



Gretna Town Newsletter



Have Fun and Get Fit - What a Concept!

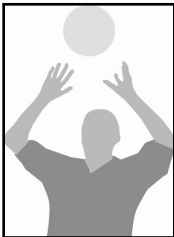
Well – time for fitness to once again take a more prominent place in my life – so I need to use some of you to help me achieve that!!

ADULT WOMEN VOLLEYBALL TUESDAYS: Starting Tuesday, January 17th, 8:00 - 9:30 pm in the MCI gym (except for some evenings where basketball may interfere – we will either try Gretna elementary OR skip a night) There will be ½ hour – 1 hour of drills and practicing and then playing a game.

ADULT MEN AND WOMEN VOLLEYBALL THURSDAYS: Starting Thursday, January 19th 8:00 - 9:30pm in the MCI gym (same rules as above, warm up and playing)

ALL LEVELS OF ABILITY ARE INVITED ... if you are expecting HIGH Professional quality, then this might not be for you...this is an opportunity to have some fun, get the heart beating, laugh a little – or a lot, learn a bit more about the sport, practice the stuff you already do well and just get out there and move!

This invitation is open to others whom you might like to invite to join us. It will be important for me to receive your emails or your friends email so that we can keep up to date on changes in venue or cancellations or other changes to the schedule. I will also start up a FACEBOOK page so that updates can be received there as well. (www.facebook.com/pages/Mennonite-Collegiate-Institute/156227284431207#!/groups/301281913240182/)



There is no charge for coming to play volleyball – just ask that you wear non-marking (indoor, clean) shoes on our gym floor and help with set-up and clean-up whenever you are able. You can enter MCI through the front doors, these are the ones close to the residence and right off the parking lot.

I am excited to get started and see some of you return and looking forward to the mixed evenings and new faces as well!

Psst...pass it on! - Tammy Rempel at tammyrempel@mciblues.net

Some People Still Aren't Getting It

In 2009, the Town of Gretna planned to create a more user friendly recycle area, something to replace the old wooden boxes that were a little dated. In 2010, an enclosed recycle structure with an electric door was put into place to further ease and assist with the processing of recyclable items. At a Shared Services meeting, it was revealed that Gretna contributes about 2% of the waste that enters the landfill in Altona. This translates that Gretna citizens are VERY conscious when it comes to recycling their waste. Well done everyone!

But even with these great accolades for our community, there are still a few folks who feel the recycle station is their own personal nuisance grounds to dump anything they choose. Some are leaving household garbage outside the structure which quickly gets scattered by birds. The Town of Gretna is looking into security cameras in an effort to catch the culprits who are treating your recycle area with such lack of respect. Here is a quick review of what is acceptable waste at the Gretna Recycle Station:



Composting Area: Located at the back of the site, made obvious by the large piles of grass clipping and tree branches. This area is for tree branches, grass clippings, leaves and plants. *It is NOT for tree stumps, concrete, plywood, home renovation waste or construction material.*

Recycle Building: Located immediately on the left as you approach the site (has a powered garage door entrance). This structure is for paper products (ie: newspapers, flyers, magazines, telephone directories), broken down or cut up boxboard (eg. cereal boxes, electronic boxes), gable top cartons (eg. milk cartons), aseptic containers (eg. juice boxes), metal food and beverage containers (tin cans and drink cans), plastic bottles (eg. drink bottles), plastic containers (eg. milk and juice jugs), household plastic containers (eg. yogurt tubs, ketchup bottles) and glass containers. *It is NOT for styrofoam, household garbage, plastic tables and chairs, plastic inflatable devices, construction materials.*

Please note that ALL recyclable items MUST BE BAGGED otherwise they are not collected and end up directly in the land fill. Take note, offenders: Any person or persons caught depositing garbage or waste not designated for the 2 sites will be fined \$200.00 for littering within the Town limits.

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



Gretna has stood the tests and trials of time. What makes any community is it's people. Not it's laws, policies or even government but it's people ultimately define and shape a community by what they are willing to give to it. The world truly is what you make it and it is in your power to contribute in that making.

This year's Hot Spot Festival is planned, organized and run solely on volunteer power. Can you offer a couple of hours,

a half day or the whole day? The Hot Spot Committee (all volunteers themselves) are looking for your help.



Be Inspired!

Contact Laurie Schellenberg at 327-5825.



Say you saw it in the Gretna Newsletter!

"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give." - Winston Churchill

Gretna Glistens at Christmas Home Decoration Contest

Winners!



**Laurie and Kathy Munson
 of 567 Cobourg**



**John and Anniel Fehr
 of 542 Leslie**



Winners were decided by popular votes received at the Town website and ballots handed in at the Town office. Only those who received votes could be eligible to win. Contest restricted to decorated exterior of homes.

The Gretna Prairie Centre
PRESENTS
 A great way to begin your Sunday!



SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE & TOAST

- WHEN?** → Every Sunday from 8:00 am - 11:00 am
- WHO?** → All ages, everyone in Gretna (Hey, that's you!)
- HOW?** → \$3.00 gets you toast, coffee in the company of friends
- WHERE?** → The Gretna Prairie Centre

And all in the company of friends!

SEE YOU THERE!

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WINTER ACTIVITIES *The Events Calendar* **OPEN TO ALL AGES!**
Gretna PRAIRIE Centre

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Monday, January 16th	7:00 pm	Monday Night Bingo! Only \$3.00 returns a fun night of Bingo and refreshments, all in the company of friends!
Tuesday, January 17th	2:00 - 4:00 pm 7:00 - 9:00 pm	Open House and membership drive. Come by for coffee, pool and see what the Centre is all about.
Friday, January 27th	6:30 pm	Pot Luck Supper and then... Our annual meeting.
Tuesdays, February 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th	2:00 - 4:00 pm	Beginning in February, every Tuesday is Toonie Tuesday! A toonie gets you games, crafts, refreshments and good times with friends and family!
Monday, February 23rd	6:30 pm	Pot Luck Supper and then... Valentine's Day Party!

A Quote From the STARS

"There are now more over-weight people in America than average-weight people. So over-weight people are now the average, which means you've already met you're New Year's resolution." - Jay Leno

HOT SPOT FESTIVAL 2012

Gretna Hot Spot Festival
 July 20-22

Planning is underway for a fun-filled family-focused weekend! If you would like to help or have ideas please contact Laurie Schellenberg at 327-5825 or laschell@mymts.net
 Gretna Hot Spot Committee

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