



St. Lawrence Neighbourhood Association Community Meeting

Held on Wednesday, February 23, 2022 from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Hosted on the Zoom Videoconferencing Platform

SLNA President Stewart Linton welcomed all community members and delegates to the February 2022 SLNA Community Meeting. For this meeting we used a respectful and uplifting video Land Acknowledgement which the community members may enjoy:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?app=desktop&v=voXySM-knRc&ab_channel=LocalLoveMagazine

Kevin Jeffers – St. Lawrence Community Recreation Centre

Sharon McMillan introduced our first speaker of the evening, Kevin Jeffers, the Manager of the St. Lawrence Community Recreation Centre. The Centre is now open and almost at full capacity and their goal is to make recreation a part of everybody's life. The Centre is located at 230 The Esplanade and features a barrier-free weight room, a squash court, a beautiful and expansive swimming pool, also offering swimming lessons, and a dance studio, as well as meeting rooms.

The programming is extensive:

Arts & Craft for Early Child

Ballet – Child

Dance – both for Child and Early Child

Piano/Keyboard – Private – for All Ages

Visual Arts for Adults, Older Adults and Child

Camps are available for March Break, Summer and Parks Play TO-Corktown. The Centre is open to community input and welcomes suggestions for additional services.

Fitness

- Cardio/Step/Sculpt Classes – Type C Fitness Membership
- Tai Chi – Adult \$111 – Older Adult \$60
- Yoga – Adult \$167 – Older Adult \$55

General Interest

- Youth Lounge
- Adult Lounge
- Older Adult Programs
- Cards & Games

Sports

- Badminton
- Basketball
- Volleyball
- Soccer
- Pickleball
- Squash – Adult \$8.50 – Older Adult \$4.25 – membership options available

Drop-in Sports – Adult \$4.50 – Older Adult \$2.25

Type C Fitness membership

- Provides access to all Type C locations
- Participants can access Lane Swims (distance swims), Fitness Classes (Aerobics) and Weight Room.

Prime Time – includes all hours of operations

	1 year	6 months	3 months	1 month	Day Pass
Adult	\$275.50	\$146.50	\$82.50	\$48.50	\$13.50
Youth	\$197.00	\$105.00	\$59.50	\$33.00	\$ 9.00
Older Adult	\$137.75	\$ 73.25	\$41.75	\$24.25	\$ 6.75

Non-Prime Time – Monday to Friday prior to 5 p.m.

Adult (no youth or older adult non-prime times prices currently in effect)	\$197.00	\$105.00	\$59.50	\$33.00	\$ 9.00
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SWIMMING

Spring

- Swimming lessons are returning: April 4 start date, with a return to regular sized classes
- Some levels will still be accompanied by a parent (Preschool 1, 2, 3 and Ultra 1, 2,3)
- Splash program has been added in Monday and Friday 4:15 – 5:15 (15 spots)
- Swimming lessons will be Tuesday and Thursday weeknights and Saturday mornings
- Aquafit is Tuesday 9:45 – 10:45, Wednesday and Thursday 8:15 – 9:15 am
- Maximum of up to 24 people per class, we run shallow aquafit only

Summer

- Evening lessons: Tuesday and Thursday for month of July, separate set Tuesday and Thursday for month of August. A nine week session every Wednesday night for July and August.
- Splash will run Monday and Fridays 4:15 – 5:15 (15 spots for July and August)
- High demand in area for lane swim, will run as often as possible

General Information

- Lane swim is up to 6 people per lane for a total of 18 per time slot, which is still 45 minutes – 6 reserves and 12 drop-in spots
- Pre-school swim can now have up to 24 people per session, no reservation required
- Leisure swim can have 75 people – no reservation required.

Swimming Schedule

Please contact the Centre for the exact Swimming Schedule at 416-392-1347.

<https://www.toronto.ca/data/parks/funguide/listings.html#%20>

Sergeant Henry Dyck – 51 Division – Neighbourhood Community Officer Program

The Neighbourhood Community Officer Program provides neighbourhood officers specific to various areas all over the City, and our neighbourhood is very lucky in having neighbourhood officers for its entire division. The newest group of officers we have added is what we call the Waterfront Neighbourhood Officers, and the waterfront covers the St. Lawrence area. We want to hear from the community members what they believe are the most important issues to

address in their neighbourhood, to make the community areas a better place to live, work and play for everyone. The assigned officers work exclusively in our area, trying to get to know and build trust with the community in order to assist in developing solutions to any existing problems. There are four officers, dedicated solely to our neighbourhood. 2 are working at any given time, 7 days on and 7 days off. If there are quality of life issues in the neighbourhood, feel free to reach out to them. If there is a recurring problem or if there is an event that you feel they should attend, please contact us at waterfront@torontopolice.on.ca This email reaches the four neighbourhood officers on duty as well as Sergeant Dyck and his boss.

The two officers present reported that they have been on the job now for the last nine months, and invited community members to flag them down and talk to them, they are often on their bikes, weather permitting. They have not been quite as visible as usual over the last little while, partly due to being pulled out to work on the convoy protest. Sergeant Dyck also stressed that they have been working on a special project over the last 7 days to address an increase in break and enters in the community's commercial businesses. In order to target that problem they took the initiative to be visible every single night over the last week with the happy result of no further break and enters during that period. Sergeant Dyck stressed that this kind of dedication on behalf of the officers led to bringing an upward trend down to zero.

Sergeant Dyck also reported that there will be quarterly Community Meetings, with the first one being held on March 3 at 6 p.m. This will still be a zoom meeting, but he is hopeful that the next one on June 3 will be a face-to-face one again.

<http://cplc-51division.blogspot.com/2022/02/march-quarterly-community-meetings-in.html>

Stewart Linton asked if there are any services available that relate directly to building security and Sergeant Dyck responded that indeed they would be happy to discuss any issues with the Property Manager, and with Security personnel, if available. They are able to make a security assessment and provide assistance in this regard. An email from the Property Manager to the waterfront email listed above will get the ball rolling.

Community Updates – Stewart Linton

President Linton reported on the unique way the TTC is celebrating Black History month:

- 8 artists selected from the City's StreetARToronto (START) program
4 wrapped buses, 2 wrapped street cars, print ads and social media
- Part of ArtworxTO: Toronto Year of Public Art 2021-2022

Routes: 501 Queen; 505 Dundas; 32 Eglinton West; 35 Jane; 36 Finch West; 54 Lawrence West; 102 Markham Road

Communities: Lakeshore Blvd; Beaches; Landsdowne Underpass

- Take and share photos
- #BHMxTTC
- Ttc.ca/BHM

The eight artists are from the Star program, 6 are from Toronto and all of them live and work in Toronto. Their names are as follows:

- Leyland Adams
- Evond 'Mediah' Blake
- Jessey 'Phade' Pacho
- Elicser Elliott
- Jacquie Comrie
- Adrian Hayles
- Leone McComas
- Curtia Wright

The list below is simply a line from each of their bios, showing very clearly what informs their art and how some have used that to change their lives.

- Works with CNIB to make murals accessible
- Inspired by avionics, mechanical engineering, schematics
- Colour psychology; colour – the universal language of emotions
- Integral part of Toronto's street art community for two decades
- Painted buildings, city blocks; designed video games, TV shows
- Murals uplift communities with focus on hope and transformation
- Overcame homelessness with craft; manages artists' teams
- Narratives focus on black peoples of the African diaspora

If you are out and about there are five installments you will enjoy viewing:

- Leyland Adams (Nelson Mandela) – 147 George Street
- Jacquie Comrie (Birth of Light) – 291 Lakeshore Blvd. East
- Elicser Elliott (Summer Wishes) 685 Queen Street East
- Adrian Hayles (Young Love Murals) 423 Yonge at Gerrard
- Curtia Wright (Love Park) Queen's Quay West at York

Waterfront Toronto – selected the partners for Quayside Development

Dream Unlimited and Great Gulf

- 800 +affordable housing units
- Public spaces: 2 acre forest; urban farm
- One of Canada’s largest residential mass timber buildings
- Multi-use arts venue
- World-class architecture; all electric, zero carbon community

Indigenous Involvement

waterfronttoronto.ca/projects/quayside

The next meeting is our AGM and will be held on Wednesday, March 30, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.