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Upcoming SNA Committee Meetings

Community Connecting Committee

February 6, 6:00 p.m.
@ 615 Ellice Ave.

Environment and Open Spaces Committee

February 9, 10:30 a.m. @ 615 Ellice Ave.

Youth Committee

February 11, 7:00 p.m. @ 430 Langside St.

Housing Committee

February 12, 6:00 p.m. @ 615 Ellice Ave.

CED Committee

February 13, 6:00 p.m. @ 615 Ellice Ave.

Board Meeting

February 27, 6:00 p.m. @ 430 Langside St.

Congrats Don on a decade of improving inner-city housing



The impact Don Miedema has had on the Spence neighbourhood cannot simply be measured in terms of the number of houses he has helped build. Nor can it be measured in the number of home exteriors he helped to repair. For a decade, Don Miedema has worked with the Spence Neighbourhood Association. He has served in many roles within the organization, initially as ex-

ecutive director. But his longest term with us was as our Housing Coordinator.

SNA was originally created as a way to push for housing improvements in Spence. Don had spent time building homes in Honduras, so when the people at Supporting Employment and Economic Development (SEED) recommended him for the job, our Board of Directors knew he was right.

Don has been involved in constructing over 30 homes in Spence. There are currently 12 apartment buildings undergoing renovations thanks to programs he administered. Other owners have seen the work being done and are increasing investments in their own properties. The many spinoff benefits of these developments are impossible to measure.

Isabel Jerez will take over the housing program full-time. Contact her at 204-783-2758 or housing@spenceneighbourhood.org.

Cameron MacLean Community Liaison

204-783-5000

**Liaison@
spenceneighbourhood.org**

SNA accepting small grant applications until February 18

The Spence Neighbourhood Association administers a small grants program for community connecting projects and activities. These grants are available for community groups and organizations looking to bring the community together or make improvements in the neighbourhood. Small grants are available up to \$5000. There will be one intake period this year – **starting January 21 and open until February 18 at 4:00 p.m.** All applications must be in on or before the intake date. Eligible applicants will be invited

to make a short presentation to the Small Grants Committee following the deadline at a location to be announced.

Contact us for application forms or visit spenceneighbourhood.org and download the form.

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Winnipeg FoodShare Co-op (Good Food Box)

Now available in Spence:

Low-cost and nutritious food! The Winnipeg FoodShare Co-op is a community buying club that supports, when possible, local farmers.

For more information contact Tanya Suderman at
204-783-2834 or email

greenimage@spenceneighbourhood.org or stop by the
SNA office (615 Ellice Ave.).



Pat Martin

MP Winnipeg Centre

Need help with a
Federal issue?



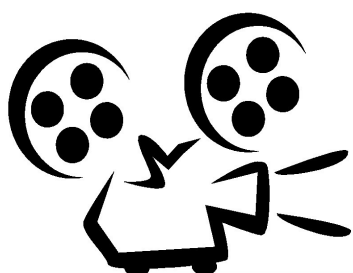
892 Sargent Avenue | Winnipeg MB | R3E 0C7
Phone: 204-984-1675 | e-mail: pat.martin.c1@parl.gc.ca



West End Proud!

ANDREW SWAN
MLA FOR MINTO

892 Sargent Ave. • 783-9860 • ajswan@mts.net



IndeSPENCEable

documentary series

When: Monday February 11, 6 p.m.

Where: 615 Ellice Ave.

Movie: Blue Gold

Watch documentaries about environmental issues around the world,
We will discuss how it impacts us in the Spence neighbourhood
and eat Popcorn. We will gather once a month.

Watch the newsletters and posters for details.

Contact Tanya at 204-783-2834 or
greenimage@spenceneighbourhood.org for more details

Proudly Serving
the Spence
Neighbourhood

**Rob
Altemeyer**

MLA for Wolseley



Contact me any time:
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February 2013 Spence Neighbourhood Association

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MERC Basketball Workshops
10:30am-11:30pm
(Every Monday until March 11)

FP: 10:00am to 6:00pm
Y: 6:00pm to 10:00pm

BB: 3:30pm-6:30pm
Y: 6:30pm-9:30pm

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Youth Committee
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IndiSPENCEable Documentary
Series 6:00pm at 615 Ellice Ave.

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Calendar legend:

BB: Building Belonging (Ages 6-12)

FP: Free Play (Ages 6-12)

Y: Youth (Ages 13-18)

Please call **783-5000** to confirm committee meeting times.

Building Belonging Even

Monday: Art City

Tuesday: Let's Talk Science @ V Centre

Wednesday: Wrestling @ UW

Friday: Music lessons 4:00 p.m.

Feb. 15: I Love to Read Family F
4:00pm—7:00 p.m.



Neighbourhood Association Programming

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Notes: Wii Chiiwaakanak —7:00 p.m. Party		Youth Events: Feb. 11: Youth Committee Meeting Feb. 15: "I Love to Read" Family Party 4:00pm—7:00 p.m.		This handy pull-out calendar is here for your fridge to remind you of important goings on in your community!			

Building Belonging



Even though it's getting chilly, the kids still love to be outside. In January, we saw deer and learned about animal tracks while snowshoeing at Living Prairie Museum and hit the trails for cross-country skiing at Windsor Park Nordic Centre. Donations of mitts, hats and snowpants are always needed so everyone can enjoy the outdoors. If the temp drops below -33 C with the windchill, all BB outings are cancelled.

February brings more celebrations of culture and community.

We can't wait to try new foods and make dragons for Chinese New Year and create handmade cards and chocolates for Valentine's Day. We'll also learn about our city's vibrant Metis and Francophone culture with an outing to Festival du Voyageur. Take part in "I love to read" month with us on Feb. 15 with book giveaways, celebrity readers, a delicious meal prepared by SNA's Youth Crew

and more fun for the whole family!

Music lessons are back. Sign up your child for piano, singing, or guitar with our instructors. No instrument needed!

Register for our school year program! Monday – Friday 4:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m. September until June. Open to all kids 6-12 at no cost!

Ida Bakken & Allison Besel , Building Belonging Co-ordinators

Phone: 204-783-0292

Email: Buildingbelonging@spenceneighbourhood.org

FIRST JOBS 4 YOUTH

Youth are invited to come by to: Create a resume and design cover letters, get assistance with employment applications, identification and practice for interviews. Find out about work and volunteer opportunities as well as education resources. Career Path sessions are also available.

Our next employment training workshop is Emergency First Aid/CPR Level C. Open to all youth in the neighbourhood. Please call to register your spot.

Call Leslie at 204 783 0290 to set up an appointment or email

firstjobs@spenceneighbourhood.org

Coming up in February:

Mondays: Art City

Tuesdays: Let's Talk Science @ Wii Chiiwaakanak Centre

Wednesdays: Wrestling @ UW

Fridays: Music lessons 4:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.

Feb. 15: I Love to Read Family Party 4:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.

TBA: Festival du Voyageur outing

Special Thanks:

Living Prairie Museum

Winnipeg Foundation's Nourishing Potential Fund

Diana & Gilbert Bazin

Kelly Lone

Cross-Country Skiing Association of Manitoba

Truesport

Girl's Sports Club

Come to the **MERC** every **Wednesday from 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.** for the new **Girls Sports Club.**

There will be food, transportation, prizes and a lot of fun.

If you would like to register, please call **783-0290** or stop by the **MERC.**



Winter is definitely giving us reason to stay inside! Why freeze your toes off when you can call Youth Crew to take care of the snow? Friendly, eager, local youth are trained and ready to go! Our program offers casual, hands on, paid work for youth ages 12-16 years. Youth are able to help with outdoor projects such as snow shoveling and ice-picking, flyering or posting.

Specializing in catering for your special event! We provide reasonable rates and friendly service. Call Leslie at 204-783-0290 to arrange your work order.

Youth Drop-in Program

In January, hip hop dance classes continued on Wednesdays. Participants worked hard to perfect their dance moves. Youth teamed up with a partner to create plaster masks. They took turns covering their partner's face in plaster to create a perfect mold. Once the masks dried they were painted in unique and creative ways.

The youth have been enjoying the skating rink this winter. We have been able to encourage helmet use after the donation of forty new hockey helmets. As well, we have been able to sharpen a large portion of the skates thanks to a SOGO Active grant.

The Details:

SNA Youth Program is open to anyone ages 12-17 and is open seven-days-a-week. New youth are welcome at any time. We're at the MERC 430 Langside St., and programming includes outings, activities, sports, games, a healthy meal and a safe drive home afterwards.

**Liz Bend, Youth Coordinator &
Matt Zereselasie, Newcomer Outreach Worker**
204-783-0292
youth@spenceneighbourhood.org

COMMUNITY CLOTHES BANK!

**Every Sunday, 2:00 p.m.—3:30 p.m. in the
MERC Gym**

We receive weekly donations from Wolseley Wardrobe, a consignment clothing store. We do not require any individual/personal donations.

Cultural Integration Youth Outreach

The Cultural Integration Youth Outreach (CIYO) Project works with Aboriginal and Newcomer youth who are at risk of becoming involved in the criminal justice system or who are having difficulty successfully integrating into the community.

In January, we welcomed three new youth into the project and matched them with outreach workers. Many CIYO youth worked and helped out at our AGM providing child-minding, greeting the community. The youth also had a great time at our outreach event at the Winnipeg Art Gallery. We ate chicken and beef calzone from City Pizza, visited the Inuit Art exhibit and competed in an art scavenger hunt.

Marleah Graff, CIYO program coordinator
204-986-5467
culturaloutreach@spenceneighbourhood.org

Family Food Group

Every Thursday @ MERC, 430 Langside St.

10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Email: familyfoodgroup@yahoo.ca or call Claudine at 204-772-5946 for more info.

Are you home with the kids during the day? Need someplace for them to go to burn off some energy? Someplace close, free, with snacks, coffee, tea and no one telling you what to do?

What play groups should be...

Spence Neighbourhood Mid-Winter Block Party

Saturday, February 2nd

5:00 - 8:00 pm

on Spence between Ellice and Sargent

- * Roast a hotdog over an open fire
- * Hot Drinks and Homemade Baking
- * BROOMBALL
- * Snow House for decorating
- * Piñata for the kids

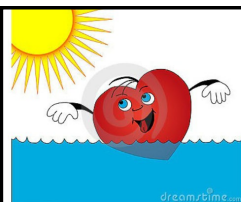
Families with young children come right at 5 pm for a kids' broomball game and at 6 pm for the piñata.

Please bring baking or finger food to share (if you can), or just show up for some winter fun!

**Dress warmly so you can
stay awhile!**

Hosted by some of your neighbours from around the Spence Neighbourhood. Funding support generously provided by the Spence Neighbourhood Association.





Show Some Love For Sherbrook Pool on Valentines Day!



Community Consultation on Sherbrook Pool

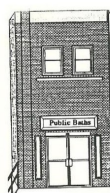
Where: 430 Langside St. (MERC)

When: February 14, 6:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.

What: Should Sherbrook Pool stay open or close?

SNA and Friends of Sherbrook Pool want to hear from community members about what they want to see happen with the facility. Come to an open community forum to discuss possibilities and the future for this important community asset. Child care and a community meal will be provided.

Call 204-783-5000 for more info.
Email: liaison@spenceneighbourhood.org



Friends of Sherbrook Pool Inc.

#103 - 583 Ellice Ave
Winnipeg, Man R3B 1Z7

Telephone: 786-1728
Email: friendsofsherbrookpool@gmail.com



Need help with your housing issues? SNA has staff to help you with your housing and rental needs:

If you have questions relating to housing, please call Isabel Jerez at 783-2758 or email housing@spence-neighbourhood.org

If you are a renter and are concerned about safety in your building, contact Mary Burton at 204-783-4141

If you're homeless and need assistance finding a place to live please call Almera Oduca at 783-4141 or email row@spenceneighbourhood.org.

Do you live in an apartment building in Spence?

We'd like to be able to distribute our newsletters to all Spence residents, but don't have access to apartment buildings and rooming houses. If you are a resident in a Spence apartment building or rooming house and would like to volunteer to distribute the newsletter in your building, please let us know. Contact Molly Johnson (204-783-4141) or Cam MacLean (204-783-5000) or stop by the 615 Ellice Ave. office to find out more.

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We're online:

www.spenceneighbourhood.org
Look for us on Facebook
Twitter: SNAcommunity

The Spence Neighbourhood Association works with the people of Spence to revitalize and renew their community in the areas of health, safety, community economic development, housing, youth, and neighbourhood image.