

April 1992

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Residences: 4,327

ASSOCIATION COMMUNAUTAIRE



FALLINGBROOK

COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

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Fallingbrook Community Association

Annual General Meeting

Tuesday April 28 at 7:30 p.m.

Sir Wilfred Laurier secondary School

Guest Speakers: Regional Chairman Peter Clark and Cumberland mayor Brian Coburn

Association Communautaire Fallingbrook

Assemblée générale annuelle

mardi le 28 avril, 19 h 30

à l'école Sir Wilfred Laurier

Invités: Peter Clark, Président Régional et Brian Coburn, maire de Cumberland



LOEB IGA

FALLINGBROOK

**Fallingbrook Loeb IGA Presents
A Ray Friel Recreation Centre Update**

Upcoming Ray Friel Fund Raising Events

MAY 2, Black & White Bowling Night

MAY 9, Green Day BBQ

MAY 20, Festival Cumberland Golf Tournament

MAY 28, A TASTE OF SUMMER '92

Fashion show

MAY 31, Canadian Airlines International

5 K & 10 K Fun Run

**FOR MORE INFORMATION ON ANY OF THESE GREAT
EVENTS, PLEASE CALL PAM AT 830-6217 DURING
THE DAY OR EVENINGS AT 837-7836**

President's Report

Just as Fallingbrook has changed over the last few years from a new development to an established community, so too has the Fallingbrook Community Association evolved. At first we lobbied for basics like parks and express buses, now we operate rinks, host all-candidates meetings, and run events like Canada Day.

The executive of the association tries to stay informed of events in our municipality, and in turn to keep the readers of our newsletter informed, although with an all-volunteer organization things can fall through the cracks. We have an excellent rapport with our elected officials and try to keep them aware of what we perceive are the concerns of the residents. Cumberland Township is run by an excellent group of staff and councillors and operates with less staff per capita than most other municipalities, and yet they seem to be able to do a better job of it.

Our community is full of hundreds of volunteers who give us all the extras that make Fallingbrook an outstanding place to live. We have rink volunteers, fun-run organizers, Neighbourhood Watch captains, Canada Day organizers, people who sit on innumerable committees, scout and guide leaders, sports coaches, service organizations, church volunteers, charity canvassers, Block Parents, PTA's, parents who supervise school bus loading.... Thanks to all of you who contribute to our community.

David Villeneuve, future past-president.

Fallingbrook Community Association Membership Drive

Our community association is supported largely by the \$7 membership fees paid by most families in Fallingbrook. This money supports such things as this newsletter, the July 1 celebration, public meetings, Neighbourhood Watch, Ray Friel Center fundraising, adult evening sports....

If you wish to become a member, please drop off your \$7 (either in cash or a cheque payable to the Fallingbrook Community Association) at one of these addresses:

- ☛ 1613 Proulx Drive (inside Apollo)
- ☛ 623 Glenside Terrace (off Falwyn)
- ☛ 516 Harrowsmith (off Gardenway)

Fallingbrook Community Association Membership

Name: _____

Address: _____

Subsidized Housing

The Cumberland Housing Corporation attempted to hold an information meeting in March to show plans for a 40 unit subsidized housing development near Charlemagne and Princess Louise. Unfortunately some of the 200 people who showed up were so angry that very little was shown.

The people, from streets near the development, were angry because they had not been informed of the development. They were told that the project is going ahead despite their objections, since all legal requirements have been met. In particular that piece of land had been zoned R4A (for townhouse type homes) for years, and subsidized housing fits that zoning.

The Cumberland Housing Corporation only heard that they would receive funding for the 40 units late in 1991, and so there was very little time to inform people. They required a site which had services in place (water, sewer, electricity). They expect to begin construction of the houses this summer. Most of the people who will fill the 24 subsidized units already live in Cumberland, and some live in Fallingbrook. The rest of the units will go at full market value.

While we must accept this development as a fait accompli, we urge the Township to try to identify future sites well in advance, and to try to keep homebuyers aware of what the adjoining development will consist of.

What was not mentioned at the meeting was that the larger adjoining piece of land received site plan approval last November for Co-op d'Habitation d'Est, about 60 block townhouses structured as a co-op. Councillor Frank Stacey believes that this development will likely not proceed because the developer did not receive funding, however legally it can proceed. In the meantime the Township is considering rezoning this land to a slightly

lower density.

Bottriell Traffic Light

The Region seems to be having great difficulty in programming the new traffic light on Charlemagne at Bottriell (north). Chris Baird of the Township's Works Department, who lives very close to the light, is always asking the Region to correct the timing. Each time they agree on a reasonable program for the cycles, but then the Region puts in a surprise which messes it up. In the latest move, they tried to synchronize it with the lights on Tenth Line Road, when it seems technically impossible to synchronize three lights in a row on Hwy 17!

The major reason for these traffic light being there is to make it possible for pedestrians to cross Charlemagne. So when you turn right on a red light, please stop to make sure that there are no pedestrians crossing with the green light. You are in fact required by law to stop.

Speed Limit on Charlemagne

Councillor Fern Casey feels very strongly that the speed limit on Charlemagne is too high, and asked Council to reduce it from 60 to 50 kmph. She is concerned about the safety of children crossing Charlemagne. Council voted against the speed decrease, partly because they had just increased the speed the year before on the advice of traffic engineers.

There will be a traffic study done this year on the issue of pedestrian crossing, particularly near St Francis of Assisi School. We hope that they will be able to come up with measures to make crossing safer for our children.

Auditor Needed

We are looking for an auditor to examine the books of the community association before our annual general meeting. There are about 100 transactions, and our books are fairly neat. Please contact Barry Bowden at 824-0082 if you can volunteer your time.

Editor Needed for Newsletter

We need an associate editor to assist the editor of the Fallingbrook Newsletter. Duties include nagging people to submit material, helping with the pasting of the material, and dealing with Canada Post. Contact George Blake at 837-1695.

Fallingbrook Garage Sale

The annual Fallingbrook garage sale is set for Saturday May 23. As usual, we will advertise the event in the media. Each resident may participate simply by setting up their wares on their driveway on that day.

Annual General Meeting

The annual meeting of the Fallingbrook Community Association will take place on Tuesday April 28 at 7:30 pm in the cafeteria of Sir Wilfrid Laurier Secondary School on Tenth Line Road. Speakers will include Regional Chairman Peter Clark and Cumberland Mayor Brian Coburn.

Directors for the next year will be elected. For nominations of Directors, please contact Dick Lewis at 824-5563.



Second CBE School

The CBE staff received rather negative reaction to their proposal that the second CBE school in Fallingbrook should be French immersion only, and that all Cumberland children in grades 7 and 8 should go to the two Fallingbrook schools.

The CBE will now do a study of how many children truly want to attend French immersion, and will lay out the possible options for school programs and boundaries. This may make a 1993 opening unlikely, even if the board should decide to go ahead with bridge financing.

Many parents are angry that their children must now be bused out of Fallingbrook, and are demanding "community schools". Until we get a second school, that is impossible because there are 1,100 CBE elementary school children in Fallingbrook, but Fallingbrook Community Elementary School has a capacity of only about 700. It is only a question of which children are bused to other schools, because some of them must.

Tobogganing at Tenth Line Hill

Barry Townsend, the engineer in charge of the Tenth Line construction, has agreed to modify the toboggan hill on Tenth Line Hill to make it safer. They will cut a swail to direct the kids down towards the water management area at the bottom, and will construct a 4 foot high berm near the road at the point where the kids currently can get too close.

At the same time they are preparing a second landscaping plan which will include much more vegetation in the whole project, in anticipation of a new Green policy from the RMOC.

David Villeneuve

Recreation

Now that we are all in great shape thanks to the skiing, skating and all this season's extra snow shovelling, we can look forward to some great summer events:

THE 3rd ANNUAL Canadian Airlines International FRIEL DAY 5K & 10K FUN RUN

**Sunday May 31, 1992 4:30 pm
Ray Friel Centre**

FRIEL DAY 92 is a fun filled and fundraising day in support of the new Ray Friel Recreation Centre. At 4:30 p.m. the gun sounds for the start of the third Annual Canadian Airlines International 5K and 10K Fun Run. The event starts and finishes at the site of the new Ray Friel Centre next to Sir Wilfred Laurier High School on the 10th Line road in Fallingbrook. The traffic controlled course winds through most of our community parks.

FRIEL DAY 92, organized by the Fallingbrook Recreation Committee and local residents, will also be Festival Cumberland's wrapup day. As such, the Township of Cumberland will graciously offer an open house to the Ray Friel Centre's new Oasis Pool.

Participants will enjoy:

- o Official race T-shirt.
- o Showers, Change rooms and washroom facilities in the Ray Friel Centre's Oasis Pool.
- o A BBQ, courtesy of the Fallingbrook IGA, and pizza stand, courtesy of East Side Mario's will follow along with the presentation of awards. Free pizza and drinks to the runners.
- o To help cool down, the participants can also dive into the new Ray Friel Centre Oasis pool courtesy of the Township of Cumberland.
- o Door Prizes donated by area businesses.

Trophies will be presented to overall winners in both men's and women's. Medals will be awarded for first, second and third in the following categories:

Men's & women's under 15, 15-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50 and over.

**For further info, call the ray Friel HOTLINE: 834-1334 or call Co-Chairmen:
Paul Pelletier 824-9992 or John Taylor 835-2448**

To enter, pick up the form at the Town Hall, the Ray Friel Centre or local sports stores.

Fallingbrook Canada Day 1992

The 1992 Fallingbrook Canada Day celebrations will be bigger and better this year. We are planning numerous events to observe the 125th anniversary of our country and it will be a milestone to look back on with great pride.

You are no doubt wondering why you are reading about Canada Day while there is still snow on the ground! The Canada Day party will be moving to a new location this year. Canada Day 92 will take place around the new Ray Friel centre complex on the Tenth Line. This location will provide us with more room to stage all the events we have planned. The other reason for talking about July 1st at this early date is that we are looking for community input and volunteers for the big day.

Some of the items on our agenda for this year include an all new children's concert during the afternoon, numerous amusement rides, a band concert during the evening featuring one of our popular local entertainers, and the ever popular fireworks display at dusk. There are many other attractions planned and they will be announced in the months to come.

If you would like to get involved this year, please give me a call at 837-6160. We can use a large number of volunteers for our Canada Day 92.

Dave Berry
Fallingbrook Canada Day Committee



Super Saturday - June 27th Fallingbrook Park

The Fallingbrook Recreation Committee, in cooperation with the Orleans Men's Competitive Lob Ball League is organising a family day tournament for all their players on Saturday June 27th. The action takes place from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm. A BBQ and special events of great interest to all Fallingbrook residents are planned throughout the early afternoon.

The RCMP we will be at the park with several displays. On hand for photo opportunities for the children will be a couple members of the **Musical Ride troupe** with their horses. We will also have demonstrating for us the RCMP **canine squad** showing the finer of points criminal apprehension. The RCMP **Motocross** team will be on site along with the **bomb squad** and their special **robot** - hopefully he will throw a few pitches! For the aerial portion of the day, the RCMP **helicopter** should be on hand along with the Canadian Airlines International Hot Air **Balloon** offering tethered rides. All proceeds from the BBQ, once again courtesy of Fallingbrook's LOEB IGA, will go towards the Ray Friel Centre.

Super Saturday will be a great day at the ball park!

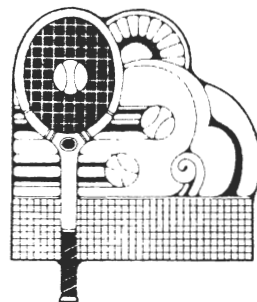
Tennis Club News

Our 3 new tennis courts at the Gardenway Park (off Arc-en-Ciel and behind Ecole Jeanne Sauve) will be open this summer for the first time. Rather than simply having ad-hoc tennis games going, we will merge the organisation of the courts into a club in conjunction with the Queenswood Heights Tennis Club (QHTC). Players joining the QHTC/Fallingbrook club will share in their ability to reserve at either of the 3 urban tennis facilities:

Gardenway Park (3 courts)
Kinsella Park (4 courts on Prestwick)
Centennial Park (3 Har-Tru courts on Amiens).

Members will share in the special tennis events and programs such as:

- o Round-robin matches for beginners to advanced
- o Ladies Day
- o Junior Programs
- o Interclub matches
- o National Capital Tennis Association league matches
- o Club Championship

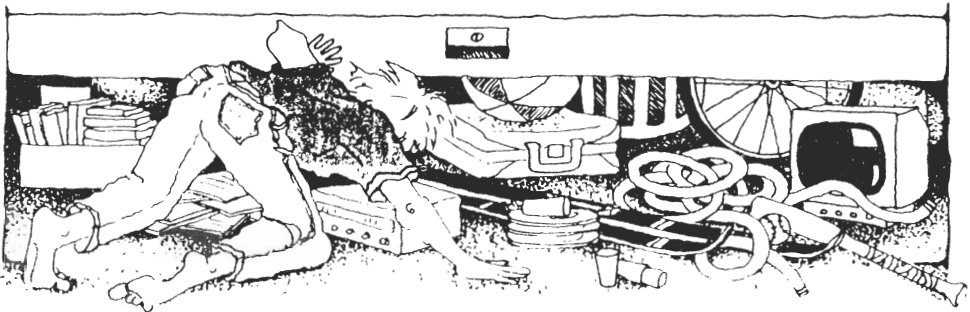


Registration Day will be Saturday, April 25th from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. at the Gardenway Park. If members can't make that day, memberships can be obtained at the **Queenswood Heights Community Centre** Monday to Thursday from 6:15 to 9:15 or from the **Gardenway Park court supervisor** starting May 1.

FALLINGBROOK COMMUNITY

Spring GARAGE SALE

Our annual community garage sale is scheduled for **Saturday May 23**, rain or shine. This is a great opportunity for everyone to put out their stuff (in their own driveway) on the same day. As usual, we will be advertising the event in the media. For added benefit, residents are encouraged to place signs as well.



To help pay for court supervision and for the lighting, the club charges a reasonable fee:

On registration day

After April 25

\$35	1st adult	\$40
\$30	2nd adult	\$35
\$15	per child	\$15
\$95	family max.	\$100

* family max. applies to 2 adults (over 16) and any under 17 children.

Two Gardenway residents have kindly volunteered to help with the Gardenway courts. **Alain Godin** at 837-7521 will be the **court manager**. **Helping out** will be Mike Saucier at 830-0522. If you are interested in helping them out, please give Alain or Mike a call.

Tennis Supervisors: We are looking for summer students 18 years old and over with some tennis knowledge to supervise the courts. Anyone interested should leave a brief resume at the Q.H. Community Centre as soon as possible.

Tennis Instruction for The Kids:

Tennis instruction for children aged 6 to 13 will be offered at the Fallingbrook Park tennis court (inside the hockey rink boards). The lessons will go rain or shine. An instructor with 10 years experience has booked the Fallingbrook school gym in the event of rain. The lessons will run for 4 Saturdays for 1 hour each. There will be three 1 hour times to pick from: either 9 to 10, 10 to 11 or 11 to 12.

The first set of lessons will be the following 4 Saturdays in May: the 2nd, 9th, 23rd and 30th.

The second set of lessons will be the following 4 Saturdays in June: the 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th. The fee for each set of four 1 hour lessons is \$20.

To register, call the instructor at 824-0530.

Miscellaneous Recreation News

The **Ray Friel Centre** official opening is scheduled for April 16th. This includes the Wave equipment. The Cumberland Communique will keep you posted on all the details.

Please keep July 1 reserved for **Fallingbrook's Canada Day** bash. This year's big attractions include children's entertainer Suzanne Pinel, the Bobby Lalonde Band in the evening and 5 days of great quality rides for all ages. Our site will be the Ray Friel Centre.

Until the next newsletter, cheers,



Paul Pelletier

Chairman, Fallingbrook Recreation Committee

Neighborhood Watch

Lets stop inviting crime into our Community - Some Preventative Measures

Car vandalism and residential break-and-enters are two of the main contributing factors to the ever increasing crime in our Community.

We often tend to play a passive, reactive role in the prevention of these crimes rather than taking a proactive approach. Why don't we try to prevent some of these incidents from occurring? If we take a few simple steps towards preventing these crimes rather than inviting people to invade our property, we are on the right track.

Garage doors are constantly being left open. Consequently, this gives the intruder an excellent opportunity to view your property. It is also an easy access to your home. What better way to break into a house than through the door from the garage. The culprit can do their dirty work inside the garage without the eyes of YOUR neighbours watching. Keep both your garage door, as well as the door from your garage to your house locked. It is an excellent deterrent!!!

Now that spring is quickly approaching it is time to clean out your garage. You may find there actually IS room for your vehicle!!! If your vehicle is inside your garage it will no longer be a target of theft or vandalism.

Don't keep articles in your vehicle, at least not where they are in view. If you must leave valuables in your car, put them in the trunk or under the seat. Don't make your vehicle a place for culprits to window shop.

Always keep your car keys with you. Do not leave them in your coat pocket, unattended, while at a social event. It is an easy way for a thief to gain access to your car in only a few minutes.

Vehicles and homes unavoidably are targets of crime because they are often left unattended. Let's try to avoid some of these senseless crimes from occurring by making our property less enticing.

Constable Madeline Hill
Rockland OPP - Community Services Department

**FALLINGBROOK
NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH**

Fallingbrook Statistics 1 Feb - 9 Mar '92

Break and Enter

09 Feb 92	Princess Louise	Attempted Break and Enter
10 Feb 92	Princess Louise	Attempted Break and Enter
02 Mar 92	Gardenway	Break and Enter - Garage Door

Thefts

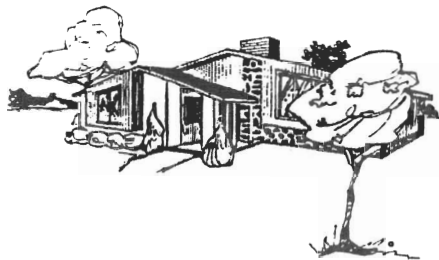
18 Feb 92	Deancourt	Theft from motor vehicle (stereo)
19 Feb 92	Deancourt	Theft from motor vehicle
21 Feb 92	Valade	Recovered stolen vehicle (suspect caught)
23 Feb 92	Gardenway	Theft of motor vehicle
26 Feb 92	Rougemount	Theft of windows
26 Feb 92	Rougemount	Theft of lumber

Mischief

Business sector (Fallingbrook Mall)



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