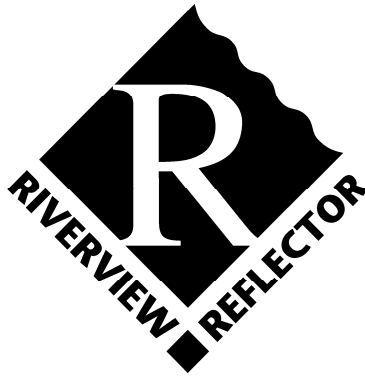


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Contact Lori at 452-0082 or [keith126@shaw.ca](mailto:keith126@shaw.ca) or Craig at 284-2927, 983-0608 or [craig.w.brown@servicecanada.gc.ca](mailto:craig.w.brown@servicecanada.gc.ca) to volunteer to help out with this event.  
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Arlene (our dedicated convenor) has resigned after years of service to RVCC. Your Community Club now needs someone to step forward to take this position. In addition to providing Riverview with a great service, being the soccer convenor also provides a great opportunity to meet others in the community. Your volunteerism will be MUCH appreciated (popularity and admiration have never been easier!). A detailed knowledge of soccer is NOT required; after all, you will not be coaching (unless of course you want to do that as well). This position can also be shared between 2 people (i.e., **be a co-convenor!; half the work but all the status!**)

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**Unfortunately**, time is running out. The club needs to have a convenor in place for the upcoming registrations this spring. Without a convenor, it is likely your children will be playing soccer elsewhere.

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If you have any questions, or would like to discuss the position, or want to take the step and volunteer today, please contact: Tom McMahon (President, RVCC) at: [reflector@shaw.ca](mailto:reflector@shaw.ca).

## Trivia Night

Riverview's 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Trivia Night will be March 14, 2008. Please mark the date in your calendar and start planning your team and your snacks.

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## Cool Jobs in the 'Hood

Adele Martin, South Osborne Nursery School  
submitted by Robin McClure

As chairperson of South Osborne Nursery School, it is my pleasure to see one of our teachers featured in "Cool Jobs in the Hood".

SONS is a small non-profit nursery school that runs out of a classroom at the Ashland School in Riverview. For approximately 30 years, this parent-run cooperative has hired nursery school teachers to provide our children with a gentle introduction to formal education. Although this is only my second year with the school, I have been so impressed by the ability of our teachers to connect with each child in their care and foster social skills and friendships that serve the children well in the years to come. In putting together this article, I asked Adele to share some of her favourite things about SONS, and any advice she would give to someone just embarking on a career as an Early Childhood Educator. Here is what she had to say...

Little did I realize 20 years ago that I was starting my dream job. When I came to the Riverview area I needed a map to guide me. Now I can drive there with my eyes closed. What first attracted me to SONS still remains the best things about teaching there; the space we work in with all that natural light coming in and the small class size. SONS teachers have an opportunity to really get to know their students and tailor their materials to help each and every one develop to their fullest potential. The small classes also allow the children to get to know one another quickly and make lasting friendships. With large classes it is often about crowd control but we have the opportunity to become an important part of our student's lives.

We offer a French exposure class and one of my most vivid memories was on the first day of class a few years back when a little girl with the biggest blue eyes looked up at me as she was painting at the easel and said "I love painting in French!!" How can you not love working in this kind of environment?

One of the best things about working in this field is that every day is a new day and you never know what it will bring. It is a very rewarding job but can also be very challenging. Due to the age of the children we work with many activities need to be planned as they have relatively short attention spans and a boundless amount of energy. If having fun with young children and helping them learn about the world around them all the while being respectful to others around them then becoming an Early Childhood Educator may be the job for you.

In June, Adele will retire from her position with SONS, having taught hundreds of Riverview (and beyond) children. We hope all alumni will join us in recognizing Adele's contributions to the school at a spring retirement function, the details of which will be announced in the March/April Reflector. Anyone interested in helping with the planning of the event or wanting to know more about SONS and Early Childhood Education are welcome to contact me at 582-2282 or [drrm@mts.net](mailto:drrm@mts.net).

## Attention to past Alumni of South Osborne Nursery School

After 20 years of exceptional nurturing of our children, Adele Martin is retiring. We would like to show our gratitude by holding a farewell party in April or May.

At this point we would like to ask you to contact us if your family would be interested in attending the party. We need to get a good estimate of the numbers in order to book an appropriate venue. Once the venue is booked, tickets will be available for a reasonable price.

If you have any pictures of Adele and your children, we are interested in putting together a scrap book and/or power point CD. Your pictures will be returned to you once we make a reproduction. If in digital format, please send to the below email address.

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## Letter to the Editor

To the residents,

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If each home were to make this small change, our community would be so much safer for each of us when walking. It would also make our neighbourhood much less inviting for criminal activity.

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Evelyn Lenchuk

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# What Makes a Neighbourhood Great?

## PART I

During New Year's week, our family joined many other Riverview families at the Maplelag cross-country ski resort in Minnesota. Approximately 50 Riverview residents were there, all with kids in tow (some quite literally on the ski trails). What an absolutely fascinating resort this is: it is all about cross-country skiing, although the extra large hot tub, sauna, steam room and massage therapy are nice extras. No TVs, no video games, but huge space in the main lodge for tea, hot chocolate, cookies, reading and game playing. There is also a patch of ice with a hockey net, and lots of good shinny was played. Many of the families from Riverview have been going for a few years now, during New Year's Day week. This all flows out of the enormously successful jack rabbits cross country ski program that was started a few years ago by Jamie and Allison Giasson, Marc Teillet and Jason Playter (among others). By the way, the cross-country ski trails that you find along Churchill Driveway – they exist due to the volunteer efforts of Jamie and Jason. This is part of what makes a neighbourhood great.

## PART II

Riverview has an amazing hockey program for our relatively small size. This year we are hosting four minor hockey teams, including one girls team; our ice is used for practices by the Churchill High School hockey team; we have a jack rabbits hockey program (a very recreational, skate at home, initiation program); will be hosting the 15th annual Ed "Spider" Mazur 4 x 4 hockey tournament on Feb. 8 and 9; and will be hosting a hockey tournament for 7/8 and 10 year olds on January 24-27. We have posted times where non-hockey skating is welcome – bring the tots! Of course, none of this could happen without amazing volunteers, such as Guido "Mr. Zamboni" Cerasani; Ted "the ice man" Bigelow; Dave "the architect" Kressock; Lori Keith; Craig Brown; Roger Burns; Pat and Brent Fedirchuk; Dan Jackson; Dave McWilliams; and many more. This is part of what makes a neighbourhood great.

## PART III

This last while has been a bit of a challenging time for the Community Centre. Our long-term caretaker resigned, our soccer convenor resigned, the Good Neighbours Group wound up, our long-time super-volunteer Trudy Matthey took on a new role with the Alzheimer Society, among other changes. The Board of Directors has decided that the Community Centre needs to hire a manager to supervise staff, to assist with sports registrations, to assist with the Centre's financial records, among a variety of other duties. We are hopeful that hiring of a new manager will prove to be financially feasible for our small community and that volunteering to the various roles at the Centre will become a less onerous task. In the past while, the Centre has suffered some very unfortunate graffiti. We need your help to ensure that the Centre is a safe and pleasant environment for all kids. Nearly everyone associated with the Centre is a volunteer – we want all Riverview residents to consider themselves volunteers too – if you see incidents at the Centre, please let us know, talk to the Supervisor present or take appropriate action. But most of all, think about filling a position on the Board – our Annual General Meeting is coming up in March and we'd like to see new volunteers. The biggest need we have right now (and I mean RIGHT NOW) is for a soccer convenor. We have a person who is willing to share the role, if we can find another volunteer. If no one steps up, there will not be any soccer registration in March and no Riverview soccer this summer. Also, we need someone to step up to organize the annual spring carnival. If no one comes forward, there will not be a spring carnival, which has always proven to be a big hit with all ages in the community. Please contact me if you can step up in any way to volunteer with the Community Centre – you make this neighbourhood great.

Tom McMahon, President

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## RVCC October/November Meeting Minutes

### **Minutes of the Board of River-view Community Centre Special Meeting, October 29, 2007**

In attendance: Jody Andrews, Quinn Menec, Jim Falloon, Tom McMahon, Carla Chandler, Ted Bigelow, Dana Distasio, Lori Keith

Call to order at 7:40 pm.

#### **President's Report**

Roger Harel called to inform the President that he resigned as the Caretaker of Riverview Community Centre effective today.

Tom suggested it was time to look at hiring a manager and a facilities caretaker.

#### **Discussion**

Directors discussed the need for more staff, in particular, a club manager as well as a facilities caretaker to relieve volunteers of some of the burden of their responsibilities. A manager could handle sports registrations, hall rentals, bookkeeping, funding applications and supervise staff.

Directors discussed the hours of work required at the Centre for a caretaker and a manager. Tom, Jody, Bev and Carla agreed to meet on November 25, 2007 to review finances and work requirements at the Centre to decide if, and how, a manager position is possible.

Tom and Bev are meeting on November 2, 2007 with the President of the GCWCC and Presidents from a number of other Centres that have managers to learn how they fund the position.

Directors discussed who could work, in the short-term, to keep the Centre open. Tom, Bev and Ted agreed to meet with Mike Thompson on October 30<sup>th</sup> to see if he

would be interested and available to work a few hours a day. He would be responsible for opening the Centre in the morning and basic upkeep as directed by the Board.

Ted will speak with ice contractors to find out how much they charge for taking care of other outdoor rinks in the city.

**Next Meeting** November 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

### **Minutes of the Board of River-view Community Centre November 19, 2007**

In attendance: Jody Andrews, Carla Chandler, Tom McMahon, Hugo Bergen, Dayna Destasio, Lori Keith, Jamie Giasson, Bev Suek

Guido Cearsani and Ted Bigelow attended for part of the meeting to update the Board on the hockey appeal and the ice making.

Call to order at 7:45 p.m.

#### Adoption of Agenda

MOTION: the agenda be adopted as presented, moved, seconded, passed unanimously.

#### Adoption of Minutes from Previous Meeting

Minutes from last meeting are not available at this time. Jody will complete minutes and provide for adoption at the next meeting.

#### Reports

##### **President's Report**

Nothing to report at this time.

##### **Vice President's Report**

Bev reported that two replacement supervisors and one new supervisor were hired, primarily for socials. The Club's hours have been

extended during hockey/skating season. It will close at 10 pm starting Nov 24.

The Club has received a grant of \$5000 from Families forward for Parents and Tots, Archery, Cross country skiing, skate exchange, Crafts, and family events. Three events are planned for the next month

The Club has received three free computers from Community Connections. Two computers will be installed in the Centre for public use and one in reserve to replace ones in need of repair..

Mike Thompson, the Centre's interim caretaker, is working 3 – 4 hours per day.

The Centre's skate exchange requires donations of skates.

Bev and Tom met with the GCWCC and Presidents from other Centres on Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> to discuss funding a club manager position. The Valor Centre generates income through an after school program. Earl Grey Centre runs bingos. The Centres with managers reported that, given a year, the manager can generate the equivalent of his/her own salary through increased hall rentals, grant writing and other activities. Bev, Tom, Carla and Jody will meet Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> to discuss if, and how, the Centre can hire a manager.

##### **Treasurer's Report**

Carla reports the Centre has a projected net income of \$23,700 for the year.

This money plus the Caretaker's salary should provide sufficient money to hire a manager and a caretaker.

The Centre's excellent financial situation is thanks in a large part to the Vice-President's grant writing.

Record- and book-keeping for the canteen needs improvement. In particular, Treasurer requires all packing slips from suppliers in order to separate canteen and social expenses.



MOTION: the Treasurer's report be adopted as presented, moved by Jamie, seconded by Hugo and passed unanimously.

### **Building & Grounds**

Ted, Guido and Dave have worked for the past two weeks putting in the ice. Rink one is useable and rink two will be shortly.

Ted cut five keys for the garage – one each for Dave, Guido and himself. The other two were given to Bev.

Dave reported that there is still work remaining to complete garage project. Most materials have been purchased, now we need someone with the time and carpentry skills to complete the work. Tom and Carla requested that all materials be purchased so that the final batch of receipts can be submitted and the "hold-back" portion of the grant can be disbursed.

### **Hockey Report**

Guido reported that the 12 year-old boys team was short two players. Rather than supplying the team with two players, Pembina Trails split the twelve Riverview players between five teams spread throughout the Division. The decision was appealed but the Hockey Association upheld it. Guido asked that the President provide his support. Guido and Dave will inform Tom of the best course of action.

Hockey convenors will post a schedule for the four Riverview teams and Jackrabbits. The Board discussed the needs for public skating in the community, meaning some times on one rink where there are no pucks and no sticks. There was a discussion about whether that would be done by scheduling one of the existing rinks or building a third rink for family recreational skating. How this will be done will be worked out between the Board and the hockey convenors.

The City is requesting a fee-schedule breakdown before it will process Hockey registrations. Dave will provide breakdown.

### **Fund Drive**

Complete for year.

### **Special Events**

Bev reports that three family events are planned for the Centre: Teen Party on Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup>, Art Show & Family Dance on Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> and Breakfast with Santa on Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **Rifle Club**

Club has paid their rent for the year. The City is requesting a change in the relationship between the Club and the Centre with a long-term formal lease. Tom is in discussions with the City.

### **Soccer Report**

The Centre still needs a soccer convenor. Hugo will draft a new job description for posting in the Bugle and Reflector.

### **Basketball Report**

Hugo reports that approximately 100 kids registered in basketball with between \$2000 and \$3000 in revenue.

The twelve year-old girls are undefeated and the boys have only two losses.

GCWCC invited Centres to presentation of an online registration software program. Hugo stated that online registration is useful but difficult to ensure payment. Jamie also suggested that in-person is important so that coaches, kids and parents get to meet.

### **Skiiing**

Jamie reported that 51 kids are registered with \$2530 in fees and \$600 in ski rentals collected. The program will be make money again this year.

The ski club now has 8 registered coaches and two more will complete their course soon.

Jamie will be extending the ski trails to the Canoe Club this winter. Permanent trail signage is being made by a local metal shop.

Jamie asked that people please not walk on the ski trails.

### **New Business**

Carla reports we need to complete the Centre's Annual Return. Tom said we need to remove Nick and Trudy as Directors and add Angela as Secretary.

MOTION: to change Directors moved by Hugo, seconded by Lori and passed unanimously.

Dave reported that the Centre will be receiving \$3000 less in hockey registration fees because there is one less team.

Dave reported that house league hockey teams require new jerseys. Coaches will purchase jerseys and be reimbursed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.

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