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## Greetings Central Frederick Neighbours!

Often residents would like to get more involved in local issues but simply don't have time to attend neighbourhood or council meetings. Engage Kitchener is the solution! Engage Kitchener is an online forum where you can weigh in on hot topics or provide feedback about city programs and services. One cool feature is that you can see a summary of all the feedback received on the various topics. What I think people will appreciate most about this online tool is that once you have provided feedback on a topic, it later loops back to share an email update on any Council decisions or other relevant outcomes. Currently, the residential chicken by-law consultation is heating up. I know this is an issue close to the heart of many in the Central Frederick community so I invite you to have to your say at kitchener.ca, keyword search "engage Kitchener".

Like many of you, I am excited that the Hohner Ave Porch Party is back this year on May 28 from 3 to 7 pm. This is our chance to see great live music in a unique neighbourhood setting. This free, family-friendly event is open to all. Find out more at <a href="happ.ca">happ.ca</a>!

Speaking of neighbours coming together to do great things, be sure to join in the fun for Neighbours Day on June 11! It's a city-wide celebration of neighbours with events happening right here in Ward 10 at Breithaupt Park, Knollwood Park, and the Downtown Community Centre, as well as other volunteer-led gatherings. Get the full scoop at kitchener.ca, keyword search "Neighbours Day".

Looking for more local news and events? Let me know if you want to receive an email newsletter at: <a href="mailto:sarah.marsh@kitchener.ca">sarah.marsh@kitchener.ca</a>. If you have any city-related questions or ideas, as always, I am reachable at my office 519-741-2786, or cell 519-807-8006.

Sincerely,

Councillor Sarah Marsh - Ward 10



Neighbours enjoying the Hohner Ave Porch Party musicians.



Hello everyone!

Nadia Ursacki here. I'm the new Chair of the Central Frederick Neighbourhood Association for 2016-2017. We had our Annual General Meeting at the start of April—more on that below, but first a quick update on the executive itself.

A few people have stepped down from the CFNA Executive at this year's Annual General Meeting: Rachel D'Aguilar, James Howe, and Sarah McQueen. Thanks so much for your work on behalf of the neighbourhood! We also gained some new members to the excutive this year: Jen Gordon, Shane Mulligan, and Devon Wagler. I'm looking forward to working with them and everyone else in the coming year to make the Central Frederick Neighbourhood even greater!

As part of the Annual General Meeting, we had a brainstorming session with all those attending which generated some great ideas for the neighbourhood. Including: more benches, movies in the park, skill sharing, grants to support placemaking, tool sharing, more parties, and urban forestry. We will be looking for those wanting to support such works and we will be finding ways to support these ideas and those people.

Our neighbourhood kids' soccer night, CommuniKICKS, communikicked off on the first Wednesday in May. It is great to see the park full of energy, with all the kids in their soccer t-shirts, having fun.

Hope you will take part in one of the busiest days in our neighbourhood, the upcoming Community Garage Sale and Hohner Avenue Porch Party, both on May 28<sup>th</sup>.

Please contact us at <a href="mailto:central.frederick@gmail.com">central.frederick@gmail.com</a> to let us know how we can make your neighbourhood even better.

Have a great summer!

Nadia V Ursacki CFNA Chair

# **Earth Day Community Cleanup**

Weber Park is one of the gems of the Central Frederick neighbourhood, hosting community gardens, kids soccer, tennis, ball games, a playground for children and gorgeous green space in the summer while offering a place to skate or play hockey in the winter.

On Saturday, April 23, the CFNA hosted a Weber Park clean up as part of Kitchener's Earth Day activities. A small team of people were able to tidy up the park and collected over four garbage bags of trash that had accumulated there over the winter. The park now looks a bit cleaner and ready for our community to enjoy throughout the beautiful summer season! — Brad W.



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# **Street Art Coming to Central Frederick?**

Street-lined flower boxes, raised painted crosswalks, and better bicycle rights awareness signs. That's what members of our traffic sub-committee asked for when we met with city staff on April 15 at city hall. We walked away with a promise to lower the speed limit to 40 km/hour along Lancaster Street (from Weber Street to Victoria Street) and the possibility of a painted intersection at Lancaster Street and Chapel Streets. We support 40 km/hour and would encourage the city to consider 30 km/hour behind Suddaby Public School. Street art in our vibrant Central Frederick is exciting, and we are excited to move this forward! Community members are invited to be involved in various stages of the project: from its early approval, to the design, to the actual painting. One limitation of this project is that the high-performance paint used for street painting is not cheap, and may need to be applied annually. CFNA is exploring funding details with the city.

CFNA would like to thank Ward 10 city councillor, Sarah Marsh, for joining us at the city hall meeting and other meetings and for advocating on our behalf.

As always, please watch our website and social media or email us at <a href="mailto:central.frederick@gmail.com">central.frederick@gmail.com</a> to stay informed. — Jessie E.



# Central Frederick Community GARAGE SALE

Email <u>central.frederick@gmail.com</u> to have your house added to our community-wide garage sale map! View the map link on our website or Facebook page.



Our Central Frederick Neighbourhood Music Festival





www.HAPP.ca www.centralfrederick.org Funds have been made available for the installation of a new Little Library at Weber Park.

Are you interested in volunteering with CFNA to be the steward of it?



For details on the Little Free Libraries movement, see <a href="https://littlefreelibrary.org">littlefreelibrary.org</a>.



Come check out the new Mansion Greens Forest Garden, which will (in time) be full of edible goodies that we'll see growing and ripening throughout the seasons. Mansion Greens maintains a waiting list for those interested in having a garden plot; email <a href="maintainsawaiting">mansiongreens@gmail.com</a> if you want to be added. You can also follow us on Facebook. — Shane M.

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## **Community Notice Board Grant Application**

The CFNA has submitted an application with the City of Kitchener for funds to assist with the construction of three community notice boards in our neighbourhood: at Brubacher Green, Weber Park (by the playground), and Gordon Park.

If funds are granted, the boards will be constructed and installed this summer, and then maintained long-term by CFNA, including curating and clearing off out-of-date postings. Anyone would be free to use the boards for any purpose—upcoming events, community announcements, missing pets, or simply displaying your artwork. — Mike P.

#### **Downtown Kitchener Events!**

The team at City Hall have lined up some awesome events this summer, occurring right here in downtown Kitchener.



You can always get the latest on our local food trucks at kwfoodtrucks.ca

June 4 Movie @ Victoria Park – Jumanji

June 10 Kitchener Night Art Market

June 11 Neighbours Day
King StrEATery Food Trucks Festival

June 18 Summer Lights Festival

June 25 KOI Music Fest

July 1 Canada Day in Downtown Kitchener

July 8 - 9 Cruising on King

July 15 - 17 Ribfest

July 22 - 24 Rock & Rumble

August 4 - 7 Kitchener Blues Festival

August 21 Kidspark @ Victoria Park

Sept 24 Etsy Made In Canada @ City Hall

Keep checking downtownkitchener.ca for even more events!

#### 2016 - 2017 CFNA Executive

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#### **Executive Meetings**

All community members are invited to attend meetings of the CFNA Executive. We would love to hear your pitches for events and other place-making activities within the community. We can connect you to people, funds, and other resources to help make your vision a reality! Our meetings for the summer are happening at 7:30pm in the Downtown Community Centre:

Monday, June 13, 2016

Monday, July 11, 2016 (tentative)

Monday, August 15, 2016

Monday, September 19, 2016

Each meeting will be posted as a Facebook Event and announced on the website, so check those resources in case of a date change.



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Do you have pictures, stories, poetry, reviews, or other content that would be of community interest? Let CFNA know and we'd love to consider your submissions for the Fall newsletter.



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