

THE GREYSTONE

WINTER 2024



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GCA'S ANNUAL WINTER FUN DAY!

STAY TUNED FOR UPCOMING INFORMATION

Watch our Facebook page and thegreystone.ca for updates.

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THANK YOU

to everyone who helped make our 2023 Block Party a huge success!



Our Stage Entertainment: Emily Quapp, Confucius Institute, DJ C. Sprinkles, Tim Squires, The Scotch Guards and The Banisters. Sound was provided by Rob Tomlinson.

A SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR SPONSORS



Rob Tomlinson Sound



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A MESSAGE FROM YOUR GCA PRESIDENT

Thank you to everyone who has supported the GCA over the last year, purchased memberships, registered in programs, came out to Winter Fun Day, helped with Spring clean-up, and to all those who came out to our Summer's End Block Party. Your support helps the GCA with all of its offerings, including the outdoor rink – which is the best in the city!

Our programs have reached thousands of people in the last year, and this would not be possible without the dedicated efforts of our GCA volunteers. Accordingly, I would like to thank our volunteers for their hard work – we accomplished a lot this year and registered a record number of GCA memberships.

If you are interested in volunteering or supporting the GCA – please reach out.

All the best – and looking forward to another great year.

Dylan Over
President, GCA

WHY PURCHASE A GCA MEMBERSHIP?

GCA memberships are only \$10/family per year and your \$10 helps us plan events in our community for all families. The membership fees support our volunteer rink and events & programming. Thank you for supporting our community and purchasing a membership. We hope to bring more events to Greystone Heights with your continued support.

If you would like to purchase a membership, visit us online at thegreystone.ca. To learn more about our community please contact us at info@thegreystone.ca and one of our hard-working board members will be in touch with you!

GCA MEETINGS



GCA Members are welcome to attend regularly scheduled GCA meetings. Attending GCA meetings is a great way to meet others in your neighbourhood and to learn about what events are being planned for our community. Our board is made up of a diverse group of community members who share in wanting to make Greystone Heights a vibrant place to live, work, and play!

The GCA meets monthly (with the exception of July and August). We will post the meeting schedule on our website.

Please email us at info@thegreystone.ca if you would like to attend and to provide your contact information in the event of changes.

**GREYSTONE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION ACKNOWLEDGES THAT WE ARE ON
TREATY 6 TERRITORY AND THE HOMELAND OF THE MÉTIS.**

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR WARD 8 CITY COUNCILLOR

Hello Neighbours,

I hope everyone is keeping warm and enjoying the start of the winter season. I wanted to give a big thank you to the GCA volunteers who have been preparing indoor and outdoor winter activities for the community.

The end of the years is always a busy time at City Hall. Here are a few updates of the items before City Council:



- Budget Deliberations take place from November 28 – 30, 2023. I have been sharing updates from our Special Budget Meetings that have been taking place throughout the year. These updates, as well as outcomes from budget deliberations, are available at wardeight.ca.
- In the new year, recommendations tied to the Housing Accelerator Fund will be coming forward. These are in response to direction from the federal government about zoning changes needed at the municipal level to be eligible for significant funding tied to affordable housing investment. Keep up to date on this file at saskatoon.ca/housingactionplan.
- I am happy to share that the City, Province and Federal Governments announced funding for transit/Bus Rapid Transit and a new east side leisure centre. This allows the City to begin implementation of the Bus Rapid Transit work that has been in the planning stages for some time. An update report early in the new year will be provided to Council about what to expect for next steps.

I wanted to bring to your attention that updates are taking place for the Collections Calendar for blue, black and green bin pick-up beginning in 2024. Take a look at the calendar to see what these changes look like for you: saskatoon.ca/collectioncalendar.

Don't forget to check out wardeight.ca for our monthly newsletter updates.

Keep in touch,
Sarina Gersher

Advertise with Us!

The GCA offers affordable advertising in the Greystone Heights community.

Email newsletter@thegreystone.ca for more information or to place an advertisement in our newsletter.

WINTER PROGRAMS

A valid Community Association Membership is required to register for GCA programming. Memberships are available for \$10/family **ONLINE ONLY** at thegreystone.ca. Programs may change.

Program Name	Location	Ages	Fee	Dates	Day of the Week	Time	Cancelled Dates
Baseball Skills	Greystone School Gym	7 - 12 Years	\$30	February 14th - March 27th	Wednesdays	6:00 - 7:00PM	February 21st
Multi-level Yoga	Greystone School Gym*	16+ Years	\$65	January 15th - March 18th	Mondays	6:30 - 8:00PM	Jan 22nd & 29th, Feb 19th, Mar 4th
Bollywood Dance Class	Greystone School Gym	13 - 45 Years	\$20	January 11th	Thursday	7:00 - 8:00PM	
What is Community	Greystone School Library	18+ Years	\$15	Jan 15th, Feb 12th & Mar 18th	Mondays	6:30 - 8:00PM	
Hockey Skills	Greystone Rink	7 - 12 Years	\$30	January 14th - February 25th	Sundays	11:00AM - 12:00PM	February 18th
Children Learn to Skate	Greystone Rink	3 - 7 Years	\$35	January 14th - February 27th	Sundays	12:00 - 12:30PM	February 18th
Youth Learn to Skate	Greystone Rink	8 - 15 Years	\$35	January 14th - February 27th	Sundays	12:30 - 1:00PM	February 18th
Hoop Dancing	Greystone School Gym	5+ Years	\$40	February 8th - February 29th	Thursdays	7:00 - 8:00PM	February 22nd
Chinese Dance Class	Greystone School Gym	6 - 12 Years	\$15	March 28th	Thursday	7:00 - 8:00PM	

For the most current information please visit our website, consult our facebook, or contact Tracy at jtriffel@shaw.ca

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

In an effort to ensure that everyone who wants to participate is able to, Cost-as-a-Barrier (financed by the GCA) or KidSport applications are available for anyone facing financial hardships. All inquires are kept confidential. Please contact Tracy at: jtriffel@shaw.ca or visit www.kidsportcanada.ca. Please apply early (especially for Kidsport).

SHARE YOUR IDEAS WITH US!



Do you have a talent that you would like to share with the community? Or maybe you are a certified instructor and have some extra time available during evenings or weekends? The GCA is open to your ideas! We offer weekly programming as well as 1- or 2-day courses.

The GCA is reaching out to community member to see if anyone is interested in offering some new (or old!) programs.

If you are interested, please reach out to Tracy at jtriffel@shaw.ca.

INTERGENERATIONAL MENTOR GROUP

In an extraordinary endeavor to bridge generational gaps and cultivate a thriving community, the Greystone Community Association proudly introduces the Intergenerational Mentor Group!

This unique initiative goes beyond regular education to enhance the lives of Greystone Heights Elementary students. Seniors and elementary kids team up for **Storytelling and Reading Sessions** during school hours, promoting a love for reading through shared stories.

But it doesn't stop there! **Intergenerational Walking Groups** and **Intergenerational Games** provide opportunities for joint activities, boosting both health and friendships.

To appreciate the wisdom of seniors, kids will honor them with awards in after-school sessions. These after-school opportunities are available for children ages 4 - 17.



This visionary project is possible thanks to the support of Affinity Credit Union, showing their dedication to community improvement. The program is inclusive, breaking down barriers like accessibility, transportation, cost, and convenience. Seniors and youth will enjoy monthly connections, building meaningful relationships beyond the classroom.

Events organized by both seniors and youth will create a space for shared experiences and celebrations, highlighting the strength of community bonds. The 'Intergenerational Mentor Group' isn't just a program; it's proof that collaboration can build a community where every generation thrives.

Affinity
Credit Union

Affinity Credit Union is a different kind of financial institution. As a member-owned and democratically-operated co-operative, Affinity is firmly rooted in community and committed to serving the needs of our members across Saskatchewan. Being an Affinity member means you have a financial partner on your side – a team of experts to give you the advice you need for every stage of your life.

By members investing their money with Affinity, they are a part of the economic engine that improves the local economy and in turn, the whole community. By enabling our members and communities to invest in one another, we continue to provide financial advice, products and services in a way that builds a better world for everyone, every day. Members can count on a better way of banking at Affinity Credit Union, allowing everyone to be part of something bigger

If you are interested, please reach out to the Greystone Community Association for more details

ELMWOOD UPDATE



ELMWOOD
Supporting the wholeness of life.

Hello Greystone Heights Community!

Seasons Greetings from the Elmwood Family!

We hope that everyone is enjoying the beautiful fall weather and is having fun preparing for the upcoming Holiday Season! At this time of year when we are reflecting on the past year and giving thanks, Elmwood would like to extend their gratitude for engaging our residents and supporting their transition into the Greystone Heights Community. So, from us, to you, thank you and a very happy Holiday Season.

Elmwood is excited to share that the property at 2920 14th Street is now complete, and possession has taken place. This home has been made possible due to a collaboration between Elmwood, the Ministry of Social Services- Community Living Services Delivery (CLSD) and the Saskatchewan Housing Corporation (SHC). Throughout December, Elmwood will be working to get the home operational which includes all required licensing, set-up of home, recruitment of Team Members and Training and Onboarding. A tentative move-in timeframe is set for mid- late January 2024!

The four residents that will call 2920 14th Street home have visited their new home to see what it looks like and to become familiar with it. As they are very close to moving in, the excitement amongst them is growing! Throughout December and early January, you may see many deliveries taking place as we work to get the home fully set-up.

If you would like more information on Elmwood or the Manor Transition Initiative, we invite you to visit our website elmwoodyxe.ca.

You can also contact Elmwood's Manor Transition Project Specialist, Linda Boyko at lboyko@elmwoodyxe.ca



Still trying to figure out how to deal with your ongoing:

- Headaches and/or neck pain
- Back pain
- Rotator cuff strain
- Tennis elbow
- Hip and knee pain
- Jaw pain
- or Dizziness?

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or call 306.343.7776.

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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



Volunteer With GCA!

Are you looking to make a difference in your community?
 Do you love helping others?
 Would you like to get to know others in your neighborhood?
 There are many ways to be involved with GCA.

Treasurer

- Maintains financial records for the organization
- Completes monthly account reconciliations
- Prepares budge with input from Coordinators
- Prepares year-end report and arranges financial review
- Outgoing treasurer is willing to assist new treasurer during transition

Secretary

- Record meeting minutes and post to online portal
- Prepare agenda for upcoming meetings

Soccer Coordinator

- Work closely with SYSI to implement youth soccer teams in Greystone Heights
- Arrange team supports (coaches, managers, etc.) and necessary equipment
- GCA has traditionally offered outdoor Spring Soccer – the active work for this position is Jan-Mar

Member-at-Large (Communications)

- Manage online communications on Facebook, post information to GCA website, send email communications through registration portal

Please contact info@thegreystone.ca to find out more about volunteering with us!

RINK REPORT

Greetings from the rink crew. Our first attempt to prepare ice started November 2nd, prematurely! Our second attempt was November 20 and we declared good ice for skating on Nov. 30th

Our rink crew is operated by volunteers and I'd like to list the group:

Aaron Gaudet
 Archie Gillies
 Darren Frey
 Dwayne Clark
 Dr. Dylan Olver
 Jonathan Fohse
 Joe Riffel

Kali Terry
 Keenan Eiserman
 Dr. Mark Wahba
 Nick Hughes
 Newell Headstrom
 Trevor Grabowski
 Trevor Blum

Public Skate times are as follows:

Tuesday and Thursday 6:00PM - 8:00PM
 Sunday 1:00PM - 3:00PM

Our lights are controlled by a timer and they turn on around 6pm and off 10:30pm.



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