



Pocket Community Association
Annual General Meeting
January 28, 2016

Welcome

- Parliamentarian
- Elected representatives
- Members
- Other guests
- PCA executive
- Regrets
- Quorum
- Agenda

Agenda

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| 7:30-7:45 | Welcome |
| 7:45-8:10 | Elections – Policy & Election of 2016 Executive |
| 8:10-8:25 | Cycling Plan – Paula Fletcher and City Staff |
| 8:25-8:45 | Break – Butter Tart Bake Off & Refreshments
Identify <i>Your</i> Priorities for the Pocket |
| 8:45-9:10 | Announcement of Bake Off Winner
Committee Reports |
| 9:10-9:30 | Questions & Answers
Discussion of Community Priorities
Door Prize Draw |
| 9:30 | Adjourn |

Thanks

- To our community sponsors:



- To tonight's speakers
- To the great team of executive members, committee members and volunteers during the past year... and to tonight's bakers

Reflecting on 2015 – PCA Mission

The PCA's mission is to:

- Promote a strong, vibrant, walkable, livable and safe community
- Empower residents of our neighbourhood through community involvement, and
- Liaise with local officials and organizations on behalf of the Pocket community

Strong, Vibrant, Walkable, Livable and Safe Community

- Events
- Committees
- Art in the Park
- Neighbourhood support
- Walkability consultations
- Communications
- Membership benefits
- Governance



Empower Residents

Town halls

Wednesday June 17



Pocket Town Hall Meeting

The Pocket Community Association invites you to...

St. David's Parish Hall
49 Donlands Ave
Wednesday June 17, 2015
7:30 to 9:30 pm



Join us for a discussion on:

- Neighbourhood Support – Ways the Pocket might help elderly or vulnerable neighbours
- Emergency Management – How we can prepare for emergencies (e.g., 2013 ice storm)
- Speakers: MPP Peter Tabuns; Red Cross; Tammy Clark, Action for Neighbourhood Change

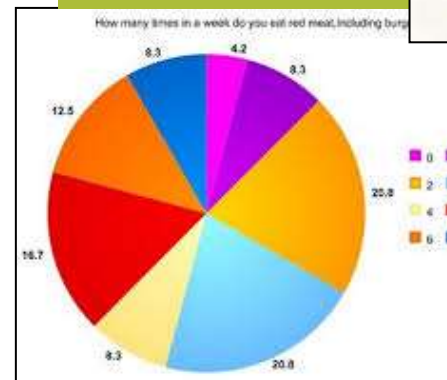
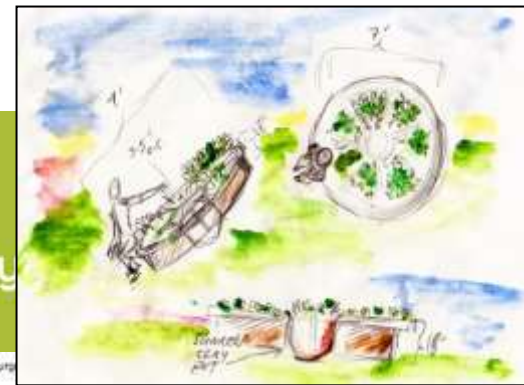


& Hear about our traffic safety survey

Next Town Hall - Community Building and Inclusion



Community surveys



Take the Survey



Street safety for kids, pedestrians and cyclists

Liaison

- Worked with TTC to maintain Oakvale Green & liaised re plans for signage, study of water drainage, fence repair, and permanent Shudell solution; identified representative on Donlands Second Exit Committee



- Invited to join Pupil Accommodation Review Committee & connected by Trustee Story with TDSB Superintendent responsible for establishing First Nations Curriculum school at Eastview



- Worked with Toronto Parks and Rec to install water access for Phin Park skating rink



Other Business

- Approval of minutes for 2015 AGM
- Treasurer's report
- Secretary's report
- Nomination and Election Policy
- Elections

Update on the City's Cycling Network Master Plan and Options for the Pocket and Ward 30

Councillor Paula Fletcher &

Jacquelyn Hayward Gulati, Manager of
City Wide Cycling Infrastructure and
Programs

- Break -

- Butter Tart Bake Off!
- Refreshments
- Identify your priorities for the Pocket



- Information tables
- Sign up to be a volunteer!



Events Committee

Great Events!

Old Favourites:

- Park clean up
- Easter Egg Hunt
- Victoria Day Fireworks
- Street Sale
- Movies
- "Street Party"
- Halloween
- Pumpkin Parade
- Santa
- (Skating Party)

New Events:

- Fairies
- Bard in the Park

Great Volunteers!

Great Attendance!

Oakvale Green – TTC

- Ongoing liaison regarding maintenance, e.g., wood chips to reduce waterlogged soil
- Working with TTC to:
 - replace dead and dying trees
 - place better signage
 - identify drainage problems
 - repair fence at Queen Victoria
 - Resolve issues at Shudell

Greening

Pocket Tree Project

- Approximately 12 small trees planted in 2015 – about 150 in the last three years
- Next year we can lobby for larger trees
- Tree losses:
 - About 10% of those planted in last two years
 - Several mature trees
 - Some in danger due to heavy pruning

Phin Park

- Ping pong table
- Replace trees
- Playground borders
- All season water access complete
- Tree sculptures

Project X

- Over \$4,500 raised!
- Herb garden chosen
- Next steps:
 - Build during Clean Up day April?
 - Looking for design/construction expertise
- Friends of Phin - working group to plan other projects

PCA Outreach & Membership

- Street Captain - Captain Ellen Titus , keeps it all organized & together
- 26 Street Captains & 22 streets, door to door membership drive in May
- Maintains an accumulative membership of ~500 and 377 renewed for 2015
- Membership Benefits: email communications on fun events & activities, exec. minutes, committee projects, contests, exclusive website area access, a lot more ...
 - **Most importantly** - you are supporting your neighborhood and helping to build a thriving, inclusive, safe and walkable community.
- Joining the PCA membership is easy
 - on-line www.thepocket.ca
 - via your street captain & PCA events membership table

Art in Phin Park Project



- Artist in Residence – Jerry Silverberg
 - Monday to Thursday 11:00 -3:00
 - Collage, Puppetry, Print & Book Making
 - Special Guest Artists – Drum circle, Mask making, Story & Music
- 2014 application received TAC grant for \$7500
 - ✓ July & August
- 2015 applied to the OAC & TAC, received TAC grant for \$4000
 - ✓ August



Energy

- Main objective: Promote clean energy in the pocket – educate and available as a resource
- 2015:
 - Solar demonstration
 - Collected 150 depleted batteries
 - Phin Park solar light maintenance
 - Eastern Commerce system
- 2016:
 - Solar portable cell phone charging station (to be rolled out in a emergencies)
 - Phin Park charging station (cart or wagon)
 - Solar powered safe light , behind the Danforth Milk Store (Ben Kerr Lane)



Safety

- Acting on consultation input about walkability and safety for children, pedestrians and cyclists
- Liaison with Toronto Police 55 Division

Neighbourhood Support & Emergency Management

- Identified as a priority at 2014 AGM
- 2015 town hall – participants identified possible initiatives and established a committee
- Neighbourhood support contact list prepared and posted; neighbours with special needs have begun to reach out

Open House at the Mosque

- Madina Masjid and the Pocket community are interested in initiatives that promote increased communication and understanding between members of the Mosque and the residents of the Pocket
- Open House organized for Saturday, February 13th at 12:45 pm

Community Priorities

- 2014 AGM – identified 22 “dreams”
- Survey identified 3 top priorities which were addressed during 2014 and 2015:
 - Improve path between Phin Park and Chatham
 - Improvements within Phin Park
 - Neighbourhood support system
- 2016 AGM – what are your current “dreams”?





Please get involved...

Thank you!