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# Spence Neighbourhood Association

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## Upcoming SNA Committee Meetings

### **Community Connecting Committee**

January 3, 6:00 p.m.  
@ 615 Ellice Ave.

**Housing Committee**  
January 8, 6:00 p.m.  
@ 615 Ellice Ave.

**CED Committee**  
January 17, 6:00 p.m. @  
615 Ellice Ave.

**Environment and Open Spaces Committee**  
January 19, 5:00 p.m.  
@ 563 Ellice Ave.

**Board Meeting**  
January 30, 6:00 p.m. @  
430 Langside St.

## Spence residents invited to annual community meeting

Once a year, SNA invites Spence residents to take part in a special meeting to help set the direction of our work in the community for the next year.

Our board has approved several amendments to our constitution, and we will bring them before the community for a vote at our AGM on Jan. 15, 2013 at 430 Langside St from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

You can request a paper copy of the amendments by emailing Jamil at [jamil@spenceneighbourhood.org](mailto:jamil@spenceneighbourhood.org) or download the proposed changes from our website. The proposed changes will be

voted on as a "consent agenda," meaning they will all be presented for ratification in one motion. If a member requests that a certain section be debated before passing the one motion, that section will be removed from the motion and debated after the other sections are ratified.

Any member can request that a section(s) be removed from the consent agenda by coming to the microphone at the time the motion is presented and stating the section number that they would like to be debated before the ratification vote.



**Jamil Mahmood**  
Executive Director

204-783-8607

Jamil

[@spenceneighbourhood.org](mailto:@spenceneighbourhood.org)

## SNA looking forward to another year of community development

Welcome to 2013! The folks at SNA want to thank everyone who worked with us in the last year to improve our community.

Staff members and volunteers worked hard to make the Spence neighbourhood cleaner, greener, safer, funner, and connected-er.

We saw improvements made to local housing, both owned and rented. With \$50,000 in funding from Neighbourhoods Alive!, SNA administered grants to grassroots community groups and organizations for projects benefiting the neighbourhood. Our staff at 430 Langside St. (aka. MERC) continued to provide recreation and educational opportunities to children and youth.

You can read about these and many more accomplishments in our annual report, produced with assistance from community member Annamaria Johnson. It will be released at our Annual General Meeting, Jan. 15 at 6:00 p.m. at 430 Langside St.



**Cameron MacLean, Community Liaison**  
204-783-5000

[Liaison@spenceneighbourhood.org](mailto:Liaison@spenceneighbourhood.org)

## Community Connecting

**Lights burned out?** Call Manitoba Hydro at 204-480-5900. Is there a streetlight burned out in the neighbourhood? You may notice that the pole (especially in the back lane) has a number on it. Please take note of this number, as the Hydro employee may ask for it. Also, they might ask what the closest street address is to the light/pole.

**Speedy Cart:** Shopping cart abandoned in the neighbourhood? Call Speedy Cart at 204-786-7600 for pick-up.

**e-waste!** Do you have an old computer or tv that you want to get rid of? One of the e-waste recycling depots in Winnipeg is Miller Environmental at 1803 Heckla Ave. Contact them at 204-925-9600 for drop-off times.

**Battery recycling:** A reminder that small battery recycling is available at both the 615 Ellice Ave. office and at the MERC (430 Langside St.).

**Bulky waste:** Call the City at 311 to get bulky waste picked up from your back lane.

**Volunteer opportunity!** The Winnipeg FoodShare Co-op/Good Food Box is looking for volunteers. Every second Tuesday from 9-2pm volunteers pack the Good Food Boxes and receive one individual box and a free lunch! Contact Angela at 204-414-2667 for more information.

**Molly Johnson**  
Community Connecting Coordinator  
204-783-4141  
[safety@spenceneighbourhood.org](mailto:safety@spenceneighbourhood.org)

## Wondering if homeownership is right for you and your family?

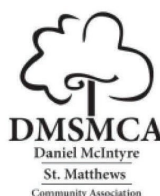


## Homeownership Conference

Saturday, February 23, 2013

St. Matthew's Church - 641 St. Matthew's Ave

Free! Pre-Registration: 204 - 783 - 4141



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## Five spots still open in snow removal program

The Seniors Lawn Care Program still has five spots available for residents in the Spence neighbourhood.

This service to the community continues to support and assist residents who do not have the finances or ability to maintain the exterior ground keeping of their homes.

The program entitles registered residents to two lawn cuts a month for free for the summer months and snow removal in the winter months.

To qualify for the program, individuals must be mobility impaired, a senior, or a single parent who lives in the Spence neighbourhood. We are excited to announce that there are five spots available on a first come basis.

If you are interested in the service please contact Sam at the 615 Ellice Ave. SNA office at 204-783-2758.

**Molly Johnson**  
Community Connecting Coordinator  
204-783-4141  
[safety@spenceneighbourhood.org](mailto:safety@spenceneighbourhood.org)

## SNA helps Spence residents get ID

The ID Program is designed to financially help residence of the Spence neighbourhood with two pieces of ID. The program is a "one shot deal", so residence can apply only once for the two pieces of ID

- Who qualifies? Clients must be from the Spence neighbourhood to apply (within Wellington Avenue/Cumberland Avenue, Balmoral Street, Portage Avenue, Agnes Street)
- What ID can you apply for? Birth Certificate, Social Insurance Number, and Manitoba Identification card (Photo ID)
- What is needed to apply? A Manitoba Medical card showing current address in the neighbourhood
- When do you apply? Only Tuesdays between 10:30 p.m.—4:30 p.m. at the 615 Ellice Ave. office.

The ID Program is continuing in 2013 starting January 8. Contact Sam at 204-783-2758 for more info.

**Molly Johnson**  
Community Connecting Coordinator  
204-783-4141  
[safety@spenceneighbourhood.org](mailto:safety@spenceneighbourhood.org)





## 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](mailto: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](mailto:pat.martin.c1@parl.gc.ca)



## West End Proud!

**ANDREW SWAN**  
MLA FOR MINTO

892 Sargent Ave. • 783-9860 • [ajswan@mts.net](mailto:ajswan@mts.net)



**When: Monday, January 28 6:00 p.m.**

**Where: 615 Ellice Ave.**

**Movie: Dirt: The Movie**

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 783-2834 or  
[greenimage@spenceneighbourhood.org](mailto:greenimage@spenceneighbourhood.org) for more details

Proudly Serving  
the Spence  
Neighbourhood

**Rob Altemeyer**

MLA for Wolseley



Contact me any time:  
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# January 2013 Spence Neighbourhood Association



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<p><b>Calendar legend:</b>  <b>BB:</b> Building Belonging (Ages 6-12)  <b>FP:</b> Free Play (Ages 6-12)  <b>Y:</b> Youth (Ages 13-18)  Please call <b>783-5000</b> to confirm committee meeting times.</p>	<p><b>Building Belonging Even</b>  <b>Mondays:</b> Art City  <b>Tuesdays:</b> Let's Talk Science  <b>Wednesdays:</b> Wrestling @ nipeg</p>
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# Neighbourhood Association Programming

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## Building Belonging

Over 200 community members joined us for our MERC Family Holiday party.

Families made candy trees and crafts, played games outside and shared a turkey dinner. Each child under 12-years-old received a gift from Santa.

We were also able to give out almost all of the coats donated through West 49 to keep kids in our neighbour-

hood warm this winter. Pick up your Santa photo at the SNA Annual General Meeting on January 15 at 6:00 p.m. at 430 Langside St. You can also pick it up at our next family event in February.

A huge thank you to all the generous donors and volunteers who made this event possible!

To celebrate the holidays, the kids made gingerbread houses and cookies, tree decorations and gifts for loved ones. The University of Winnipeg invited us for their community holiday dinner with crafts, entertainment, another visit with Santa and a delicious meal.

Everyone kept active with hip-hop dancing, sledding at Green Hill and skating at the Forks and our own MERC rink.



Thanks to the Manitoba Coalition for Active and Safe kids we now have helmets to use for skating!

Donations of mitts, toques and ski pants are needed for even more winter adventures in January, like cross country skiing and snowshoeing.

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: 783-0292**  
**Email: [Buildingbelonging@spenceneighbourhood.org](mailto:Buildingbelonging@spenceneighbourhood.org)**

### Coming up in January:

**Mondays:** Art City

**Tuesdays:** Let's Talk Science @ Wii Chiiwaakanak Centre

**Wednesdays:** Wrestling @ University of Winnipeg

### Thanks:

Ronna Mariano  
 Bakken Invest AS Bjorn Inge Bakken  
 Manitoba Coalition for Active and Safe Kids,  
 University of Winnipeg  
 Nikki Enns  
 Grace Campbell

## 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 contact Ashley at **783-0290** or stop by the MERC.

## FIRST JOBS 4 YOUTH

**Youth Employment Resource Centre closed for**

**Holidays until January 7, 2013**

**After January 7, Youth are invited to come by to: Create a resume and design cover letters, get assistance with employment applications and practice for interviews.**

**Find out about work and volunteer opportunities as well as education resources. Career Path sessions are also available.**

**Call Leslie after January 7 at 204 783 0290 to set up an appointment or email**

**[firstjobs@spenceneighbourhood.org](mailto:firstjobs@spenceneighbourhood.org)**



**'Tis the season to be shoveling. Had enough of digging your way out? Snow disappears with Youth Crew on the job! 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 yard work, staining, painting, flyering or Catering for your special event.**

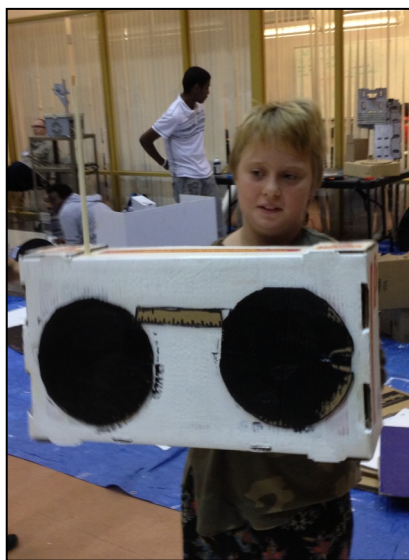
**We provide reasonable rates and friendly service. Call Leslie at 783 0290 after January 7, 2013 to arrange your work order.**

## Youth Drop-in Program

December was a fun month full of holiday celebrations. A fun and successful family holiday party took place on December 9. Many of the awesome youth who attended volunteered to clean up helping to make the day enjoyable for everyone.

The youth attended their own holiday party on December 21, enjoying a meal and receiving gifts.

We had a gingerbread house contest with some very impressive results. The winner of the contest won two free movie passes donated by Marleah Graff, one of the Spence Neighbourhood Association outreach worker. SNA Youth Program is open to anyone aged 12-17 and is open seven-days-a-week. New youth are welcome at any time. We're at the M.E.R.C., 430 Langside St. 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](mailto:youth@spenceneighbourhood.org)

## 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 December, three CIYO youth completed the BMX building program in partnership with the University of Winnipeg Student's Association Bike Lab. This 12-week program allowed the youth to gain hands on experience in both racing BMX bikes and building them.

Youth learned practical skills such as fixing a leaky tire to fixing their chain and were able to personalize their bikes by painting them. At the end of the 12 weeks, each youth proudly wheeled home their customized BMX along with hel-

metts, locks and reflective lights supplied by the University of Winnipeg Student's Association.

We would like to thank Coach Dave and Tamir from the Bike Lab for this great experience and all their help with the program!



**Family Food Group presents...**

### **Open Gym for Kids and Caregivers**

Thursdays @ Merc, 430 Langside  
10am - 2pm  
snacks & beverages provided

### **Food Workshop**

#### **Pupusas w/ Sarah Esperanza**

Thursday, November 15. 10am-Noon  
Eating to follow!  
no cost to participate

*familyfoodgroup@yahoo.ca or  
call Claudine @ 204-772-5946  
for more info*

### **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.

**Marleah Graff, CIYO program coordinator**  
986-5467

[culturaloutreach@spenceneighbourhood.org](mailto:culturaloutreach@spenceneighbourhood.org)





## NOTICE TO THE COMMUNITY

**THE SPENCE NEIGHBOURHOOD  
ASSOCIATION'S ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
WILL BE HELD JANUARY 15, 2013  
6:00 P.M.—9:00 P.M. AT THE MAGNUS  
ELIASON RECREATION CENTRE (MERC)  
430 LANGSIDE ST.**

**COME JOIN IN KEEPING YOUR COMMUNITY  
STRONG, ELECT THE SNA BOARD OF DIREC-  
TORS, AND HEAR HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE  
2012 YEAR.**

**WE WILL BE VOTING ON SOME CHANGES TO  
OUR CONSTITUTION. STOP BY 615 ELLICE  
AVE. TO GET A COPY OF THE CHANGES  
BEFORE THE MEETING.**

**FOOD AND CHILDCARE WILL BE PROVIDED.  
FOR MORE INFO PLEASE CONTACT  
CAM- 204-783-5000**

**E-MAIL:**

**LIAISON@SPENCENEIGHBOURHOOD.ORG**

**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 Don  
Miedema or Isabel  
Jerez at 783-2758 or  
email [housing@spence-  
neighbourhood.org](mailto:housing@spence-<br/>neighbourhood.org) or  
admin-  
[@spenceneighbourhoo  
d.org](mailto:@spenceneighbourhoo<br/>d.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](mailto:row@<br/>spenceneighbourhood.<br/>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.

Come Visit us at:  
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Winnipeg, Manitoba R3G 0A4  
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Fax: (204) 775-1802

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email: [liaison@spenceneighbourhood.org](mailto:liaison@spenceneighbourhood.org)

### We're online:

[www.spenceneighbourhood.org](http://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.