



Katie Mahoney

Mississauga Councillor – Ward 8



katie.mahoney@mississauga.ca

Telephone: 905-896-5800 Fax: 905-896-5463

300 City Centre Drive, Mississauga, Ontario L5B 3C1

09/176

Sheridan Branch Library

On April 15th a community information meeting was held to discuss the review of library service options for the Sheridan community. Service options looked at the primary reasons people use the Sheridan Branch Library, the overall needs of the community including youth, older adults, families and newcomers, and alternative options that exist in the community.

My long-standing position with respect to the Sheridan Branch Library is that the library serves a valuable role within the community. It serves the district communities in the neighbourhood, and also serves as the only public community space where students, seniors, new Canadians and the larger community can gather to read, research, borrow and socialize.

The Library is a welcoming place and I will continue to strive to ensure that this facility, or one that serves the communities' varied needs, will continue to be provided in the immediate area into the future.

I would like to thank all of those who attended the meeting and gave an overwhelming message to the Library and City representatives of how much this community appreciates and supports the Library.

McHappy Day

Councillor Mahoney, along with Nils Kravis, Board Member with the Credit Valley Hospital Foundation, participate at McDonald's 16th McHappy Day held at the Sheridan Mall location. More than \$2,700 was raised to support the Credit Valley Hospital, Trillium Health Centre and the Toronto Ronald McDonald House.

Thank you for your continued support!

Dear Ward 8 Resident,

Welcome to the 2009 Spring and Summer issue of my Councillor's Report. I am pleased to provide you with updates about what has been happening in and around our community, and to share information about the issues that affect our city. I hope you find this edition of my Councillor's Report informative and I urge you to contact my office should this Report prompt any questions or concerns.

During this difficult and challenging economic time of uncertainty, people are mindful of those in need. I recently had the opportunity to personally experience this first-hand when I spent a day with a Region of Peel outreach worker. We visited with local food banks and some of the outreach clients. There are community resources available through organizations that assist families and individuals who rely on the many services and programs offered. Some of our local churches operate food banks and offer valuable resources and a wide range of programs and initiatives. I would encourage all of you to volunteer your time and effort to a worthy organization or merely help out someone in need.

I appreciate receiving your comments, so please feel free to contact me by telephone, fax or by email at **katie.mahoney@mississauga.ca**. You may also visit our website at **www.mississauga.ca** for more information on City services and to access numerous online services. I also invite you to visit the Ward 8 website at **www.mississauga.ca/portal/cityhall/ward8** which is updated on a regular basis with featured articles, community information and notices of Ward 8 community meetings.

As always, it is a pleasure to work with the community to provide information, bring resolution, receive input, and share dialogue and information on issues of concern to you.

I take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and wish everyone a safe and enjoyable summer.

Katie Mahoney
Councillor, Ward 8





OASIS Summer Day Camp and Teen Leadership Program Returns

Erin Mills Youth Outreach Program (EMYOP) announces plans for summer 2009 vacation time programs.

Starting the week of July 6, 2009, children and youth ages 6 to 17 are invited to take part in daily fun and loads of activities supervised by the caring and qualified summer staff of EMYOP. Participants can enjoy learning camp songs, playing games and weekly swimming at South Common pool. The outreach program also provides once a week day trips to interesting destinations such as Bronte Creek Park, Kelso Conservation area, Confederation Water Park and maybe even a Toronto Blue Jays Baseball game.

Summer Sports Camp at UTM

At Camp U of T Mississauga, your child will experience a summer sports camp that offers a wide selection of activities. Our multi-sport camp will expose campers to a variety of both traditional and non-traditional sports. They will play soccer, baseball, and basketball, and will also have the opportunity to experience archery, ringette, frisbee, beach volleyball, and other cooperative games. These daily activities will provide campers with the chance to develop their skills and apply them in a supervised and fun environment.

Sport specialty camps such as rowing, girls' basketball, racquet and dance camps also take place at U of T and offer specialized instruction in the selected sport. In addition, we offer leadership camps for teens hoping to further develop their leadership skills through team-building activities. All camps include lunch, and most include daily swimming in a 25m pool. Indoor and outdoor spaces are also used on a daily basis.

Camp U of T Mississauga is located at the University of Toronto Mississauga campus. Summer camp counselors are mostly university students, as well as some senior high school students. They are carefully selected so as to offer your child the best summer camp experience. Low "camper-to-counselor" ratios ensure proper supervision and facilitate development of skills necessary to improve in the various sports.

For more information, including schedules and fees, see the Camp U of T Mississauga website at www.utm.utoronto.ca/athletics and click on the camp logo.

As well, participants will be whipping up some interesting recipes in the "Kids in the Kitchen" component and learning how to make snacks and simple meals for themselves and their siblings. Those who like digging in the dirt and getting their hands dirty can plant vegetables and flowers in the community garden. We plan to build an outside water fountain this summer and create some outdoor art pieces.

The Youth Leadership Camp is an important component of this summer program. Teenagers 14 to 17 years participate in team building exercises and volunteer as junior leaders. They also have opportunities to do activities focused on teens, including learning job search skills, music, dancing and weekly BBQs.

Volunteers are welcome, and cash and in-kind donations (eg. juice boxes, ice cream, popsicles, hotdogs, pop, craft supplies, etc.) also help to ensure that many children and youth in Erin Mills get to have a safe and enjoyable summer.

To receive additional information or to register, please contact Harpreet More, Community and Recreation Worker at 905.820.3577 ext 28.

Visual Arts Mississauga Leslie Penney Mosher Fund –Send A Child to Camp

It's that time of year when we eagerly anticipate the warm summer air, the flowers blooming and the trees sprouting leaves. We are in the middle of things at Riverwood Park; our building is nestled among the trees that overlook the Credit River.

This is such a beautiful, inspirational and creative place for Visual Arts Mississauga. Soon we anticipate the arrival of our summer art campers and that's when the paint flies.

Each year through the success of our fund-raising, we allow neighbourhood children who are less fortunate to participate free of charge in a fun filled week-long summer art camp.

We believe every child deserves the right to participate in a creative environment regardless of their economic status. Letting a child participate in anything creative builds confidence, inspires and allows them to build their imagination.

Your donation to this fund allows an underprivileged child to participate free of charge and experience a wonderful, fun-filled, artistic week of camp. This year we are pleased to be able to offer 10 children the opportunity to enjoy our camp.

If you know of any child in need, or are interested in donating please contact us at 905-277-4313 or visit us online at www.visualartsmississauga.com.

Visual Arts Mississauga, 4170 Riverwood Park Lane (at the intersection of Credit Woodlands and Burnhamthorpe Rd., West).

"Let us introduce you to a world of imagination and creativity"

City of Mississauga

Youth Services and Day Camp Programs

Youth Services provides full day and half day camp programs. Staff are certified in Emergency First Aid and have completed an extensive Leadership Training Course.

Camps at South Common Community Centre:

Children's Adventure Camp

Activities include arts and crafts, sports, drama, trips and swimming in a fun-filled environment. Program Specialists will visit each location weekly. Wednesday's are trip day.

Ages 5-12

Senior Multi Sport Camp

A combination of traditional sports and innovative activities for the older sports enthusiast. Participants can enjoy soccer, basketball, floor hockey, a daily recreational swim and more.

Ages 10-14

Mini Adventure Camp

A half day of fun and adventure for your child. Series of arts and crafts, songs, stories, games, outdoor exploration, theme days and much more!

Ages 3-5

Programs at South Common Community Centre:

Funseekers Club

This ½ day program has a variety of activities to enjoy. Take part in arts and crafts, sports, active games, contests, theme days and more.

Ages 6-10

Little Divas:

Girls will play games, make their own glittery fashion accessories and tiaras, as well as participate in dress-up and arts and craft activities.

Ages 3 ½ - 5

Also, participate in Karate, Cheerleading, Mini Basketball, Youth Yoga, Hip Hop Dance and more. Check your Active Mississauga Recreation and Parks Guide or call 905-615-4770.

Victim Services of Peel Celebrity Chef Challenge

On April 2nd, Councillor Mahoney attended the Victim Services of Peel 3rd Annual Celebrity Chef Challenge, a fundraising event held to raise awareness of the Victim Services of Peel. Their mandate is to provide immediate crisis intervention to people victimized by crime or tragic circumstances. More information about Victim Services of Peel is available on their website at www.vspeel.org.

Pictured here are Mayor Hazel McCallion, Council Kate Mahoney and Organizers of the Victim Services of Peel Celebrity Chef Challenge, Amy Tjen and Lorry Smith, Co-Chair of Resource Committee, alongside his wife Deb Rudack.



2009 to 2011 Road Resurfacing Candidates and Capital Work Projects for Ward 8

The following is a list of projects proposed in Ward 8 for the period 2009 - 2011. Please note that all of these projects are subject to budget approval, and those proposed post-2009 may be subject to further study depending on additional feedback from utilities and others. Updates will be provided in future Councillor's Newsletters.

Suggest Street Year

| | |
|------|--|
| 2009 | Ridgeway Dr. from Unity Dr. to Dundas St. |
| 2010 | Doulton Dr. from Blythe Rd. to Blythe Rd. |
| 2010 | Doulton Pl. from Doulton Dr. to end |
| 2010 | Unity Gate from Winston Churchill Blvd. to Folkway Dr. |
| 2010 | Unity Dr. from Winston Churchill Blvd. to Ridgeway Dr. |
| 2011 | Deer's Wold from King Forrest Dr. to Sherwood Forrest Cir. |
| 2011 | Fountains Abbey from Sherwood Forest Cir. to end |
| 2011 | Redstart Dr. from Dundas St. to Sir John's Homestead |
| 2011 | Sir John's Homestead from Redstart Dr. to Dundas St. |
| 2011 | Solitaire Ct. from Sir John's Homestead to end |
| 2011 | Colter Ct. from Sawmill Valley Dr. to end |
| 2011 | Coppersmith Ct. from Folkway Dr. to end |
| 2011 | Grindstone Ct. from Sawmill Valley Dr. to end |
| 2011 | Musket Ct. from Folkway Dr. to end |
| 2011 | Ploughshare Ct. from Sawmill Valley Dr. to end |
| 2011 | Stonemason Cres. from Sawmill Valley Dr. to Sawmill Valley Dr. |

2009 Structure Rehabilitation for The Collegeway over Sawmill Creek

The work will involve patching, waterproofing, paving on the deck, rail upgrades to meet bicycle height requirements, and sidewalk and curb repairs. Conversion to semi-integral abutment will also be conducted to eliminate expansion joints at both ends of the structure.

In conjunction with the multi-use trail that Community Services is coordinating along Queensway West, a sidewalk is proposed for construction along the west side of Mississauga Road from Dundas Street to Seven Oaks Drive. There are some property and design issues to resolve, however it is hoped that this project will be undertaken during 2009.

The Region of Peel is also proposing to undertake water main upgrades on several roads during the next couple of years in the south areas of Ward 8:

2009 - Hornbeam Crescent, Doulton Drive and Doulton Place

2010 - Fowler Drive, Deer's Wold, Fountains Abbey, Redstart Drive, Sir John's Homestead

Burnhamthorpe Road Bridges Over the Credit River and Mullet Creek

The rehabilitation of the Burnhamthorpe Road bridges, over the Credit River and Mullet Creek, was identified in the 2008 Capital Budget for design and rehabilitation. The purpose of this project is to carry out repairs and maintenance of the existing structures, replace the aging hand rails with new architecturally-designed rails, install concrete barriers between the traffic lanes and the sidewalk, as well as install a cantilever deck to function as a multi-use trail on the north side of the bridges. This will provide a

continuation and insert the required links to the existing Burnhamthorpe trail. In addition, we are taking this opportunity to install a pair of look-out stopping areas on the Credit River bridge so that those using the multi-use trail can rest and view the valley better.

Torbridge Construction Company was recently awarded this (\$11 million) contract and will begin work in the early part of May with work concluding in December.

For more information, please visit the City's website and follow the links at www.mississauga.ca/portal.residents/construction.

Ridgeway Drive Extension Over Highway 403

The City of Mississauga is in the process of obtaining the last approvals to be able to tender the project for the extension of Ridgeway Drive over the 403 Highway. It is expected that construction will start late summer this year with the installation of the bridge abutments, piers and earthwork. Construction of the bridge upper structure, roadwork and landscaping will start in the spring of 2010, with the entire project completed by the fall.

Enersource Hydro Mississauga

Hydro rebuilds are scheduled on Folkway Drive from Glen Erin Drive to Erin Mills Parkway, Treetop Crescent, Treetop Court, Sunflower Drive, Trellis Crescent, and Flutter Court. For more information, you may contact Kevin Lewis of Enersource at 905-283-4264.

Region of Peel

Watermain replacement is scheduled on Hornbeam Crescent. For more information, you may contact Darrin Dodds at the Region of Peel at 905-791-7800 Ext. 7823.



The Tennis School

3091 Ninth Line, Mississauga, ON L5L 5Z6
905-257-5933

Just a few short months ago, The Tennis School opened its doors for the first time and is already flourishing. This friendly facility is home to many top O.T.A junior players, as well as enthusiastic recreational players of all ages and abilities.

The Tennis School is located at 3091 Ninth Line in Mississauga, easily accessible via Dundas Street, the Q.E.W, Highways 401, 403 and 407. The grounds consist of a clubhouse with facilities, but the main attraction has to be the brand new, mint condition hard courts with world-class lighting. (The courts are bubbled during the winter for indoor tennis.)

For further information regarding court times, lessons, or any of the programs, you may stop by or phone The Tennis School at 905-257-5933.



Committees and Boards

As a Member of City and Regional Councils, Councillor Katie Mahoney also serves on the following Committees and Boards:

City of Mississauga

Living Arts Centre
Board of Directors

Arts and Entertainment

Mississauga Heritage Foundation

Accessibility Advisory Committee

Space Planning and Accommodation
Ad-hoc Committee

Enersource Corporation
Board of Directors

Human Resource and Corporate
Governance Committee

Health, Safety, Security
and Environment Committee

Community Foundation of Mississauga
Environmental Trust Fund

Inter-Municipal Enforcement Team (IMET)

Region of Peel

Vice-Chair of the Peel Youth Violence
Prevention Network Committee

Community Development
Working Group

Vice-Chair of the Grants
Ad-hoc Committee

Member of the Peel Advisory
Working Group on Older Adults' Housing

Board of Directors of
Peel Housing Corporation

311 Council Liaison
Ad-hoc Committee

Success By 6 Peel Council of Champions

Neighbourhood Capacity Support
Strategy Advisory Committee

Construction Activity Abounds at Credit Valley

Three huge construction cranes dot the skyline around The Credit Valley Hospital located at Erin Mills Parkway and Eglinton Avenue West.

Construction of the new A and H Wings has been in full swing since June 2008. These wings will house a new four-storey in-patient wing for regional maternal child centre, new palliative and complex continued-care wards, and an expanded laboratory. Progress has been substantial and completion is expected for spring 2011.

As with all construction there are challenges. Available parking has been reduced because at the same time, the main parking garage is under construction to accommodate 450 more vehicles. To mitigate this problem, more than 600 staff and volunteers are parking offsite so that patients and visitors have as much parking as possible. Still, during peak hours, it can be difficult finding a parking space, so Credit Valley is advising visitors and outpatients to take public transit or taxis if possible.

The preliminary work on the parking garage expansion has been completed, including construction of the exterior ramp which is built up to level three, and an elevator to level nine. The new garage, to be completed in late fall 2009, will include a designated entrance and exit for our patients and visitors, as well as a staff entrance and exit.

Credit Valley apologizes for the inconvenience to patients and visitors during this time.

Heritage Mississauga Update

Heritage Mississauga continues to be busy and productive. They are working on upgrading our heritage database, preparing for our 2009 summer students and their research projects, continuing to work on a new publication ("The Lost Villages of Mississauga"), revising the heritage tour brochures, as well as multiple ongoing research projects, outreach and educational programs.

Heritage Mississauga recently launched their new website which will allow them to communicate and share heritage news and information in an exciting new format.

Heritage Mississauga is also partnering with the Heritage Four Speakers Series for 2009, and assisting with the planning and organization of Doors Open. They also assisted with Jane's Walk held on May 3rd.

In the fall, Heritage Mississauga will welcome Mississauga artist Sonja Hidas, as she presents a community art project entitled "Hot Box". This art installation will focus on the 30th Anniversary of the Mississauga Train Derailment and officially opens on November 10th, 2009.

For more information, visit the Heritage Mississauga website at www.heritagemississauga.com; or send your e-mails to info@heritagemississauga.org. Heritage Mississauga may also be reached by telephone at 905-828-8411.

Volunteering Peel

Volunteering Peel is a student-run organization that works with community groups and event organizers to provide volunteers where needed. Their vision is to facilitate volunteer opportunities for students by initiating contact with event organizers, organizing events, and helping students work towards their 40 hours of community service.

Volunteering Peel is committed to helping high school students achieve their required hours of community service for graduation. The organization serves highschool-aged youth, and works with community events to create opportunities for large groups of students. This youth engagement project is based in Mississauga, and has been entirely led by highschool students since its creation in November of 2005.

The youth leading Volunteering Peel work hard to break down barriers to volunteering. With a simple online sign up form, it's quick and easy for anyone to sign up for events. All events include transportation and food, so that students don't have to worry about getting to the event or packing a lunch. Student organizers act as a liaison between the event and the volunteers, keeping in touch with volunteers up to event day. The student organizers also ensure that students receive a letter so that they can earn community service hours, required as part of an Ontario Secondary School Diploma.

To learn more about Volunteering Peel, please visit www.volunteeringpeel.org.