

From the Prez

Hi folks, it's Pat Picard, just thought I'd touch base with you all to let you know that I have volunteered to fill in the President position at the MCA. If anybody has any questions, concerns or comments please contact me at the MCA President's e-mail mcapresident@hotmail.com. I also welcome any suggestions that you might have concerning Munster, in organizing different community events and especially raising money for the expansion of the Community Centre, so please let me know. We are always looking for energetic volunteers to help out at community events, so don't be shy and sign yourself up.

Have a funtastic summer, and I'll hopefully see some of you folks around town.

Cheers
The Prez

Past Acting President's Report

Well it is summer again and our final Newsletter of the season. Much has happened and much has changed. First and foremost, we held our Munster Community Association Annual General Meeting (AGM) back in late April. There were a lot of people stepping down and a few vacancies to fill. For my part, I was stepping aside as Vice-President (and acting President) due to conflicting time commitments. I will be staying on as a Member at Large, so you're not rid of me yet! Also, it was with much regret that we received the resignation of Joni Newman, who has been an MCA Member for many years and the dedicated Community Centre Co-ordinator for as long as I can remember. Thanks so much for your many years of dedicated service. Also, Suz Van Duzen has stepped down as Social Director for the somewhat sensible reason that she is about to have a baby. So, it was an interesting AGM. Fortunately, we had lots of attendees and representation with presentations from Councillor Glenn Brooks office, School Trustee Lynn Scott, and Ottawa Police Service Constable Peter Jeon. Most importantly, several Munsterites stepped forward and agreed to fulfill the various roles on the MCA Executive.

Here is your 2010/2011 MCA Executive:

President: Patrick Picard
Vice President: Bernie Harvie
Treasurer: Joy Price
Secretary: George Jaremek
Recreation: Paul Lalonde
Social Director: Julie Pate
Membership Director: Paula Moffat
Community Ctr Liaison: Roberta Hurman
Member at Large: Glen Cordick
Member at Large: Pat Hovey
Member at Large: Allison Smith
Member at Large: Duncan Toswell
Member at Large: Lloyd Carr

No Patio Party in June, Membership Drive in the Fall

Without stealing everyone else's thunder, I will break the bad news myself. First of all, there will not be an MCA Patio Party this June. We had hoped to co-host an event the coincided with the Nursery School's Lob-ball tournament, but unfortunately, our new Executive and Social Director did not feel there was enough time to organize and promote the event. Instead, we are looking at doing something in the Fall. The Nursery School will still have their event on the June 12th weekend, with a

beer garden, and I hear Danby's expects a live Band. Secondly, we have postponed the Membership Drive until the Fall. Now that we have a new Membership Director, we expect to do things right and have a new phone book out in Autumn.

Green Day and Garage Sales

That's it for the news and changes. In conclusion, I would like to thank everyone who came out in early May and cleaned up Munster. As a bonus, we also got all the Christmas Lights down – great job volunteers! I was proud of how clean the village looked after Green Day, but was equally dismayed on Sunday morning to drive down Munster Road and see a new McDonald's bag and water bottle in the ditch. Why does that have to happen? Finally, I hope everyone was able to shift their junk around during the annual Community-wide Garage Sale.

Thanks for all your help and support over the last year. Please support your new MCA leadership in the months to come. I know they will do a great job.

Duncan Toswell

Recreational Report

Hello, Munster, it's been 5 years in what some say is Ottawa's little secret: Munster.. Best move we've made. We have some of the best neighbours any single home owners can ever ask for, some parks and green space we can all go and fly kites and a great community.

As we say our thanks to Joni and Duncan, we welcome some new names. New blood is a good thing. We have some smart heads at the table here folks.

Just a quick note on the community centre expansion. We need to make this happen. Please participate in the fundraisers and donate. Danby's is taking part in a Rhythm and Ribs on Aug. 21st and the Munster Open is on Sept. 11th. This shack we have needs improvements. Sooner or later, the money from the city will disappear; remember we will take all labour time. I'm sure Van Houtte can help by setting up a coffee machine someplace.

After looking at our property tax bill the other day, I decided to call our contact at the city and make the following requests: patch up the old tennis post holes inside the rink, re-paint all lines, including the

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Munster Open

Saturday, September 11th 2010

*In support of the
Munster Community Centre Building Fund*

Glen Mar Golf and Country Club
2:00 p.m. Shotgun Start
\$90 entry fee includes:
Green Fee, Cart, Prize Table and
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MCA Membership Drive

This September it will be time for the 2010-2011 MCA membership drive. I will be coordinating the door to door membership campaign and organizing the member information for the next Munster Phone book. Thank you to all those who have volunteered to help. We will be looking for more volunteers in the months ahead. If you are able and willing to help with the door to door renewals, please contact me at:

fletchmo@sympatico.ca.

The door to door exercise is a great way to get to chat with your neighbours and to build community in the hood! I look forward to working with the community in the year ahead

Paula Moffatt

Community Centre Liaison

I would like to introduce myself to one and all.

I will be picking up the torch as the Munster Community Centre Liaison.

As Duncan mentioned Joni is retiring from a long and dedicated role of taking care of our Centre and ensuring we have an accessible and very reasonably priced place to gather for community and private events.

Thank you Joni for all the hours you put in and the work you do. I can only hope to do you proud.

Joni will be helping me transition into this role this summer and I promise to be a good student.

There is now a Community Centre link on the Munster web site *munsteronline.ca* if anyone would like to send queries to me by e-mail. Looking forward to meeting you all!

Cheers,

Roberta Hurman

Note of Introduction from the new V.P.

Greetings to you all.

My name is Bernie Harvie and I am going to try and fill the shoes of the Vice President's role of the M.C.A. Having lived in our little Hamlet for almost 11 years now, I feel it is time to step up and become more involved in the community that is so near and dear to my heart. I am going to do the best job that I can to fulfill both your expectations and my own, and I thank you for the opportunity to do both.

Ward 21 Councillor

Dear Residents,

I thank the Munster Community Association and in particular Duncan, for his efforts in making the community a better place to live. The community is unique in its location and in its character. It is a place that those visiting can enjoy a friendly walkabout and a good meal at Danby's. I believe the community needs a meeting place to come together to share good times and to be informed. Thus, going forward with the expansion of the Community Center will generate a great opportunity for the village to come together for the common good of today's and tomorrow's residents. This challenge will not be met in the immediate short-term, but will require 2 to 3 years. I am absolutely convinced that the community with the support of the City, the residents, and the neighbouring area businesses can achieve this goal. Therefore, I encourage you to support Chair Peter Smith and the community's Fund Raising Committee.

cheers,

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Ward 21 Councillor

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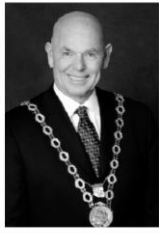
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Munster Police Liaison

Welcome to the summer quarter. The past months have been relatively quiet in Munster for police activity. With the warm weather with us now, many will leave windows open for ventilation and create a welcome invitation to vandals and burglars. Ensure all windows at ground level are closed and locked at night. Again, a reminder to keep the garage doors closed and attractive items out of sight; and of course the main entrance doors should be locked.

There has been a recent surge in vehicle break-ins in the western part of Ottawa (Barrhaven, Kanata, Stittsville). This could easily move to our area. Please keep your vehicles locked and all attractive items (GPS, camera, money, golf clubs, etc) out of sight. Those with small motorbikes or scooters (pocket bikes) are reminded that they are not allowed on local roads. They can only be used in designated approved areas. A recent scooter, with no license plate, was seen driven by a young rider pulling another on roller blades. Not only was the unlicensed scooter illegal, but the pulled person could have easily lost his balance and received serious injuries.

Remember to check our local web site for the latest weekly police reports and access to the Neighbourhood Watch program. Being a Neighbourhood Watch participant does not require attendance at any meetings or canvassing. Learning to be aware of your neighbours, the local activity on your street, and passing residents can assist to ensure any strange activity is identified and reported to the police before something serious happens. All those that participate receive weekly email from our local constable and create awareness within the community.

Please keep your speed down throughout the community. Our children are being children and can dart out into traffic after a ball or animal without knowledge of local traffic. Please be their eyes and ears. For the latest updates on the weekly reports or how to join the Neighbourhood Watch Program, please visit: munsteronline.ca/policing.htm.

Oops...

Our apologies to Glyn Moore for spelling his name incorrectly in the last newsletter.

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The Rideau/Goulbourn Police Centre is located at 1131 Clapp Lane in Manotick and can be reached at 236-1222 ext. 2314. The Centre is a "community problem-solving centre" and is responsible for the delivery of the Police crime prevention programs.

It is important to note that the Manotick CPC is not an emergency response centre and that we do not dispatch cars to complaints or crimes in progress. When these situations arise, it is important to know the numbers to call for an appropriate response:

- **911** – for life-threatening emergencies or crimes in progress;
- **613-230-6211** – other emergencies, i.e.: suspicious incident or disturbance;
- **613-236-1222, ext. 7300** – the O.P.S. call centre, to report a theft, missing person or stolen vehicle; and
- **311** – for Bylaw Dispatch Services.

All of these numbers along with other useful information can be found in the red pages at the front of your residential directory. If you have any information regarding any criminal activity, call Crime Stoppers at 613-233-TIPS (8477), or toll free at 1-800-222-8477.

Finally, if you are ever in doubt as to whether or not you should call police, or you cannot remember the non-emergency numbers, call 9-1-1. The caring and professional 9-1-1 Call Takers will steer you in the right direction.

Lloyd Carr
Munster Police Liaison
OPS Volunteer 130065



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Munster Co-operative Nursery School is extending an invite to all Munster residents to come and cheer on the 12 teams participating in their 2nd annual slo-pitch tournament, taking place the weekend of **June 11th – 13th**. This year the tournament will be held at Munster Main Park and promises fun for all ages. In addition to the great action at the main ball diamond, refreshments will be available all weekend including BBQ, pop, juice, coolers and cold beer. Between 10:00 am – 3:00 pm on Saturday and Sunday a “Kid Zone” will provide non-stop entertainment for young children. There will be a bouncy castle on Saturday, and both days will feature a children’s entertainer, face-painting, and much more... A 50/50 draw and Closest Ball contest are among some of the additional fun to be had, topping-off what is sure to be a fantastic weekend right here in Munster. All proceeds from this event will benefit the nursery school.



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We received the following email after Green Day:

I just wanted to extend a “Thank You” out to all that helped clean up last Sat. I was heading in to town to do the regular Sat morning groceries ... etc when I saw Mom’s, Dad’s, kids with garbage bags along Munster Side Road. On my way back home you could tell that someone had been by and cleaned up the fence lines and ditches.

*Just wanted to say “Thanks” to all who helped ... **Great Job! ... It was noticed!***

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New Social Director

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I grew up in a small town and having a community is something very important to me. I am hoping to put on several easy, fun and low cost events throughout the year. Suggestions and volunteers are always welcome....especially if the volunteers have homemade cookies :)

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Munster Library

There will be three great reading programs this summer at the Munster branch of the Ottawa Public Library!

Destination Jungle - TD Summer Reading Programs

Registration for the following children's programs begins Wednesday, June 2 through the library's web site: www.BiblioOttawaLibrary.ca or call staff at 613-838-2888. Each child registered must have a valid OPL Library Card

Jungle Survivor	Tuesday, June 29 Ages 6-8: 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Ages 9-12: 1:00 p.m. – 2 p.m.
Monkey See, Monkey Do	Tuesday, July 6 Ages 6-8: 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Ages 9-12: 1:00 p.m. – 2 p.m.
Go Buggy!	Tuesday, July 13 Ages 6-8: 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Ages 9-12: 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Rambling Reptiles	Tuesday, July 20 Ages 6-8: 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Ages 9-12: 1:00 p.m. – 2 p.m.
Jungle Beasts	Tuesday, July 27 Ages 6-8: 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Ages 9-12: 1:00 p.m. – 2 p.m.
Amazing Race: Destination Jungle	Tuesday, August 3 Ages 6-12: 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
The Reptile Rainforest	Tuesday, August 3 Ages 6-12: 1:00 p.m. – 2 p.m.
Growing Wild	Tuesday, August 10 Ages 6-8: 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Ages 9-12: 1:00 p.m. – 2 p.m.
Once Upon a Jungle	Tuesday, August 17 Ages 6-8: 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Ages 9-12: 1:00 p.m. – 2 p.m.

Family Storytime

No registration required for this program – Just drop in!
Every Tuesday from July 7 to August 18, 10 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Munster Library cont...



Destination Jungle: TD Summer Reading Club

Registration for the reading club begins Wednesday, June 23. Get your poster, stickers and log book

The HOURS for the Munster branch are:

Monday – Thursday: 2:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Friday: Closed
Saturday: 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Sunday: Closed

Recreational Report cont...

tennis and basketball courts, and paint the rink boards.

Let us start the summer season by this reporter predicting a change of the guards in the MLLB. Rumour has the Buzzards and ENH avg. male age at 47. Good luck to the new era of the Scrubbees, Scotia McLeod and Fits Me 2 Consignment. Have a safe and wonderful summer.

Paul Lalonde
Recreational Director.

Community Center Rentals

The centre is a handy, inexpensive place to hold your meetings or parties. We are also looking for ideas for programming from the community. If you have suggestions or want to book the centre: email Roberta Hurman at email or call xxx-xxxx.

The rates for renting the centre are:

Community Group Meeting	No Charge
Community Group Event	\$5.00/hour
Private Function No Liquor	\$30.00 up to four hrs \$60.00 four hrs +
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Hatha Yoga:

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