

## Fall Message from the CHCA

### Join us for our Fall Fun Fest Saturday September 17

It's hard to believe it is already time for the Fall edition of the Clair Hills Connection. We hope you have been enjoying the summer heat. The summer brings many new faces to the neighbourhood and we want to welcome the neighbours that have moved in over the past few months.

The CHCA has gone through some big changes in the last few months. Four friends and dedicated volunteers have moved on from their positions on the board. We want to thank Caitlin and Craig Smith, Jerry Walker and Claire Sage for their hard work and commitment to the neighbourhood. We also want to take this opportunity to welcome two new board members. Anne Paulson and Breanna Swanson have been active CHCA volunteers for the past year and now we look forward to continuing to work with them as they take on new roles.

We are looking forward to our annual Fall Fun Fest- a free BBQ for residents of the Clair Hills Community that will be held on Saturday September 17th from 2-5pm. This event is organized and hosted by CHCA volunteers and is provided free of charge because of the generosity of local businesses who offer cash donations, prizes, volunteer support and advertise in this newsletter. The Fall Fun Fest offers food, fun and entertainment for the whole family. Please plan to join us and RSVP for the event at [www.clair-hills.ca](http://www.clair-hills.ca).

We are always looking for more volunteers to join us. Whether you are able to help out at the Fall Fun Fest or are interested in one of our other roles, we would love to hear from you. Email [volunteer@clair-hills.ca](mailto:volunteer@clair-hills.ca) for more information.

We would like to thank all of our advertisers as well as our dedicated volunteer team for their ongoing support.

Sincerely,  
The Clair Hills Community Association Board of Directors and Volunteers



Fall Fun Fest is Saturday September 17! Join us for fun and entertainment. Read more on page 2.

## Join our Ice Rink Maintenance Team

Email: [rink@clair-hills.ca](mailto:rink@clair-hills.ca)

It is difficult to starting thinking about ice rinks while we have enjoyed such hot temperatures this summer. Last season was a challenge to maintain the St. Moritz Park ice rink as mother nature refused to cooperate with our dedicated rink crew. However, it won't be long before the wind begins to beckon colder climates.

Friends and neighbours will trade their tennis rackets for skates and sticks in anticipation of a thick sheet of ice that will encourage both young and old to share laughter and promote new friendships.

Winter is approaching, and with it those freezing temperatures that will hopefully be perfect for our volunteers (AKA the "Rink Rats") to build and maintain NHL-quality ice.

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## We're very Social

- Connect with us on Twitter and like us on Facebook!





Say Cheese! The hilarious photo booth is back at this year's Fall Fun Fest on September 17.

## Fall Fun Fest: Saturday Sept. 17

### Join us for a FREE BBQ and lots and lots of fun!

The Clair Hills Community Association annual Fall Fun Fest is a free BBQ for residents of the Clair Hills community. Organized and hosted by the volunteers of the association, the Fall Fun Fest offers food, fun and entertainment for the whole family. We are able to provide this event free of charge because of the generosity of local businesses and community supporters who offer cash donations, prizes, volunteer support and in-kind services.

### Date, Location and Time:

*When: Saturday September 17, 2016*

*Location: Edna Staebler P.S. Parking Lot and Gym*

*Time: 2:00pm – 5:00pm*

***Please bring a donation for the FoodBank***



### What participants can expect:

- A free BBQ and drink
- Carnival-style games for various ages
- Carnival food including popcorn and cotton candy
- Raffle with incredible prizes from our community supporters
- Visit from the local fire truck and fire fighters
- Entertainment such as the Nimblebus, train, face painting and photo booth
- Local vendors, businesses and/or services
- Opportunity to meet the CHCA volunteers and their neighbours

*Please note that each Fall Fun Fest is different and not all of the above features may be available each year, and are subject to change at any time.*

### Thank you to all our supporters and volunteers!

Thanks to all our advertisers in this edition of the Clair Hills Connection, as well as any offers of support that came in after printing. If you would like to support the Fall Fun Fest, email [events@clair-hills.ca](mailto:events@clair-hills.ca). We would appreciate volunteers to help with the BBQ and games.

The Fall Fun Fest is generously supported by the following:



**Financial contributions made by:**

Boston Pizza (Erb & Ira Needles), Cowan Insurance Group and Libro Credit Union.



We have many other generous financial contributors who will be added to this list in the coming weeks. We would like to thank those supporters in advance, many of whom are long-time supporters of our event.

**Raffle Prize Contributions made by:**

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## MEET THE CHCA

The Clair Hills Community Association is comprised of a Board of Directors and local volunteers. This group of dedicated residents meet regularly to coordinate events and share important information with the community.

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Anne Paulson  
Breanna Swanson  
Diana Clipsham  
Rob Wallace  
Scott Dougall  
Teresa Martin

### VOLUNTEERS:

**Administrative Coordinator:**  
Lisa Stuart

**Advertising Coordinator:**  
Breanna Swanson

**Communications Coordinator:**  
Krysten Palser

**Neighbourhood Rep Program Coordinator:** Erin Michalski

**Parents Group Coordinator:** Vacant

**Social Media Coordinator:** Vacant

**Web Administrator:** Vacant

**Neighbourhood Reps:** Angela Clancy, Anne Paulson, Breanna Swanson, Dori Mueller, Erin Michalski, Geoffrey Moon, Jaime Harland, Jenny & JP Bhavnani, Kara Botelho, Lisa Stuart, Lyndsey Heng, Margaret Wilton, Paula Rick, Pooneh Ghaffari-Aultman, Tanya Romantsov, Wes Worlsofold

**Volunteers:** Adam Shortt, Andrew Lawrence, Caitlin Smith, Craig Smith, Kara Botelho, Kevin McCarthy, Luke Stuart, Mike Dwyer, and Vicki Dougall

**2016-2017 Ice Rink Volunteers:** Adam Shortt, Craig Smith, Jerry Walker, Kevin McCarthy, Luke Stuart, Mike Davy, Mike Dwyer, Trish Adams, Rob Wallace, Scott Dougall, Tyler Tennant

The association would like to extend a very BIG thank you to all its volunteers for their time and commitment. If you would like to volunteer or attend our meetings, please email:  
[volunteer@clair-hills.ca](mailto:volunteer@clair-hills.ca)



Our dedicated volunteers help with the Fall Fun Fest. From left to right (back): Lindi Van der Watt, Diana Clipsham, Teresa Martin, Lisa Stuart, Rob Wallace, Andrew Lawrence, Margaret Wilton, Luke Stuart. Front: Hanna Van der Watt, Kara Botelho, Breanna Swanson, and Anne Paulson.

## Join Our Volunteer Community

Clair Hills Community Association is a dedicated and fun group of residents who care about each other and the neighbourhood they live in.

### Why should I volunteer with the CHCA?

Volunteering is a great way to get to know your neighbourhood and the people who share it with you. If you're looking to give back to the community, to meet new people, or simply for a fun new experience, we are eager to welcome you to the CHCA. Volunteering is also a great way to build your resume, gain practical experience, and network. Our volunteers receive a special nametag, a volunteer t-shirt and special recognition throughout the year including a volunteer appreciation dinner.

### How much time does it take?

Volunteering takes as much time as you are able to give. The CHCA volunteers meet once a month and hold an Annual General Meeting every Spring.

### What can you help with?

We encourage volunteers to help in areas that interest them, and to build their own roles within the CHCA. We also have specific opportunities, including Social Media Coordinator, Parents Group Coordinator and Web Administrator. Plus, there are seasonal volunteer opportunities including the Ice Rink volunteer role or event specific opportunities such as helping at the Fall Fun Fest.

For more information, email [volunteer@clair-hills.ca](mailto:volunteer@clair-hills.ca)



The Clair Hills Community Association works in partnership with the City of Waterloo as agreed in the terms of their Affiliation Service Agreement.

# Did You Know?

## Fun facts about the Clair Hills Community that will surprise you!

? The location of Bamburg Crescent was originally reserved for an elementary school but was released by the School Board in 1997. About 10 years later, Edna Staebler PS opened up down the road.

? A key objective for the Clair Hills District Plan was retention and protection of environmental features such as the forested area north of Columbia and St Moritz, and the headwaters of the north branch of Clair Creek.

? An errant golf ball analysis was required before Columbia St could be expanded near Waterloo Golf Academy.

? In Spring 2010 the entire CHCA Board resigned, and a new group of community volunteers came together to ensure the CHCA continued its great work.

? In 2011 we were not able to have a Fall Fun Fest due to lack of volunteers. CHCA is always happy for more volunteers if you want to do your part to ensure we never miss a great event again!



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# Complete Our Community Survey and Win a Gift Card

We want to hear your feedback so we can continue to bring you the right information and events that meet your needs.

Please fill out the survey online at our website [www.clair-hills.ca](http://www.clair-hills.ca). If you wish to mail in your response, please fill out the survey below and mail to:

Clair Hills Community Association  
c/o 531 St. Moritz Ave, Waterloo ON N2T 2Z4

**Submissions will be entered into a draw for a Boston Pizza gift card. Submissions must be received by October 15, 2016.**

1. How many people currently live in your household? \_\_\_\_\_

2. How many children, by age, currently live in your household? \_\_\_\_\_

3. How do you hear about our events?

- E-newsletter
- Clair Hills Connection (print newsletter delivered to your door)
- Twitter
- Facebook
- Website
- Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

4. Which CHCA events have you participated in?

- Fall Fun Fest
- Winter Classic
- Spring Clean Up
- Yard Sale
- Waterloo Siskins Game
- I have not attended any CHCA events
- Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

5. What do you like most about CHCA events? \_\_\_\_\_

6. What do you like least about CHCA events? \_\_\_\_\_

7. What can the CHCA do to improve future events? \_\_\_\_\_

8. How often do you visit the public parks in this neighbourhood?

- Extremely often
- Quite often
- Moderately often
- Slightly often
- Not at all often

9. Overall, how safe do you feel in this neighbourhood?

- Extremely safe
- Quite safe
- Moderately safe
- Slightly safe
- Not at all safe

10. Overall, how clean is this neighbourhood?

- Extremely clean
- Quite clean
- Moderately clean
- Slightly clean
- Not at all clean

11. What do you like most about this neighbourhood? \_\_\_\_\_

12. What do you like least about this neighbourhood? \_\_\_\_\_

13. What changes would most improve this neighbourhood? \_\_\_\_\_

If you would like to be entered into the draw for a gift card, please complete the fields below with your contact information. The CHCA will not distribute your contact information and will only use it to contact you if you are selected as the winner.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

*CHCA will not disclose any personal information or personal responses, and will destroy all paper submissions once the results have been compiled with online submissions.*

If you would like to be added to our email distribution list (includes our monthly e-newsletter), please provide your name and email address below. The CHCA will not distribute your contact information.

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**Contact info:**  
<http://vis.wrdsb.ca/>  
 Twitter: @viswrdsb  
 314 Sweet Gale Street  
 Waterloo, ON N2V 0B3  
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Edna Staebler Public School will continue to serve the Clair Hills community with students from Junior Kindergarten through Grade 8.


**Contact info:**  
<https://est.wrdsb.ca/>  
 Twitter: @ednastaeblerps  
 450 Bernay Drive  
 Waterloo, ON N2T 3A3  
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If you are interested in assisting with the rink this winter, we would be pleased to save you a position on our team. The ice rink is supported by the City of Waterloo and maintained by volunteers in our neighbourhood. The CHCA coordinates the required maintenance and actively recruits volunteers.

We look forward to your involvement! Please email [rink@clair-hills.ca](mailto:rink@clair-hills.ca) to join our Ice Rink Maintenance Team.



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