

THE CHRONICLE

A Newsletter for the Residents of Canterbury Common
Port Perry, Ontario
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Summer 2017

REPORT FROM YOUR BOARD

Gord Simmons, President 982-1330

On June 13, 2017 I had the honour of following in the footsteps of Dave Noble, Marilyn Fitzgerald, Ian MacKinnon, Harvey Graham, David Werry, William Fellows, Peter Egan, Don Cann, and Marilyn Stafford as a President of the Canterbury Common Resident's Association. Becoming part of such a dedicated group of volunteer leaders is not something anyone should take lightly and I will do my best to follow their example in ensuring that the physical, mental and financial health of our community remains strong.

Over the past couple of years working as a CCRA Board member and as Co-Chair of the Planning and Action Committee I have become convinced that while we should seek out innovative ways of improving how we administer the programs and policies under which we manage, we should respect and carefully preserve the spirit and culture that our past has created.

We have shown that we are a strong community and a formidable force when we come together and speak as one. Our strength is in working together and caring about each other and we will need to continue in that vein in the years to come.

I have been fortunate to have been part of the core group with Marilyn both on the Board of Directors and with the Canterbury Residents Planning and Action Committee which helps provide a continuum and insight into what lies ahead.

On June 6, 2017 Marilyn as President and I as Vice-President, signed the OMB Minutes of Settlement agreement on behalf of CCRA which binds all parties to the agreed upon terms and conditions reached during the OMB Mediation Meetings held April 20 - 21, 2017.

Our first priority as we move forward will be to set up communication channels with the Township and Geranium to assist us to monitor initial construction stages to ensure that all terms of the agreement are being fulfilled. Following that we will develop approaches and systems to integrate our new Phase IV neighbours into the community we have all come to call home.

The Annual General Meeting was held at The Centre on June 13th at 7:00 p.m. This year, four positions became vacant on the Board. Having served for the last four years, the latter two as our President, Marilyn Stafford is retiring. I would like to take this opportunity to publicly thank Marilyn for the commitment and leadership she has provided to this community during this turbulent time. Her poise and composure under duress have been a role model for us all.

Also retiring are three other key members, Doug Thiemann, our Treasurer for the last four years, Vernon Reynolds, Administration and Jim Worsley, House and Property, both having completed two-year terms. Many thanks to each of them for the dedication and support they have given to both the Board and CCRA during the difficult time of their tenures. They have all done an exceptional job and given their nature will help out in the future where they can.

The Nominating Committee put forward the names of Dave Sparling, John Rintoul, Jane Smythe and Tallya Moore. All accepted and were elected by acclamation. In addition to myself, those remaining on for their two-year terms will be Harry Hough, Lauren Maher, Joan Rickerd and David Thompson. Immediately following the AGM, the new Board met to elect an executive and allocate liaison responsibilities.

The slate for 2017-2018 is as follows:

Board of Directors

President	Gord Simmons
Vice-President	Lauren Maher
Secretary	Jayne Smythe
Treasurer	Harry Hough
Administration	John Rintoul
Communications	Joan Rickerd
Finance	Harry Hough
Governance	Tallya Moore
House & Property	Dave Sparling
Municipal Affairs	David Thompson
Social	Lauren Maher

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Other News

I would like to welcome new residents Norm and Jane Hartley and Malcolm and Anne Thistle. I hope you'll feel comfortable joining us at some of the events we've planned over the summer months, especially our Canada Day Celebration as we enjoy Canada's 150th birthday together. Perhaps you might also be interested in our activity groups or you might like to volunteer on one of our standing committees. It's a great way to get to know the community and the very fine people who live here.

As a follow-up to the Special General Meeting at The Centre on May 6th, we held a second information session on May 24th for residents who were unable to attend the previous one. This provided an opportunity for them to see a presentation on the Site Plan which was approved by the CCRA Board of Directors, the CRPAC, Canterbury Land Development Corporation, the Region of Durham, the Township of Scugog and our CCRA residents with a 95% vote of approval at the May 6th meeting.

In May, we also published another What's Happening Newsletter updating residents on events.

In preparation for the meeting with Geranium designers on June 1st to negotiate terms of expanding facilities at The Centre, another workshop was held for the Board, Committee Chairs and members and CRPAC on May 29th in order to review initial inputs on integration and provide any additional information appropriate for inclusion.

The OMB Settlement Hearing will commence on June 19, 2017.

In this issue of The Chronicle, you will find:

- our annual updated residents' Telephone Directory for 2017-18
- a close-up on Sabina and David Thompson
- an article on Canada's 150th birthday celebration
- and don't forget to check out the Computer Help Corner.

Finally, in appreciation of the time, talents, skills and expertise of all volunteers who make Canterbury No. 1, the Board, assisted by the Social Committee, is hosting a free BBQ for all residents in celebration of Canada's 150th birthday, Saturday, July 1st from 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Hope to see you there!

REMARKS OF OUTGOING PRESIDENT MARILYN STAFFORD AT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, JUNE 13, 2017

Welcome to the 19th Annual General Meeting of the Canterbury Common Residents' Association. A special welcome to all our new residents who are attending this meeting for the first time.

Before we begin, I would like to say a few words. As you know, after this meeting, I will be retiring. How do I describe the past two years as your President? It has been quite a journey!

Harvey told me that being the President was the best job on the Board. Well, it certainly was for the first two months, but when the golf course was sold in September 2015 it put all of us into a stressful situation for the months that followed. I am not going to repeat all the time spent on meetings, the many What's Happening updates sent to residents, and so on, as you already know. However, I have to take the time to thank all the wonderful people who have worked with me. I could never have done this without all their help.

I will start with the Board of Directors. First off, we needed a Secretary. When we approached Harry Hough about putting his name forward, he said if he could be of help, he would. Well, Harry you certainly have had one of the busiest years for taking the Minutes for all of our meetings. You have done an outstanding job and we thank you very much. Also, thanks to Mary-Anne Matthews who has always been there for us with her guidance. The Admin Committee chaired by Vernon Reynolds was amazing. Any request was just taken care of without any hesitation and carried out perfectly. The additional Town Hall meetings were quite a task. Thank you Vern and all of your Committee. The House and Property Committee chaired by Jim Worsley work endlessly to keep our Centre in great working order. Jim has always looked after The Centre as if it were his home. Jim and his team do a super job and we appreciate all your efforts. David Thompson looked after

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our Municipal Affairs and succeeded in getting our north pond finally cleaned up. It was quite a job and David gave it 100%. Thanks David for being our Liaison for Municipal Affairs. The Communications/Website Committee chaired by Joan Rickerd keeps us all updated by means of The Chronicle and the Website. Joan and her Committee do an amazing job. Doug Thiemann is our Treasurer and chairs the Finance Committee. Thanks Doug to you and your Committee for taking care of our finances in such a professional manner. Gord Simmons was the Vice-President as well as Chair of the Governance Committee and Chair of the Golf. Gord has had a very busy year and we really appreciate all you do for our community and also thanks to your Committee for looking after all the projects our residents do. Now we have Lauren Maher who is the Chair of the Social Committee. Lauren and her Committee have done an amazing job these past few months in having wonderful events for our residents to attend to try and keep our community involved and together through these months of turmoil and I am sure you will agree they did and continue to do an awesome job. Thank you Lauren.

You are very familiar with the next group and that is the Canterbury Residents Planning and Action Committee (CRPAC). This Ad Hoc Committee was approved by the Board of Directors on October 13, 2015. Co-chaired by Ed Richards and Gord Simmons along with Roger Doe, John Rintoul, Barry Smythe, Dave Sparling, David Thompson and Advisors Harvey Graham and Mark Brewer and I was the Liaison to the Board. There were Sub-committees set up along the way to deal with the various issues. George Clapham, the Golf Feasibility Study, Jim Worsley, extension of the Clubhouse and Doug Thiemann dealing with the financial issues. The Committee and Sub-committees have also had many residents involved and I thank them for all their time and effort. I could never begin to tell you how special all these gentlemen are. They are an outstanding team and I have been truly fortunate to have them to work through the Geranium Project. We started in September 2015 and here we are in June 2017 and we have the end result. I feel very fortunate that I was able to see it through and was a part of the CRPAC. I know I will miss them, but I really believe it is time that I spent some time with their wives. You already know they spent endless hours on the Geranium Project so I am not going to repeat that, but I know you really found out at the May 6th Special Meeting when you saw the results how hard they pushed prior to and at the OMB mediation to get the best for our community.

I believe it is pretty great when we have had major issues before us that we have all remained very professional and have become friends and can enjoy each others' company. Thanks to all of you.

And now, moving forward with the new Board to be elected tonight: we know that our community is definitely going to change over the next few years. I know that if we all work together and welcome our new residents we will always have the wonderful community we have today. A huge Thank You for the confidence you placed in me and for all the support and encouragement you have given me during the last two years.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

Vernon Reynolds, Chair 985-9858

Meetings & Volunteers

We have certainly had our share of meetings recently; a Town Hall Meeting, Special General Meeting and the Annual General Meeting during April, May and June. Your participation has been excellent and I'm sure you benefit from the opportunity to be with your neighbours and be informed. You will be interested to know that 90% of households including proxies registered for the Special General Meeting on May 6th and our seating capacity of 305 was exceeded. Sorry we didn't have enough chairs.

Many thanks to the volunteers who assist the Administration Committee with cleaning of the chairs on the deck, pick up and return of chairs from the Legion and the furniture arrangements for the main hall, the registration desks and the library. Over 50 volunteers are involved with delivery of notices to your homes and support activities for the meetings.

WebCalendar Software

In the spring 2017 edition of The Chronicle, we told you of some problems we experienced with our software that had passed its Best Before Date. We are pleased to inform you that we identified a solution and have successfully tested and implemented new software called CalendarWiz. The trial period involved representatives from the Administration, Communications and Social Committees.



COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

Joan Rickerd, Board Liaison/Chair/Editor

Communications collaborated with Admin and Social in the selection and trials for the new CalendarsWiz Software for producing the monthly calendar and it is now in the first phase of implementation. The calendar will be produced in the customary format and printed copies will be available for pickup by residents at the postal kiosk and displayed in the Residents Section on the website. Future opportunities to announce social events and transmit the calendar via email to residents will be evaluated later this year.

Nora Senechal has joined the Committee and will assist the Webmaster and Submissions Coordinator with special projects.

Accolades to MaryLou and Jim Burnett and their team who on very short notice hand-delivered information packages in record time to residents' homes for the Special General Meeting held on May 6th.

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MEN'S GOLF COMMITTEE

George Clapham, Chair 982-1593

Our 2017 golf season got off to a soggy, wet, cold start. However, our inaugural breakfast was great! Many thanks to Dorie and her staff for hosting us.

Our 2017 registration has increased over 2016 and we have more golfers participating each week. What a hardy crew!

Our first tee-time each week has been changed to begin at 8:00 a.m. The Ladies League that begins at 9:00 a.m. has increased their membership to 100. To make it easier to get both of our Leagues checked-in, Gary in the Pro Shop asked if we could start a little earlier.

Our online registration procedure continues to be working well and our new members enjoy its simplicity.

Hopefully, the remainder of the golf season will include perfect golf weather each Tuesday.

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

Gord Simmons, Chair 982-1330

Our Committee has had the opportunity to visit many of you over the past few years and want to compliment all of you on how thoughtful and cooperative you have been with each other. We have seen many acts of kindness and consideration between neighbours and have been very impressed by how well people have cooperated with each other.

We have been very pleased with the cooperation we have had from all of our residents and thank you all for contacting us prior to commencing any new projects. We hope that our approach of assisting you to interpret the Protective Restrictions rather than acting like enforcement officers has been helpful.

As everyone is aware we are now entering a new phase in the life of Canterbury with the development of what we are terming the fourth and final phase of the golf lands property. While we have had the opportunity to contemplate the reality that some development will take place we are still struggling with our great views being taken away, the thoughts of construction equipment moving in and around our oasis of tranquility and to a great extent the preservation of our privacy.

The Planning and Action Committee fought very hard to gain as much green space between our homes and the new homes to be built in order that Commons areas similar to what is already in place could be duplicated. One of the immediate and most common reactions by people losing the golf course view has been to think about planting trees and bushes to ensure their privacy.

We would caution those of you who want to do this immediately to let some time pass before you start making such purchases. There will be discussions with the developer about mitigation measures between properties and it is likely that the developer will participate in financially assisting homeowners with such purchases.



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Over the past year the Governance Committee has given final approval to nine projects and there are currently two in progress. This past year has been an average year, given that there have been approximately 75 projects completed and approved over the past six years. This year we saw mostly decks being expanded or replaced and sunrooms being added.

It has been a great opportunity for me to work with the other Governance Committee members, John Brewer, John Rintoul, Tallya Moore and Frank Young and I thank them and you for all the support given to me over the past couple of years. It is also my pleasure to announce that Tallya Moore has been elected to take over the position of Chairperson of the Governance Committee and serve as the Liaison for the Committee on the 2017 – 2018 CCRA Board of Directors.

HOUSE AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Jim Worsley, Chair 985-0346

- 1) We have purchased two crimson king maples and a little leaf linden for installation in the west commons area. We are in the process of identifying nearby residents to adopt the trees for the early part of their growth (water, banding, etc.).
- 2) The pool liner has been successfully replaced and the pool refilled. It is now being enjoyed by Canterbury swimmers and the Aqua-fit group.
- 3) Both BBQs have been refurbished at a cost of \$457, with new covers and have been tested to 400 degrees. New replacement BBQs were priced at \$3200.

MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

David Thompson, Chair 985-1214

The needed sidewalk repairs that were brought to the municipality's attention during the winter are being scheduled so you may notice markings on a number of sections of sidewalk. These repairs will occur this summer.

Large ruts were cut into the grounds at the southeast end of The Centre's parking lot (south of the postal kiosk) when staff from Durham Region came on to our property to service their pump-house. The region's staff has been contacted through Bobbie Drew and has agreed to come out and repair the damage.

Maintenance of the walkway that connects The Centre with the walking path along the lake is a shared responsibility between the municipality and CCRA. The municipality is responsible for maintaining the section that crosses their land (the section that passes through the forested area) but their crews have not been actively managing this section for several years. This has been brought to the attention of the municipality and we are working with them on a proposal that will see the pathway maintained to everyone's satisfaction.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Lauren Maher, Chair 982-1510

Since the last edition of The Chronicle

Harvey Graham was our guest speaker at the final Coffee Hour of the season. We were presented with a "sneak peak" of the itinerary for his always-popular FARM TOUR which is scheduled for July 5th and sells out very quickly!

Our SPRING FLING, convened by Barb Brady, was a "fun" evening for everyone. The Centre was transformed into a spring-like setting with a 9-hole indoor mini golf set-up, and over 100 residents participating. Our Pro Shop volunteers, Murray Smith and Bill Anderson, kept us moving through the maze, and our Grand Prize Winner for the evening was Rowena Clapham. The evening was topped off with a short skit, with entertainment provided by some very good sports in Canterbury. Good Fun, Good Food, Good Friends!

Despite the nasty weather, 22 homes participated in our Annual Canterbury Yard Sale, which is always held on the first Saturday of May.

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!! Neil Simpson added a "twist" to the CANTERBURY CAR RALLY on Monday, June 12th, titled TRIVIAL PURSUIT! Watch for the Rally Wrap Up, AND details for Neil's PHOTO SCAVENGER HUNT planned for September 9th.



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Many residents participated in the First Annual Mental Health Awareness Walk along the waterfront trail, with volunteers from Canterbury assisting with directions and refreshments.

Line Dancing sessions with Alice Lynch have resumed. See the sign-up sheet at The Centre weekly, and ...

Our CANTERBURY COMMONERS have been busy practising for their performance at the Free BBQ for All Canterbury Residents on CANADA DAY. Please join us as we also extend our appreciation to the CRPAC and Sub-committees for their amazing efforts on behalf of Canterbury.

Many new residents have moved in. We extend a Warm Canterbury Welcome to you, and remind you that....

2017 is shaping up to be another "event-full" year. Please watch for further details on our GREEN FLYERS, the posters on the bulletin boards, and visit our Canterbury Website, where we have some "great" pictures of past events. Monthly Calendars are also available at the mail kiosk.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR:

July 1 st	CANADA DAY FREE BBQ FOR ALL CANTERBURY RESIDENTS
July 5 th	FARM TOUR
September 9 th	PHOTO SCAVENGER HUNT
October	COFFEE HOUR RESUMES
October 21 st	DINNER/DANCE WITH THE BEEZ BAND
December 1 st	WINE TASTING EVENT
December 31 st	NEW YEARS EVE CELEBRATION

Special thanks to our VOLUNTEERS, who spend many hours planning these events, to Neil Simpson for his enthusiasm, to Barb Brady for planning our SPRING FLING, and to you, the Residents of Canterbury - your support is most appreciated!

"It's a sure sign of summer if the chair gets up when you do."

- Walter Winchell -

ACTIVITIES

AQUA-FIT

After this long, wet spring it is great to have the swimming pool open again and being enjoyed by residents. Aqua-fit is now up and running on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 1:00 p.m.- 2.00 p.m. Weather permitting, we will follow this schedule until the end of the season.

Unfortunately we can only accommodate 12 in the class and at this point it looks like we are at full capacity. However, if you would like your name added to the waiting list, please give me call.

Eileen Walter 985-7704



BOOK CLUB

The CCRA Book Club will begin again on Thursday, October 5, 2017, with a memoir, "The Pelee Project" by Jane Christmas, who took a three-month leave of absence from her job with the National Post, put her house up for sale, and moved with her 10-year old daughter to a simpler life on Pelee Island. On October 26th, we will read "The Women in the Castle" by Jessica Shattuck. The story, set in Bavaria in 1945 as the third Reich crumbled, is of three German women whose husbands were killed because they planned the assassination of Hitler. On November 30th, our book will be "A Piece of the World"

Pat Procnier 985-3775



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by Christina Baker Kline who also wrote "The Orphan Train". This book deals with a fictional account of the life of Christina who was the inspiration for American artist, Andrew Wyeth.

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We begin our 2018 meetings on January 25th with "The Perfume Collector" by Catherine Tesaro, February 22nd with "In The Bleak Midwinter" by Julia Spencer-Fleming, March 29th with "The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane", April 26th with "The Redemption of Alexander Seaton" by Shona Maclean, and we end our year with lunch out on May 31st with "Up and Down" by Terry Fallis.

Other books you might like to read on our supplemental list are "The House Without Windows" by Nadia Hashmimi, "The Chosen Maiden" by Eva Stachniak, "I Let You Go" by Clair Mackintosh, "A Train In Winter" by Caroline Moorehead, "The Girl who was Taken" by Charlie Donlea, "Yellow Crocus" by Laila Ibrahim, "Inside the O'Briens" by Lisa Genova, "Take Me With You" by Catherine Ryan Hyde, and "The Lost Wife" by Alyson Richard.

Have a happy summer reading great books. Please join us in October for an enjoyable afternoon discussing "The Pelee Project."

CANTERBURY CHORUS

Coordinators: Pat Corlett, 985-4966, Tony Graham, 985-9041, Lucille Huron, 982-2769
Choirmaster and Musical Director: Carol and Brian Strachan



Attention all new residents and also our tried and true Canterbury Chorus members. Although you are pulling dandelions and working on your gardens, the behind the scene chorus folk are putting some thought into what the 2017 Christmas Concert will look like. We do know it will start at 2:00 p.m. rather than the traditional 3:00 p.m. and due to popular request, butter tarts etc., will be replaced by appetizers more fitting to a "Happy Hour" theme. We are also putting feelers out to find community musical groups to join our holiday entertainment. If you have any ideas or know of a suitable talented musician or group, please contact us.

We will start to meet as a group around the end of August with some of us getting together for planning earlier.

For the information of all potential members, the commitment to the Canterbury Chorus is a limited one. We practise once a week from September and are able to start packing our bags for the South by the middle of December right after the concert. We welcome all those who like to sing and we do not have auditions. Please join us besides singing, we do have fun.

SCRAMBLE GOLF AND SOCIAL

Carol Strachan, Chair 985-4423

We promised you laughter and friendship on Thursdays at the Scramble Golf and Social ... that we have delivered as promised. We are still pressing Mother Nature for the perfect weather on the golf course. Although the spring was off to a damp and soggy start, it certainly didn't hinder the enthusiasm of our hardy golfers. The Scramble dinners have been managed expertly by our convenors and helpers. With such wonderful meals being served up by the caterers, we can quickly forget a few extra raindrops.

To continue to produce excellence, the organizing committee is asking for your input into any changes you might suggest. To keep the Scramble fresh, we are looking for additional eager members on the committee. New innovative and different ideas are welcome... even old tried and true! We hope you are enjoying the establishment of the "Open Mic" evenings, when more "Canterburians" have the opportunity to be involved.

Later in the season you will have a chance to give us your suggestions at an "Open Mic" session and perhaps you may wish to volunteer to assist in next year's committee. Canterbury can only work through volunteerism.

Keep Sept. 28th open for our Grand Finale – the year-end Banquet....
See you there!





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Sailing Itinerary

Day	Port / City	Arrive	Depart
18 Feb	Fort Lauderdale, Florida		4:00 pm
19 Feb	At Sea		
20 Feb	George Town, Grand Cayman	7:00 am	4:00 pm
21 Feb	At Sea		
22 Feb	Cartagena, Colombia	7:00 am	4:00 pm
23 Feb	Oranjestad, Aruba	4:00 pm	
24 Feb	Oranjestad, Aruba		6:00 pm
25 Feb	Willemstad, Curacao	7:00 am	7:00 pm
26 Feb	Kralendijk, Bonaire	7:00 am	3:00 pm
27 Feb	At Sea		
28 Feb	At Sea		
01 Mar	Fort Lauderdale, Florida	7:00 am	



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COFFEE HOUR (Thursday Mornings October to April)

Ellen and Mark Brewer 985-0738

We had another very successful year. We want to acknowledge Pat and Dennis Bayley who recently left our community. For the past 10 years, they hosted and arranged an estimated 250 speakers for the enjoyment of approximately 7500 attendees. What an achievement! We also want to thank Anne Anderson, Carol Burke, Jeanette Rintoul, Linda and Jim Merriam for their help in setting up and assisting Pat, Dennis, and ourselves for the recently completed 25 coffee hours held this last session. Finally, our community is very grateful to the speakers who gave of their time and expertise at no cost. Many were local residents (including members of CCRA) while others came some distance to educate and entertain us.



Coffee Hour will return in the fall and information about the upcoming program will be available at that time. If you have any suggestions for speakers (including yourself) willing to volunteer their time and knowledge, please contact either of us at mark.brewer@sympatico.ca or ellen.brewer@sympatico.ca.

Because we provide the sessions at no cost, we have to depend on the generosity of volunteer speakers. Fortunately this has not been a problem.

Have a great summer and looking forward to seeing you in the fall.



A WONDERFUL COFFEE MORNING TRIBUTE TO PATRICIA AND DENNIS BAYLEY

Photos: Lauren Maher

ACTIVITIES

LADIES' BRIDGE

Carol Hough 982-0748
Jane Sibul 982-0196



Ladies' Bridge is played on Wednesday afternoons at 1:00 p.m. year round. If you wish to play with a friendly group of ladies, please come and join us. Bring a loonie for prize money. New players are most welcome too.

MIXED BRIDGE

Carol Hough 982-0748
Cecilia Del Genio 985-4855



Mixed bridge will be played on Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m. All new faces in the community are certainly welcome to join us for a fun night of cards. Bring along a loonie for prizes. Please put your name on the posted sign-up sheet in The Centre each week so we can arrange to have the tables complete.

EUCHRE

Barb and Mike Kaban 985-7599

Euchre is played every Wednesday night at 7:00 p.m. in The Centre. We encourage anyone interested to come out and join us for some interesting local gossip, a few laughs and some darn good euchre. It's still only a toonie for a good evening of euchre and a shot at the 50/50 draw. Join us and give it a try.



KNITWITS

Doreen Reynolds 985-9858

Another busy spring season for the KnitWits. We are very pleased to have several new members join us and some who knit at home, then donate to us.



Our focus has been on knitting hats, neck warmers, toques, adult mittens and slippers for Operation Scugog. Many of our ladies are also knitting "scrubbies", a square you use for clean-up in your kitchen and they are also great for removing stains from cars.

Did you know that our hospital gift shop offers baby slippers, bunnies and baby blankets knitted by our KnitWit Shannon?

Drop in to The Centre on a Friday afternoon from 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. for a visit and see what we are working on. Love to see you.

MAH JONGG

Carol Sambrook 985-1556

Mah Jongg is played every Tuesday and Thursday at 1:00 p.m. Feel free to come and watch us play or maybe join in.



POKER BOYS

Harvey Graham 985-6446



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Bill Gerber, Pool Coordinator 985-8595

By this time, the 2017 swimming season is well underway and despite the poor weather this spring the pool was officially opened one week earlier than last year. This is of course thanks to our heater and to the people who signed up to help test the pool as required by the Durham Board of Health. There are some new additions to this group of active "chemists" and your participation is essential and so very much appreciated.



We are very thankful for the support from CCRA with the purchase of a much-needed new pool liner. Even if you are not a swimmer, please come on down to admire the pool's "new look."

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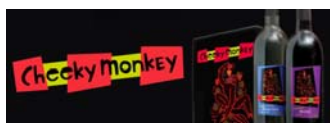
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The Snipping Tool



One of the most useful tools I have come across in years is the Snipping Tool. It came out with Windows 7 and I fell in love instantly. If I can see it on my computer screen – I can take a snapshot of it. You can save and share news stories, movie reviews, photos or recipes. You can even take a clip of a ridiculous error message on your screen and send it to your favourite PC support person. Then he/she can see exactly what you see!

Where do I find this handy tool? Select the **Start** button, type snipping tool in the search box on the taskbar, and then select **Snipping Tool** from the list of results. You can also find it as one of the options listed under All programs and Accessories.

Just remember when you DO find it – right click the program and add it to your desktop or start menu.

Do not despair if you are a Mac user. They have something similar called the Grab Tool.

NOTE:

I would love to get a little feedback about the computer help section.

Is anyone out there actually using this information?

Is there anything you would like to see?

Please let me know at info@canterburycommon.ca

SMILE OF THE DAY

Submitted by David McBride 985-6231

John and Marsha, now retired and living in Canterbury, usually got along well together. However, on the day that they were to go on one of Harvey Graham’s farm tours, they obviously had had a blow-up. Grumpy, and without a word said, John entered the bus, marched down the aisle and picked a window seat. Marsha followed, equally disturbed, but sat down beside him. Neither of them spoke, until finally, passing a barn yard with a goat, a mule and several pigs, John muttered to Marsha “Relatives of yours?” There was a short silence. Then Marsha said, “Yes, in-laws!”



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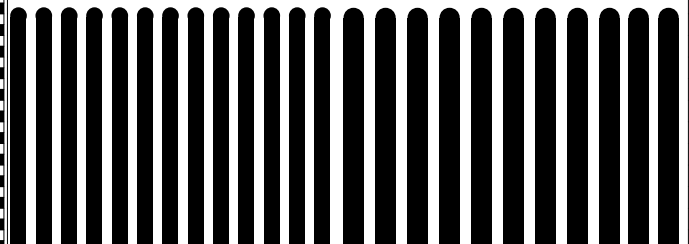
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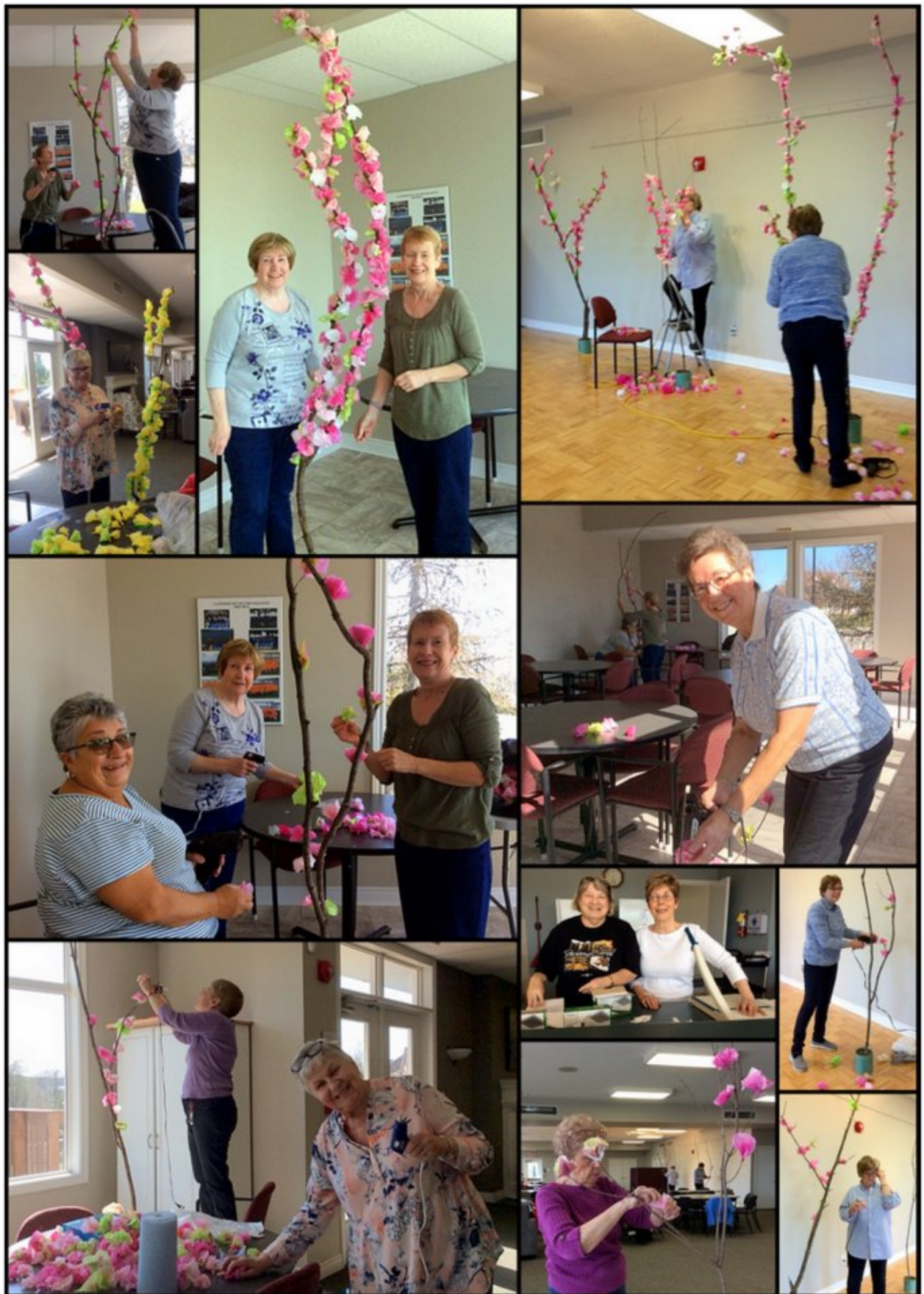
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As Canada marks its 150th birthday since Confederation in 1867, we tend to forget the history that preceded it. But geology, glaciology, archaeology and palaeontology shed a great deal of light on this part of our past showing nomadic hunters living off the land between 70,000 - 10,000 B.C.! Prehistoric humans from Asia first arrived in significant numbers about 12,000 years ago, crossing an ancient land bridge between present-day Siberia and Alaska and spreading steadily across the North American continent. At the time, almost all of Canada was covered in hundreds of metres of glacial ice. Around 6000 B.C., the Inuit arrived. Circa 1003 A.D., Leif Erickson and other Vikings established a colony in Labrador but it was abandoned a couple of years later. It took almost another 500 years for Christopher Columbus to sail across the Atlantic in 1492 opening up the Americas to European civilization. Some 40 years later, Jacques Cartier charted the St. Lawrence followed in 1603 by Samuel de Champlain and Henry Hudson a few years later. In 1670 the Hudson's Bay Company was established, still a thriving institution to this day. Just recently, the world's oldest water, estimated to be as old as two billion years, was discovered by researchers in the depths of a mine in Timmins, Ont. In 2013, the same University of Toronto team discovered samples in the same mine dated at one billion years!



Canada - from the Huron-Iroquois word "Kanata" meaning a village or settlement - is the second largest country in the world (first is Russia), has the highest tides in the world (the Bay of Fundy in New Brunswick), the longest coastline of any country 243,977 km (151,600 miles), boasts the longest highway in the world - the Trans-Canada - at 7,604 km (4,725 miles) and the longest street in the world - Toronto's Yonge Street at 1 896 km (1,175 miles). But despite its size and a population just over 35.2 million, it has the lowest population density in the world - three people per square kilometre. By comparison Monaco, with 38,320 people has a population density of 25,718 people per sq. km. Bangladesh, on the other hand, population 10 million, has a density of 1,114 people per sq. km. With two official languages, and half its population born outside Canada, Toronto is often referred to as the most multicultural city in the world, comprised of 200 ethnic groups and over 140 spoken languages.

Did you know the first Thanksgiving was celebrated in Canada as early as 1578 when Martin Frobisher and his English sailors gathered on a small island in what we know today as the Canadian Arctic offering prayers and thanks for a hectic but safe voyage across the Atlantic? Canada was also the first country to celebrate Labour Day beginning in 1894. Isn't it ironic that the country where the green disposable polyethylene garbage bag was invented by two Canadians, Harry Wasylyk and Larry Hansen, now produces more garbage per capita than any other!

Front and centre on the world stage, Canadian inventions have permeated nearly every facet of daily living. As early as 1811, an original sapling grown on the farm of John MacIntosh produced Canada's national apple - the MacIntosh apple or, as it's often called, the Red Mac. Thomas Edison is credited with the light bulb but Canadians Henry Woodward and Matthew Evans sold their patent to Edison in 1874 and he altered the design to make it more practical for commercial production. The following year, Alexander Graham Bell invented the telephone. An early form of peanut butter was first patented in 1884 by Marcellus Edson. Standard Time was introduced by Sir Sandford Fleming in 1878; the overhead power connection for electric streetcars was invented by John Wright in 1883 and the electric car heater and electric oven by Thomas Ahearn in 1882 and 1890 respectively.

The 1900s saw a multitude of inventions. The discovery of insulin in 1923 by Drs. Banting, Best and Macleod benefits the world to this day. As early as 1904, the first car to be produced in Canada was made at the Ford Motor Co. of Canada, historically one of the most powerful companies in the country and in the 1970s the largest; four years later, Canada's McLaughlin Motor Company produced its first car; also in transportation, the hydrofoil boat, another invention by Alexander Graham Bell and Canadian Casey Baldwin in 1908, and the snowblower by Arthur Sicard in 1927. These were followed by Joseph Bombardier's snowmobile in 1937. The crash position indicator for aircraft in the 1950s was another NRC invention as was the electric wheelchair and cardiac pacemaker. In the food industry: Canada Dry Gingerale and Pabulum were followed by poutine, the Nanaimo bar, butter tarts, instant mashed potatoes and Yukon gold potatoes and later Crispy Crunch and Coffee Crisp chocolate bars. Canadians still enjoy their daily coffee at "Timmy's", founded by Canadian and Toronto Maple Leafs hockey player Tim Horton in 1964. In communications, radio telephony, the means by which pilots and ground personnel communicate, was first demonstrated by Reginald Fessenden in 1901; this was followed by development of the Walkie-Talkie, the Cesium Beam Atomic clock (an NRC invention), the Blackberry led by Mike Lazaridis, the pager invented by Alfred J. Gross and computerized Braille. In sports, ice hockey and later the goalie mask, invented by Jacques Plante of the Montreal Canadiens; in case you're wondering, instant replay was invented by Hockey Night in Canada producer George Retzlaff in 1955. Lacrosse, five-pin bowling and basketball followed and continue to dominate the field today. And, we musn't forget two items that are part of daily apparel: Wonderbra and the zipper! The list could go on and on.

The illustrious list of Nobel Prize winners over the years has included 22 laureates either born in Canada or who gained



professional distinction here. These include several in medicine, three National Research Council of Canada scientists in chemistry, two prizes in literature, and several in physics and economics. The only Peace Prize won by a Canadian was to the late Prime Minister Lester B. Pearson for defusing the 1956 Suez crisis. Thanks to this same Prime Minister, Canada today proudly flies this country's iconic red Maple Leaf flag. "Few national symbols are as iconic as the Maple Leaf," said Prime Minister Justin Trudeau recently. "Beavers and canoes may be just as enduring, but only the Maple Leaf has come to represent unity, hope, generosity, openness and respect, and the nation and its people who live up to those values. It is fitting that this cherished symbol is at the heart of Canada's flag."

Over the years, more than one million inventions have been patented by Canadians. In his book *Inventing Canada*, Canadian author Roy Mayer states "Our innovators have given novelty, variety and colour to our lives with their great practical gifts and the world would be an exceedingly boring and grey place without their vitality."

Involved in the space effort since the 1930s, and as leader of the industrial team in the design and building of Canadarm along with Spar Aerospace, Canada once again takes centre stage. As we look to the future in preparation for human exploration of Mars, this country now has the world's first fully simulated Mars base. Officially called the Flashline Mars Arctic Research Station (MARS), it is located on Devon Island, Nunavut, on Haynes Ridge in the Haughton Crater, the world's most northerly crater, formed some 39 million years ago. The site was chosen because of its Mars-like terrain. It has been officially operating with half-a-dozen international scientists for more than 15 years. Canada was again on the world map this spring when an international team of scientists found what could be the oldest known signs of life on Earth. The discovery, buried in a sheet of potentially 4.3 billion-year-old bedrock that once formed the bottom of the planet's first ocean, was made along the coast of Hudson's Bay in northern Quebec. It could offer clues to the emergence of life on our own planet and others including Mars.

In celebration of this historic year, thousands of events are planned across the country - from a once-in-a-lifetime meal at Canada's Table, an open-air dining experience at a 1,000-foot-long table set in front of Parliament Hill for a four-course feast of Canadian delicacies, to the screening of the story of hockey legend Maurice Richard, complete with special guests from the golden age of hockey. Once again, as they did during Canada's centenary in 1967, tall ships from around the globe will make stops at 35 host ports in Ontario, Quebec and the Maritimes. And in Canterbury, the Board of Directors and the Social Committee will co-host a free BBQ and live entertainment for residents at The Centre, featuring The Canterbury Commoners, on Canada Day, July 1st. For further information on events and projects throughout Canada in 2017, go to Heritage Canada's website at Canada.pch.gc.ca/eng/1468262573081.

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Canadiana montage arranged by Marg Jackson
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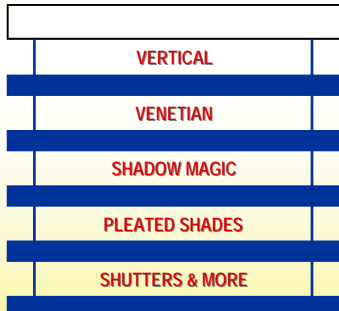


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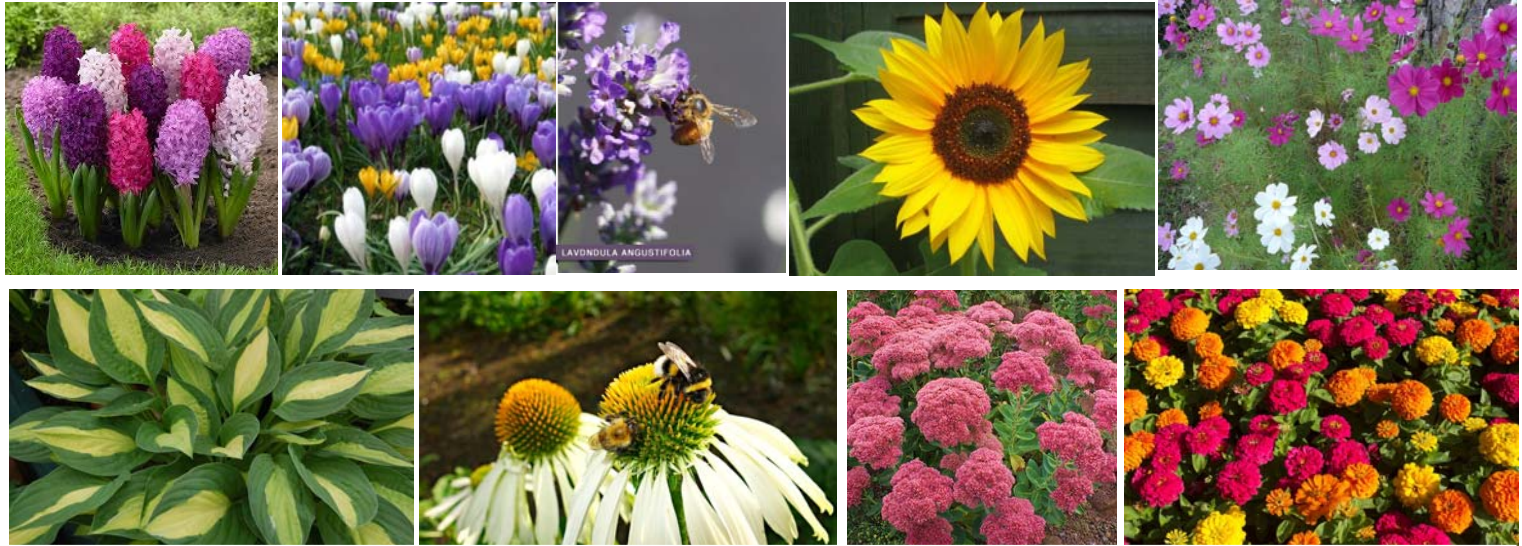
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A peek at Marg Jackson's garden including the official Maple Leaf tulip to mark Canada's 150th birthday.

Well, it is that time of year again – we are working on our gardens. The decision of what type of plants to have in our gardens is not an easy one. There are many choices in nurseries but some are not suited to our climate or wildlife so how do we decide what to plant? After looking around the neighbourhood I decided to look into gardening with plants native to the Scugog area. Google suggested several wild flowers including Milkweed. Most of us are not really going for the ‘wild look’ so I spoke to some of the staff at local nurseries to see what other interesting plants are available.

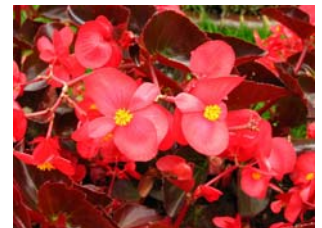
There are so many things to consider. What do we want to attract to our gardens? Certain plants will attract birds, squirrels and rabbits. Others can attract insects and spiders. After speaking with nursery staff, I decided to concentrate on plants that will help to attract bees. Here is what I learned. Bees can see colour; they are attracted to blue, purple, white and yellow flowers. Planting clusters of flowers from the same species was suggested by the nursery staff. Varieties of flowers that will attract bees are Hyacinth and Crocus in early spring, a huge number of plants mid-season including Catnip, Dahlia, Lavender, Sunflower, Cosmos, and Hosta. Late blooming plants that will attract bees include Coneflower, Sedum and Zinnia.



Those native flowers I went to the nursery to check out? I have decided the only ones I will plant in my garden this year will be Columbine and possibly Black Eyed Susan.



Many common annuals such as Marigolds, Nicotiana, Lupins and Petunias will also work well in a bee-friendly garden. Just remember that, like the farmer, we need to rotate our “crops”. It is not good to grow the same annuals in the same section of your garden year after year. When thinking of annual flowers it has been suggested that we avoid Impatiens as they are susceptible to a fungal disease called downy mildew. Plants with this condition have a fuzzy white powder on the bottom of the leaves. The leaves will yellow and fall off. If this should happen to you, please put dead plants in your household garbage, not in the compost or yard waste. Instead of Impatiens try any type of Begonias or New Guinea Impatiens which are not susceptible to downy mildew.



Happy Gardening!



Many of you will already have your gardens planned and planted by the time you read this so the nursery staff suggested that you could place a bowl of water in your garden for the bees to drink. It should be fairly shallow and have a rock in it so that the bees can “perch” on it as they drink..



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WORK AND LOVE ACROSS THE CONTINENTS

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It took quite some time, but perseverance and love won out in the end, allowing David and Sabina Thompson to share a life together here in Canterbury.

Let's start with a young, animal-loving girl born and raised in Zurich, Switzerland. Being an avid equestrian required that she take a tram, a bus and a train before finishing the hour-long journey to the barn on foot. Fortunately, in Switzerland, as across Europe, public transit is integrated, efficient and on time.

Having excelled in Swiss schools, where students are streamed early for academic futures or work in trade or business, Sabina quickly mastered six languages. Starting with her native tongue, Swiss-German, Sabina learned "High" German in grade one for reading and writing, progressed to French in seventh grade, English in first year high school, Spanish in second year and later Hebrew.

Meanwhile, in Windsor, Ontario, a young lad was being raised in a family with a mom, a sister and a dad who was a labourer with a strong work ethic. David had some success in track and field but not so much on the football field. He learned to play the saxophone in high school but quickly switched to flute and found he loved music and had talent. When it came time to choose a path for university he weighed the options of music or science and decided that his musical talents likely wouldn't take him far.

When David announced his plan to go to university his Dad was sure that he'd be back home within three months. After finishing three degrees and working his way up in industry, David had finally convinced his father that his chosen career path, although quite different from anyone else in the family, was one of which his dad could be very proud.

Back in Europe, a determined young lady was on her way to Israel to further her Hebrew studies which she paid for by working half time on a kibbutz where she did laundry, toiled in the dining room, picked persimmons and bananas and fell in love with more than the language.

It was a multinational group at the kibbutz with a large percentage of students coming from the U.S. After a year in Israel, Sabina wanted to travel to the U.S. In order to get a visa valid for a lengthy stay, she had to enrol in a university program. Requiring a "major", she chose English, assuming it would improve her proficiency with English, not simply allow her to apply it. Her background with languages was a tremendous asset and in no time she was head of the class, completing her four-year B.A. in just over two years.

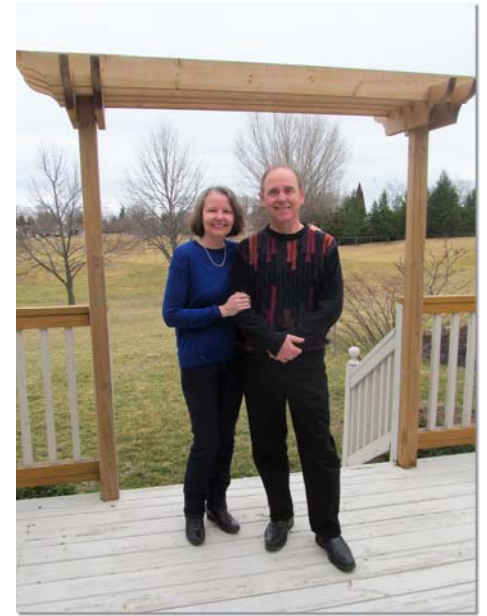
Once she had returned to Europe, Sabina landed a job with Merck Pharmaceutical and became involved with clinical research studies. After moving on to Johnson & Johnson, she quickly realized the need for additional expertise in her field so embarked on a quest for more education, obtaining her Masters in Clinical Research in just a year-and-a-half.

Meanwhile, David had also poured his energy into education obtaining his Bachelor of Science and Masters degrees at the University of Western Ontario before acquiring his PhD in Physiology and Biophysics from Dalhousie in Nova Scotia.

As fate would have it, David and Sabina ended up working in clinical research for Johnson and Johnson, developing a treatment for epilepsy. In his first week at J & J in Canada, David had to contact headquarters in Switzerland. After getting off the phone Sabina told a workmate that she and her Canadian caller were going to be friends. He was a little bewildered by the voice on the other end, not sure what accent he had just heard.

Theirs was no whirlwind romance. They met on weekly business conference calls where they would see one another on the large screen. They worked on many mutual projects which put them together in numerous cities around the world including Warsaw, The Hague, Dublin and Prague as well as several U.S. and Swiss cities.

The friendship evolved but, having had one failed marriage, Sabina had no interest in marrying again. They started a trans-Atlantic relationship, making time to spend about one week together every three months in Switzerland, Canada or away on vacations. For the rest of the year, they talked daily with Sabina going home from work at lunchtime to wake David at 6:15 a.m.



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Having four children from his first marriage meant that David wasn't willing to leave Canada so, after ten years, Sabina reluctantly agreed to join him here. Having marketable skills, she applied for a Canadian visa in the skilled worker class. After three and a half years of waiting, her file hadn't even been opened. David sought a meeting with his M.P. who suggested that, were they married, they could reapply for a visa in the family classification.

David called Sabina and proposed in a most romantic way saying, "We should just bite the bullet and get married if we want to be together."

Having kept records of their phone calls, frequent flights back and forth and all kinds of other proof that this wasn't a marriage simply for the sake of getting Sabina into the country, they married and a year later Sabina was finally on her way. On previous visits, she had looked around in Durham and the only place that caught her fancy was Port Perry. While she was still back in Switzerland, David was on the hunt for a house. When he found Canterbury he knew this was the place for them.

Leaving her family, friends and job behind was a huge sacrifice for Sabina. Adjusting to life in a new country had the usual challenges. Having lived with public transit as her primary mode of travel, she resented being reliant on a car. For David, it was second time lucky in marriage with the perfect partner.

Sabina had a history with horses, kept a chinchilla as a pet for 17 years and has a unique understanding of animal behaviour, realizing that they may look different than humans but have their own languages, memory, emotions and habits. Sabina and David have Rhea and Tevye, loving mini-rex rabbits that have their own two-storey apartment, are litter trained and freely roam most of the house. These members of the Thompson family were adopted from Toronto Animal Services and, with assistance from Rabbit Rescue Inc, from Animal Control in Hamilton. Who knew there were Rabbit Rescue Groups?

Sabina and David are keen observers of their pets as well as the blue jays and squirrels they watch in their yard. Both are fiercely loyal to all animal life and were appalled that the writer was heading out to dine on chicken wings after the interview.

David said he didn't know rabbits before but has come to understand, appreciate and love them. Sabina points out that rabbits are territorial and it takes time to get two rabbits to share accommodations. She cautions that rabbits aren't the right pets for children as the interest quickly wanes and the rabbits are often set free where they are unable to survive. They are the third most abandoned animal in Ontario.

Sabina's first impressions of Canterbury were of the pride of ownership each homeowner displayed and the friendly waves from everyone as they passed in a car or on foot. She loved the wildlife and the views over the golf course. She wasted no time in becoming involved in the community.

Joining the Communications Committee in late 2007, she took on the role of Project Coordinator for establishing a website for Canterbury Common. During that initial stage of development, she designed our website's original concept, layout and specifications. After its launch in October 2008, Sabina became our first Webmaster and served CCRA in this role for another two years. In time, she has come to appreciate how many accomplished people with varied experiences and expertise have chosen to make Canterbury home.

David was elected to the Board of Directors at last year's Annual General Meeting. As Liaison for Municipal Affairs, he is currently serving the second year of his two-year term. As well, he serves on the Environmental Sub-committee of the Canterbury Residents Planning and Action Committee investigating the environmental impact of the land development in the community.

He sees a tsunami of retirement-age people on the horizon and hopes that more communities such as ours will be built where retirees can find the kind of support groups that are so readily available in Canterbury. He feels that communities of like-minded people working together to provide emotional support to one another in settings where they can remain physically active will help to reduce health costs by promoting healthier lifestyles.

Just as David and Sabina travelled very different paths to find one another and happiness in Canterbury, Tevye and Rhea have come to find a loving home where they are free to roam and enjoy the company and love of two adoring "parents".



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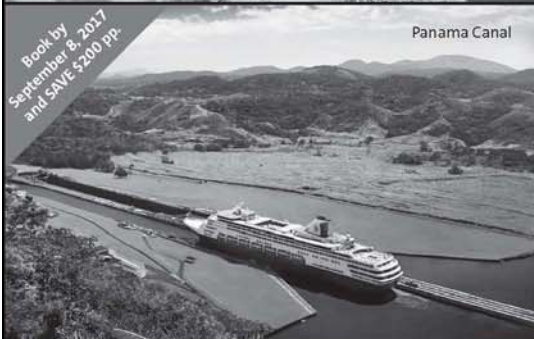
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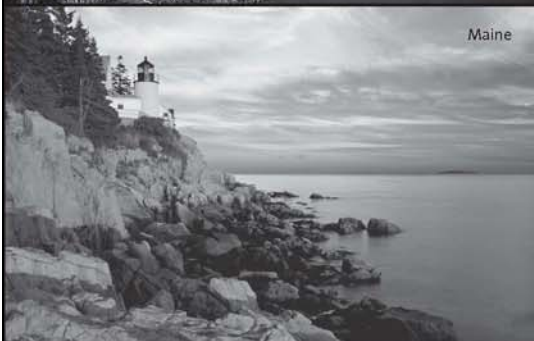
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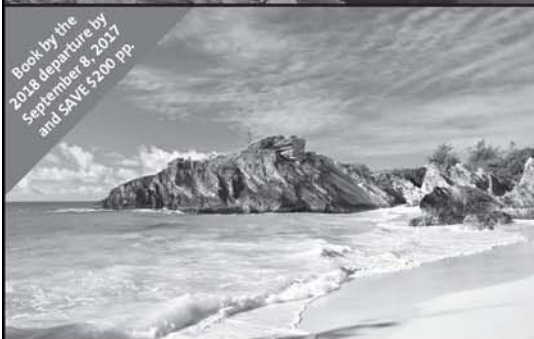
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