



Northstar Cultural Community Centre

NORTHSTAR NEWS

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14th Annual McDougall Street Reunion

August Edition

**VOLUNTEERS
Needed!**

**WE NEED
YOU!!**

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for more
details!



How many times have you driven, walked or rode a bicycle past Wigle Park and glanced at the stone marker pictured below? Does your mind recall previous experiences, sentimental memories and significant lessons learned while in the park?

These questions were asked to create a sense of personal remembrances about the City of Windsor's, "first and oldest park" which opened in 1909.

In the summer of 1998 a group of longtime friends gathered at Wigle Park to reminisce about their old neighbourhood.

Although time had not dulled the fondness of these experiences recalled by a group of "fifty-something" aged grown ups (now seventy-something) the conversation began to focus on the question, "what could be done to perpetuate these memories for future generations?"

The answer to this question was the formation of the **African Canadian Community Centre, now known as the Northstar Cultural Community Centre** and the creation of a yearly celebration titled **The McDougall Street Neighbourhood Reunion**.

The 1st Annual Reunion was held at Wigle Park from August of 2003 until August 2013. In that year the City of Windsor Parks Department began the process of redevelopment which meant that the reunion has not been held in the

park for the last 4 years.

The Board of Directors and members of the NCCCentre wished to share in the year long celebrations of 2017, a year of celebrating **Canada's 150th Anniversary** since Confederation in 1867 and the **City of Windsor's 125th Birthday** since its founding in 1892.

A focused approach was necessary if the celebration was to be held in the park



this year. Early in this process of inquiring about the possibility, it became evident that we would have remember and practise the definition of the word **PATIENCE, which states, an ability or willingness to suppress restlessness or annoyance when confronted with delay!**

A successful outcome was achieved in July with the assistance of Ward 3 City-

Councillor Rino Bortolin, Mike Taylor, Coordinator of Special Event, Parks and Recreation and Sgt. Wren Dousant, Diversity Officer, Windsor Police.

THANK YOU ALL!!!

Although the event is scheduled to occur within 3 short weeks, the supporters of the NCCCentre are pleased that we will be able to spend some time together as a community of people who enjoy and respect the togetherness that is needed to maintain our **HISTORY**, increase our **PRIDE** and strengthen our **UNITY!**

SEE YOU THERE!

LEVELS OF SPONSORSHIP

Dear Member, Community Friends,

The desired outcome for a successful conclusion to any event is to encourage some type of individual financial support for non profit organizations such as the Northstar Cultural Community Centre. The deadline for corporate sponsors has almost expired.

Please consider the following suggestions for a personalized sponsorship donation:

Level One - Monetary Donation

Donate \$20 or more (charitable income tax receipt)

Donate \$50 or more (charitable tax receipt, NCCC Medallion)

Level Two - Membership Dues (new or renewal)

Yearly membership dues are the foundational monetary support that is appreciated the most.

Individual \$25, Family \$50, Seniors \$20, Student \$20

(See blank form on page 4 of Newsletter)

Level Three - Prize Provider

Raffle prizes - sports related, clothing, gift certificates for various Services (restaurant, retail store, theatre etc.) gift baskets, back packs for school, toys and books for children or any other prize that you feel is suitable.(tax receipt if requested)

Level Four Memorial Plaque

Submit the name of a deceased relative/friend

\$ 25 fee will cover the cost of creating an inscripted bar for

placement on the Memorial Plaques that are on display at the NCCCentre

Level Five Selective Shopper

Purchase items such books. t-shirts, medallions etc. from gift table at the Reunion.

Sincerely,

Board of Directors, NCCCentre

LET US CELEBRATE TOGETHER!



JOIN US at
WIGLE PARK (between 1pm & 3pm)
to receive a

Happy Birthday cupcake honouring
Canada's 150th and Windsor's 125th



The Olde Towne Crier says...

HEAR YEE!

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Opening Ceremonies Highlights:

- ◆ Ontario Trillium Foundation announcement - NCCCentre to Receive \$63,000 Grant to produce a book honouring people of African descent in City of Windsor
- ◆ Tribute to Col. Wigle and Family, creation of a group to be called "The Friends of Wigle Park"
- ◆ New Monument to be placed in Wigle Park

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Business Hours:

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10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

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Comments or Suggestions?

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR



Volunteers Needed

Please mark your Calendar, then consider the need for volunteers to assist with this event.

Assistance is needed - BEFORE, DURING and AFTER the event.

(one or two hours would be helpful)

CALL 252-7143

Additional information

Is available:

Website-www.northstarcentre.org

Facebook- @NorthstarCultureCommunityCentre

Email- info@northstarcentre.org

**Bingo Buddies - There are no bingo sessions scheduled until
until September or October**

DONATIONS & VOLUNTEERS

Please remember the gift of community and consider making a donation to the Northstar Cultural Community Centre or volunteering.

Your gift will be used to continue the work of the Centre in providing services and programs to your community.

Donations of \$20 or more will receive a charitable tax receipt for income.



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2017 Membership Registration

Individual: \$25.00/yr Family: \$50.00/yr Seniors: \$20.00/yr Student: \$20.00/yr
(60 yr. & over)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Prov/State: _____ Postal Code: _____

Country: _____ Telephone: _____

E-mail: _____

Date: _____



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14th Annual McDougall Street Neighbourhood Reunion

Saturday, August 19, 2017

11:00am until 4:00pm

Hip! Hip! Hooray We are back at

Wigle Park

**Come out and celebrate Windsor's 125th birthday
in the first & oldest park in the city.**



Food Booth



Heritage Tent

Schedule of Events

10:00am - Early bird coffee & doughnuts

11:00am to 12 Noon - Opening Ceremonies

**11:00pm to 3:00pm - Food Booth, Classic Cars, Children's Activities,
Heritage Tent, Raffle Sales, celebration cupcakes**

3:00pm to 4:00pm **Celebration Showcase**

- * Healing the Creative Soul Senior Dancers
lead by Leslie McCurdy**
- * Artists of Colour Ensemble Performers**



Classic Car Show



Raffles
& Draws

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