

FUN IN THE SUN

in Sunset Lakes Developments Communities

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Spring Newsletter 2017

What's happening?

COMMUNITY EVENTS

- **Last Weekend:** *Greely Village Grand Park Opening* was a great success! The day featured entertainment and fun for the whole family - with face painting, radio station LIVE 88.5, games, a live skateboard demo, Ottawa 2017 Swag, and so much more!

This new City of Ottawa Park is located at the corner of Bank St. and Old Prescott Rd., near our Water's Edge Community... Come check it out!

- **June 24th: South Village Community BBQ & Tournament Fun Day**

- **June 30th - 4:00 - 6:00pm: Sunset Lakes Canada Day Community Fun!**

This will include poolside crafts, balloon artist Brad Wood, nail bar and facepainting!

5:30 - Community potluck.

7:00 - Sunset Lakes 1st Canada Day Parade

- Please decorate your bikes, wagons, lawnmowers etc. & enter for a chance to win 1 out of 3 DQ gift cards!

- House Decorating Contest: Deck out your planters, windows, etc. with Canadian pride & enter for a chance to win 1 out of 3 Canadian Tire cards!

7:30-9 - Live Music!

- **June 30th & July 1st: Canada's Capital Slalom Challenge** will be hosting the 23rd annual slalom waterski tournament at both Sunset Lake and Southwood Lake!

- **July 1st - 2:00 - 11:00pm: Celebrating Canada Day at the Greely Community Centre!** There will be food, rides, games, fireworks & fun for all ages!

- **July 2nd:** Judging will happen for Sunset Lakes Parade decorating & Canadian Pride House Decorating Contest! Good luck to all!!

- **July Waterski Wednesdays:** Every Wednesday evening in July will be free waterskiing for all! Beginning Wednesday July 5th, 6pm @ Sunset Lake



FRIENDLY REMINDER

It is in everyone's best interest to **protect** and **conserve** our lakes! Use these *6 simple steps* to create cleaner, healthier lakes:

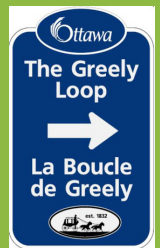
- 1) Use only low nitrogen fertilizers
- 2) No herbicides and pesticides
- 3) Control sedimentation from entering the lakes
- 4) Keep the lakes & surrounding areas garbage & waste free (please pick up after your pets!)
- 5) Preserve shoreline vegetation
- 6) Pump out your septic tank every 3-5 years



THE GREELY LOOP

What is the Loop?

It is a series of linking trails dispersed throughout the Greely Village.



This project is nearly completed - connecting the previously disconnected 20+ Greely neighbourhoods with a safe pathway for both pedestrians and cyclists!

This initiative is all thanks to the Greely Community Association and its Pathways Committee.

For more information on the Greely Loop railway please visit their website:
<http://www.greelycommunity.org/content/greely-loop>

HELPING HANDS

Resident volunteers have been hard at work this spring, with spring clean ups around each community, and preparing the parks, courts, gardens, paths and pool amenities in time for hot & sunny summer weather!

Thanks to the amazing dedication of these volunteers, homeowners can enjoy beautiful & clean communities. While we wait for the weather to catch up to our volunteers, the pools in each community will be open by early June! Hooray!

More resident volunteers are always welcome & needed - contact your Owners Association to see how you can help in your community!

TICK TIPS

As you may have heard, there is an increase in tick bites in Ottawa this spring. Get to know these tips to keep you and your family protected this spring & summer!

Avoiding Ticks:

- Try your best to **avoid areas** with ticks (high grassy and wooded areas)
- **Wear longer clothing items** outdoors such as long sleeve shirts, pants etc.
- **Use insect repellent!** Products with DEET are highly recommended.

Checking for Ticks:

- **Regular tick checks** on your entire body, clothing, outdoor gear & pets is very important.
- **Ticks like warm areas:** check underarms, groin, behind ears, and back of knees
- **Checking your scalp:** comb it with a fine-toothed comb or have someone else check it.

Removing Ticks:

- **Never remove ticks with bare hands;** use fine tipped tweezers, gloves or tissue paper, or tick remover tool if already bitten.
- If found on clothing, remove then put your clothes in the dryer for 1 hour to kill any remaining ticks.

Visit the Canadian Lyme Disease Foundation for more useful prevention & removal information