

Growing the Neighbourhood House movement in Burnaby

By Antonia Beck, Executive Director

Recently, our Neighbourhood House hosted a Burnaby tour for 20 visiting delegates from around the world who were attending the International conference of Settlement and Neighbourhood houses. The theme of our tour was "growing the Neighbourhood House movement in Burnaby". We highlighted our Marlborough Daycare and the recent anti-racism arts engagement mural project, but more importantly, we spoke about the development of Burnaby's first Neighbourhood house and how our organization has worked over the past 17 years to develop program supports that are run by volunteers as well as staff. The theme of the conference was on asset based Community development and reinforced the Burnaby approach to developing our Neighbourhood House. The conference was inspiring as we experienced how our community development work is consistent to other Houses from around the world.

This year in particular marks a significant year of developments for our Neighbourhood House – a new space in south; the opening of our North Burnaby Neighbourhood House; the acquisition of the Lion's club's community hall on Rumble and the opening of our Gilpin Out of school Daycare facility. It's been a long journey but we are pleased to say that our dream for a new "House" is soon to become a reality. Thanks to the City of Burnaby density bonus program at Metroplace, we are planning to move into our purpose built facility this September 2014. For those of you who have visited or been in programs at our current Neighbourhood House in South, you will agree that it is about time we had a place to call our own. The development of programs in our new space will continue to be guided by the residents of Burnaby who consider the neighbourhood house their second home. We will ensure that the space continues to be welcoming and responsive to the needs of our neighbours.

You may have noticed that in January 2014 we dropped South from our organization's name. This move led the way to developing Burnaby's second neighbourhood house in North Burnaby. This move was part of the Burnaby Neighbourhood House's strategic direction which included a plan to address needs in North Burnaby and develop a place to welcome and connect neighbours. The North Burnaby Neighbourhood House opened its doors in February 2014 and is being guided by a North Burnaby Neighbourhood House Steering Committee. The official ribbon cutting celebration took place June 7th as part of Hats off Day. The North Burnaby Neighbourhood House is located at 4463 Hastings. Also in

February, we became the new proud owners of the Community Hall located on Rumble st. between Royal Oak and Nelson. The space will continue to be utilized by the Lions Club in addition to a number of other local user groups while the Neighbourhood House will maintain the facility. We are excited at the opportunity to have more space and the potential of utilizing it for our current and future programs. We are referring to the space as the Burnaby Neighbourhood House Community Hall.

Another milestone in our development is the opening of our latest daycare facility. The project was initiated by a group of Gilpin parents who had a dream for a daycare facility. After 7 years of fundraising and planning, the Gilpin Daycare finally opened its doors in late May. The project experienced many challenges including the rising costs of construction and although the kids have moved in, the fundraising will need to continue. An official opening and celebration of the daycare will be planned for September.

The success of the Neighbourhood House's continued development is dependant on support from our local community. Whether financial donation or just getting involved as a volunteer, moving the Neighbourhood House movement in Burnaby is a joint effort of community building at its best. We all have special talents, but need people to share them. What is your passion and what can you give?



Stewart Kennedy MP for Burnaby-Douglas, Richard Lee MLA for Burnaby North and Mayor Derek Corrigan cutting the ribbon at the opening of North Burnaby Neighbourhood House

Registration is now open for

Preschool and School Aged

Childcare for September 2014

Preschool and Childcare Programs are offered at the following locations:

- Gilpin Elementary School
Call Nazanin Ashjai at (604) 298-5355, gilpin@burnabynh.ca
- Marlborough Elementary School:
Call Lena Ng at (604) 434-1338, marlborough@burnabynh.ca
- Clinton Elementary School:
Call Stasi Larson at (604) 435-1222, clinton@burnabynh.ca



After School Licensed Child Care Only:

BNH runs licensed child care all year for children kindergarten to grade 7.

Days/Time: Mon-Fri 7-9am and 3-6pm

Cost: \$393-430 (Depending on location)

Some subsidies are available. For more information contact the Provincial Government Child Care Branch at 1-888-338-6622.

- Maywood Neighbourhood Care:
Call Terry Herrmann at (604) 431-0484, maywood@burnabynh.ca
- Stride Avenue Neighbourhood Care:
Call Scott Burgess at (604) 527-0444, stride@burnabynh.ca
- Douglas Road Neighbourhood Care:
Call Naaz Samji at (604) 298-7094, douglas@burnabynh.ca
- Lochdale Community School:
Call Paul Lam at (604) 421-0401, lochdale@burnabynh.ca
- 12th Avenue Neighbourhood Care:
Call Arlette Akayezu at (604) 515-1900, twelfth@burnabynh.ca
- Suncrest Neighbourhood Care:
Call Kathy Bobicki at (604) 431-0400, suncrest@burnabynh.ca

Summer Programs 2014

The Burnaby Neighbourhood House offers two exciting programs June 30th –Aug 8th 2014

Youth Adventures: for youth currently in grade 4-7

Summer Fun Clubs: for children currently in kindergarten

Participants will take part in a variety of activities every week such as: crafts, sports, and out trips.

Days & Times: Mon- Fri, 9:00am-3:00pm

Locations:

- Clinton Elementary School
- Gilpin Elementary School
- Marlborough Elementary School
- Maywood Community School
- Stride Ave. Community School
- Douglas Road Elementary School

Cost: Youth Adventures: 120/week,
Summer Fun Clubs: 110/week

For more information or to download a registration form visit our website:

www.burnabynh.ca



Summer Community BBQs

Bring your friends and family and meet your neighbours.

Summer BBQ's are from 6:00-7:30pm and include activities for children and families, face painting, crafts, games and fun.

Cost: \$1.00 includes hot dog (chicken or veggie), chips, and a drink, \$0.25 for freezies.



Dates and Locations:

- July 15: Marlborough Elementary School - 6060 Marlborough Ave. (Royal Oak and Sanders)
- July 17: Stride Ave. Community School - 7014 Stride Ave.
- July 22: Clinton Elementary School - 5858 Clinton St.
- July 24: Maywood Community School, 4567 Imperial St.

Good Bye Jubilee! Street Party

Join us for a BBQ, face painting, crafts, games and fun as we say good bye.



Date: July 31, 2014

Time: 11:00am-2:30pm

Only \$1 for hot dog, chips and a drink.

Everyone Welcome!

Jubilee Ave will be closed as we get together and enjoy the summer day.

Neighbourhood House Small Grants

Neighbourhood Small Grants 2014 have been distributed thanks to the generous funding from the Vancouver Foundation. The projects included: art and photography workshops, cooking for teens, drug awareness workshops, youth soccer, neighbourhood parties and picnics, community cleanups, and many more. For more information about projects and ways to be involved, please call Mackenzie at 604-431-0400, or e-mail: mackenzied@burnabynh.ca

Diversity Training for Businesses



Safe Harbour Program is an initiative of Affiliation of Multicultural Societies and Service Agencies of BC, that aims to create more inclusive environments that welcome diversity. As a Safe Harbour Community Organizer for Burnaby, we offer free orientation sessions and diversity training for businesses and organizations. To register for a Safe Harbour training please contact Branka at 604-431-0400, or e-mail: brankav@burnabynh.ca

Programs & Services

Storefront Drop-in

Information and referral service is available at the Neighbourhood House. *Mon - Fri 9:00am-4:30pm.*

Preschool Program

The Preschool Program is a licensed learn-through-play program for children 2.5-5 years old. We offer 4 hour (9:30am-1:30pm) and 2 hour (9:30-11:30am, or 12-2pm) classes at the following locations:

Clinton Preschool: 5858 Clinton St. (*Tue and Thu*)
Marlborough Preschool: 6060A Marlborough Ave. (*Mon, Wed, Fri*)

Gilpin Preschool: 5490 Eglinton St.

(Coming September 2014- register now).

For inquiries contact Annette at 604-431-0400, or preschool@burnabynh.ca

Kids Out of the Rain

This program is an alternative program for students in grade 2 to 5. The program includes recreational activities for children through which they will be encouraged to interact with other students in the school. The program is offered at Maywood Community School throughout the school year.

Friendship Club

Friendship Club is a free after school program offered for children in grades 2 to 7. The focus of the program is on providing a safe and caring environment for the participants to engage in social and recreational activities. The program is offered at Edmonds Community School, and Douglas Road Elementary School throughout the school year.

Youth Leadership

We offer 3 levels of Youth Leadership:

Foundations in Leadership- A leadership program designed for younger youth in grades 8 and 9.

On-going registration is available for this program.

Leadership 1- A community leadership training program developed for local high school youth that focuses on skill development working with children. Leadership 1 is offered September to April and January to August each year.

Leadership 2- The focus of this level is on being a *change agent* within the community by project planning and fundraising for the immediate and long-term needs of the community. Leadership 2 starts October and runs through to May each year. Call Marleen at 604-431-0400 for more info.

Family Place Drop-in Program

We offer a number of Family Drop-in programs throughout the community for parents/caregivers with children age 0-5. Family drop-ins provide a variety of opportunities for families to socialize, to have a safe and fun place to play and learn and to get parenting information.

Call Maheen at 604-431-0400 for more info.

South House Family Place- 4845 Imperial Street
Mon-Thu 9:30am-11:30am. (Wednesday program is led by volunteers).

Brentwood Family Place- 4430 Halifax Street
Wed and Fri 9:30-11:30am

Clinton Family Place- 5858 Clinton St.
Mon and Wed 9:30-11:30am
(No program at Clinton Family Place in the summer).

Sharing Cultures Community Dinners

A great place to relax, meet your neighbours and learn about different cultures. Cost is \$3 for adults, \$1 for children. Enjoy food, children's activities and entertainment for all. The dinners will resume in September at our new house.

Neighbourhood Outreach

Family Outreach workers are available to support parents with young children (under 5) who need help meeting other parents and making community connections to local family resource programs. Call 604-431-0400 and ask for: Margaret (North Burnaby) Maheen (South Burnaby)

Community Kitchens

Tue and Wed 10:30am-1:00pm. The Community Kitchen is a weekly program at Maywood Community School and Edmonds Neighbourhood Resource Centre for families and individuals with limited income to come together and prepare healthy meals to take home. We always use everyone's favourite family recipes and include many kid-friendly foods. Contact Lynn at 604-431-0400

ESL Classes

Mon and Thur 1-3pm. Volunteer-led ESL classes are available throughout the year for beginner students.

Free Law Clinics: *Tue 12:15pm - 2:15pm*
Provided to individuals who cannot access help from Legal Aid and who are low income and cannot afford a lawyer. Half hour appointments can be booked with a qualified volunteer lawyer who will provide step by step advice for dispute resolution. Lawyers do not appear in court, but can assist clients in court preparation. Call **604-878-7400** to book an appointment. Provided in partnership with the Western Canada Society to Access Justice.

Income Tax Clinic

Volunteers are available year-round to assist individuals with their income tax returns. Service is offered to those with limited income and we request a \$5 donation per return.

Seniors Together Program

A senior led group that focuses on welcoming and involving seniors in a variety of different activities. Fridays from 9:30am-1:00pm.

Beginners ESL: 9:30-10:30am.

Activities: Info sessions/guest speakers.

Light lunch: 10:30am-1:00pm

Wednesdays from 12:00-3:00pm

Activities: Games, conversation, etc.

Beginners ESL: 1:00-2:00pm.

For more information contact Kathryn at 604-431-0400, or seniors@burnabynh.ca

Seniors Outreach Ambassadors Program

Seniors Outreach support is available to help seniors to make community connections to various resource programs. Trained volunteer ambassadors assist in supporting vulnerable, low-income, at-risk isolated seniors to access resources and make connections. To participate in the Seniors Ambassador Program, or to make a referral contact Elizabeth at 604 431-0400, or seniorsoutreach@burnabynh.ca

Community Adult Literacy Program (CALP)

The CALP is a free program offered in Burnaby for English speaking adults who face challenges in their reading and writing skills. Trained volunteer tutors will support them in their learning. Tutoring sessions take place once a week. For more information contact Rajeeta at 604-431-0400, or literacy@burnabynh.ca

Digital Cafe

Wed 3-5pm. With the help of a volunteer instructor learn basic computer programs to learn how to surf the internet, create email account, and type simple texts. (Computers are available for public use: *Weekdays 3-5pm (call in advance to confirm).*

Volunteer Opportunities:

To inquire about our volunteer opportunities or to apply for volunteering call Abdul at 604-431-0400 or email: volunteer@burnabynh.ca

Programs in our newly opened North Burnaby House: 4463 Hastings Street

Family Coffee Time:

This drop in time is for parents with young children to connect with other parents. Family Coffee time is on Tuesdays from 1-2:30pm. You are welcome to bring your 0-5 year old child(ren) with you.

Digital Café:

Learn the basics about computers and how to navigate online. Drop by our Digital Café on Friday mornings 10am-noon.

For more information about North Burnaby Neighbourhood House programs and volunteer opportunities call Janice at 604-294-5444, or email: janiceh@burnabynh.ca

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Burnaby Neighbourhood House

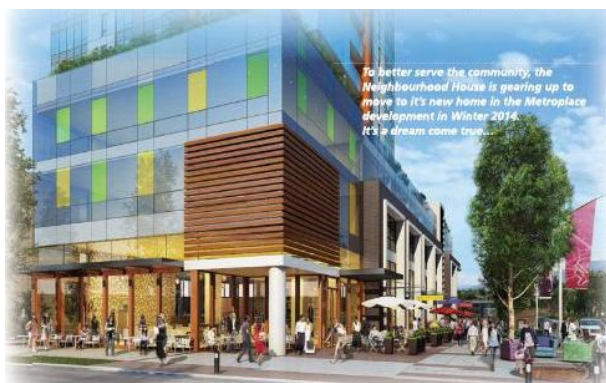
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We are moving September 2014 to our new house located at 4460 Beresford Avenue.



We would like to acknowledge our funders for their support to Burnaby Neighbourhood House programs and services

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Support our Summer Raffle.
Pick up a book to sell. Purchase your tickets to win great prizes.
One ticket for \$2, three for \$5 and 15 for \$20. Draw to be held July 31, 2014 at our Street Party.



Yes! I would like to support the Burnaby Neighbourhood House:

Please accept my donation of: \$10 _____ \$25 _____ \$50 _____ \$100 _____ Other _____

Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Address: _____

☐ Cheque enclosed ☐ Mastercard ☐ Visa

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