



## Ottawa South Column – June 2, 2016

### **River Ward Strawberry Social**

River Ward's seniors are cordially invited to attend my annual Strawberry Socials next week. Two events are planned, June 8 at the Hunt Club Riverside Park Community Centre and June 9 at the Alexander Community Centre, both from 1-3pm. Please reserve your seat by calling Sarah Barber at 613-580-2486 or email [Sarah.Barber@Ottawa.ca](mailto:Sarah.Barber@Ottawa.ca). Looking forward to seeing you at another great event.

### **Ottawa Police Delivery Model Review**

The Ottawa Police Service (OPS) is launching public consultation to gather feedback on changes being considered to its service delivery model. These changes are part of a strategy at the OPS, called the **Service Initiative Program**, which is designed to improve how they serve the community given a number of pressures facing policing, such as increasing costs, city growth, changing demographics, growing demands for service, and the increasing complexity of crime. Community partners and key stakeholders are invited to a facilitated session on June 7, Noon-2:30pm or June 9, 6-8:30pm. For more information about the Service Initiative program or how to register, please visit [ottawapolice.ca/serviceinitiative](http://ottawapolice.ca/serviceinitiative).

### **Door-to-Door Sales**

Local residents have identified aggressive salespeople in the neighbourhood who don't take no for an answer. You are under no obligation to permit any salesperson from entering your home as part of a sales pitch for air conditioners, furnaces, home heating plans or any other offer. If you are not interested, say so, and close the door. If the salesperson does not leave your property, call the police.

### **Brookfield HS One-Act Plays**

The Brookfield HS drama department is hosting a set of one-act plays from June 2-4pm at Brookfield HS starting at 7pm. A \$5 admission is in effect. Come on down and support our local high school's drama students.

### **Splash Pads are Open**

Most City of Ottawa Splash Pads are now open until mid-September. Local splash pads in neighbourhood parks are a great way to cool off and have outdoor fun. The City of Ottawa organizes events at splash pads, wading pools and in parks throughout the summer. Stay tuned for more announcements about these events this summer. Some parks remain closed because of their proximity to schools or for maintenance reasons. Visit [www.ottawa.ca](http://www.ottawa.ca) for a complete listing or call my office if you have questions about your local park.

### **Doors Open Ottawa-This Weekend**

Ottawa opens its doors to some of its most interesting buildings this weekend. Take some time to explore and learn more about our great city.