



Neighbourhood Update

News and notes of interest to McMaster's neighbours

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Homecoming Weekend

Activities to celebrate Homecoming began October 19th and continue through this weekend. On Saturday McMaster's football team takes on Guelph at Ron Joyce Stadium. Game time is 1:00 p.m. Prior to the game there's a chili lunch, fireworks display and at halftime the McMaster marching band will perform. On Sunday, McMaster Athletics and Recreation inducts the newest members to its Hall of Fame. This is McMaster's 73rd annual Homecoming celebration and hundreds of alumni are expected to participate.

Engineering building opened

McMaster's new Engineering Technology building opens this weekend. The five-story, 125,000-square-foot, glass-covered building is located on Main Street West and features state-of-the-art learning and research facilities, sustainability systems, and novel architectural design. It is a LEED Gold certified building and conforms to high environmental standards including having a "green" roof, water harvesting system and advanced energy conservation technology.

McMaster special duty police officers

Once again this year, McMaster University is funding additional police officers to patrol the neighbourhoods around campus. The entire cost of these Hamilton Police officers is paid by the University. Two officers in separate vehicles will be on duty every Thursday and Saturday night. You can call (905)546-4925 to contact Hamilton Police Services Central Station.

Collective bargaining update

The University and CUPE Local 3906, Unit 1 continue negotiations on a renewed contract this Thursday and Friday Oct. 29 and 30. CUPE 3906, Unit 1 represents part time Teaching Assistants and some Research Assistants on campus. The union is in a legal strike position as of October 31. This week the union held an information picket at the Sterling entrance to campus. The University will continue to update the community through the Neighbourhood Update and online at:
http://www.mcmaster.ca/opr/labour_relations/cupe_2.html

Keeping connected

As activities on campus continue, we'd like to stay connected with residents living on Mayfair Circle, Mayfair Place, Forsyth Avenue North, Forsyth Avenue and Sterling. If you are interested in receiving regular updates via e-mail, please e-mail the following information to **Gord Arbeau, Associate Director Public Relations – arbeaug@mcmaster.ca**

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