
Garson Falconbridge Community Action Network



Priorities Committee
September 16th, 2009
Jean-Guy Charette

GFCAN Mandate

- The Garson Falconbridge Community Action Network (GFCAN) was established by community residents and the City of Greater Sudbury to bring people together to build a better Community.
 - ***Healthy Communities are strong and vibrant.***
 - It is the mandate of the ***Garson Falconbridge Community Action Network*** to provide resources to help make this happen.
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GFCAN Communications

- Website
 - www.gfcan.com
- Newsletter
- Mailouts
- Info Card



The
Garson Falconbridge

 **Garson Falconbridge
Community Action Network**
Your community... Your Imagination.

**Are you interested in living in a healthy, strong and vibrant community?
You can help.**

- Are you concerned, you're not being heard at City Hall?
- Are you concerned, with the snow plowing in Garson & Falconbridge?
- Are you concerned, with road conditions in Garson & Falconbridge?
- Are you concerned, with crime in Garson & Falconbridge?
- Are you concerned, with traffic in Falconbridge Hwy?
- Are you concerned, with traffic on your own residential street?
- Are you concerned, with cleanliness in Garson & Falconbridge?
- Are you interested in the re-greening of Garson & Falconbridge?
- Are you interested in the youths of Garson & Falconbridge?
- Are you interested in having bicycle & walking paths in Garson & Falconbridge?
- Are you interested in having walking paths in Garson & Falconbridge?
- Are you interested in ATV trails for Garson & Falconbridge?
- Most of all, are you interested in living in a strong and vibrant community?

If you can answer **yes** to any one or more of the above questions than we encourage you to attend the next Garson Falconbridge Community Action Network meeting on

Tuesday, May 19, 2009
Garson Arena Community Hall at 7:00 p.m.
and bring your ideas... be part of the solution.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

What is the Garson Falconbridge Community Action Network?
The Garson Falconbridge Community Action Network (GFCAN), was established to serve as a community source of information and feedback to the City of Greater Sudbury and Council by bringing local residents together in order to build a healthy, strong and vibrant community.

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**What is a
Community Action Network?**
A Community Action Network brings residents together in order to build a strong and vibrant community.

**The Garson Falconbridge
Community Action Network**
was established to serve as a community resource for development and as a source of information and feedback to the City of Greater Sudbury and Council.

Partnerships are a key component to the success of the Garson Falconbridge Community Action Network. We encourage all residents, Business owners, local Clubs & Associations etc. to contact us with your views, ideas and opinions (*no matter how small*) on how we can make our communities the best they possibly can.

Recent projects
Some finished, others ongoing
Garson Park Walking Trail
Community Christmas Tree
Brady Park Tennis Courts
& Playground

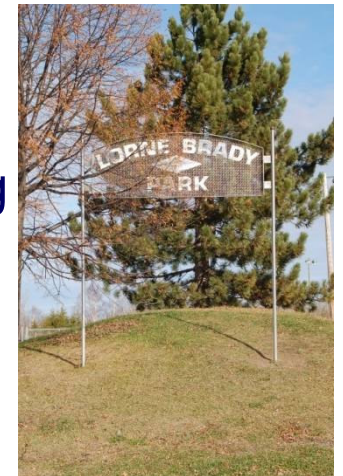
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GFCAN Activities

- Monthly meetings
 - Strategic Visioning Session
 - Collaborate with Community Stakeholders
 - Address Community Concerns
 - Take Action!
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GFCAN Current Initiatives

- Recent Strategic Visioning Session
 - ❑ Engaged new community members
 - Partnered with Garson Lions Club
 - ❑ Christmas Tree
 - Collaboration with Vale Inco
 - ❑ Full-time Representative on CAN
 - ❑ Hosted special community meeting to discuss blasting
 - ❑ Donation to improve the Lorne Brady Tennis Courts
 - Active COPs program
 - Speed watch
 - Garson Trail (Junction Creek Waterway)
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Special CAN Meeting



GFCAN Current Initiatives

- Garson Trail



Garson Trail

■ Challenges



GFCAN Strategic Visioning Session



GFCAN Visioning

- Recent Strategic Visioning Session
 - ▣ Strengths
 - the people
 - lots of greenspace
 - good recreational facilities
 - many amenities
 - ▣ Weaknesses
 - newcomers are not well informed
 - ATV issues
 - Snow plowing/snow removal
 - bus service
 - traffic on Falconbridge Road (speed and lack of pedestrian crossings)
 - little activities for youth
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GFCAN Visioning

□ Opportunities

- great potential for expansion of our parks and trails
 - with a focus on walking and cycling trails
 - develop inventory of things to do in Garson
 - promote our strengths
 - trail for ATVs between Garson and Falconbridge
 - development of cross-country ski trails
 - designate gateway to Garson with community sign
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Current and Future Priorities

- GFCAN Strategic Visioning Session ~ May 2009
 - Identified following priority areas:
 - Create more walking and cycling trails in Garson-Falconbridge
 - Established sub-committee on walking trails
 - Walking/Running Club ~ Fall, Spring, Summer
 - Engage youth and create more opportunities and activities for youth
 - Established sub-committee on youth initiatives
 - Exploring opportunities for youth programming pilot with arena and local schools
 - Community welcome sign
 - Encourage increased collaboration from local businesses, service clubs and groups
 - Enhance information available to newcomers
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Thank you,
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