

QUINT ESSENTIALS

Quint Development Corporation

... working to improve the social & economic well-being of Saskatoon's five core neighbourhoods

Spring 2004



Greetings! We hope that everyone is enjoying spring and looking forward to the long summer days ahead. We also hope that you find some useful information in this issue, including our "Program Updates" and the announcement of Quint's Annual Meeting in June. There is a lot going on in the community with the end of the school year approaching and summer programs beginning.

Check out the "Community Events" on page 2 to see what is going on in our neighbourhood.

If you have any questions, or want to get involved with Quint, feel free to call us at 978-4041.

100th House!



In October of 2003, Quint's Affordable Housing Program bought the 100th house through the Neighbourhood Home Ownership Program. This house has an interesting history, as do so many houses in the core neighbourhoods. The house was built in 1930 and stayed in the same family for many years. The last owner grew up in the house, and later raised her own children there. It was very important to her to sell the house to a family that planned on staying in the community.

Ranya, a member of the Heart Housing Co-op, took possession of her new home in October. Before she moved into her house she lived in a two-bedroom apartment with her children. There wasn't a yard to play in and the kids didn't have room to play. "I am amazed and grateful to have a house." Now her children have their own rooms and a large yard to play in.

The milestone of the 100th house is not just about the purchase of a building. More importantly, it marks the investment in family and community. We are still looking for families for the Affordable Housing Program. Please call us at 978-4041 if you have any questions.

Another fourteen families take title to their homes

The Neighbourhood Home Ownership Program started in 1996. Since then, 20 families have assumed title to their homes. This year marks a record in the history of Quint with 14 families now assuming their mortgages. Patti Starzinski from the Good Neighbour Co-op took title of her home in April. "I was nervous when I first went into St. Mary's Credit Union. But with the support from my Co-op and the staff at Quint, I felt confident I would be able to handle it."

Patti is a single mom and works at the neighbourhood school. When looking back on the past five years, she says that time went by fast. She takes a lot of pride in being a home owner. "I'm very proud that I could do it and lasted the five years and I did it by myself. Now I have a place to call my own."

Quint would like to congratulate all the Co-op members that have completed their journey as Co-op members and wish them success as homeowners in the community.

INSIDE...

Community Events	2
Program Updates	3
Community Food Store	4
Core Neighbourhoods At Work	5
Quint Annual Meeting	6

QUINT'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Jacqui Barclay - *Chairperson*

Randy Schurman - *ViceChair*

Virginia Regier - *Secretary*

Anne Hardy - *Treasurer*

Michelle Turner

Don Kossick

Liz Isbister

Tanis Talbot

Penny Hurton - *Pleasant Hill Rep.*

Yvonne Boyd - *Riversdale Rep.*

Darcy Bridges - *King George Rep.*

Ed Hilchey - *Caswell Hill Rep.*

QUINT'S STAFF

Len Usiskin, *Manager*

Jim Clarke, *Youth Lodge/Bus Dev't*

Margaret MacSorley, *Admin Supervisor*

Toni Brace, *Accounting*

Erin Collier, *Community Outreach*

Norma Bovill, *Administrative Assistant*

Affordable Housing

Laverne Szejvolt, *Housing/Assistant Mgr*

Mike Keeling, *Housing Development*

Julie Untereiner, *Housing Co-ordinator*

Kathryn Manley, *Housing Co-ordinator*

Fred Khonje, *Housing Co-ordinator*

Rob Wiebe, *Renovation Supervisor*

Doug Bovill, *Renovation & Maintenance*

Pleasant Hill Place

Kris Kell, *PHP Facilitator*

Kathryn Manley, *PHP Facilitator*

Core Neighbourhoods At Work

Janell Morin, *Employment Co-ordinator*

Cheralee Placsko, *Employment Co-ord.*

Youth Lodge

Patricia Gunn, Mel McGhee, Terry

Allward, Scott Heil, Jenell Morin,

Mike Morin, Steven Reed, Lori Unger,

Vince Vandale, Dave Shanks and

Crystal Saultuex

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Pleasant Hill Community Second Annual POW WOW

June 18, 2004 at Grace Adams Metawewinihk Park across from St. Mary's School, 337 Ave 0 South. Pipe ceremony 8am, registration 9-11 am. Dancers will be paid, Grand Entry 10am, Drum Groups: Invitational Giveaway. For more information call Cecile Smith at 668-7402. Sponsored by PHCA.

St. Mary's School Garage Sale

June 19, 2004, from 10 to 3. Concession and hotdogs. Come and enjoy yourself and meet a friend. Proceeds go to St. Mary's Summer Camp Program. Donations welcome – call Cecile Smith at 668-7402.

Riversdale Community Gardening

Plots are available at the community garden on Ave F South and 19th Street. Water and tools are free with plots. Call CHEP for information at 655-4635.

Rainbow Community Centre Now Open!!!

5- 8pm every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Lower Hall of St. Thomas Wesley. Computer/Internet available, info about many services and organizations, or just come by for a visit and coffee. Call 664-8724.

Gatherings for Seniors (50 and over)

Rainbow Community Centre (lower hall of St. Thomas Wesley Church), every Tuesday from now till mid June. Forever in Motion exercises, nutritious lunch, varying programs after lunch. Join us from 11 to 2, cost \$1. Call Rainbow Centre 664-8724 if you need a ride or childcare for dependant pre-schoolers, or to find out more about the programming.

Saskatoon Friendship Inn

Pot of Soup Challenge 2004 -June 1st and 3rd. Mini pot Fundraiser \$1=2 bowls of soup. Comedy Night 2004 – Sept 25th, 2004. Wish List: turkeys, hams, pasta, veggies, soup bases, coffee, cereals, onions, tea, carrots, cabbage, sugar, salt, pepper and margerine. In-kind receipts are issued for donations. Drop by 619 - 20th Street West or phone 242-5122

Bent Nail Tool Co-op

Spring is here and summer is fast approaching. Is your garden in? We have an assortment of garden tools including rototillers for a fair rental price. We are located at 414 Avenue B South and open every Saturday from 10-3. If you have any questions in regards to the Co-op and the various workshops we have to offer please drop by or call 978-1741.

Core Neighbourhood Youth Co-op

414 avenue B South. Youth projects and activities 3:30 – 5:30 pm Monday to Thursday until the end of June. Summer hours to be announced. Three styles of compost bins for sale from \$30 to \$60. Call 665-3889.

Victoria Park Summer Festival

June 18–20 at Victoria Park. Dragon Boat racing, food, games and music. Drop by the Riversdale BID at 233 Ave C S for more info or call 242-2711.

Public Meeting

June 8th at 6:30pm at the Pensioners and Pioneer's Pavilion. City Planning Branch and the West Industrial Local Area Plan Presentation and Discussion. This is an opportunity to comment on the work that has been done by the planning committee and the City to create the plan.

Quint Program Updates

Support For Small Business

If you need help starting a new business or expanding an existing one, try Quint's Support for Small Business Program. Quint helps potential operators with business plan development. Through the Small Business Loan Association Program, Quint offers loans to qualified candidates. If operating your own business or expanding an existing one interests you but you're not sure where to start, please contact Jim Clarke at 978-4041 ext. 17.

Quint Youth Lodge

The Quint Youth Lodge is a supportive home for young men ages 16 to 22 years who need a safe place to live. The end of March was the end of the first full year of operations at the Youth Lodge. We are particularly pleased with the successes of many of the young men who have lived at the lodge. The program continues to be refined and expanded upon, with a focus on eliminating barriers to employment, training and independent living.

Over the past year the Quint Youth Lodge was home to twenty-five young men. About 90% of them found employment or went back to school. In addition, ten people have been employed at the Lodge on a full or part-time basis, many of whom are local residents. If you or someone you know would be able to take advantage of the services offered at the Lodge or would like more information please call 978-1082 or 978- 4041 ext. 17.

Pleasant Hill Place

Pleasant Hill Place is a 5000 sq. ft. home that is shared by 5 young mothers and their children. Pleasant Hill Place is a safe and affordable cooperative housing project. The young moms are 16 – 21 years of age and are either in school or have plans to return to school. We offer part-time on site support and outreach after the women move out. The house has a universal gym, computer, cable, and phone. Each woman and their child have their own private rooms. While at Pleasant Hill Place the women have opportunities to become involved in activities and programs. For more information please call 978-4046.

Energy Efficiency

Recently, Quint has been working with housing co-op members, Saskatoon Credit Union, St. Mary's Credit Union and others to create a plan to reduce utility bills for Co-op homeowners by investing in improvements to their homes. We have learned that there are ways to borrow money, make improvements, and then pay back the money using the savings earned by the improvements. The savings continue long after the loan is paid off. That means more money for families every month and less electricity, natural gas and water use.

Investing in energy efficiency is not a new idea, but Quint has tried to include this in the work we do. We hope to see the rest of Saskatoon look towards similar ways of helping Canada and Saskatoon meet environmental and economic goals in a way that works for everyone. Call us to find out more.

Suites For Rent!



There are two bedroom suites available at Quint's newly renovated apartment building on Ave U South.

Features include: new appliances; tenant room with computer and phone; an active tenant association; collective kitchen; Good Food Box delivery.

Construction of the outside play area, patio and garden space is scheduled to begin in early June. Rent is \$420 - \$430 / month.

To apply call Fred at 978-4041 ext. 12

Community Food Store

Did you know that Quint and CHEP are planning a community-owned food store on 20th Street?

We plan to have:

- o Fair prices
- o Top quality food
- o Jobs and training for local residents

This will be **your** community run store so everyone's input and support is essential.

Contact Len at Quint (978-4041) or Karen at CHEP (655-4635)

Let us know what you think!



Core Neighbourhood Youth Co-op

414 Avenue B South Phone: 655-3889

CNYC offers youth (5-18) a chance to earn extra spending money & gain work experience through environmental projects.

CNYC offers products & services such as compost bins, inside/outside storage benches, vermicomposting, and garden mulching services.



St. Mary's Credit Union

"Without a sense of caring, there can be no sense of community."

1515 20th Street West

Phone: 382-1177 Teleservice: 382-1167

www.stmaryscu.com

SELLING A HOUSE?

If you or anyone you know is interested in selling a house in the core neighbourhoods, please call Kathryn or Julie at Quint.

978-4041 ext 11



CHEP

Child Hunger and Education Program

Are you interested in good food?

You are welcome to join these exciting initiatives

- Children's Nutrition Programs
- KidsCan
- Collective Kitchens
- Community Gardens
- Food Policy Strategy
- Good Food Box

Room 210, 230 Ave R S
Saskatoon, SK

Phone: 655-4635
Website: www.chep.org

Your Saskatoon NDP MLA's are here to help. Please call us if you have any questions or concerns regarding provincial matters.



Lorne Calvert, MLA
Saskatoon, Riversdale
Phone: 651-1211



Eric Cline, MLA
Saskatoon Massey Place
Phone: 384-7200



David Forbes, MLA
Saskatoon Centre
Phone: 244-3555



Andy Iwanchuk, MLA
Saskatoon Fairview
Phone: 651-3801



Frank Quennell, MLA
Saskatoon Meewasin
Phone: 651-3581

Core Neighbourhoods at Work

The Core Neighbourhoods at Work Program (CNAW) helps people who want to get back into the workforce or education and training programs. We are building partnerships with employers and helping employers connect with employees.

In the past year, many people have enrolled in the CNAW program, and have gotten jobs or gone back to school. Here is the story of one person.

“Inspiring steps on the journey to meeting career goals.”

Bertha is an inspiring example of someone who made a career goal and kept going until she reached it. When Bertha enrolled with CNAW, she wanted to look for full time employment. She had not worked for a while. She was nervous to start the journey to employment, but she decided it was time to do so. She enrolled with CNAW when we were offering the Cashier Training Project. This training program gave people two weeks of computer training. Then, they participated in a 6-8 week work placement in the community.

Bertha felt CNAW would help her meet her career goals and so she began the program. All in all, Bertha really enjoyed the Cashier Training Program. Even though she had limited computer skills, she caught on quickly and pursued a work placement at a large retail chain store. After completing her work placement, Bertha was offered a permanent position, and has been working there for a year. Although part-time shift work isn't always easy, Bertha has already had an increase in pay, and she can now apply for full-time positions with the company.

CNAW would be happy to meet anyone living in the core neighbourhoods who is interested in career planning. There are opportunities waiting behind any door that is opened, so please give us a call at 955-2599!



*Janell Morin,
Employment Coordinator
with CNAW*



Quint Development Corporation offers

HOUSING FOR STUDENT TEEN MOMS

- ✓ Furnished 5,000 sq ft home
- ✓ Private and shared areas
- ✓ Subsidized rent
- ✓ Safe and supportive environment

There are several openings right now. To apply, or for more information, call

978-4046

For all your financial service needs, stop by any Saskatoon Credit Union or call 934-4000.



At Saskatoon Credit Union we are proud of the partnerships that we have in our community.

Quint Development Corporation is one of the partners that we value for their work in building a strong healthy city now and in the future.

We look forward to continuing our Quint partnership.

I am a good investment.

- I have a business plan.
- I have the energy.
- I have good people working with me.



Now I just need the financing.

Community First helps local businesses and organizations that need flexible alternative financing.

COMMUNITY FIRST DEVELOPMENT FUND OF SASKATOON
309 - 22nd St. East, Saskatoon, SK S7K 0G7
Tel: 934-4177
e-mail: CommunityFirst@saskatooncreditunion.com



Quint's Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, July 7, 2004 5:30 pm

St. Mary's Parish Hall

211 Avenue O South

Plan to come to our Annual Meeting on July 7 and help us congratulate the families that have assumed title to their homes. A delicious supper will be served at 5:30 pm. Childcare will be provided or subsidized by request. Call Norma at 978-4041 ext 10.

Please note that our bylaws require that those nominated to become directors need to be members for at least 30 days before our annual meeting.

Quint Development Corporation's

MISSION...

Quint exists to strengthen the economic and social well-being of Saskatoon's five core neighbourhoods.

VISION...

Caring neighbourhoods whose citizens are self-reliant, self-determining and have a sense of pride.

A stable, safe, and caring social environment in which all citizens are able to participate and have the opportunity to develop.

Challenging the larger economy in ways that build a healthy social and economic environment for all.

Supporting local community-based economic development using local resources and creating good job opportunities through individual entrepreneurship and community enterprise.

A prosperous community renewing and enhancing its physical appearance.

Ourselves supporting community initiatives which provide the socio-economic, cultural, recreational, & educational opportunities identified by the community.

The process of community-based economic development as one that works in tandem with the goal of maintaining and enhancing environmental sustainability.

LONG-TERM OBJECTIVES...

Create jobs by investing in new businesses and supporting viable existing businesses

Facilitate and provide loans to small business

Improve the quality and availability of affordable housing for lower income residents

Build community participation and facilitate socio-economic and cultural understanding

Provide training opportunities leading to sustainable employment

Develop an effective governing board with the capacity to make informed decisions in all operational aspects

Become a stable and increasingly self-reliant community development corporation by building equitable relationships and partnerships with government, community, and business

Develop the capacity of Quint's staff

- Community Development
- Affordable Housing
- Support for Small Business
- Employment & Training



Quint Development Corporation

Room 202-230 Ave R South

Saskatoon, SK S7M 0Z9

Telephone: (306) 978-4041

Fax: (306) 683-1957

E-mail: qdc_quint@sasktel.net

Website: www.quintsaskatoon.ca