



Volunteers helping to make our community a better place to live

NEWSLETTER

DPPCA Online Registration opens Aug. 21

A message from your DPPCA Board of Directors

We would just like to thank our Community for your patience and understanding during the closure of the Centre for the renovations.

Also special thanks to our City Councillors for approving the request for the extra funding to complete the City's project.

We would also like to extend our thanks to our Community Partners who have offered us programming space: The Forward Church, Doon Presbyterian Church, Pioneer Public School and now, new for the fall session, Groh Public School.

Expansion info can be found on the City's website:

<https://www.kitchener.ca/en/city-services/doon-s-community-centre-expansion.aspx>

For any Community Association questions you can go to our website www.dppca.ca and use "contact us".

Thanks again for your understanding and patience. - And just to answer an important question in advance – yes the Splash Pad is still included in the new build.

Pam Ritz
Volunteer President

FAMILY OUTREACH PROGRAM

Do you need help in finding resources for you and your family?

We Can Help!

Our goal is to assist children and families to access services they need within their own neighbourhood.



Support available includes:
Food when you run short,
Counselling referral,
Recreation fees,
Transportation



**For assistance please call your worker to schedule a time for you to meet.
519-742-8327 x252**

Fall 2018

*September, October,
November & December*



Doon Pioneer Park Community Centre
519-741-2641

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DPPCA Annual General Meeting

Will be held in October 2018 – date TBD
Visit our website and FB page for updates

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DPPCA 2018 Christmas Miracle Food Hamper Project



Email: AnnualChristmasMiracleProject@gmail.com

Telephone: DPPCommunity Centre (519) 748-2641 or Project Volunteer (519) 589-9637

Our Volunteers are getting things ready for the 2018 Christmas Miracle Food Hamper Project! Each year we plan to deliver healthy food hampers and knitted hats and mitts for children to 50+ families in our community. We do this alongside the Christmas Bureau operated out of the House of Friendship Emergency Food Hamper Program and the community association. We are thankful for the continued support received from area schools, churches, businesses and individuals over the past 35 years. You make this project possible!

Did you know?

- ❖ **\$175.00 WILL PAY FOR A CHRISTMAS FOOD HAMPER FOR A SMALL FAMILY OF 4.** This helps the family cover extra expenses during the Christmas season.
- ❖ **FINANCIAL DONATIONS ARE NEEDED!** Donations received over \$20.00 will receive an income tax receipt from the City of Kitchener. Please make your cheque payable to the "**City of Kitchener**", and deliver it in an envelope addressed to **DPPCA 150 Pioneer Drive, Kitchener ON N2P 2C2** to the Kitchener Public Library location at the Doon Pioneer Park Community during office hours.
- ❖ **NON-PERISHABLE FOOD DONATIONS ARE ALWAYS APPRECIATED.** Donate non-perishable items to our project up until **Wednesday December 19th** by dropping them off at participating centres, area schools, churches and other neighbourhood businesses.
- ❖ **NEW KNITTED HATS AND MITTENS FOR CHILDREN ARE ALSO ACCEPTED.** Most needed are for kids ages 9 – 14. The donation box for these will be at the Pioneer Park Library until Wednesday, December 12th. Send us an email, or call the community centre office to donate new/unused yarn' or to find out how to pick up yarn for volunteer knitters.
- ❖ **The "TOONIE FOR TINS Campaign" helps to pay for the perishable food items.** This project is easy to organize for your club, class or family. If everyone donates \$2.00, it helps to pay for the food purchases of the project.
- ❖ **VOLUNTEERS CAN REGISTER BY EMAIL FROM SEPTEMBER 5TH UNTIL FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14TH.** Registration is limited so sign yourself and your family up early!
 - You can:
 - Join the CM Project Planning Committee!
 - Knit new hats and mitts for the children;
 - Sort out non-perishable donations on Thursday, December 20th at 6:00 pm;
 - Pack a family's hamper on Saturday, December 22nd at 9:00 am;
 - Deliver the hampers on Saturday, December 22nd at 10:30 am.
- ❖ Let us know if your group needs our help to organize their own food hamper project, sponsor a family or run a fundraising event or campaign to raise awareness of the Food Hamper Project in our community.
- ❖ **FAMILIES IN NEED OF A FOOD HAMPER CAN REGISTER AT THE PIONEER PARK FOOD BANK IN NOVEMBER (Date to be determined)** or by contacting the House of Friendship Food Hamper Program at 807 Guelph St, Kitchener, 519-742-5860 (www.christmasbureau.ca). ID for all members in your family, and income information will be required to register.
- ❖ **GOT QUESTIONS?** We can now be reached by Email: AnnualChristmasMiracleProject@gmail.com, or by telephone to the Community Centre (519) 748-2641 or to a Project Volunteer (519) 589-9637.

EXCITING CHANGES AHEAD IN DOON

Long-time residents and newcomers to the neighbourhood recognize the Doon Pioneer Park Community Centre as the heart of this community.

The Doon community is a thriving neighbourhood along the southern edge of Kitchener that is expected to grow in the coming years.

The centre is a neighbourhood hub that brings friends and neighbours together over a game of pickle ball, in fitness classes, through crafts and other activities hosted by the neighbourhood association or at the Doon branch of the Kitchener Public Library.

Beginning in March 2018, the community centre will undergo significant renovations

so that it can continue to deliver programs and services to this growing community.

Residents can look forward to:

- ✓ A large program room
- ✓ A new gymnasium
- ✓ Additional meeting space
- ✓ Spacious lobby and seating area
- ✓ New washroom facilities
- ✓ New splash pad

The community centre will be closed beginning this March (with winter programming wrapping up Saturday, March 3) until the Fall of 2019. Some programs will continue to run at other locations during the construction phase, and the Kitchener Public Library will remain open during the renovations.

Visit www.kitchener.ca/dppccexpansion for regular updates and a full list of available programming. ■





Hello Neighbours,

Throughout the summer some of you may have seen the yellow flex posts located on Doon Village Rd., Thomas Slee Dr. and Robert Ferrie Dr.

These posts are part of our new traffic calming program where by councillors are given four flex posts, plus the speed advisory boards, and can decide where in the ward they would be located.

Based on complaints and safety issues, Doon Village Rd. was chosen for two flex stakes from April until October along with an advisory board, which will be moved to other locations throughout the season.

Although these are not permanent measures, they are intended to disrupt drivers enough to force them to slow down. There have been concerns that drivers will swerve to the right to give way to the stakes and endanger pedestrians or cyclists. I have cycled through the area on Doon Village Rd. and have not had that feeling of discomfort. I believe that a variety of traffic calming measures will help us as a community deal with some, but not all of the speeding on our streets.

As many of you are aware, the Doon Pioneer Park Community Center has been closed since March. During the tender process it was found to be \$1.1 million over what was budgeted.

Through some skillful negotiating by staff and a few minor changes in the building, we were able to bring down this difference enough to appeal to Council to support the difference. At the writing of this newsletter, I am hopeful that a majority of Council will support this so that the construction can start as soon as possible.

Hopefully we will have a brand new community center opening sometime in 2019, along with the new sports fields at Pioneer and Homer Watson and the brand new Pioneer Park Plaza.

Exciting times for Ward 4.

Sincerely,

Councillor Yvonne Fernandes—Ward 4

Jean's Corner

Your Municipal Election - Your Vote Counts!

Monday, October 22, 2018 is municipal Election Day. On this day, you have the opportunity to vote for your Ward Councillor and four Regional Councillors. As we make our choice from the slate of candidates, we ought to reflect on the future needs of Ward 4 and those accomplishments achieved during this past 2014-18 term of office. The elected candidates will be your reps at City Hall and Regional Council. They will determine how property tax dollars are spent. Each year Councillors have the opportunity to advance the needs of the community. To determine which needs deserve budget approval is a big hurdle for your elected representatives. What spending priority does a Councillor give each item in a list of community wants? Here is a simplified sample list - new or upgraded community centres, playgrounds, playing fields, tree planting, property standards, transit, road maintenance, library books, fire protection, police services, emergency services, IT support and staff. At times, a Councillor is required to put the needs of another Ward or the City ahead of those of his or her Ward. Councillors also decide on city by-laws and policies to help residents maintain their community. Being a Councillor is a full-time job.

In the upcoming term, 2018-2022, Councillors are likely to face many financial challenges. June 7 was the provincial election. If the new government follows a tax reducing agenda, there may be a reduction of tax dollars coming from the Province to the City and Region for water, transit, road and housing infrastructure projects. To complete these local projects, City and Regional Councillors will have to stretch your property tax dollars. To avoid a drastic increase in your property tax will be a difficult job for your elected representatives.

As residents of Ward 4, we are fortunate to have community leaders who advocate for recreational programs, trails, trees, community centre expansion, sports fields, heritage resources, clean water, wetland protection, waste watch, library books and programs, safe roads, pedestrian safety, and cycling routes.

When we vote on October 22, we need to ensure we elect Councillors who know how to advocate and budget for the continuation of achievements we have reached so far.

Jean Haalboom

Online Registration Starts August 21 at 8:30 am

The DPPCA is partnering with the City of Kitchener to offer online registration for neighbourhood programs. And it's SO easy!

Register online at www.kitchener.ca/activekitchener.

You will need:

- To create an account or sign into your account
- The barcode(s) for the program(s) you wish to register for
- Visa or MasterCard with valid expiry date

Register In-Person

You can also register in person after August 21st, you can also register at any community centre, City of Kitchener pool or on the 7th floor at City Hall. You will need your ID.

New Refund Policy – starting September 2018

A 100% refund will be given if you withdraw from a program more than seven (7) days before the first day of program. Refunds will only be given in the same form as payment made. Cash refunds over \$20.00 will be refunded by cheque. Please note: If a credit is left on an account, the credit will expire after three (3) years.

NO REFUND will be given if a request to withdraw is made less than seven (7) days prior to the first day of program.

Transfer Policy

Requests to transfer programs must be made prior to the third class taking place and will be based on program availability. Transfers after the third class must be approved at the program supervisor's discretion.

Privacy Policy

Doon Pioneer Park Community Association understands that you value your privacy. Our Association is committed to ensuring the confidentiality and proper use of any personal information you provide is used solely for the administration of DPPCA programs. For further information about the DPPCA Privacy Policy, please contact the DPPCA Secretary through the DPPCC at 519-741-2641.

Registration Information

All programs and schedules can be subject to change in date, time, fee and location. Programs will be cancelled if registration is insufficient. No registration fees for accessibility support workers. **Fee Assistance** is available to those who require it. This must be arranged at least one week prior to registration. For more information, please call the DPPCC at 519-741-2641.

Pick-up policy

Parents and/or caregivers will be granted a 5 minute grace period after class has ended to pick up the children 7 years of age and under from their program. For each 15 minutes or part thereof that a parent or caregiver is late in picking his or her child up, he or she will be required to pay \$5.00. The late fee is payable upon arrival and should be given to the DPPCA staff at location site.

For your information

Out of concern for the health, safety and enjoyment of all users of our services and facilities, the DPPCA will not tolerate smoking, alcohol, drug use or possession thereof, harassment, foul language, slurs or vandalism of any type.

Anyone who commits inappropriate or prohibited behaviour may be asked to leave a program without a refund, at the discretion of the DPPCA, in conjunction with the City of Kitchener's Behaviour-Unacceptable Conduct Policy.

For DPPCA participants' safety and liability purposes, only registered participants are permitted in program rooms during program time. All others are asked to wait in the lobby.

The DPPCA is unable to provide you with an allergy free zone.

If local schools are closed because of weather conditions, all DPPCA programs are automatically cancelled. Be advised that make-up classes will be arranged if possible but refunds will not be given.

Inclusion Services can help!



If you or your child has a disability and requires accommodation to participate, assistance may be available. Requests should be submitted at least **two weeks prior to the program start date** to allow time to coordinate the accommodation. Please call **Inclusion Services staff** at 519-741-2200 ext. 7229 or TTY 1-866-969-9994.

DPPCA PROGRAM INFORMATION

All participants must be the minimum age on the start date of the program. For safety reasons, only registered participants are allowed in programming rooms and no food or beverages are permitted. All others are asked to wait outside. Out of concern for the health, safety and enjoyment of all users of our services and facilities, the DPPCA will not tolerate smoking, alcohol, drug use or possession thereof; violence, harassment, foul language, slurs or vandalism of any type. Patrons breaking the above policies will be asked to leave the facility and may be banned from any further DPPCA activities. The DPPCA also reserves the right to contact the police and/or parents.

PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS

Located at the Forward Church – 600 Doon Village Road

Program Description	Age	Day/Time	Duration	Cost	Activity #
Small Wonders Designed to be the intro class before attending Morning Marvels this program is specifically geared to meet the needs of the younger aged preschool child. Crafts, games and activities are designed to meet development capabilities and emotional needs. Small Wonders offers a smaller staff to child ratio. (Min. 8 Max. 10 participants)	Class 1 2 – 3 yrs.	Mondays 9:30 - 11:30 am No Class Oct. 8 th	Sept. 17 th Dec. 10 th	\$201.00 12 weeks	24787
	Class 2 2 – 3 yrs.	Fridays 9:30 – 11:30 am	Sept. 21 st Dec. 14 th	\$218.00 13 weeks	24786
Morning Marvels A program designed specifically for the child who will be entering into kindergarten. This program is designed to get your child ready for the immersion into the school environment. It is a well-balanced and structured program where children will develop their social, physical, and creative abilities with the use of a variety of activities. Participants must be toilet trained. NOTE: Class 1 is a 2 day program Class 2 is a 1 day program (Min. 11 Max. 14 participants)	Class 1 3 – 5 yrs.	Tuesdays and Thursdays 9:30 am – noon	Sept. 18 th Dec. 13 th	\$416.00 13 weeks	24757
	Class 2 3 – 5 yrs.	Wednesdays 9:30 am – noon	Sept. 19 th Dec. 12 th	\$208.00 13 weeks	24756

Piano Lessons – Ages 6 to 99

Located at the Doon Presbyterian Church – 35 Roos Street

Program Description	Age	Day/Time	Duration	Cost	Activity #
Piano PRIVATE LESSONS Want to learn piano? Learn piano in a private class with our classically trained instructor. Piano will be supplied during the private class. Piano is open to all age groups who want to learn. (1 participant per time frame)	Class 1 Session 1 6 yrs. and up.	Mondays 4:15 – 8:15 pm 30 minute private class No Class Oct. 8 th	Sept. 17 th Oct. 29 th	\$144.00 6 weeks	4:15-4:45 pm 24758
					4:50-5:20 pm 24762
					5:25-5:55 pm 24763
					6:00-6:30 pm 24760
					6:35-7:05 pm 24768
					7:10-7:40 pm 24769
	7:45-8:15 pm 24764				
	Class 1 Session 2 6 yrs. and up.	Mondays 4:15 – 8:15 pm 30 minute private class	Nov. 5 th Dec. 10 th	\$144.00 6 weeks	4:15-4:45 pm 24759
					4:50-5:20 pm 24765
					5:25-5:55 pm 24766
					6:00-6:30 pm 24761
					6:35-7:05 pm 24770
					7:10-7:40 pm 24771
	7:45-8:15 pm 24767				
	Class 2 Session 1 6 yrs. and up.	Tuesdays 4:15 – 8:15 pm 30 minute private class	Sept. 18 th Oct. 23 rd	\$144.00 6 weeks	4:15-4:45 pm 24778
					4:50-5:20 pm 24772
					5:25-5:55 pm 24773
					6:00-6:30 pm 24774
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					4:50-5:20 pm 24779
					5:25-5:55 pm 24781
					6:00-6:30 pm 24782
					6:35-7:05 pm 24783
					7:10-7:40 pm 24784
					7:45-8:15 pm 24785

CHILDREN'S BASKETBALL
Located at the Pioneer Park Public School – 55 Upper Canada Drive

Program Description	Age	Day/Time	Duration	Cost	Activity #
Basketball This program emphasizes skill development, teamwork, sportsmanship and positive participation in a fun and rewarding basketball experience where players can create a bond with the game, while also learning how to be successful away from the court. Participants must wear comfortable clothes and non-marking indoor shoes. Outdoor shoes are not allowed. (Min. 8 Max. 12 participants)	Class 1 4.5 – 7 yrs.	Wednesdays 6:30 – 7:30 pm No Class Oct. 31 st	Sept. 19 th Dec. 12 th	\$39.00 12 weeks	24752
	Class 2 7 – 10 yrs.	Wednesdays 7:30 – 8:30 pm No Class Oct. 31 st	Sept. 19 th Dec. 12 th	\$39.00 12 weeks	24753
	Class 3 5 – 8 yrs.	Thursdays 6:30 – 7:30 pm	Sept. 20 th Dec. 13 th	\$42.00 13 weeks	24754
	Class 4 8 – 11 yrs.	Thursdays 7:30 – 8:30 pm	Sept. 20 th Dec. 13 th	\$42.00 13 weeks	24755

CHILDREN'S SOCCER
Located at the Groh Public School – 225 Thomas Slee Drive

Program Description	Age	Day/Time	Duration	Cost	Activity #
Soccer This program emphasizes skill development, teamwork, sportsmanship and positive participation in a fun and rewarding soccer experience. Participants must wear comfortable clothes and non-marking indoor shoes. Outdoor shoes are not allowed. (Min. 8 Max. 12 participants)	Class 1 3.5 – 5 yrs.	Tuesdays 6:30 – 7:30 pm	Sept. 18 th Dec. 11 th	\$42.00 13 weeks	25275
	Class 2 6 – 8 yrs.	Tuesdays 7:30 – 8:30 pm	Sept. 18 th Dec. 11 th	\$42.00 13 weeks	25276
	Class 3 4 – 6 yrs.	Thursdays 6:30 – 7:30 pm	Sept. 20 th Dec. 13 th	\$42.00 13 weeks	25277
	Class 4 8 – 11 yrs.	Thursdays 7:30 – 8:30 pm	Sept. 20 th Dec. 13 th	\$42.00 13 weeks	25278

ADULT FITNESS
Located at the Groh Public School – 225 Thomas Slee Drive

Program Description	Age	Day/Time	Duration	Cost	Activity #
POUND Fitness Created by two female drummers, the POUND workout fuses cardio interval training with drumming to provide a challenging, heart pumping workout. While certain group fitness classes tend to target particular areas of the body, POUND offers a full body workout and targets common trouble spots. (Min. 12 Max. 25 participants)	16 yrs. and up	Wednesdays 6:30 – 7:30 pm No Class Oct. 31 st	Sept. 12 th Dec. 5 th	\$65.00 13 weeks	25644

ADULT FITNESS CONTINUED

Located at the Groh Public School – 225 Thomas Slee Drive

Program Description	Age	Day/Time	Duration	Cost	Activity #
<p>Cardio Thai Boxing/Stretch Thai Box is a high energy, high impact blend of kicks and punches set to upbeat music. This class is the perfect combination of martial arts, boxing and cardiovascular training. The class will end with a stretching component to leave you energized. (Min. 12 Max. 25 participants)</p>	16 yrs. and up	Wednesdays 7:30 – 8:30 pm No Class Oct. 31 st	Sept. 12 th Dec. 5 th	\$65.00 12 weeks	25646

ADULT YOGA AND TAI CHI

Located at the Doon Presbyterian Church – 35 Roos Street

Program Description	Age	Day/Time	Duration	Cost	Activity #
<p>Tai Chi instructed by Stephen This alternative form of exercise is a combination of soft martial arts and meditation. It is a low impact fitness that improves muscle control, coordination and promotes health. (Min. 12 Max. 19 participants)</p>	16 yrs. and up	Tuesdays 6:00 – 7:00 pm	Sept. 11 th Nov. 27 th	\$60.00 12 weeks	24788
<p>Yoga Beginner instructed by Le Come, relax your mind and body, improve muscle tone, flexibility and circulation. Enjoy the benefits & have fun! Bring your own mat. (Min. 12 Max. 19 participants)</p>	16 yrs. and up	Wednesdays 6:00 – 7:00 pm No Class Oct. 31 st	Sept. 12 th Dec. 5 th	\$60.00 12 weeks	24789
<p>Yoga – Intermediate Level instructed by Le This class will enhance your technique and enjoyment. In order to attend this class, you must have completed the beginner level. Bring your own mat. (Min. 12 Max. 19 participants)</p>	16 yrs. and up	Wednesdays 7:15 – 8:15 pm No Class Oct. 31 st	Sept. 12 th Dec. 5 th	\$60.00 12 weeks	24790

ADULT PROGRAMS AT AREA SCHOOLS

Programs are for ages 16 yrs. and up and cost \$155.00 for the programming year which is September 2018 until April 2019.

Floor Hockey	Tuesdays 8:15 – 10:15 pm	September 11 th	Brigadoon Public School	25280
Competitive Badminton	Wednesdays 8:30 – 10:30 pm	September 12 th	St. Kateri Tekakwitha School	25281
Experienced Competitive Volleyball	Thursdays 8:00 – 10:00 pm	September 13 th	St. Kateri Tekakwitha School	25282



Our **ACTIVENet** registration system is now up and running.

You can register for programs using your email address (no more worrying about a PIN and Family ID).

Find the programs you're looking for easily with its better search function.

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Pioneer Park Library

150 Pioneer Drive
Kitchener, ON, N2P 2C2
519-748-2740

Hours of Operation:

Monday - Thursday 9:00 am - 9:00 pm
Friday 9:00 am - 5:30 pm
Saturday 9:00 am - 5:30 pm

Free Storytimes and more!

From babies to families, join us for stories, songs and more. Watch out for Music for Young Children. Check the *In Touch* magazine or kpl.org website for details.

Registration begins September 10.



NEW! Too cool afterschool Ozobot Evo!

Tuesdays, September 18 - 25

Meet Ozobot Evo the NEW! robots that you can program using colour and lines. Play games or create your own game board!

Registration required.

PA Day: Celebrate Science!

Friday, September 21 @ 10:30 am

Explore all things to do with science in this special program to celebrate Science Literacy Week.

No registration required.

Please see kpl.org for these events --

Playful Tinkering

Little Farm Helpers

Little Athletes

For adults . . .

Euclre and Scrabble

Computer and Tablet Tutors

For Adults

Light-Up Cards (Paper Circuits)

Enhance your paper crafts with electronics that lights up your cards for added fun.

Tuesday, September 25 @ 7:00 pm

Registration required.

Speed Friending Program

Bring a friend, meet new people...Whether you've just left the university or moved to Kitchener, it can be hard to meet new people. This low-key event will be a fun way to form new connections with other local 20/30s. Stick around after to make some unique cards. Feel free to come alone or in a group.

Tuesday, September 25 @ 7:15 pm

Registration required.

Board Game Café

Drop in for an evening of board games and socializing. Have fun playing favourite games, or learn to play a new one.

October: Tuesdays @ 7:00 pm

Drop in! No registration required.

Soft Circuits

Learn how wearable electronics fuse textiles and technology. Simple easy hand sewing techniques will create a soft circuit cuff that glows.

Tuesday, October 9 @ 7:00 pm

Registration required.



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