



Sturgeon Point Association

November 5, 2008

Dear SPA Members,

Today is a beautiful day at Sturgeon Point. In spite of a couple of snowstorms, we have had a beautiful fall. Thanksgiving weekend was incredibly warm, and colourful.

I want to bring everyone up to date on the happenings with your SPA Board of Directors.

On August 31st, we had our Annual General Meeting. We received a plaque from the City of Kawartha Lakes Heritage Committee for the Rain Shelter at the Government Dock. The plaque is now in place on the building. Reports were made on the Park Restoration, on the financials for the Sturgeon Point Association and the Sturgeon Point Park Restoration, membership, communications, and the President's Report.

We also elected our 2008/2009

Board of Directors, who are the following:

Lynne Manning	President
Tom Anders	Vice-President, contact for Public Works issues
Colleen Clynh	Treasurer
Chris Appleton	Secretary and Chair, Beach Committee
Maureen McKellar	Social
Ed Warlow	Membership
Victor Isbrucker	Communications
Nelia Steward	Heritage
Greg Taylor	Park
Ken Nyuus	Director at Large

I want to thank the following people who have retired from the Board:

Jill Hunt – Jill was the treasurer, who handled all the finances of both the Association, and the Park Restoration. She spent this last year receiving all the donations, liaising with the City in order that we could get the tax receipts, and then managing all of the finances. It was a very busy year for Jill. She also was very involved in the Civic Weekend Street Dance and BBQ.

Don Holloway – Don was the Go to person for all of our “Public Works” issues with the City e.g. streetlights, roads issues, etc. for the last 3 years. He dealt with everyone's issues and tried to find solutions, a difficult challenge.

Jamie Wisener – Jamie was the Communications Director, which was another busy year due to the extra communications because of our Fund Raising Campaign. He also brought

us further up to speed on our internal technology, which is a tough job when there are so many of us that are technology challenged.

I want to acknowledge again all of the hard work of the group that worked on the park. This will truly be something that is remembered for many, many years.

Park Committee – Greg Taylor, Lisa Vehrs, Jalyn Anderson, Debra Taylor,
Simon Aspinwall

Fundraising Committee – Bob Barrett, Tom Anders, Jill Hunt, Maureen
McKellar, Lynne Manning

Now, the latest update on the Park.

The Village Office was torn down. We had planned to sell the building. We had 2 groups look at it, but we couldn't get it moved down Irene Ave., so we had to demolish it. We have just completed the laying of concrete. We now have a large multi-purpose court, which will be used for basketball, shuffleboard, and many other things. We also put a new layer of concrete on the foundation for the Pavilion. We are expecting that the Pavilion will be installed next week. Then, the final landscaping will be done.

Again, thanks to all of you who donated to the Park. It was wonderful to see how well it was used this summer. It has become a meeting place for children, their parents and grand- parents. We also expect next year to see a lot of basketball games being played by some of the bigger "folks", young and old. This is becoming a community center again.

Our next project is the Public Beach. This summer, we did a survey of needs for the Public Beach. We are now working on making recommendations and a plan for implementation. This will be funded by SPA and whatever grants that we may be able to get. There will be more on this in the spring.

We are pleased to announce that last year we had a record number of memberships sold – 260. I hope that we can continue to grow our membership, as these fees help us to fund the activities for the community and maintenance for our public lands.

I look forward to hearing from any of you who have concerns or interests that you would like more information on.

All the best from Sturgeon Point,

Lynne Manning
President
Sturgeon Point Association