

Please help us celebrate our January Volunteer of the Month, Deanna Jackson!

We asked Deanna a few questions regarding her volunteerism in Parkview. Check out her answers below, to see why she was nominated!

Q: In what program(s), or in what capacity have you volunteered your time to the Parkview Community?

A: When I moved into the neighbourhood five years ago, I wanted to get involved in whatever way I could, in hopes of connecting with my new neighbours. And that is exactly what happened! During my short time here, I have worked casinos, done spring clean-up, assisted in organizing the Food Truck Event, and ultimately served on the PVCL board for two years as the activities coordinator. My role there led to my co-chairing of the Outdoor Revitalization Committee, alongside Keven Lackey and Richard Van Soest, which we have been working on for a little over two years already!

Q: What Parkview event or project are you looking forward to, the most?

A: While I absolutely love every single event our community hosts, I am definitely most excited for the revitalization of our outdoor space! Our rebuilt rink will not only look amazing, but be far more safe without holes in the boards! My kids seem to be most excited for the refurbishing of the basketball court. I am certainly hoping that before construction starts, someone will let me take a sledgehammer to that prison-style fence!

If you have not heard about the project, you can have a look at <https://www.pvcl.ca/about-us/outdoor-revitalization-committee>

We also have a fundraiser/silent auction coming up for the project, which I am very excited about! It is on March 14, and we will have the amazing Alfie Zappacosta! I have yet to see him perform live, and I cannot wait!

Q: What is your favourite thing about living in Parkview?

A: My favourite thing about Parkview is despite the fact that I am still relatively new to the neighbourhood, I feel like I have known my neighbours my whole life. Everyone here treats each other like family and embraces newcomers with open arms. Some of the best friendships I have ever had were made through these volunteer endeavours.

