



Community Greenhouse

Winter's finally here, and with temperatures dropping below -20 your community greenhouse has been shut down for the winter. The growlights, and many of the plants, have been moved into the basement of the SNA offices, so we will continue growing throughout the winter. Lettuce, basil & oregano, mostly, with a few pepper plants as well.

We were saddened to hear about a fire that destroyed a camp in one of the community gardens. As gardeners, we occasionally meet folks who do not have anywhere better to stay. We don't have the power to give them a roof to live under, but at the very least we can treat our relatives with compassion and concern. The way things are going, we expect more campers in the neighbourhood next summer.

By the time the newsletter goes out, we will have already held the first in a series of winter workshops, an introduction to indoor gardening. Hopefully, there will be a recording of the livestream to share, if you are interested. If you have ideas for future topics, please get in touch. They will be held in conjunction with the Community Connecting evenings, on the first Tuesday of each month, 5.00 pm at 430 Langside.

Contact greenhouse@spenceneighbourhood.org for more information, or to volunteer.

"Volunteer Board Members Needed

It would like to tell you why I have been a long term community volunteer for SNA.

My birth name is the only consistent long term guide in my life and it told me to listen to what we can accomplish, so I would like to share it with you. Gerald Ghostkeeper.

My life started with foster parents that led to my adoption. Within this environment I recognized I had no culture that I would be comfortable sharing. So I decided to explore all cultures.

My ancestors' community culture was based on survival and tribal knowledge. We needed the teaching and acceptance of every voice in the community.

This simple truth can be traced back to all of our ancestors. At these times of growth we established a spiritual connection with nature and over time it's led to many different interpretations.

Our diverse community is a collection of different understandings that we can share with each other. We have a common ground if we look at how our ancestors survived with a collective voice, and we can assist those who have been ostracized from a world that has a long history of cultural destruction. As a volunteer I have faith that my voice is being guided by what I hear nature saying.

SNA needs board members that are willing to find those common cultural connections, and use them for the good of our neighbourhood, to help all of our neighbours find a safe and welcoming home. We really want to hear your voice.

**Mail Pick Up &
430 Langside (MERC)
Monday - Friday
10 am - 2 pm**

**Want to advertise in our newsletter? Go to
[spenceneighbourhood.org/
get-involved/newsletter](https://spenceneighbourhood.org/get-involved/newsletter)
for more information.**

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FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT
WWW.SPENCENEIGHBOURHOOD.ORG
OR EMAIL THE COMMITTEE CONTACT PERSON
LISTED ON PAGE 4

Just a reminder....

The M.E.R.C
430 Langside St
will be closed
December 25, 26, 27
&
January 1st & 2, 2023



WE24
HOUSING OUTREACH
WORKER
For participants of WE24



Get help with:


- Housing applications & searches
- EIA/ RTB Supports
- Resource Supports
- Tenant/ Landlord Support
- Pest Control Supports
- Support in obtaining identifications
- Advocating for child welfare systems regarding placements

JEFFERSON

Daytime Hours @ 615 Ellice:
 Monday & Tuesday 9am-5pm

On-site: 430 Langside St
 Thursday & Friday 8pm- 3am

Cell: 204-998-3235
 jefferson@spenceneighbourhood.org
 Jefferson Spencehousing



HOMELESSNESS
OUTREACH MENTOR

Are you currently experiencing homelessness or couch surfing?

Get help with:

- Housing Applications & Searches
- EIA Supports
- Identifications Supports
- Community Supports & Resources
- Health Services & Social Services Supports

Jasmine

Cell: 204-999-4485
 Jasmine Spencehousing
 row@spenceneighbourhood.org

Monday - Fridays
 9am-4:30pm

615 Ellice Ave




**** Please call, fb or email to book an appointment****

WE24
 WEST END 24-HOUR SAFE SPACE

December
BIN MADNESS



DONATIONS NEEDED

mitts, gloves, touques, neck warmers,
socks, sweaters, hoodies, chap stick

Donations can be dropped off:
 430 langside st
 Monday - Fridays 9:00am-3:30 pm



Contact Chantel (204)688-9236
 for an after hours drop off



Spence Neighbourhood Association (SNA):

Website: www.spenceneighbourhood.org

615 Ellice Avenue (Head Office):

Community Connecting, Environment & Open Spaces, Finance, Homeless Outreach, & Housing

430 Langside Street (Magnus Eliason Recreation Centre - MERC):

Building Belonging, Children, Newcomer Youth Outreach, West End 24 Hour Safe Space, & Youth Drop-In

365 McGee Street (West End Commons):

Youth Employment Hub, First Jobs 4 Youth, & Youth Cre

231 Isabel Street (Central Neighbourhoods):

Gang Action Interagency Network (GAIN)

350 Spence Street (Axworthy Health & RecPlex):

Community Sports Program

Email: liaison@spenceneighbourhood.org



Healing Together Community Sharing Circle

Sharing circles,
cultural teachings
&
traditional crafts

EVERYONE WELCOME

Date:
Every Second Thursday
Starting December 1st, 2022
Time:
5pm
Location:
424 Logan Avenue, Unit
105

Bus tickets, snacks & craft supplies provided

CONTACT:

RYAN@SPENCENEIGHBOURHOOD.ORG



DID YOU
LEAVE THE GANG LIFE BEHIND

BUT
OLD GANG TATTOOS
ARE HOLDING YOU BACK?
GAIN CAN HELP!

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON OUR FREE
LASER TATTOO REMOVAL SERVICE

CONTACT:

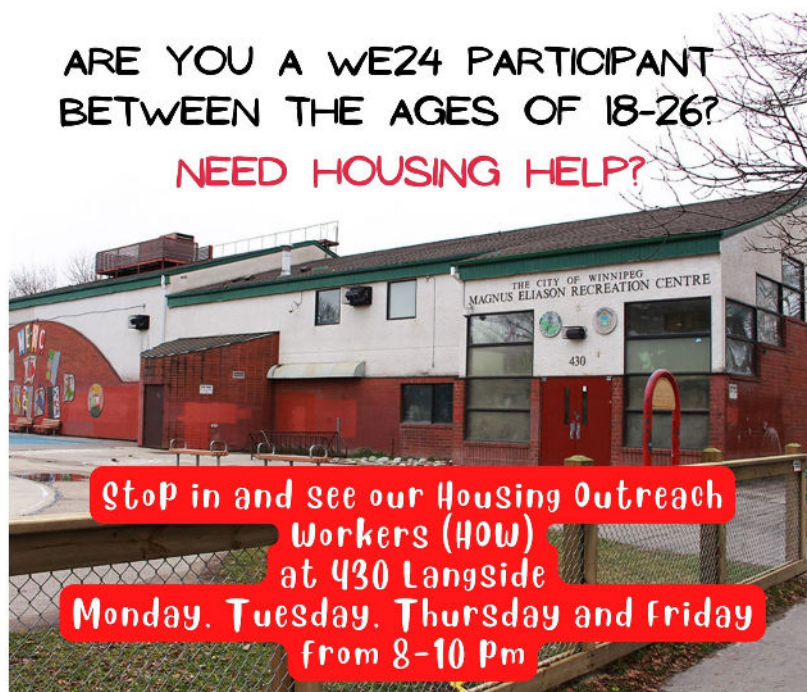
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BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE GANG ACTION INTERAGENCY NETWORK

ARE YOU A WE24 PARTICIPANT
BETWEEN THE AGES OF 18-26?

NEED HOUSING HELP?



Our HOW Workers

+ Assist with housing support/info

+ Information about services and resources for youth

+ EIA, RTB advocacy

+ Wrap around support

Eternity Littlejohn
204-998-1390
eternity@spenceneighbourhood.org



Jefferson McPherson
204-998-3235
jefferson@spenceneighbourhood.org

Donations Needed! **WE24**

Jackets, Brand new underwear,
Socks, Shoes/Boots, Toothbrushes,
Tooth Paste, Deodorant, Soap, Razors
& Bottled Water.

All donations can be dropped off at
430 Langside (MERC) or
contact
Chantel at

donations@spenceneighbourhood.org

Thank You!

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Programs

Building Belonging

Our School Year 2022-2023 program for ages 6-12 at the Magnus Eliason Recreation Centre (430 Langside St.) runs Monday to Friday, 3:30-5:30pm, with a daily meal, structured activities and pickup from John M King and Sister Mac schools and walk or drive home available. Building Belonging will be closed for the holiday break from Dec. 22, 2022 until Jan. 4, 2023. Registration forms are available at the M.E.R.C or on the Spence Neighbourhood Association website. Contact us at buildingbelonging@spenceneighbourhood.org

Newcomer Youth/Youth Drop In Program

The Newcomer Youth Drop In Program (ages 12-17) will change its hours during the school break (December 22- January 4th). We will be open from 5-7:30 pm. Join us for a snack, basketball, and holiday arts and craft activities. Need to create a gift for yourself or someone special? Join our special holiday cricut gift making program on Dec 6, 13, and 20th. Transportation provided at the end of the program. Have questions? Contact us at newcomer@spenceneighbourhood.org

Community Sports Program

Southside basketball academy is coming back monthly for clinics starting September 15, grade 7 and up, free to play soccer is still Tuesdays-Fridays ages 11-17 5-7 pm and under 11 Saturdays 12-1:30pm. Reach out to sport@spenceneighbourhood.org for additional information. We will be having a few different programs for Sport coming soon.

Youth Employment Hub

The **First Jobs 4 Youth** SNA's Youth Employment Hub's First Jobs 4 Youth is running our Winter 2022 Session starting in November. We will be taking 15 youths aged 18-29 who are not in school. Visit our website and fill out the application online or drop off at office room # 102 West End Commons. 365 McGee Street or Email :First Jobs 4 Youth Coordinator Email: aaron@spenceneighbourhood.org

Youth Crew is open and is performing essential services at the West End Commons. Contact Leslie at firstjobs@spenceneighbourhood.org or call 204-801-6740 for all other inquiries.

WE24 Overnight Safe Space

Monday - Sunday
11:00 pm - 7:00 am
430 Langside - MERC
Contact Mel - WE24 manager at
Email: mel@spenceneighbourhood.org



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Holistic Housing

615 Ellice
Contact: Housing Coordinator at
204-783-5000 ext.105
housing@spenceneighbourhood.org

Community Connecting

615 Ellice
Contact: Community Connector at
204-783-5000 ext.106 or
safety@spenceneighbourhood.org

Community Economic Development

365 McGee
Contact: Youth Employment Hub
Coordinator at 204-801-6740 or
firstjobs@spenceneighbourhood.org

Youth & Families

430 Langside
Contact: Youth Programs Manager at
newcomer@spenceneighbourhood.org

Environment and Open Spaces

615 Ellice
Contact: EOS Coordinator at
204-783-5000 ext. 102 or
greenhouse@spenceneighbourhood.org

