get together to share conversation,

stories, food, music, dance and art. After several years in Maple Leaf Park, last year the festival moved to 11th Avenue. This location was chosen in part to fulfill the Core Neighbourhood Sustainability Action Plan, which calls on us to promote 11th Avenue as a cultural and commercial destination. Each year the festival’s popularity and attendance has grown in size. From the majority of attendees being residents of the Heritage community, to now attracting residents from all over Regina who would like to come out and enjoy the stories, music, dancing and art.

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This Year’s Festival

This year the festival will again be located on 11th Avenue between Osler St. and St. John St., and will be held on September 15, 2018 from 1:00 – 8:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to come out and share with the Heritage Community in the history and cultural diversity of the neighbourhood! We are thrilled to share with attendees some of the same activities as festivals past, as well as some new and exciting performances. This year the festival will feature a main stage, Art

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Welcome Newo Yotina Friendship Centre

by HCA Staff

The Heritage Community Association is pleased to welcome the Newo Yotina Friendship Centre into the Heritage Neighbourhood! In May this year, the organization moved from its former location on the north end of Winnipeg St., to its new home at 1635 11th Ave. (previously the Core Medi Centre, directly across from our offices at the Old No. 1 Firehall). At a press conference held at the Heritage Community Association in March, Newo Yotina’s board president Tannen Acoose said, “Today is about turning over a new stone, repositioning ourselves into a better scenario where we can increase programming, increase foot traffic, and increase accessibility.” Since their move, they’ve been experiencing exactly that. The Centre has drop-in hours from 9am - 2pm, during which they’ve been receiving many visitors a day. Anyone is welcome to use their public phones and computers, or to grab free coffee and toast and just hang out. During this summer’s extreme heat, their welcoming, air-conditioned space has provided reprieve for many visitors. For more information on who they are and what they do, find them at: www.newoyotina.ca 306-525-5042 or drop in at 1635 11th Ave!



New location of the Newo Yotina Friendship Centre, as of May 2018. They welcome anyone to pop in and say hello.

Summer Student Report

Reflections from HCA’s 2018 Summer Staff

by Cristina Crowe, Kristen Windigo and Pallavdeep Singh

Thanks to funding from Service Canada’s Canada Summer Jobs Program and the First Nations Employment Centre’s Post-Secondary Summer Student Program, the HCA was lucky to have 4 full-time summer student positions this year. Cristina Crowe was our Logistics & Communications Coordinator; Kristen Windigo is the Event Coordinator for the Harvest Moon Festival; Pallavdeep Singh was the Newcomer Outreach Officer; and B I was the Two-Spirit Program Coordinator. B worked mostly out of office, and did not contribute to this article (but see page 5 for their piece about the Two-Spirit Group).

This summer has flown by for the summer students. All students came into their positions with a personalized job description, not knowing that each point could be extended much farther than what was typed.

Pallavdeep (Paul) lives in the Heritage area, Kristen grew up in the area, and Cristina was only involved with the neighbourhood through volunteering. The beauty is that they have all come to love the neighbourhood, residents and what the community stands for. All agree that this job was more than just a “summer position.”

The term proved to be busy for Cristina, Kristen and Paul as they were involved in representing Heritage Community Association at many open houses, distributing the “I am glad we are neighbours signs”, participating in a press conference with End Poverty Regina, attending Two-Spirit group outings, participating in meetings of the TRC Report Reading Group, helping the Newo-Yotina Friendship centre with chaperoning for outings, supporting the Justice for Our Stolen Children Camp, updating the community signs, and writing the e-newsletter to name some of the most memorable. Kristen also has been doing a wonderful job coordinating the 9th Annual Harvest Moon Festival.

Graffiti surveying started in May, which lead to properties that were to be painted or pressure washed throughout the rest of the summer. This kept the students busy

most days. Kristen says, “My experience here has been much more than I originally expected: the people I’ve met, friends that were made, the surrounding organizations we were able to help, and the differences we made for the residents, landlords and businesses through the community and graffiti clean ups. Through all of this, we experienced the diversity of this neighbourhood and saw how many neighbours care for each other’s well-being.”

One of Paul’s duties was to maintain Art Park. The transformation of the once overgrown park to a warm welcoming park has left all of the staff breathless. The staff had a story time in the park once a week where they read children’s books to visitors with a theme of Indigenous heritage. Paul also updated the Business and Services Directory of Heritage businesses. “This was an exhausting task for me, having to sit in front of the computer for so long every day. Ugh!! After all the struggle, the webpage has been updated. This was also an opportunity for me to become familiar with businesses in the neighborhood, knowing what services were available. Since educating myself, I now love to utilize the small businesses personally.”

The Community Clean-up was a huge project that involved a lot of planning prior to the clean-up date. Cristina says, “The clean-up was amazing! I enjoyed reaching out to sponsors and sharing the



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importance of what a clean-up can do for a community. We had a few hiccups, but we overcame them fast and continued on with the focus on the prize. Everyone was so supportive and helpful. The volunteers made this day happen! As much as I liked what the clean-up was doing for the neighbourhood, I was so excited when we threw the last load of garbage into the Loraas bin!”

Although all of the staff had different job positions, they were very supportive of each other and were able to build lifelong friendships through a common ground of helping others. The students agree that a lot of the foundation came from the guidance of Shayna Stock, who is a wonderful executive director to work with. She offered help and encouragement when needed; also giving us the freedom to build our skills and take the lead.

There was also the great staff at Carmichael Outreach who made

the summer one to remember. They were a reminder that there are many great people in this world that want to make a difference. Paul, Kristen and Cristina want to thank everyone we’ve met through our terms at the Heritage Community Association. You’ve all taught us something new, even if you didn’t know it. The Heritage community is not only a great place to work, but a great neighbourhood to live in, with amazing residents.

To sum up, the staff would like everyone to know that this has been one of their best jobs and most exciting summers. Meeting new people and making a difference in the community has been one of the best life experiences that one can have. The staff will miss working together as a team with Shayna, and hope that their careers, once school is complete, involve The Heritage Community Association.

Update: Heritage Community Survey

Block-by-Block Physical Descriptions of the Neighbourhood Complete

by HCA Staff

This summer, HCA staff were joined by 16 volunteers made up of residents, board members and City Councillor Andrew Stevens to participate in the 2018 Block-by-Block Neighbourhood Survey. This was Phase 2 of our 2017/18 Heritage Community Survey, and is meant to complement the in-person and online surveys we conducted with residents and staff of service organizations in late 2017 and early 2018.

The purpose of the block-by-block survey was to find trends in the community that could help guide future services and programs, and to generate data to support with grant applications and community development.

The evening started with a BBQ, introductions and lastly the group was split into teams of 3 to 4 people to go out to sections of blocks in Heritage. The teams documented things like vacant lots, parking lots, housing conditions, commercial properties, and community assets including gardens, fruit trees, and interesting architecture.

While we are still working on compiling and analyzing all the data, the sidebar shows some initial numbers and observations.

Please stay tuned for a full presentation of the results of both phases of the Heritage Community Survey. Thank you to everyone who has contributed to helping us learn more about what’s happening in Heritage!

Initial Findings from Block-by-Block Physical Description of the Heritage Neighbourhood	
# RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES	1273
# NON-RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES (COMMERCIAL, ETC.)	293
-EMPTY COMMERCIAL	24
-SURFACE PARKING LOTS	66
# VACANT LOTS	53
# CONDEMNED PROPERTIES	15
-WITH SIGNS OF OCCUPANCY	4
# COMMUNITY ASSETS IDENTIFIED (GARDENS, ARCHITECTURE, ETC.)	54

Heritage Community Cleanup

After 5+ years without a cleanup, you amazed us with the amount of junk you had, Heritage!

by Cristina Crowe

This summer we were able to plan and host a Community Clean-Up. The Heritage Community has not had a clean-up in over 5 years; and it was clear that this event was much needed! The event took place on Saturday July 28 from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m., beginning at Trinity Lutheran Evangelical Church with coffee and donuts followed by a quick orientation with over 40 volunteers. We had 3 pick-up trucks, 2 cube vans, 1 utility van and a hitch trailer for hauling.

Our teams were eager to get started and worked fast and hard to complete the alleys one at a time. The church congregation were busy barbequing hotdogs and preparing the refreshments for when our teams started to get hungry around noon. We were thrilled that CTV news came out and interviewed a couple of people so that we could share what we were doing in our community. Our volunteers ended up working so fast that we couldn't keep up with getting the bins emptied fast

enough, so we decided to drive out to the landfill with 2 cube vans jammed packed with garbage ourselves, which kept most of the volunteers well past 2 p.m.; our staff continued hauling garbage until 4:30 p.m. Unfortunately, we were not able to complete all of the clean-up on Saturday, so our staff spent the first 3 days of the following week finishing the haul. What a week that was!

We would like to sincerely thank each and every volunteer that came out and participated in any way, as well as all of the sponsors listed here. We are happy that our neighbours were able to clean out their homes and yards and, if funding and staffing permit, hope to have another clean-up next year!

The Sponsors

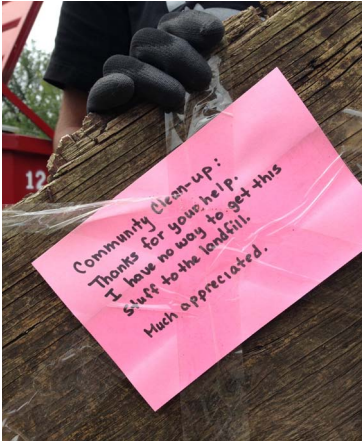
The following businesses and organizations all worked together to help make this event a success; we are so grateful for their support.

- I-Stop Vacuum Shop
- Beaks Chicken
- Carmichael Outreach
- City of Regina
- Creeland Mini Mart
- Crown Shred and Recycling
- Dilawri Automotive
- Downtown Automatic Transition
- Fat Burger
- Happy Hi Coffee
- John Howard Society of Saskatchewan
- Loraas Disposal
- Nicky's Cafe
- North Central Community Association
- Sherwood Co-Op
- T + A Vinyl & Fashion
- Trifons Pizza on Broad
- Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

The Numbers

Here's the final tally of everything we removed from the neighbourhood!

- 10 30-yard Loraas bins of furniture & garbage sent to landfill
- 2 3-foot Crown Shred bins of electronics to be recycled
- 2 12-yard Loraas bins of appliances and metal to be recycled
- 20 tires, taken to Kal-Tire to be recycled
- 38,691 pounds total of garbage and recycling!**



Graffiti Abatement Update

Staff and volunteers removed about 100 instances of unwanted graffiti this summer

by Cristina Crowe

The graffiti abatement initiative introduced in early 2018 was ramped up this summer. Graffiti removal is part of this two-pronged initiative, which also includes mural-painting (see page 5 for news on our Mural Project). In May, the summer staff set out and surveyed the alleys of the area and documented any property that had visible unwanted graffiti tags on it. These tags varied from gang symbols to derogatory words to inappropriate drawings. There were a total of 142 properties documented. Staff then hand delivered notices to the homes offering to remove the graffiti for a small donation or free of charge if a donation was not in one's capacity. Once the waiver was signed and returned, the staff set out to help make the alleys beautiful again. We had help from several volunteers from the neighbourhood, as well as the Lean Service Management team at Farm Credit Canada. Paint, brushes, shirts and trays

were supplied at an extremely discounted price from Brent Kramer, branch manager at Sherwin Williams on North Albert Street. At the time of this article, the staff and volunteers have removed or covered up nearly 100 instances of unwanted graffiti! Using techniques that ranged from paint removal products to magic erasers to pressure washing, the staff were able to find a way to remove graffiti from varied surfaces in all types of condition. Although none of them had any prior experience in professional painting or graffiti removal, they went from business and engineering students to a professional graffiti removal team over the course of the summer! Aside from the gratification of the transformations, being able to meet and engage with the residents of the neighbourhood was a reward in itself. Through many conversations the staff were able to learn a lot about the strengths

and weakness of the community, feel the strong sense of community shared in the area, and hear where the residents hope to see their community in the years to come.

Although this service will come to an end with the summer, the staff hopes that it can receive funding and donations so that the graffiti removal can continue throughout many more summers.



Summer Staff Cristina Crowe's daughter Shelby, joyfully helping to paint alongside Pallavdeep

Harvest Moon Festival (cont'd)

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Park entertainment, bike tours, a Kid Zone, Bedtime Stories with Kris Alvarez, Regina Qu'Appelle Heath Region, First Responders and much more.

Main Stage

Our main stage will have a wide variety of performances ranging from bands to cultural dancing. The main stage will be located at the corner of 11th Avenue and Osler Street.

Main Stage Schedule

- 12:45 ELDER BLESSING
- 1:00 CHINESE LION DANCERS & CHUNG WAH KUNG FU
- 1:30 PICTURE RADIO AND BELLY DANCING BY LINDA
- 2:20 FADA DANCE
- 3:00 DANCE KAWACATOOSE BOYS & TERRENCE LITTLETENT
- 4:00 REGINA SALSEROS
- 5:00 DEADSTICK
- 6:00 KHUSHI INDIAN DANCERS
- 7:15 PLAYING FOR CHANGE SASK

Times are subject to change.

Art Park

Art Park is a small corner park that is maintained by the Heritage Community Association. It's a green space that has many native and edible plants. It also showcases several different types of art including historical benches that can be enjoyed by anyone. Art park is located on the north-east corner of 11th Ave. and Halifax St. What you can expect to see in Art Park this year:

Art Park Schedule

- 2:00 RODGER ROSS - INDIGENOUS STORYTELLER*
- 3:30 SPOKEN WORD BY REGINA WORD UP'S 2018 SLAM TEAM, HOSTED BY VERACITY

Times are subject to change.
*sponsored by Saskatchewan Writers' Guild

Bike Tours

New this year will be bike tours of the neighbourhood. Everyone is welcome to join! Bring a bike or borrow one of ours. We are very thankful to have had the City of Regina donate some bikes that we can utilize this day. The plan for these bikes after the festival, is to raffle them off to the people that used them during the bike tour.

Each tour will have a different theme, and will showcase various assets in the community. SGI, along with Bike Regina and Western Cycle have teamed up to offer a bike safety course with education on bike maintenance and how to keep yourself safe and on the road. Bike Tours will leave from the SGI and Bike Regina area on St John and 11th Avenue at 2:00, 3:30 and 5:00 pm.

Kid Zone

The Kid Zone will include a number of fun activities. Coming back this year we have a bouncy house, Street Culture face-painting and sidewalk chalk art. Coming to the festival for the first time will be the Regina Pats Mascot, a dreamcatcher making workshop, the



Face-painting at the 2017 Festival. Photo by Nichole Huck.

First Responders, giant games from Regina Downtown, and more!
Kid Zone is located on the north west corner of Halifax and most activities will run from 1:00 – 4:00pm.

Free BBQ

A free barbeque will be provided from 1 to 4 PM. The BBQ is being graciously facilitated by Carmichael Outreach. Attendees of the festival will register at the table closest to the BBQ to receive a voucher for chips, a drink and hamburger or hotdogs. We would like to Thank The Newo Yotina Friendship Centre for their gracious donation of hotdogs.

Live Painting with Jamie Reynolds

Our new Artist-in-Residence Jamie Reynolds will be introducing herself to the Heritage community through live-painting throughout the day! Stop by her table to see her talent at work, and learn more about what she'll be doing as 2018/19 Artist-in-Residence at the Heritage Community Association! (More on Jamie on the next page.)

Felting Workshop with Melanie Monique Rose



Heritage resident and visual artist Melanie Monique Rose (pictured above) will be offering free felting workshops for all ages!

Vendors & Community Fair

One of the things you asked for after last year's festival was: more vendors! We're excited to be able to deliver you heaps more vendors this year!

Vendor & Community Booths

- BIKE REGINA - BIKE MAINTENANCE
- CARMICHAEL OUTREACH
- LIFESAVING SOCIETY OF CANADA
- PLANNED PARENTHOOD REGINA
- REGINA FIRE DEPARTMENT
- REGINA PUBLIC LIBRARY
- RPS CAR SHOW
- SASK CHORAL FEDERATION
- SASK HEALTH AUTHORITY
- SGI - ROAD SAFETY WORKSHOPS
- SCIENCE CENTRE
- TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
- ... AND MORE!

Goodnight (Harvest) Moon with Kris Alvarez

Meet Common Weal Community Arts' Artist-in-Residence Kris Alvarez at the Harvest Moon Festival! Join Kris for Goodnight (Harvest) Moon. After a high-energy festival day, families and neighbours are invited to say goodnight to the Harvest Moon together with dreamy bedtime stories and a tasty bedtime snack.
Goodnight (Harvest) Moon will take place at Beak's Chicken - a new restaurant to the neighbourhood, offering a comfortable atmo-

sphere, friendly service and great chicken! Everyone from all ages are welcome to join Kris at 8:00 pm to relax, share and/or listen to stories and finish off the festival for yet another year.

Conclusion & Thanks

This year will be jam packed with fun for all ages and families! Come out and enjoy the day with the Heritage Community while we showcase our cultural diversity!
HCA is pleased to have many great sponsors and other non-profit organization joining in to make this celebration possible.
Sponsors are: City of Regina, SaskCulture, Multicultural Council of Saskatchewan, Sask-Tel, Malty National Brewing Corp, and Saskatchewan Writers' Guild.
Non-profit organizations are: Carmichael Outreach, All Nations Hope and Newo Yotina Friendship Centre.

For more information on all artists and activities please visit our website:
heritagecommunityassociation.com/harvest-moon-festival

Announcing: Residency with Theatre Artist Kris Alvarez this Fall/Winter



Common Weal Community Arts and the Heritage Community Association welcome theatre artist Kris Alvarez to the Heritage neighbourhood. Kris will be creatively connecting with the Heritage community this fall as part of Common Weal's Respond to Racism program, made possible due to generous funding from the Saskatchewan Arts Board Artist in Communities grant program.
Kris is an artist and educator who uses humour and heart to fuel creative programming for all ages. She actively contributes to the development and growth of local theatre in Regina through her role as Artistic Associate and performer with Curtain Razors. With support of the company and the Saskatchewan Arts Board, Kris is currently creating participatory theatre events that engage the community in dialogue around race and identity in Saskatchewan. Her new variety show Burnt Sienna will debut this fall in the wake of her hugely successful series, What Kind of Brown Are You?.
We are excited to have her at the Harvest Moon Festival telling bedtime stories (details in the Harvest Moon Festival article).
Watch for more community workshops with Kris throughout her residency (September 2018-February 2019).

Introducing HCA’s 2018/19 Artist-in-Residence: Jamie Reynolds

Jamie brings a wealth of community engagement experience and strong artistic talent to our Mural Project

by HCA Staff

We are thrilled to announce that we’ll be hosting visual artist Jamie Reynolds for a year-long residency from September 2018 to August 2019! Throughout this fall and winter, Jamie will be working with youth in Heritage to develop skills in mural-painting, and then in spring and summer 2019, she and some of the youth will paint several murals throughout the neighbourhood! The residency is funded by the Saskatchewan Arts Board’s Artists in Communities program, and is in partnership with Street Culture Project and Sâkêwêwak Artists Collective.

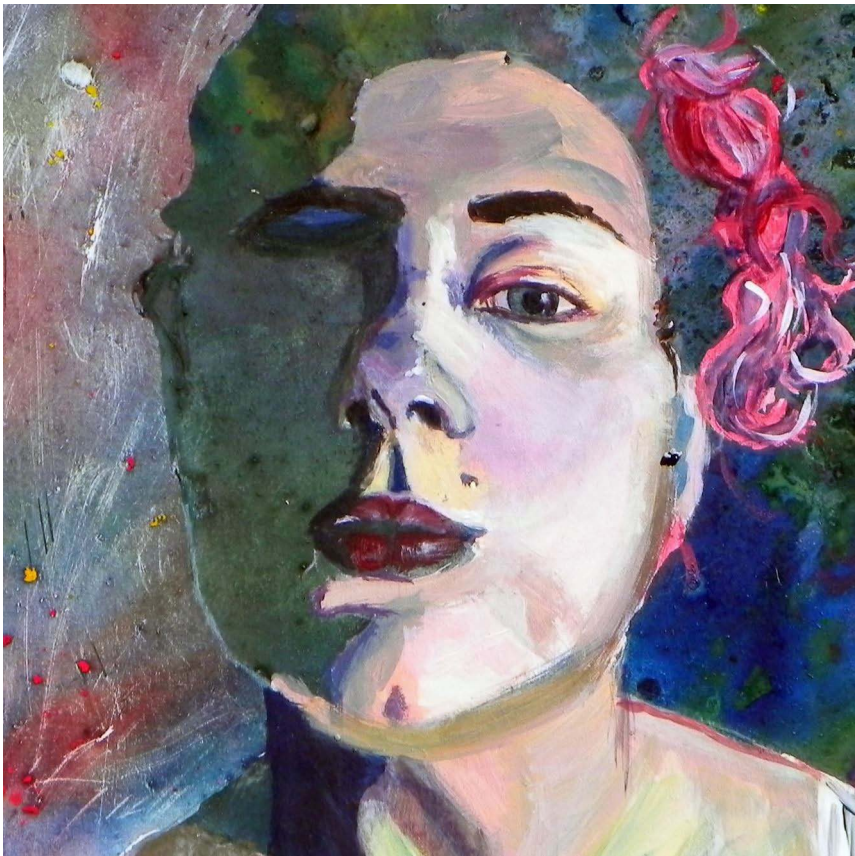
Jamie is an artist and educator from Regina. She has a BFA from the University of Regina, where she graduated in 2010. Since then, she has been sharing her passion of all things creative with students of every age from Regina and its surrounding communities. She has been Artist in Resident for Mackenzie Art Gallery, Sâkêwêwak Artists Collective, and the Regina Public Library. She’s taught children’s classes through the Moose Jaw Art Gallery, Neil Balkwill Community Center, and 4Cats Art Studio, and teaches adults how to drink creatively through Paint Nite, as well as teaching private pottery lessons from her home studio.

Her passion for sharing arts with the community is as equal as her passion for creating it. Working from her home studio, she creates works for both private commission and public shows. Her work uses humour, irony, and vibrant colours to convey complicated and sensitive narratives and ideas.

Of the residency, Jamie says, “As a full-time single mom of two preschoolers, finding time to work on my own art is always a struggle. This residency will provide me with the time and funds to devote to my practice. It will give me the chance to create a stronger body of work in painting, helping to further my goals as an independent artist.”

The format of the residency is that Jamie’s time is divided in two: half her time will be spent on her own personal creative practice, and the other half is spent on our mural project.

Jamie plans to use the time she has for her own practice to process and respond to recent events: “Specifically, I want to tackle some contemporary issues of identity, both personal and cultural, with work that responds to the current climate of anger, loss and confusion that has come to a head with the Boushie murder. There has always been this undercurrent of negativity that flows both ways, and as a person of mixed heritage, it’s often difficult to navigate. I want to do a series of paintings that will serve as my voice in the conversation; something that is a bit heartbroken, confused, dreamlike.”



Self-portrait by Jamie Reynolds

“As a full-time single mom of two pre-schoolers, finding time to work on my own art is always a struggle. This residency will provide me with the time and funds to devote to my practice.”

-Jamie Reynolds

Two-Spirit Group

‘Company that welcomes you upon first glance’

by B I

The Two Spirit Group is a place where reality is accepted. Individually, we all come to question the nature of our gender or sexuality. When you start to question something fundamental, people get nervous. So we made a place to be vulnerable. We set aside time for being real about who we are and what we think. To ask questions even if there aren’t answers right now in some convenient form. Finding ourselves is rewarding.

We go bowling, swimming, and out to the park. We stay in with board games and pizza, plan for movie nights and whatever else we want. We share local events related to our interests and cultures. Together we can go to the camp by the lake or art shows of our area.

The experience is only made better with others. Company that welcomes you upon first glance, and listens to you without precondition. Here you can explore how you would like to be respected, and then be treated accordingly. You can change your mind too and we will embrace you the same way.

What’s next? See the Heritage Community Association’s facebook page, or email hcayouthprograms@gmail.com for the most up-to-date plans. Send us a message if you know about a two spirit event, or want to know more details about us.

Come visit us every other Monday for snacks with a side of curiosity. In the meantime, stay real.

This project is a partnership between the following organizations: All Nations Hope Network, fyrefly, Heritage Community Association, Street Culture, Trans Sask, Trans Umbrella Foundation, True Colours Youth Group, U of R Aboriginal Student Centre, and UR Pride. We are grateful for funding from the Community Initiatives Fund, UR Pride, University of Regina’s Community Research Unit, and the Regina Public Interest Research Group.

TWO SPIRIT GROUP

a community for Indigenous people of variant genders and ways of loving

Mondays, 5-7pm
Sept. 10 & 24 (and beyond)

Come listen, learn, talk, and teach.

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Heritage History:

Celebrating the Reversal of the One-Waying of 11th Ave.

The following is an excerpt from the Fall 1987 issue of The Core Community Group Newsletter, the former name of Heritage Happenings. As we gear up for this year's Harvest Moon Festival, it's inspiring to reflect on the strong history of advocacy, creativity and celebration within this neighbourhood -- and to reflect on the strides we've made as an organization and a community since then.

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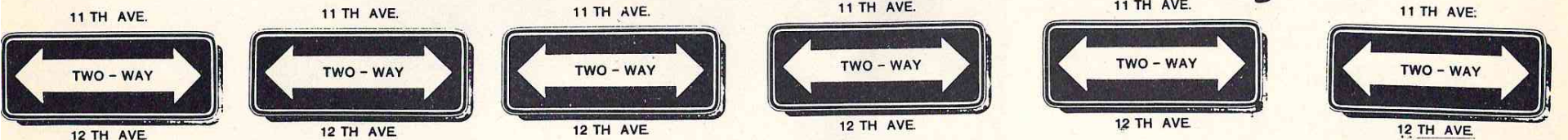
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11th and 12th Avenues Two-Wayed!



Twelve Groups Help Open 11th Avenue

by Liz Zielbauer and Jim Harding

.... Try, Try Again
It was 9 years coming. That's how long it took to get the city to reverse its past decision to one-way 11th and 12th Avenues in the Core.

The 11th Avenue East group which used to operate the Old German Town opposed this from the start. They were told the heavy, fast traffic — which cut up the neighbourhood — would be short-term. The widening of Saskatchewan Drive, past officials said, would take the traffic pressure away from residential areas. But Saskatchewan Drive never was widened past Broad Street and we've had to live with heavy, unsafe traffic ever since.

Since the Core Group became active in the 11th Avenue East area it has steadily opposed the one-way streets. Finally, after years of complaining, the City hired a traffic consultant. He confirmed what local residents had said for years — for free.

Then the New Core Business District Association Inc. added their voice for returning to two-ways. They believed that the fast-moving one-way traffic was bad for local business. The clincher was the NIA (Neighbourhood Improvement Administration) voting to allocate the funds for two-waying the streets.

And low and behold it was done, quite quickly.

The Festivities

A reason to celebrate? You bet! And what a celebration it was. Saturday, September 19th, from 11:00 a.m to 3:00 p.m. a variety of groups performed on the stage specially constructed and prettied-up in front of the Old Firehall. Groups performed Eastern European, Anglo-Saxon, and South American music and dance. (We tried in vain to get a native group. Next time for sure!)

The official opening was held at high noon. The City Police blocked off 11th Avenue and people swarmed onto the Street. City Councillors were in Saskatoon, and missed the fun, but Dave Schnell, Director of Municipal Engineering didn't. He got to cut the ribbon, stretching from one side of 11th Avenue to the other, and handed out pieces of ribbon as mementos. The ribbon was held at one end by Fred Oberlander, newly elected president of the New Core Business District Association Inc. and on the other end by Jim Harding, recently elected president of the Core Community Group. This symbolized the co-operation necessary to bring about the celebration on such short notice.

Firehall Past and Future

After the ribbon cutting, architect John Strother Stewart gave a short history of the Old No. 1 Firehall — from when it was Regina's Market Square, through the depression and trek to Ottawa, to the present proposal that the top floors become a non-profit area for community and cultural groups, including Core. Mary Stewart of the Multicultural Centre Association also outlined the support of her group for the proposal.

Several hundred people took part of the festivities. Children stood back when not one but two Chinese lion dancers appeared from nowhere. The teens fantasized, momentarily, as they watched the skillful martial arts. Everyone liked the heat of the day.

After several hours of voluntary performances by dedicated children and adults, the celebration was ended when Scottish Pipers stopped traffic as their rich sounds rung off the buildings on 11th Avenue.

Volunteers from Core and the New Core Business District Association showed they could assemble and decorate a stage, hook up a sound system which carried for several blocks, and arranged comfortable seating — without any dress rehearsal — as well as any road crew. (This may become a fundraiser yet). The volunteers transformed a concrete slab into street culture — and 11th Avenue buzzed all day from the energy of the performers and the mingling on the streets.

The only disappointment was that City officials refused to show the bystanders how to do the most popular performance at City Hall — "The City Reshuffle." Thanks in particular to Helmut, Al, Liz, George, Janet, Jim, Paul and Cheryl from Core, and Fred, Ken, Orville, Marvin and Doug from the New Core Business District Association for carrying it off — if we do say so ourselves.

Watch for an annual Autumn — Harvest Festival on 11th Avenue. Any volunteers? We need all the help we can get. Also watch for the benches and flower beds still to come on 11th Avenue.



The Chinese Lion's Dance performed by the Chinese Benevolent Association was truly one of the highlights at the 11th and 12th Avenue Two-Waying Celebration held on a beautiful sunny Saturday in September.

CNSAP SNAPSHOT: Increase Commercial Traffic on High Streets

This series, featuring snippets from the Core Neighbourhood Sustainability Action Plan, aims to help community members become more familiar with the Plan, and to generate conversation around the future of the Heritage neighbourhood.

This issue's snapshot shows a mixed-use commercial property, helping to create an attractive street front and promote commercial traffic.



The Plan calls for 11th Ave. to be a mixed-use high street - meaning both residential and commercial in order to promote traffic of many types. It also promotes mixed use and adaptive re-use along Victoria Ave. to catch commuter traffic and people at the Regina General Hospital.

As the Plan states, "Many businesses in [Heritage] are struggling. A large portion of the existing commercial space is vacant and has fallen into disrepair. [Heritage's] position adjacent to downtown Regina provides some opportunity for creating linkages between the two areas, which could draw more people into Core's commercial districts."

The full plan can be accessed at heritagecommunityassociation.com/core-neighbourhood-sustainability-action-plan. We also have print copies for your perusal at our office.





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Be amazed by the selection of **new** and **gently used furniture**, **home décor**, **appliances** and so much more – all at incredible prices at Habitat for Humanity ReStore. Habitat ReStores take in large corporate donations of overstock and end of line merchandise as well as items from the community – keeping furniture, appliances and materials in use and out of our landfills. All the money raised locally goes back into building affordable Habitat homes.

The Regina Habitat for Humanity ReStore is located at 1740 Broder Street.
Monday to Friday - 10 am to 6 pm, Saturdays 10 am to 5pm and Sundays noon to 5 pm.

 **Habitat for Humanity®**
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Community Event Listing: Fall 2018

A handy-dandy tool for next time someone complains that there’s nothing to do here

Sept. 3, 12pm
Labour Day Picnic
Legislative Building

Join us for free food, entertainment, and fun! Ice cream, freezies, watermelon, popcorn, hot dogs, dino bouncers, face painting, and soft drinks will be available

Sept. 6, 7-9pm
International Literacy Day
Regina Public Library, Central Branch

Join us for a conversation with RPL Li-brary Director Jeff Barber and new U of R Dean of Education Dr. Jerome Cranston. Hosted by Edward Willett. Performance by Ava Wild. Reception to follow.

Sept. 6-8
Swamp Fest
Royal Sask Museum, German Club, Willow Island, The Sound Stage

A community organized, independent music and arts festival featuring talent from across Western Canada. Tickets & info available at T + A Vinyl & Fashion, or swampfest.ca.

Sept. 8, 2-8pm
GartenFest
German Club, 1727 St. John St.

Family-friendly event. Free admission. Bake sale. Children’s activities. More info: reginagermanclub.ca/events or 306-352-5897

Sept. 10
Open House
Newo Yotina Friendship Centre, 1635 11th Ave.

Details TBA. Check www.newoyotina.ca or call 306-525-5042.

Sept. 10, 5-7pm
Two-Spirit Group
Heritage Community Association, #100 - 1654 11th Ave.

A bi-weekly gathering for Indigenous people of variant genders and ways of loving. More info: 306-757-9952, hcay-outhprograms@gmail.com, or find the facebook group.

Sept. 14, 5-8pm
Bricks 4 Kidz - Kidz Night Out
Core Ritchie Neighbourhood Centre, 445 14th Ave.

A high-energy evening full of LEGO en-tertainment for members of Cathedral, Al Ritchie, Heritage, Centre Square, North Central, and Eastview Communities. Pizza and drinks served. \$10 per child. More info: 306-569-8755 or caca@sasktel.net.

Sept. 14, 5-8pm
Chalk your Block!
Heritage Community Association, #100 - 1654 11th Ave.

Volunteer Orientation and BBQ for Harvest Moon Festival volunteers from 5-6pm, followed by a family-friendly event where we take sidewalk chalk to the neighbourhood, advertising the Har-vest Moon Festival and spreading festive love to our neighbours.

Sept. 14, 7-11pm
Playing for Change Day
The Exchange, 2431 8th Ave.

A celebration of the power of music, and an important fundraising program for music education programs and projects, regionally and globally. Featuring Andio Suns and Keiffer McLean & The Curiosity Club.

Sept. 15, 1-8pm
Harvest Moon Festival
11th Ave. between Osler & St. John

Annual free celebration of the Heritage neighbourhood - see pages 1 & 4 for all the details.

Sept. 17, 7-8pm
Regina Newcomers Club - New Members Night

Regina Newcomers Club is a non-profit social organization designed for women who have lived in Regina for 3 years or less. Its mandate is to provide an op-portunity for women to meet and engage with the local community, partake in ac-tivities and events, and provide a space to make new friends. Email for location: reginanewcomersclub@gmail.com.

Sept. 22, 10am - 5pm
Grandmothers for Grandmothers An-nual Art from the Attic Sale
Cathedral Neighbourhood Centre, 2900 13th Ave.

Proceeds to the Stephen Lewis Foundation in support of grandmothers in Sub-Saha-ran Africa raising grandchildren orphaned by AIDS. Find previously loved art work.

Sept. 25, 7-8:30pm
TRC Report Reading Group
Heritage Community Association, #100 - 1654 11th Ave.

A monthly gathering to discuss the Truth and Reconciliation Commission’s report, learn about the impact of residential schools and colonialism, and discuss our responsibility to work toward justice at the neighbourhood level and beyond. Last Tuesday of every month. Free. Snacks provided. More info: heritagecommuni-tyassociation.com/adult-programs/trc-report-reading-group or 306-757-9952.

Sept. 28
Orange Shirt Day
Across Canada

Growing out of Phyllis Webstad’s story of having her shiny new orange shirt taken away on her first day of school at the Mission, this is an opportunity to keep the discussion on all aspects of residential schools happening annually.

Sept. 29, 7pm - midnight
Nuit Blanche
Victoria Park

Free festival showcasing art installations by Sask artists on the themes of technol-ogy and light. Seeking volunteers. More info: nuitblancheregina.ca

Oct. 7, Doors at 8/Show at 9
Suuns with Frigs
T + A Vinyl & Fashion, 1603 Victoria Ave.

Advance tickets \$15, or \$20 at the door. For more info: 306-737-1513, tavinylffashion.com

Oct. 10, 7pm
Paint Nite
German Club, 1727 St. John St.

Paint “Darcy the Deer.” More info: reginagermanclub.ca/events or 306-352-5897

Oct. 19, 6pm
Oktoberfest Auftakt
German Club, 1727 St. John St.

Oktoberfest Kickoff Dinner and Party. Dinner at 7pm (tickets limited). Features German Cuisine. \$25/person (\$28/person for non-members). Mr. and Ms. Oktober-fest competition starts at 9pm. Big prizes go to the winners! More info: 306-352-5897 or reginagermanclub.ca/events.

Oct. 20, 2-5pm
Oktoberkinderfest
German Club, 1727 St. John St.

Fun activities and entertainment for kids and families! Windswept Miniatures, Re-gina Costume League, Daschund Races, Face Painting, Balloon Fun, Dino Bounc-ers, Food, Raffle Prizes, and More! Tickets \$5/child (Adults are free). More info: 306-352-5897 or reginagermanclub.ca/events.

Oct. 20-21, 5pm - close
Oktoberfest
German Club, 1727 St. John St.

Come Celebrate Germany’s Harvest Fes-tival. Doors open at 5pm. Keg tapping at 6:15 & 9pm. Live Music and performances throughout the day. German Cuisine and Beer available. Team Challenge with prizes for winning team. Tickets \$12/ person (\$15/person for non-members). More info: reginagermanclub.ca/events or 306-352-5897.

Thanks to the continued support of the City of Regina!



a note from your Councillor

by Andrew Stevens

There’s still some summer left, right? OK, maybe not, but the last few months have been a blast. The Cathedral Village Arts Festi-val, Harvest Moon Festival, Regina Folk Fest, and movies in Victoria Park all help to make the commu-nities of Ward 3 the most exciting and vibrant in our city.

Speaking of parks, with Council-lors Lori Bresciani (Ward 4) and Bob Hawkins (Ward 2), I co-au-thored a motion that sought to protect Wascana Park from fu-ture commercial development, and to request the Provincial Capital Commission engage with residents about the future of con-struction in this important green space. The motion was debated at the August 27th meeting of Council, prior to my scribbling this newsletter. I just hope it passed!

Looking to get engaged in civic politics? I have three public town halls lined up this fall, with the first one scheduled on September 25, 7 PM at the Cathedral Neigh-bourhood Centre. We’ll be talking about Regina’s Cultural Plan. On October 2 (same location, 7 PM), City staff will engage with resi-dents about our city’s waste man-agement programs, where we are and where we need to go. Finally, I focus on Regina’s efforts to re-spond to the Truth and Reconcili-ation Commission’s calls to action on November 7 at the Knox-Met-ropolitan Church, 7 PM. Everyone is welcome!

I look forward to meeting new faces in the community over the next few months.

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HCA FALL/WINTER PROGRAMMING!

For all programs except Judo, call 306-757-9952 or email director@heritagecommunityassociation.com to register. For Judo information or registration, call Brady at 306-545-2749 or email judoburn@sasktel.net. Visit heritagecommunityassociation.com for more details.

Program	Ages	Dates & Times	Location	Cost
Senshudokan Judo Club: Technical/Skills Development Class	Open to club members & invited guests	Sundays, Sept. 23 - Apr. 14 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM	Thomson Community School	\$195 (14+) or \$160 (<14)
Senshudokan Judo Club: Children U12 - U10	Born 2008 to 2011	Mondays, Sept. 17 - Apr. 15 6:30 - 7:45 PM	Thomson Community School	\$160
Senshudokan Judo Club: Youth/Adult	Born 2007 and before	Wednesdays, Sept. 19 - Apr. 17 7:00 - 8:30 PM	Thomson Community School	\$195 (14+) or \$160 (<14)
Tai Chi Chuan & Kung Fu	9-14	Thursdays, Sept. 13 - May 30 6:30 - 8:00 PM	Thomson Community School	Free
Heritage Kids Cook! (1)	9-12	Mondays, Oct. 22 - Dec. 3 (except Nov. 12) 3:30 - 5:00 PM	Thomson Community School	Free
Heritage Kids Cook (2)	9-12	Mondays, Jan. 14 - Feb. 25 (except Feb. 18) 3:30 - 5:00 PM	Thomson Community School	Free
Truth and Reconciliation Commission Report Reading Group	16+	Tuesdays: Sept. 26, Oct. 31, Nov. 28, Dec. 19, Jan. 30, Feb. 27 7:00 - 8:30 PM	HCA	Free
Let’s Move (formerly Girls On The Move & Boys Movin’ On Up)	9-14	Tuesdays, Oct. 23 - Feb. 18 (except Dec. 25 & Jan. 1) 6:30 - 8:30 PM	Thomson Community School	Free