

# CHAMPLAIN SPEAKER

## Spring Cleanup Saturday April 23



We're looking for volunteers for the spring cleanup on **April 23**. The snow is finally melting, and trash accumulated over a long winter has started to appear.

The cleanup, part of the city's Cleaning the Capital campaign, is a chance for neighbours of all ages — kids too — to get together, say hello and help spruce up the neighbourhood.

We'll meet at the fieldhouse, **beginning at 10 a.m.** Juice, coffee and cookies will be served. We'll wrap up by noon. In case of rain, the event will be moved to Sunday.

The designated cleanup areas are the south side of Premier above the transitway; the boulevard on Northwestern and the path at its north end; and along the fence on Patricia and Pontiac and in the NCC forest between the fence and the parkway. It can also include the area along the river at the foot of Carleton, or any other public spaces you think could use some help.

We recommend wearing pants and long-sleeved shirts, appropriate footwear and gloves. The city will provide garbage bags.

For more, **Andrea Murphy or Ian Reid**, 613-715-9504.

## Annual Membership drive begins May 2

### Hands up volunteers! We need your help!

CANVASSERS are the core of our community association's fundraising effort, and revenues collected during the drive are our main source of revenue.

This year, our association needs 20 volunteers to help out with the drive. Our goal is to increase membership to 75 per cent of all households, which number about 400.

**Duties:** Canvass approximately 20 homes on your street or nearby.

**Required:** One to two hours of your time.

The drive begins **May 2**.



To volunteer as a canvasser please contact:

**Boris Jacouty** at 613-890-6938

or email: [champlainpark@hotmail.ca](mailto:champlainpark@hotmail.ca)

The association engages in a number of important activities, like the Halloween Run, the Winter Carnival and the Christmas Sleigh Ride. It also looks after fieldhouse bookings and monitors development issues in the neighbourhood. If only to toot our own horn, the association also puts out the Champlain Speaker and runs the website, the best place for the latest news.

The drive raises about \$4,000 annually. Cost of a membership, per household, is \$15.

# Closing service April 24 for Northwestern United

Friends and former members of Northwestern United Church and members of the church community are invited to a special closing service to celebrate Northwestern United Church, 241 Northwestern Ave.

It is scheduled for **Sunday, April 24, at 2 p.m.** There will be a reception following the service including memorabilia from Northwestern archives, open to the public to view. All are welcome!

For more information about this event or to **RSVP for the reception**, please contact the Kitchissippi United Church office at 613-722-7254 or email Kirsten Gracequist at [kgracequist@kitchissippiuc.com](mailto:kgracequist@kitchissippiuc.com). For more information please go to [www.kitchissippiuc.com](http://www.kitchissippiuc.com).



## Garage Sale on June 11 – *Start getting those treasures ready!*

The annual community-wide garage sale is just around the corner, which is exactly where you hope all those treasures will end up! Rain date is **Sunday, June 12**.

Residents of Island Park Drive will hold their sale on the same day.

Should you have any leftover gems, keep in mind this is Ottawa's Spring Give Away Weekend and items may be left by the curb for elves to take to places unknown.

The sale generally begins at **8 a.m.** and usually winds up about **1 p.m.**

## Ward Forum April 30

Another in the regular series of public forums in Kitchissippi Ward is scheduled for Saturday, April 30, at Hilson Avenue School from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

The agenda is still being finalized.

For more info, contact:

[Fiona.Mitchell@ottawa.ca](mailto:Fiona.Mitchell@ottawa.ca)

## City holding forum/webinar May 4 on planning issues

[Building Better Connections](#) is a combination forum and webinar from the city's planning department scheduled for May 4, from 7 to 9 p.m. Those interested are invited to attend Ottawa City Hall in person or participate online.

It features a presentation by John Campbell – a planner who helped redefine the Toronto Waterfront. Mr. Campbell was the president of Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Corporation that undertook the largest urban revitalization project in North America. The project was built on the themes of deterring urban sprawl, promoting transit, enhancing design excellence, quality of life, and sustainability.

Following a question and answer with Mr. Campbell, the planning staff will present a preview of two planning

primers: Committee of Adjustment 101 and How to Present at a Standing Committee.

To be part of our live audience at City Hall, [please RSVP](#) before April 29. Seating is limited.

For more information, check the city's website, at [ottawa.ca](http://ottawa.ca)

"Building Better Connections" is an initiative of the Planning and Growth Management Department to bring together members of Ottawa's planning community and provide space for meaningful discussion.

**For more information**

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