

# Neighbourhood projects get going



**Nick Barnes**  
COMMUNITY  
CORRESPONDENT

## WHYTE RIDGE

As you can imagine, it's been challenging to write about community activities in the past few months, with other priorities to be concerned about, but there have been some recent developments.

For example, it's great to see work underway on the pathways at Scurfield Park. The park was part of the first phase of development of the community in 1986 and has been in need of a facelift for a while. This is a continuation of work begun last year, which also included replacing the Whyte Ridge sign at the corner of Scurfield and Columbia boulevards.

According to Coun. Janice Lukes (Waverley West), the focus this year will be to upgrade the lighting and install gravel surfaces, with asphalt resurfacing next year.

Several trees that were removed due to

their roots creating safety hazards, and a new row of trees will be planted along a new section of pathway to Prospect Road.

Lukes also flagged an issue with the fountains in our two retention ponds. You may have noticed that they have not been operating this year, as part of a city funding cut. She is investigating, as the fountains help aerate the ponds, reducing issues with algae and mosquitoes.

She also noted that the city will be implementing the pilot project I reported on last year regarding enforcing a bylaw on lawn maintenance. Households that let their grass grow longer than 15 centimetres (six inches) on their front lawns can be subject to a \$150 fine if the city receives a complaint and the grass is not cut within seven days.

Lukes is also involved in two accessibility projects that should be implemented this year — accessible swings in Don Smith Park near H.G. Izatt School, and upgrades to the entrance to the Whyte Ridge Community Centre.

The accessible swing project is occurring in large part due to efforts by several H.G. I. students who organized a fundraising campaign. It will include installation of a bench in memory of Anisa Sadeghi, an H.G. I. student who was on the Iranian plane that crashed earlier this year.

*Nick Barnes is a community correspondent for Whyte Ridge.*



Photo by Nick Barnes

Work is underway on the pathways in Scurfield Park.

## ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT Vacancy Winnipeg

### QUALIFICATIONS - COMPETENCIES

- excellent organizational, communication and written skills
- ability to juggle multiple and changing priorities and meet deadlines
- training and experience with basic accounting practices
- ability to create and edit newsletters
- proficiency in MS Office
- ability to work independently and collaboratively
- other routine administrative functions
- follow the Code of Conduct

### JOB TYPE:

Part-time, Permanent

### SALARY:

Commensurate with qualifications and experience

### EMPLOYER:

Pembina Trails Teachers' Association

### SEND CURRICULUM VITAE

(including three references) to:  
Lise Legal pttapresident@mymts.net

### APPLICATION DEADLINE:

July 15, 2020

*Please note that only those selected for an interview will be contacted.*

## Summer's here and we are finally reopening



**Sarah Guillemard**  
FORT RICHMOND MLA  
CONSTITUENCY  
REPORT

Last month, as Fort Richmond Collegiate staff and students got creative to celebrate the graduating classes of 2020 during a pandemic, I was happy to announce the recipients of the MLA for Fort Richmond bursaries.

Our community congratulates Lucy Liu from Acadia Junior High School, who received a band bursary; Alexander Papineau from Centre Scolaire Léo-Rémillard, Ethan Little from Southeast Collegiate and Maltha Uwambajimana of Fort Richmond Collegiate.

The last school year was a challenging, unforgettable one for students, staff and families. You should all be extremely proud of your achievements.

After a long winter and strange spring,

we are relieved to benefit from the heat of summer and the safe, enjoyable activities that come along with sweltering Manitoba sunshine. In Fort Richmond, many local businesses are now open and ready to serve us, whether safely in person, online, or through delivery and pickup.

As well, some community activities have resumed, especially through the Southwest Community Club. At the SWCC Richmond site, seniors' activities are back in swing, including pilates, yoga, zumba, and more. Please contact Murray Harding at richmond@swcc1.ca or 204-269-1908 for more information.

For families with kids, while mini soccer, learn-to-play softball, rally cap and grand slam baseball have been cancelled, AA baseball tryouts and summer soccer registration are open. Playgrounds have also reopened. Also, spray pads are operating and a perfect way to cool down on hot days.

The City of Winnipeg reminds us to take a few extra precautions at spray pads, such as

practising social distancing, being aware that there are no available washrooms, checking location details to make sure the pad of your choice is open, and staying home if you feel sick. Our closest sites include the Waverley Heights spray pad at 1885 Chancellor Dr. and the St. Norbert spray pad at 3450 Pembina Hwy.

If you would rather stay inside and enjoy some peace and quiet, Pembina Trail Library is also open on a limited basis. While the book stacks are currently closed, the library is offering hold pick-up service, telephone reference and book returns.

I love to hear from you, so please feel free to reach out at 204-221-8881 or contact@sarahguillemard.com.

For accurate and timely information surrounding COVID-19, please visit [www.gov.mb.ca/covid19/index.html](http://www.gov.mb.ca/covid19/index.html)

I hope you enjoy a secure and happy summer.