



Spring 2020



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Advertise in This Newsletter!

The BPCA Newsletter is published four times a year: February, May, late August, and early December. It is delivered to over 1,000 residences. The deadline for ad submissions to our late-August issue is July 29. Contact: newsletter@brevoortpark.ca

Business card: \$25; 1/6 page \$50; 1/4 page \$75; 1/2 page \$100; Full page \$150



The Brevoort Park Good Neighbour Awards, Spring 2020

Orpha Smith

Nominated by Les Ferguson

"Orpha has taught adult fitness lessons for many years at the YMCA. Last week, I talked to her husband Reid who had completed one of her sessions at the Field House. He attends Orpha's classes as a benefit to his own fitness. Orpha attracts 50 - 70 participants to her classes."

Chad Hills

Nominated by Marcella Ogenchuk

"Chad is always making sure that his snow is clean and the neighbours. If we are away on holiday or if he sees something that is suspicious, I know he lets us now and contributes to a safe community. He consistently takes care of his neighbours."

Kim Closson

Nominated by Douglas and Bernice Feltham

"Kim does an awesome job of clearing our driveway and sidewalks of snow.....and we have a big driveway.....he is often out shoveling before we are out of bed.....If we have a particularly heavy snowfall, his wife Karin and son Tegan show up as back up to help.....I know we're not the only neighbor he helps.....He is truly deserving ofTHE GOOD NEIGHBOR AWARD."

Nominate Your Neighbour for the Good Neighbour Award!

Next deadline: July 31, 2020

Do you know someone in Brevoort Park who goes above and beyond for their neighbours? Maybe it's an amazing leader, dedicated volunteer, or all-around-neighbourly person who has made a difference! Nominees will win a prize!

To get your neighbour(s) the recognition they deserve, email us the following information by July 31:

- Nominator Name(s)
- Nominee's Name and Email Address (can be more than one person - e.g., a family)
- Reason for nomination (four to six sentences: be specific, using examples)

BREVOORT PARK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE

President: Lorraine Fowler president@brevoortpark.ca

Vice-President: Lisa Reid Fraser

Treasurer: Richard Spencer treasurer@brevoortpark.ca

Secretary: VACANT

Indoor Coordinator: Natasha Melanson & Whitney Anderson indoorcoordinator@brevoortpark.ca

Events Coordinator: VACANT

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Block Captain: Dee Young blockcaptain@brevoortpark.ca

Brevoort Park School Liaison: Celeste Bodnaryk bp Liaison@brevoortpark.ca

St. Matthew School Liaison: Wilma Hovius stmatthewliaison@brevoortpark.ca

Soccer Coordinators: Jana Hambleton (indoor), and Marnie and Craig Olson (outdoor) soccer@brevoortpark.ca

Basketball Coordinator: Andrea Hudson basketball@brevoortpark.ca

Volunteer Coordinator: VACANT

Members at Large: Tetiana Yaremenko and Florence Dale mal@brevoortpark.ca

Website/Communications: Shelly Brimble infinfo@brevoortpark.ca

Community Consultant: Shelly Panko-Schultz Shell_info@y.Panko-Schultz@Saskatoon.ca

Want to join us? Contact info@brevoortpark.ca



What Is a Community Association?

The volunteer board represents the population within our designated boundaries of Taylor Street, Preston Avenue, 8th Street and Circle Drive. We coordinate activities and groups within the neighbourhood, indoor programming such as yoga, pickleball, and karate, registered sports such as indoor and outdoor soccer, and basketball. We work to provide classes that are relevant to the community at minimal cost, and deliver city-funded cost as a barrier funding to give everyone a chance to play (confidential requests to indoorcoordinator@brevoortpark.ca).

To participate in our programs, an annual membership must be purchased (\$10/person or \$10/family living at one address). Our programming and membership fees are used for things like rink maintenance and equipment, and sports equipment for our teams, insurance, power for our garage, and heat and lights in our warm up shack in the winter. They also support community events, such as February's Winter Unplugged. Other events events such as Day in the Park, Sleigh Rides and Turkey Bingo have been provided to the community at minimal cost, but as we currently do not have anyone in our event coordinator role, these activities have been limited.

We support our community schools by sharing our resources and funds, which encourages a sense of community. We appreciate the support of staff and administration of Ecole St. Matthews and Brevoort Park School! We also act as a liaison to the City of Saskatoon Community Services Department. Our city councillor and other political representatives will join us for our meetings, to share information and hear residents' concerns.

-Lorraine Fowler, BPCA President

We Need a Secretary!

Andrea and I were co-secretaries of the BPCA for approximately three years. Having enjoyed adult activities made available by the Community Association as well as involving our children in various sports and clubs, it made perfect sense to do our part in assisting our neighbours to also have available activities. Both participating in the activities and being part of the association was a great way to meet our neighbours and enjoy a true sense of community.

Sitting on the executive was a good way to learn what was going on in the community and what the needs and desires of it are. The time commitment was not too onerous, but sharing the position made it even less so.

Brevoort Park is a great place to live, play and participate. Why not find a friend and make more by becoming a part of an amazing group. The time commitment is a few hours a month with no meetings in the summer months or December.
- Andrea Duncan and Kathy O'Brien

BREVOORT PARK REAL ESTATE NEWS

Average sale price of all sold listings \$346,625 ↓
Average home price per sq. foot of all sold listings \$256.00 ↓
Average days on the market is 124 days ↑
Current number of homes on the market 5 ↓
Total number of sold listings 4 ↑

Percentage of listings that were listed and actually sold 80% ↑
Percentage of listings that sold for under their list price 100%

Highest sale price of sold listings \$405,000 ↑
Lowest sale price of sold listings \$267,500 ↓
Highest price of current listings \$515,900
Lowest list price of current listings \$328,900 ↑

All stats are based upon what has happened within the last 90 days of real estate.

All information provided by James Haywood, Real Estate Professional with Royal LePage Saskatoon, 308-361-1848, jameshaywood@royallepage.ca

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What Does the Basketball Coordinator Do? I served as the basketball coordinator for the BPCA for 6 years .It was very rewarding to be part of such a well -organized community association. It felt great to contribute to our area, and I formed lifetime friendships with many of my neighbors. The duties of the coordinator mostly took place in Sept./Oct. and took around 7-8 hours total:

- collect registrations for the SMBA basketball program at fall registration
- attend an SMBA evening meeting & late registration in Sept. At this meeting, the coordinators in each zone meet to form teams for the SMBA league. After teams are formed,most will have a coach, but sometimes it is necessary to reach out parents to find one; historically, Brevoort Park has usually only had two or three teams, much less than some other zones.
- send out the team lists to coaches, and coordinates gym practice time with the indoor coordinator for BPCA. Submit paperwork online to the SMBA.
- hand out equipment, and the season begins!
- Submit a budget to the treasurer and take care of the equipment
- Attend monthly BPCA meetings when possible to report



I enjoyed getting to know the members of the SMBA. The basketball community in Saskatoon is tight-knit, and it made the years my daughters played basketball much more fun. I would be willing to answer any questions that come up. --Andra Thorstad



Online Classes at Saskatoon Loves Pilates!

- Online Classes at Saskatoon Loves Pilates are continuing through May 2020.
- Interested in trying out a class? If you are new to the studio– first online class is free!
- To sign up- download the app Mindbody: Fitness &Workout App (or go to Mindbody website) and search for Saskatoon Loves Pilates.
- Email us at info@lovespilates.ca or visit our website www.lovespilates.ca for more information.
- Find us on Instagram and Facebook @lovespilates

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INDOOR PROGRAMMING INSIGHTS

How does this work and what is involved in community programming?

There are many duties and considerations but in general, your Indoor Coordinator is responsible for:

1. Determining which programs to run after assessing what the community enjoys, requests, and what is popular in other areas. Grants are applied for to help cover cost of youth activities.
2. Book the program facilities with either the Public School Board or Catholic School system. This is a long process as each individual class must be entered separately.
3. Vet and hire instructors and provide a contract. Help them become familiar with the facility and encourage them to be in touch if any problems arise.
4. Advertise the programs in the Leisure Guide/ City website, community newsletters, schools, social media or websites.
5. Coordinate in-person registration night and program on-line registration for the programs. Ensure fees are collected and cost as a barrier funding is accessible.
6. Some programs may have to be cancelled at this time due to budgeting and low enrollment.

Example: If the instructor charges \$30/ session for an activity, their 10 week payment would total \$300. If participants pay \$40 for the cost of the program, we would need at least 8 people to run the program.

7. Monitor the programs and solve any issues that may arise: Is the attendance too low to cover your instructor costs? Inform the school of any cancellations so they know that the gym might be empty?
8. Evaluate & Wrap-up the programs. Pay the instructors. Will this program be offered again next session? Are there changes that are needed to run more smoothly?

This is repeated each program season!

WE ♥ OUR INSTRUCTORS! COMMENTS FROM PARTICIPANTS

- Bailey (Drawing: Cartooning and Beyond) is fantastic with the kids and they love being there every week!
- Marie (yoga) is fabulous.
- It (Family Badminton) was recreational fun and provided an opportunity for great quality family time. Lots of smiles all around!
- The instructor (Ballet) is amazing. We took a previous ballet class and the instructor was not as organized. Miss Kenzie is amazing.
- The facilitator for this program (Pickleball) is wonderful- Welcoming, gentle and most kind to everyone. I have really appreciated my participation with this community association- despite the fact it is not my own. Thank you for this opportunity.



A message from BPCA Indoor Programming:

It broke my heart to have to cancel programming this winter and spring when the school boards canceled our rentals, however the safety of our friends and family is our number one priority.

I know everyone has been missing their classes and social time out with friends. While we wait for pandemic measures to be relaxed, we are exploring some options for on-line programming that you can take advantage of in your own home. I know you will enjoy what we have in store! Keep watch on Facebook, our website, email blasts, and on [CommuniBee](#) for info.

Speaking of [CommuniBee](#), have you signed up yet? [CommuniBee](#) can be accessed on your cell phone or computer browser. Not only will we using this platform to register for programs but you will be able to receive push notifications for short notice cancellations, report community safety issues, buy and sell items, advertise a business, event reminders, and receive up to the minute community news. Check it out and stay safe everyone!

-Natasha



Keep Up to Date on Community News

Never miss special events, community discussions, local buy & sell, and messages from the City of Saskatoon

Access Community Services

Learn about community amenities and local businesses

Report Incidents

From coyote sightings and graffiti to crime. Let your community know about the things you see

Program Registration and Membership

Register for sports and leisure events or renew your Community Association membership from the convenience of your phone or home computer

PROGRAMMING QUICK FACTS

- In the 2018-2019 season there were over 400 registrations for indoor programming over 42 classes.
- The most popular adult classes were pickleball and yoga. The youth favorites were drawing and drama.
- Approximately 97% of registrations took place on-line.
- We partner with the Eastview Community Association to be able to provide a larger variety of programming.
- Most of your enrollment fees are used for instructor wages. Any additional money is put back into the community in social events (Winter Unplugged), financial support for the schools, and special initiatives (BPCA Pantry).
- Many of the program instructors are community members.
- Confidential Cost-as-a-Barrier funding is available to help lower income families or individuals have fun

Do you have a talent to share, a suggestion for a future program or general feedback? We would love to hear from you!

INDOORCOORDINATOR@BREVOORTPARK.CA

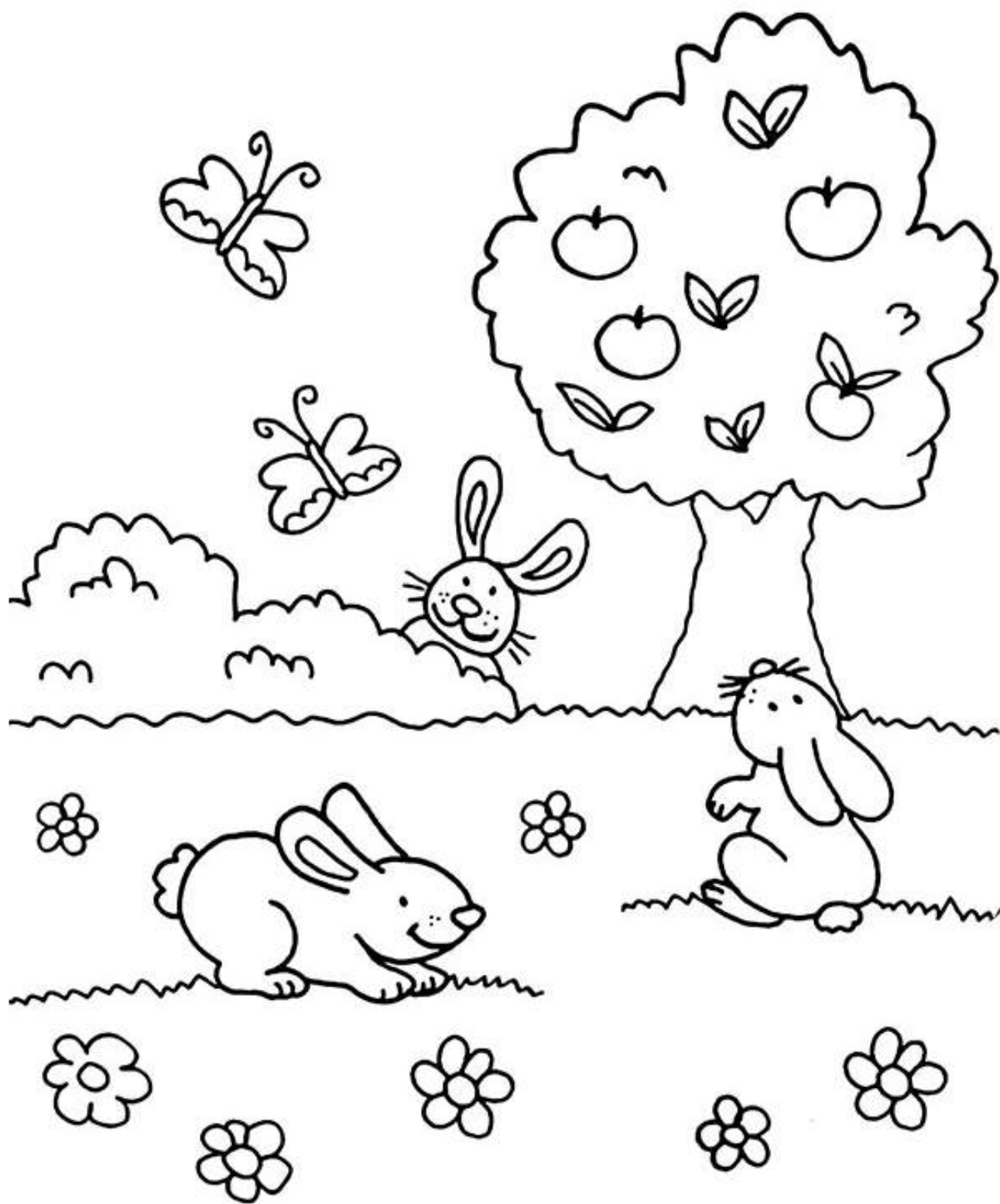
For upcoming programming details visit:

www.brevoortpark.ca

Facebook.com/brevoortpark

CommuniBee.ca

Sign Up for the Email Blast (see website)



It's spring, and the Brevoort Park Bunnies are busy! Colour this page and then submit it to newsletter@brevoortpark.ca. Be sure to include your name and age! You will have your name entered to win a prize!



Community Food Help Program Launched - BPCA Pantry

The Brevoort Park Community Association (BPCA) is aware that many people in our community are struggling due to the social distancing measures. As this continues more community members are struggling to afford or access basic food staples. Also, some people are not able to qualify for the financial assistance provided through the federal government or for local support such as the food bank.

With this in mind, the BPCA has launched a unique program known as the BPCA Pantry. This program will provide a safe way for our community to donate non-perishable food and new personal care items for those in need. The contact-free donations can be made in bins located in the community or they can also be picked up from front doorsteps by emailing pantry@brevoortpark.ca. Cash donations can also be sent through e-transfer to treasurer@brevoortpark.ca or by cheque mailed to our treasurer at 72 Sparling Crescent S7H 3M2. All donations will be used to purchase items for the BPCA Pantry and donations above \$20 will receive a tax receipt.

For those in the community that would like to get a delivery of food staples from the BPCA Pantry the process is very simple. The BPCA Pantry will drop off non-perishable food direct to your doorstep. You can also get delivery for people you know such as neighbours or family members. Information collected includes if there are any dietary restrictions and how many family members are receiving the delivery so we can ensure the items will match their specific needs.

To request a food staples delivery from the BPCA Pantry, contact us through the following methods:

- 1) Email: pantry@brevoortpark.ca.
 - 2) Fill in the Request Food Delivery Form at <https://brevoortpark.ca/bpca-pantry/>.
- *All personal contact information collected for BPCA Pantry is confidential and will not be shared.

The BPCA Pantry Coordinator, Shelly Brimble, will confirm each BPCA Pantry request and arrange for a contact-free delivery. Any leftover items will be given to the local food bank once social distancing rules have been lifted in Saskatoon.

Learn more about how you can help your neighbours or how you can apply for help on our web site. <https://brevoortpark.ca/bpca-pantry/>.