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ABOUT THIS ISSUE:

Welcome to the June Edition of the StinZine newsletter, distributed free throughout Stinson. This issue is our first Summer Break issue, and to mark the event, we decided to create a comic book, because some of us still remember reading many a comic book in between park visits, Supie events, and trips to the store for ice cream and pop in the summer heat.

There are a few new things in this issue, including an INFO tag, which looks like this:

When you see this symbol, it means there is extra information or full-length, in-depth articles, written by Stinson residents, available on the website at: www.stinsoncommunity.ca

Finally, we want to extend an open invitation to come join the StinZine Team for anyone with a background or interest in writing, illustration, design, printing, or especially editing, proofreading or distribution.

ZOE ON TOUR PT 1: FEATURE ARTICLE - GLOWING GLOWING GONE IT'S A WALKING PATH THAT

CROSSES THE CITY AND CLIMBS

THE MOUNTAIN SIDE.

HI! I'M

WELCOME TO THE NIAGARA ESCARPMENT RAIL TRAIL!

DADDY, LOOK! THE LIGHTS! THERE'S ANOTHER ONE! WHAT ARE THEY?

THEY'RE FIREFLIES. WONDER WHY THERE ARE SO FEW OF

THEM?

THAT'S A REALLY GOOD QUESTION.

MOST SPECIES OF FIREFLIES THRIVE AS LARVAE IN ROTTING WOOD AND FOREST LITTER, AT THE MARGINS OF PONDS AND STREAMS, AND AS THEY GROW, THEY MORE OR LESS STAY WHERE THEY WERE BORN.

THESE FIREFLIES USED TO BE QUITE PLENTIFUL, BUT THEY'RE BECOMING ALARMINGLY SCARCE. SCIENTISTS AREN'T 100% SURE WHY. FORTUNATELY, THERE ARE THINGS WE CAN DO THAT MAY HELP OUR NATIVE FIREFLY POPULATION RECOVER.

TURN OFF OUTDOOR LIGHTS.

FIREFLIES USE THEIR FLASHING LIGHTS TO SIGNAL EACH OTHER AND WARN OF DANGER.

HUMAN LIGHT MAY BE HINDERING THIS

AND LET FALLEN LOGS AND LITTER ACCUMULATE.

FIREFLY LARVAE GROW IN ROTTING LOGS AND OTHER NATURAL LITTER.

VISIT HTTP://WWW.FIREFLY.ORG FOR MORE INFORMATION.

Did you do a survey as part of the Hamilton Neighbourhoods Study?

If so, we would love to hear from you!

Please contact us:

905.525.9140 ex.23375 or hnstudy@mcmaster.ca

What is the Hamilton Neighbourhoods Study?

The study asked questions about what residents like about their neighbourhood, what they would change, and how living here affects their health and daily lives.

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ATTENTION HOMEOWNERS IN HAMILTON

Ontario Renovates Program

The Ontario Renovates Program provides funding to eligible low income homeowners who need financial assistance to make repairs to their home to bring it up to standard and make it a safe and healthy place to live. Eligible repairs include:

- · Heating, plumbing, electrical, structural and roofing.
- · Structural modifications to make the home accessible for persons with physical disabilities may also be eligible.

Eligibility is determined based on the household income of the homeowner. You may qualify for financial assistance from the program if you are homeowner with a low income. The assistance is provided as a forgivable loan. Applications to receive funding through the Ontario Renovates Program are now being accepted.

Please call the Housing Services Division at (905) 546-3901 for more information



ZOE ON TOUR PT 2: SMALL GRANTS

HI, ERIKA.
CAN I ASK YOU A
QUESTION? WHAT'S YOUR
VISION OF A HEALTHY AND
IMPROVED STINSON
NEIGHBOURHOOD?



THE NEIGHBOURHOOD ACTION STRATEGY RECENTLY ANNOUNCED THAT THEY ARE EXTENDING THE SMALL GRANTS FUNDING PROGRAM TO STINSON.

THE PROGRAM
OFFERS NEIGHBOURHOODS
ACCESS TO A SMALL AMOUNT OF
FUNDING FOR RESIDENT-LED,
COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT AND
ENGAGEMENT PROJECTS.

ANNUALLY,
THERE WILL BE THE
OPPORTUNITY FOR
RESIDENTS TO WRITE
A GRANT APPLICATION
AND REQUEST UP TO



A TEAM OF STINSON RESIDENTS WILL REVIEW AND DISCUSS THE SUBMITTED APPLICATIONS.

HOW ENCOURAGING TO HEAR OF AN OPPORTUNITY FOR STINSON RESIDENTS TO DREAM, CREATE AND EXPLORE NEW PROTECT IDEAS AND TO HAVE THE FUNDS TO MAKE IT HAPPEN!

I'M EXCITED TO HEAR ABOUT THE FORTHCOMING IDEAS BY THE NEIGHBOURHOOD AND TO SEE WHAT NEW PROJECTS HAPPEN IN STINSON.

HTTP://WWW.SPRC.HAMILTON.ON.CA/ SMALLGRANTS/





BEEN ASKING ABOUT THE COMMUNITY GARDEN PROJECT, DAWN MCILMOYLE HAS A FEW ANSWERS:

GARDEN?

A SPACE WHERE PEOPLE WHO DON'T HAVE A GARDEN OF THEIR OWN CAN RENT A PLOT TO GROW PRODUCE.

NEXT. WHY DOES GARDENS STINSON INCREASE NEED HEALTH BY ONE? GIVING FOLKS ACCESS TO GOOD, FRESH PRODUCE. AND

GETS PEOPLE OUT OF THEIR HOMES AND MEETING OTHER RESIDENTS.

IT'S A GREAT ON-GOING COMMUNITY-BUILDING EXERCISE. AND IT'S ALSO GOOD EDUCATION FOR KIDS.

SO. WHO WOULD BE ELIGIBLE TO GET A PLOT?

> PREFERENCE WOULD GO TO STINSON RESIDENTS WHO DON'T HAVE GARDEN SPACE OF THEIR OWN.

AND WHERE IN STINSON WOULD WE BUILD ONE?

GARDENING IS

GOOD EXERCISE.

IN AN EASILY-ACCESSIBLE SITE FOR EVERYONE, WITH PLENTY OF SUNLIGHT AND RUNNING WATER.

FOR MORE GARDEN INFORMATION, CONTACT THE HAMILTON COMMUNITY GARDEN NETWORK AT HTTP://HCGN.CAV

ZOE ON TOUR PT 5: STINSON MURAL PROJECT UPDATE

KEN COIT ANSWERED A FEW QUESTIONS FOR US ABOUT THE CARTER PARK MURAL PROJECT.

The public consultation has ended, the volunteer jury has met and decisions are being finalized. The winning artist will be announced mid June and we expect that the artist will work over the summer.

The installation on the wall in the park is dependent on the construction schedule for the upcoming work on the park and the Claremont access.

Ken Coit Art In Public Places Coordinator, City of Hamilton

ZOE ON TOUR PT 6: STINSON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION UPDATE

- Civic Square, Carter Park, Recreation Centre (CPR): ACTIVE
- Stinson School Parkette is OPEN
- Safe Streets: ACTIVE Roadwork expected for a number of streets south of Stinson
- Stinson Yard Sale Event: ACTIVE Saturday June 21st, please see AD on inside rear cover
- Accessible Community Space: ACTIVE To establish partnerships with service providers in order to offer sought after programming via an accessible community space.
- Leash Link: ACTIVE
- Constitution: ACTIVE

Meetings to be held to work through amendments to the SCA constitution

- · Businesses in the area: ACTIVE
- StinZine: ACTIVE
- 467 Charlton: ACTIVE
- Communications: OPEN
- Property Standards, Landlord Tenant Relations. Alleyways: OPEN
- · Grants, Funding: OPEN
- · Branding, Community Pride: OPEN
- History, Heritage, Geneologies: OPEN
- · Streetscapes, walkability: OPEN
- · Rail Trail: OPEN
- Youth & Life Skills: OPEN
- Social Services and Nutrition: OPEN
- · Building Relationships with RCFs: OPEN

NEW! FREE Public WiFi @ Central Memorial Recreation Centre

The SCA meets the 2nd Thursday of every month starting at 7pm @ Central Memorial Recreation Centre. NOTE: The July SCA general meeting will be held on Wednesday July 9th. Come join us in person or contact us at info@stinsoncommunity.ca.



Do you have a passion for your community? Why not get involved and help make Stinson an even greater place to live, work, and play!

ZOE ON TOUR PT 7: NEIGHBOURHOOD HOME IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

OUR

FRIEND REBECCA DOLL TELLS US THAT, LAST YEAR, ABOUT EIGHTY HOMEOWNERS IN OUR NEARBY NEIGHBOURHOODS BENEFITED FROM SOME FREE EXTERIOR RENOVATIONS LIKE PORCH OR FENCE REPAIRS.

THEY WERE PART OF A PILOT PROJECT LAUNCHED OUT OF THE KEITH NEIGHBOURHOOD'S **ACTION PLAN**



ABOUT 14 LOCALS WERE HIRED AND TRAINED IN HOME REPAIR SKILLS BY THRESHOLD. MOST OF WHOM FOUND FULL-TIME WORK AT THE END OF THE SEASON.

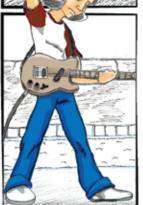
IF YOU NEED SOME HOME REPAIRS, GET IN TOUCH WITH THE NEIGHBOURHOOD HOME IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AND LET'S MAKE STINSON BEAUTIFUL!







FOR THE PAST THREE SUMMERS, SONGWRITER ADAM BENTLEY, ON BEHALF OF THE STINSON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, HAS BEEN HOSTING AN INFORMAL ACOUSTIC AND LIGHTLY AMPLIFIED MUSICAL SERIES, CALLED 'SONGS FROM THE BISHOP', FEATURING HAMILTON ACTS IN THE INTIMATE SETTING OF BISHOP'S PARK, IN THE HEART OF STINSON. THIS YEAR, THE SERIES RETURNS IN JULY FOR FOUR THURSDAY NIGHTS IN A ROW. THERE WILL BE NO ACTS IN AUGUST THIS YEAR, SO YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS ANY OF THESE RARE PERFORMANCES. SO BRING A CHAIR OR BLANKET AND ENJOY SONGS FROM THE BISHOP.





ZOE ON TOUR PT 9: ALL ABOARD THE THE BOOKMOBILE

OH
GOOD! HERE
COMES THE
HAMILTON
PUBLIC
LIBRARY
BOOKMOBILE

IT'S A TRAVELLING LIBRARY ON WHEELS.

> WELCOME SIGHT TO THE STINSON NEIGHBOURHOOD ALL YEAR ROUND,

AND
IT'S WORTH ITS
WEIGHT IN GOLD...
OR SHOULD I SAY
PAPER, AS THERE
ARE OVER 2000
ITEMS ONBOARD!
THAT'S ONE
HEAVY BUS.

YOU CAN
CHOOSE FROM A WIDE
SELECTION OF BOOKS,
COMICS, MAGAZINES AND
MOVIES, AND THE
BOOKMOBILE STAFF ARE
VERY FRIENDLY AND
HELPFUL.



THE
FIRST BOOKMOBILE
STARTED ITS ROUNDS IN
DECEMBER 1956, AND A
SECOND LIBRARY ON
WHEELS WAS ADDED IN
1961 TO DEAL WITH THE
DEMAND.

THE
BOOKMOBILE
PARKS AT THE
WEST CORNER OF
GRANT AVENUE,
SOUTH OF
STINSON
STREET.

IT ARRIVES
EVERY MONDAY AT 6:00
PM AND LEAVES AT
8:00 PM

SO MARK IT ON YOUR CALENDAR! EVERBODY IS
WELCOME AND
ANYONE CAN COME
ABOARD.



FOR KIDS, TEENS

AND ADULTS TO

MEET OTHER

RESIDENTS IN

THE COMMUNITY.

ZOE ON TOUR PT 10: STINZINE ADVERTISING PRICE GUIDE INTRODUCING BUSINESS CARD 2"x3.5" (SCANNED) \$75.00 CREATIVE QUARTER PAGE 2"x5" (YOUR FILE) \$100.00 SERVICES AT GREAT RATES UP TO AN HALF PAGE 4"x5" (YOUR FILE) \$200.00 EXTRA \$100. 8"x5" (YOUR FILE) FULL PAGE \$300.00 NEXT ISSUE: AUGUST IST AD DEADLINE: JULY 3RD adsales@stinsoncommunity.ca

ZOE ON TOUR PT 11A: WALKING WITH MAGGIE - VICTORIA AVENUE

HELLO, ZOE.
WOULD YOU LIKE
TO TAKE A WALK
WITH ME?

SURE, MAGGIE!
WHERE TO?

AT ONE TIME THIS SOUTHERN END OF VICTORIA AVENUE WAS TREE LINED AND QUITE GRAND IN THE TRUE SENSE OF THE TERM. NOW IT IS AN ECLECTIC MIX OF COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS, WHICH ALSO SUPPORT A WIDE MAIN ARTERIAL ROAD THROUGH HAMILTON.



AS WE START THE WALK AT THE SOUTH WEST CORNER, THERE IS CANADIAN TIRE. THIS LOCATION HAS BEEN IN OPERATION SINCE 1934, AND WAS THE FIRST EVER 'ASSOCIATE' STORE TO OPEN OUTSIDE OF THE ORIGINAL IN TORONTO. ALTHOUGH IT COMPETES WITH THE LARGE BIG-BOX TYPE STORES, IT HAS BEEN RECENTLY RENOVATED (ALONG WITH THE GAS BAR OUTSIDE, THAT RETAINS A

RETRO 50'S LOOK), AND IS VERY WELL STOCKED FOR ITS SIZE. OUR NEIGHBOURHOOD WOULD SUFFER IF IT EVER CLOSED.

AS WE WALK SOUTH, WE REACH HUNTER STREET, AND HERE WE CAN SEE THAT VICTORIA AVENUE HAS NOT AGED WELL. IT'S RESIDENTIAL PAST STRUGGLES TO MAINTAIN A PRESENCE, AND ALTHOUGH EACH SIDE OF THE STREET HAS HOUSES THAT ARE BEAUTIFULLY RESTORED, RETAINING THEIR GRACE AND BEAUTY, OTHERS OF THE SAME ERA ARE STRUGGLING TO HOLD ONTO THEIR ORIGINAL ELEGANCE. IT IS NEATLY SLICED IN TWO HERE, WHERE THE OFF-RAMP CURVES IT'S WAY DOWN THE CLAREMONT ACCESS, MERGING TO BECOME A FOUR LANE HIGHWAY.

I CAN IMAGINE THE CHAOS CAUSED WHEN THIS HUGE MEGA-PROJECT FINALLY GOT UNDERWAY. ACCORDING TO A HAMILTON SPECTATOR ARTICLE ON NOVEMBER IST, 1951, THE INITIAL PROPOSALS WERE STILL BEING DEBATED FOR THE CLAREMONT ACCESS, AND THE FINAL ROUTE DOWN THE MOUNTAIN HAD NOT BEEN DECIDED, BUT ULTIMATELY VICTORIA AVENUE WAS CHOSEN OVER WENTWORTH AND JOHN STREET.





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ZOE ON TOUR PT 11B: WALKING WITH MAGGIE - VICTORIA AVENUE



ON THE SOUTH EAST CORNER ARE FOUR LOW RISE APARTMENT BLOCKS THAT NEATLY HIDE A STINSON GEM.

IF YOU LOOK BETWEEN THE BUILDINGS, YOU WILL SEE A GRAND HOUSE THAT WAS AT ONE TIME A BEAUTIFUL FAMILY HOME.

IT WAS BUILT IN 1875 BY JOSEPH LISTER (LISTER BLOCK), BUT AS TIME WENT ON, IT WAS EVENTUALLY SOLD, AND ACCORDING TO A 1922 HAMILTON DIRECTORY, IT WAS LISTED AS WEBBER APARTMENTS. IN 1948, THE HOUSE AND LAND WAS SOLD TO A LOCAL CONTRACTOR WHO BUILT THE PRESENT APARTMENT BUILDINGS, AND THANKFULLY KEPT THE HOUSE. IF YOU GO UP TO THE FRONT DOORS, YOU CAN STILL SEE THE SURVIVING ORIGINAL ORNATE FEATURES, AND FEEL THE SPLENDOUR THIS HOUSE MUST HAVE CONTAINED.



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ZOE ON TOUR PT 12: PBW2 2014 UPDATE - GET READY TO VOTE!



MEETINGS ARE

OVER TIME TO

WRITE THE

PROPOSALS.

BUDGET DELEGATES SUBMIT WRITTEN PROPOSALS FOR CITY STAFF TO VET BEFORE THE EXPO AT THE FARMER'S MARKET, WHERE RESIDENTS SHARE THEIR **PROPOSALS** WITH VOTERS.

THE EXPO WILL BE IN THE WEEK BEFORE THE PBW2 BALLOT VOTE.

THE VOTE WILL TAKE PLACE ONLINE BETWEEN JUNE 23RD AND 29TH. AND VIA BALLOT AT POLLING STATIONS ON THE 28TH AND 29TH.

STILL NEED LOTS OF VOLUNTEERS TO SPREAD THE WORD. FOR MORE INFORMATION ON HOW YOU CAN HELP, VISIT PBWARD2.CA.

DOES YOUR RENTAL PROPERTY NEED MAJOR REPAIRS?

Request For Applications Ontario Renovates Program

The City of Hamilton is providing an opportunity for landlords owning rental properties with affordable rents to undertake necessary repairs. Limited funds are available in 2014 to repair or rehabilitate rental or rooming house properties to a minimum level of health and safety. Modifications for persons with disabilities may also qualify. Applications will be processed on a first come first served basis subject to availability of funds.

Please note: Application submission does not guarantee financial assistance. Work started before funding approval is not eligible.

For full program information including eligibility criteria and funding details, Please call the Housing Services Division at (905) 546-3901 for more information.



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ZOE ON TOUR FINALE: KATHERINE'S KORNER - BORDEOM BUSTERS



THE THREE MOST DREADED WORDS. ANY PARENT HEARS.

LET'S BEGIN WITH THE OBVIOUS: OUR PARKS. WE HAVE THREE: CARTER BISHOP'S, AND THE NEW STINSON LOFTS PARKETTE.

FORTUNATELY. THERE IS NO SHORTAGE OF BOREDOM BUSTERS IN STINSON.

CARTER IS OUR FAVOURITE BECAUSE OF ITS SPACIOUS FIELDS. LARGE TREES SWING SETS AND SPLASH PAD.

NEXT ON MY LIST IS OUR CENTRAL MEMORIAL RECREATION CENTRE. CENTRAL HAS A GYM AND POOL THAT OFFER NUMEROUS LESSONS AND COURSES, SOME EVEN FOR FREE!

HERE.

WHY NOT DUST OFF YOUR BIKE AND STRAP ON YOUR HELMET FOR A BIKE RIDE ALONG OUR RAIL TRAIL?



IF THAT ISN'T ENOUGH TO TUCKER THEM OUT, WE HAVE AN ONTARIO EARLY YEARS CENTRE AT SANFORD AND KING ...

SO THE NEXT TIME YOU HEAR YOUR KIDDOS UTTER THOSE THREE DREADED WORDS ...

...AND A FAMILY LITERACY CENTRE INSIDE QUEEN VICTORIA SCHOOL.

...TIE UP YOUR LACES AND CHECK **OUT ALL THAT** THE STINSON NEIGHBOURHOOD HAS TO OFFER.

FIN

THIRD ANNUAL

Saturday **JUNE 21st 9AM-2PM**

Please register at info@stinsoncommunity.ca with your address to get on our map

LIVING ROCK FOOD BANK

Alan Craig of the Living Rock food bank would like to thank the residents of Stinson who generously donated non-perishables at the Easter Egg Hunt

STINSON

Carter Park Easter Egg Hunt 2014



INTERESTED IN LEADING,
VOLUNTEERING OR MAKING A DONATION
TOWARDS OUR NEIGHBOURHOOD EVENTS?
CONTACT INFO@STINSONCOMMUNITY.CA
FOR MORE INFO. WE ARE OPEN TO YOUR
IDEAS AND SUGGESTIONS



NEXT ISSUE: WHAT I DID THIS SUMMER

Please ask your children if they would like to submit art or stories (Submit before July 1st).

email: stinzine@stinsoncommunity.ca

