

## *Riverview Park May 2024 Newsletter*

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### **RPCA Board Meeting (draft agenda)**

**Date:** Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup> 2024, 6:45 pm

**Location:** Maplewood Retirement Community, 340 Industrial Ave. or via MS Teams using the following link

**Meeting Link:** [RPCA Board Meeting | Microsoft Teams | Meetup-Join](#)

**Board Members:** Jeff Blattman, Craig Cormier, Heather Dunlop, Jonathan Lemieux, Stephanie Lines, Carol McQueen, Kris Nanda, Bryan Orendorff (*Ex-officio*), Lorella Piirik, Wanda Raymond, and Ron Ridley.

**Guests:** Marty Carr

#### **Agenda Items**

1. Call to Order and Declarations of Conflict of Interest (5 mins)
2. Agenda Approval (5 mins)
3. Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting (5 min)
4. Welcome to any guests on the call
5. Councilor's Update
  - a. Marty's Update (15 minutes)
6. Monthly & Special Reports (25 minutes)
  - a. Treasurer's Report
  - b. Communications Report
  - c. Planning and Development Report
  - d. Green Spaces Report

- e. Social Committee Report
  - i. Events for 2024
- f. Membership Report
- 7. President's Report (5 min)
- 8. New & Ongoing Business (10 min)
  - a. Volunteer Ottawa
  - b. AGM planning
- 9. Recap of Action Items and Adjournment (5 min)

Next Meetings: Wednesday June 12 at Maplewood

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**Do you have the**  
*Cutest*  
*Dog or Cat*  
**In Riverview Park?**

Join the Riverview Park Community Association (RPCA)  
in the first Annual Cutest Dog and Cat Contest.

All funds raised go to the Ottawa Humane Society  
Winners to receive a prize donated by Pet Valu (Ottawa Trainyards)

**Voting is now closed!**  
**Winners will be announced**  
**shortly.**

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# Repair Café

Councillor Marty Carr's office is partnering with the Ottawa Tool Library to organize a Repair Café.

Date: May 11th, 2024

Time: 10 am to 2 pm

Place: Jim Durrell Recreation Centre, 1265 Walkley Road

Everyone is welcome to bring items in need of repair.

For those interested in volunteering or to be a Repair Café fixer – you can inquire via the Ottawa Tool Library Website here:

<https://ottawatoolibrary.com/contact/>

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**Nominations are now open! Do you know someone who deserves special recognition for their gifts of time and talent? Submit nominations for the 2024 VOscars Volunteer Awards until June 14 at 5PM.**

Is there an individual or organization in your community who deserves a big pat on the back for making Ottawa a happier, healthier, more caring city? Recognize their volunteer contributions by nominating them for one of Volunteer Ottawa's seven VOscars Volunteer Awards. Online submission forms are now available on the Volunteer Ottawa website and will be open until June 14.

### Awards for Individuals

- Outstanding Youth Volunteer Award
- Outstanding Older Adult Volunteer Award
- Leadership in Skilled Volunteering Award
- Mayor's Award for Volunteer Spirit

### Awards for Organizations

- Leadership in Corporate Volunteerism Award
- Pathways to Possibilities Award
- Outstanding Volunteer Program Award

### Nominate your volunteer here:

<https://volunteerottawa.ca/events/voscars-awards/>

### SAVE THE DATE!

The VOscars Awards Gala is the highlight of the year for Ottawa's volunteers, non-profits and community supporters. This year's event takes place on Thursday, October 24 at the Preston Event Centre. Three finalists in each category will be announced in August and receive a complimentary ticket to the event including entertainment, a full meal with dessert, and the awards ceremony. Watch Volunteer Ottawa's video, "Ottawa's Volunteer Connection", to learn more about how volunteering can make a difference to you and the community!





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DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

"The OCDSB is launching an [elementary program review](#) to look at our programs (English with Core French, Middle French Immersion, Early French Immersion, Alternative, and Ottawa-Carleton Virtual), along with special education and English as a Second Language supports and services, and determine whether the current program model still serves the needs of the community.

"The OCDSB's elementary program model, established over two decades ago, is a complex one with lots of variation in what different schools offer. While there is a wide range of programs available across the District, not all students have access to the same programs at their local school, and some need to travel to schools outside of their community to attend these programs. This has an impact on school enrollment, budget, transportation, and the pathways that families and students choose throughout their education journey."

The OCDSB is looking for input from the public. Please click on the following link for more information and to contribute to their consultation process. <https://engage.ocdsb.ca/elementary-program-review>

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## Photo of the Month



Send us your favourite photo of life in Riverview Park. It doesn't have to be professional; it doesn't have to be elegant. We will post 1 photo (or maybe

more!) each month on our Website. Please include your by-line if you wish to be recognized.

Send your photo and by-line to [Communications@RiverviewParkCa.com](mailto:Communications@RiverviewParkCa.com)



## Free Heat Pumps

If you or someone you know is eligible for the [Energy Affordability Program](https://saveonenergy.ca/en/For-Your-Home/Energy-Affordability-Program/Air-Source-Heat-Pumps) and heat their home with electric heat (e.g., baseboard heaters), explore your options to receive an air source heat pump, complete with installation and warranty.

<https://saveonenergy.ca/en/For-Your-Home/Energy-Affordability-Program/Air-Source-Heat-Pumps>

This deal from Ontario's Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) is too good to pass up!

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## Recycling Tips of the Month

Confused about which bin to put your plastic and garbage in? You are NOT

alone! and it IS confusing.



### **TIP #13 Plastic caps from milk and juice cartons**

If you throw your caps from milk and juice and such cartons loose into the blue bin, they will fall off the conveyer belt and end up in the landfill. Alternatively, after the carton is rinsed, you can replace the cap onto the carton. They will go to Cascades for further sorting and shipping to their final destination.

There is also another alternative for caps. Check out [Earthub Ottawa](#) to keep some of those hard to recycle items out of the landfill. They collect plastic carton caps, egg cartons, mascara wands, plastic bread bag tags and a list of other items.

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### **TIP #14 Tomatoes**

I did not know this until recently but apparently if you leave your tomatoes

outside of the refrigerator, they will be less likely to get a mealy texture. Just a another trick to prevent food waste.



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### **Planning and Development**

Curious about the new and

### **Hazardous Waste Disposal**

Clean out your garage, basement



planned development projects in and around Riverview Park? The monthly Planning and Development Report can be found attached to the [RPCA Board meeting minutes](#).

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or shed from all your summer projects. Check this link for waste drop-off dates and locations: [Hazardous waste disposal events](#)

## **RPCA Board Members 2023-2024**

Please feel free to contact any of the newly elected members of our RPCA Board if you would like to discuss an issue about Riverview Park.

President - Ron Ridley

First Vice President - Vacant

Secretary - Stephanie Lines

Treasurer - Jeff Blattman

Director (Communications) - Heather Dunlop

Director (Planning and Development) - Kris Nanda

Director - Craig Cormier

Director - Lorella Piirik

Director - Wanda Raymond

Director - Carol McQueen

Director - Jonathan Lemieux

*President Ex-officio* - Bryan Orendorff

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## **Join the RPCA - our voices are stronger together!**

The Riverview Park Community Association is your representative and advocate to elected officials and government on community issues. Your \$20 membership in the RPCA helps to strengthen our collective voice on community issues that are important to you and your neighbours.

**Become a member today!**

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