

THE CHRONICLE

A Newsletter for the Residents of Canterbury Common
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Spring 2019

REPORT FROM YOUR BOARD

Jim Brady, President 985-5491

On behalf of the CCRA Board members I wish you a warm Canterbury greeting in the hope that it will help you forget that we have experienced one of our coldest winters in some time. That being said I would also like to remind everyone how lucky we are to live in a community where everyone cares about the welfare of others. It is always encouraging to hear from time to time about one neighbour helping another and how safe people feel because they know that others care about their well-being.

This winter has seen a lot of planning activity and negotiating going on between the Canterbury Transition Committee, the Township and Geranium. Several meetings have been held with our Township politicians and staff, service providers, Kawartha Conservation and Geranium representatives.

CCRA and Geranium met for a very important meeting in Canterbury on January 17, 2019 to have discussions and reach agreement on the specific details of the planned expansion and renovations of The Centre. Some of the needs we identified had been included in our previous communications with Geranium, following our review of the Geranium draft plans, drawings and specifications that had been sent to CCRA in September 2018.

This was an extremely important meeting for all of us, given the shrinking time frame between now and May 1, 2019. Many of the changes we requested were accepted by Geranium and we continue to talk to resolve a few small issues for which we have not yet reached full agreement.

We have enjoyed an excellent relationship with Geranium and appreciate the cooperation and generosity that they have shown us by sponsoring our Canada Day celebrations and paying for the big tent for our 20th Anniversary Celebration in September of 2018. We are continuing to go forward in a partnership approach which will benefit both parties.

We have had a lot of discussion with the Board and Committee members regarding the office being placed in the basement. It was decided to leave it where it is as the office is used by many people and is ideally placed in its current location. This will save a considerable amount of money which will be applied to other areas, meet code and allow us to save space on the lower level.

During our discussions we noted that not having access to The Centre for up to ten (10) months will mean that an office facility is needed to enable CCRA to continue conducting its business affairs. In addition, while it is recognized that some of our residents' social activities will have to be put on hold for up to ten (10) months, a facility is needed to at least allow some residents to continue playing cards and participate in other activities in a group setting.

A 60' x 12' trailer will be leased for us by Geranium and located in the parking lot at a location that will not interfere with the on-site construction work. The trailer will have two 12' x 11' rooms at each end and the common area is 39' x 12' which will hold six of the round tables from the kitchen area and will allow up to 24 people to play cards there. One of the rooms will be used for our office while the other room will serve as a meeting room or a place for a small groups to play cards.

We have set a plan in place to completely clear out The Centre to the bare walls by May 1, 2019 to have it ready for the work to be done. Ron Zamulinski is coordinating this huge undertaking.

Confirmation was received from Geranium that Greenwood Retirement Communities is the organization which will be building the retirement facility at the corner of Country Estates and Simcoe Street. At the time of writing this report, a meeting has been scheduled with Greenwood and Geranium for March 22, 2019, to discuss their plans, details of which are to be shared with residents in the April CCRA Information Bulletin.

As more information is received, it will be shared with you in the monthly CCRA Information Bulletin.

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The Board has convened a Nominating Committee to fill two vacancies. If you are interested in serving on the Board, please contact Tallya Moore or Lauren Maher.

In this issue of *The Chronicle*, Neil Simpson introduces us to new residents - Christy & Andy Cox and Maria & Angelo Decina. You will also read about the recognition given to three of our long-standing residents - Marg Doe, Harvey Graham and Neil Simpson. Did you know that Canterbury resident, David Thompson, published his first novel last fall? In case you didn't hear about it, we have included excerpts from a November 2018 *Port Perry Star* article. A photo taken last summer, shows Canterbury's Scramble Golf league making a donation of two sets of clubs for the junior program at Crestwood Golf Club. Rachel Agnoluzzi, Chief Executive Director, Port Perry Hospital Foundation, has provided us with an update on the Port Perry Hospital. If you are looking for help with your assorted electronic devices, we have put together a list of places in Port Perry where you can get the help you need.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

Ken Hurst, Chair 982-2633

Your Admin Committee has been very busy with The Centre closing on May 1st and all of the NEW things that will be happening when The Centre re-opens.

I would like to thank Vern Reynolds and John Rintoul, of the Canterbury Transition Committee, who have been working very hard on behalf of The Administration Committee, on the Electronics Coordination Project. The object of this project is to coordinate and research the impact of changes to the electronic devices being used in The Centre.

One very important aspect of this research project, headed by Vern Reynolds, has been the identified need to install new alarm system software. The following recommendations were made to the Canterbury Transition Committee and the Board regarding Phase One of the project:

- Replace the existing alarm panel from the cleaners' closet and install it in the electrical room.
- Install new software systems for alarm control and card access that is compatible with the office computer. The Board recommended that the security software continued to be on a separate computer.

The new alarm system software has been approved by the Board and was installed by A & S security to monitor all the exterior doors in the existing building during the renovations and it also has the capacity to handle all the doors and windows in the new two floor extension.

Phase Two of the project looks at extending the alarm system to the temporary trailer while Phases Three and Four cover the installation of the wiring and security devices in the extension. John and Vern continue to research the other aspects of the electronics project such as the sound system, projection and visual equipment, computer synchronization and an electronic notice board. They are doing a great job and have spent many hours in pursuit of solutions which will be affordable, effective and efficient.

All of the equipment currently used in the office in The Centre will be moved to a trailer during the construction process; business will continue as usual.

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

Martha Simmons, Chair 982-1330

In this issue of *The Chronicle*, in addition to welcoming some new residents (Christy & Andy Cox and Maria & Angelo Decina) to the community, we are pleased to acknowledge the recognition given to three of our long-standing residents - Marg Doe, Harvey Graham and Neil Simpson. Also, we have an article on David Thompson, who, in case you didn't already know, published his first novel last fall! We have so much talent in our Canterbury community and these four individuals are great examples of that wealth of talent!

We are still looking for someone to assist with *The Chronicle*. As we often say in Canterbury - many hands make light work - so it would be wonderful to have an additional person helping with the preparation and editing of *The Chronicle*. The majority of the work is done using email and Microsoft Word, so good computer skills are essential. It is rewarding and interesting work - ideal for someone who "loves the written word." We are also seeking a new chairperson for our committee. Our committee only meets quarterly so there is not much time required to handle this responsibility. If you are interested in getting more information on our committee and either of these two positions, please contact me.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Harry Hough, Chair 982-0748

The Finance Committee met on January 10th to review the 3rd quarter in-house financial statements. Total operating expenses for the nine-month period were 62.39% of the total operating budget. Overall we are trending well in most expense categories and should have some surplus funds to carry forward to the next fiscal year.

We have asked the standing committees to submit their draft budgets for the coming fiscal year. We anticipate finalizing the budget for submission to the Board by early April.

MEN'S GOLF COMMITTEE

George Clapham, Chair 982-1593

It's time to think about dusting off the golf clubs and cleaning up your golf shoes. Spring is here (actually, the day I am writing this article the Arctic Vortex is here with -20 temperatures and -30 wind chill, but when you read this article, spring will be nearer)! The 2019 Canterbury Men's Golf League season is fast approaching.

This is just a reminder that our 2019 schedule of events at Sunnybrae Golf Club starts soon.

Registration for Men's Golf is scheduled for April 23rd at 11:00 a.m. at Sunnybrae Golf Club and our first golf game in 2019 is scheduled for Tuesday April 30th, so mark your calendars.

Go to our website at www.canterburymensgolf.ca and click on **2019-Golf-Schedule.pdf** to view our weekly golf games. You can even try to LOGIN to the website and see if you remember your PASSWORD from last season.

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

Tallya Moore, Chair 985-8370

With the development of the golf course lands pending, we are all faced with questions regarding how the new development will affect our community and the adult lifestyle that we currently enjoy. We are all proud of how our community now looks and the attention that Canterbury homeowners pay to their properties. For those of you who are not aware of all the negotiations that have taken place, we offer you assurance that other than the 99 new homes being built and the new neighbours who will join our expanded community, little will change. The new homes will be bungalows and bungalow lofts, common areas will be incorporated into the development and the new home owners will be governed by the same protective restrictions that exist now in Canterbury.

CCRA representatives at the Ontario Municipal Board (OMB) hearings were able to negotiate an agreement that Canterbury Land Development Corporation (CLDC) will register against the title to all lands for detached residential development on the CLDC Lands, protective restrictions containing provisions, including in all material respects, those now in effect in the Canterbury Common Community.

This is in the OMB Minutes of Settlement document and is signed by CLDC, The Corporation of the Township of Scugog, the Regional Municipal of Durham and the Canterbury Common Residents' Association.

The purpose of the Canterbury Protective Restrictions document was to create an adult lifestyle community with high standards, which includes an open concept, clear views and consistency and this will not change with the expansion of our community.

We provide the following information, particularly for new residents who might not be familiar with the role and workings of the Governance Committee.

Our main goal as the Governance Committee is to provide help in interpreting the Protective Restrictions to Canterbury Common homeowners who wish to make external additions or changes to their current residences.

The Governance Committee is responsible for the supervision of homeowner compliance with the Protective Restrictions. It is appointed annually by the Board and consists of several members, of whom at least one shall be a Director on the Board. The Governance Committee's duties include:

- Reviewing proposed projects, which require approval and making recommendations to the Board for or against approval.
- Initiating a review of any possible non-compliance with the Protective Restrictions and recommending to the Board any action to be taken.
- Giving approval to alterations which are replacements without substantial changes and which do not breach the Protective Restrictions.
- Reviewing requests for confirmation that a property is in compliance with the Protective Restrictions and recommending the response to be made.
- Issuing guidelines (with Board approval) as to compliance with the Protective Restrictions and the Committee's processes.
- Advising the House and Property Committee of any conditions on The Commons which may be in conflict with the purposes of the Protective Restrictions.
- Promoting awareness of the Protective Restrictions.

As spring is just around the corner, you might be thinking about possible projects. Please notify us of any new projects or changes you are contemplating by letting us know well in advance of your start. We can be of assistance to you by scheduling a quick on-site visit to review the proposed project, thus enabling you to commence the work immediately upon receiving approval.

When we do our initial visit, we will discuss with you the requirements of your project that must be considered in order to meet the standards of the Protective Restrictions.

We will explore with you whether:

- the project is in harmony with the goals of the Protective Restrictions to protect open sight lines and park-like views
- the project is comparable to other similar projects, which have been approved by the Board
- the quality of design, materials and finish are compatible with the related residences and our community at large
- there is any material interference with the sight lines or views of other residents
- where appropriate, you have solicited the opinions of neighbours or others who may be affected by the project
- there are any special circumstances which should be taken into account

Even if you are unsure as to the requirements for approval for your project, please give us a call and we'll be glad to visit and give you our interpretation of the requirements.

You might also find it helpful to read the Protective Restrictions booklet, as it will clarify most of your questions prior to our visit. If you don't have the information, call us and we will get a copy to you.

We look forward to working with you to keep Canterbury Common a truly remarkable community with a beautiful open concept, pleasant clear views and high standards.

Please feel free to call any of us if you wish to have an onsite visit or you are seeking clarification or advice on the Protective Restrictions.

Your CCRA Governance Committee for 2019

Chairperson: Tallya Moore, 985-8370

Members: John Brewer, 985-8244, Frank Young, 982-0482, Gord Simmons, 982-1330

COMMITTEE REPORTS

HOUSE AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Dave Sparling, Chair 985-8001

As the date quickly approaches for the closing of The Centre our committee is working hard to make sure our To Do list is completed. At this time, we need volunteers to help with various tasks such as packing of items, staging areas etc. to prepare for the closing of The Centre. We anticipate that a lot of the packing will be done on April 16th. Please contact Dave Sparling at 985-8001 or Ron Zamulinski at 985-4935 if you can offer any assistance. We would really appreciate it.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Birgit Pullen, Chair 985-3820

The final Canterbury get-together, before construction begins on The Centre, will be our "**Spring Tasting**" on **Saturday, April 13th starting at 5:00 p.m.** This event will be held in the same format as our 'Wine Tasting' in November, where we ask couples to bring a beverage and an appetizer to share and singles to bring a beverage. Let's give our Centre one last good turn-out before its transformation into a larger, more welcoming complex!

Get ready to declutter! Canterbury's annual yard sale is happening on **Saturday, May 4th from 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.** - which is also the day we will be selling items from the Clubhouse.

The Social Committee has hosted several successful Happy Hour evenings. We would like to continue hosting this get-together during The Centre's closing in the summer, on the last Friday of each month, starting on May 31st in the trailer. Please bring your own refreshments and keep up to date on what's happening in the neighbourhood!

Did you know that you can donate books that are in good condition to our local hospital's gift shop? Barb Brady has kindly offered to take books to the hospital. You can contact her at 985-5491 to arrange a time to drop off books at her house.

We urgently need volunteers to sell items from the Social Committee in front of the Clubhouse as well as volunteers to pack up kitchen items on April 16th at 9:00 a.m. If you are able to help on either of these dates, please contact Jeanette Rintoul at 982-8872.

ACTIVITIES

At the time of printing this issue of *The Chronicle*, we have some challenges ahead for all of our activities after The Centre closes in May. We are currently planning for all the activities to proceed as usual, using an on-site trailer in place of The Centre. Please look for all changes and updates in future CCRA Information Bulletins. If you do not receive the CCRA Information Bulletin by email, you will find it posted at the mail kiosk.

BOOK CLUB

Pat Proconier 985-3775

The CCRA book club began our February 28th meeting with *The Woman In The Window* by A.J. Finn, on March 28th we discussed *Forgiveness: A Gift From my Grandparents* by Mark Sakamoto, on April 25th we will have *A Gentleman In Moscow* by Amor Towles, and we will end our year with lunch out on May 30th discussing the book *Full Disclosure* by Beverley McLaughlin, a former Chief Justice of Canada.



As The Centre will be closed for our final two meetings before our summer break we will be getting together at the Piano Café. On April 25th we will be meeting for dessert at 1:50 p.m. and on May 30th we will be meeting at 12:00 p.m. for lunch. All are welcome but please call me at 985-3775 to make sure we reserve a spot for you.



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Day	Port / City	Arrive	Depart
15 Feb	Fort Lauderdale, Florida		4:00 pm
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17 Feb	At Sea		
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19 Feb	Colon, Panama	9:00 am	6:00 pm
20 Feb	Puerto Limon, Costa Rica	7:00 am	4:00 pm
21 Feb	At Sea		
22 Feb	Roatan, Honduras	9:00 am	6:00 pm
23 Feb	Puerto Costa Maya, Mexico	8:00 am	6:00 pm
24 Feb	Cozumel, Mexico	8:00 am	5:00 pm
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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
Jane Sibul 982-0196



In April, Mixed Bridge will switch from Monday afternoons to Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. Please sign up on the bulletin board if you plan to play each week and bring a loonie for the prizes. New faces are always welcome.

DUPLICATE BRIDGE

Doug Thiemann 985-4644



Now that the Duplicate Bridge group has moved their meeting time to Friday afternoons at 1:00 p.m., we have seen a nice increase in the number of players. We would love to see you join us. If you need a partner, we can help with that. We expect our last session of the season to be May 10th. For more information, contact me 985-4644.

CRIB CLUB

Audrey Thompson 982-2156



Cribbage is played on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. at The Centre. We do not take the game too seriously and have a lot of laughs. Please come out and give it a try.

BID EUCHRE/EUCHRE

Bev & Bruce Bone 985-9732



Bid Euchre is played every Monday night at 7:00 p.m. and 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 great conversation, 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 on any Monday or Wednesday evening at 7:00 p.m. in The Centre and give it a try.

KNITWITS

Doreen Reynolds 985-9858

Knitting As Usual

By the time you read this issue of *The Chronicle*, other social activities just like ours, held at The Centre will be on the move. We have removed our wool, patterns and needles from the storage closet at The Centre and have stored it at my home for the duration of the renovations.

The Knitwits will continue to knit for the benefit of our Port Perry community, meeting at our members' homes or in the trailer at The Centre on Friday afternoons from 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Come join us. You will be welcomed by our ladies while you recall your knitting skills.

LIBRARY NEWS

Jane Sibul 982-0196
Lorna Zamulinski 985-4935

The library will be closed during the renovation and expansion of The Centre. Our books will be boxed and put in storage. If you have any library books at home, please keep them until the library reopens. We will keep you posted.

MAH JONGG

Carol Sambrook 985-1556

Mah Jongg is played every Tuesday and Thursday at 1:00 p.m. in The Centre. New members are welcome and we are happy to teach you how to play.

POKER BOYS

The Poker Boys are not meeting at this time as so many of our regulars have been away on their winter vacations. If you have any questions please phone Harvey Graham at 985-6446 or Ron Zamulinski at 985-4935.



POWER WALKING

Hedi Hampel 985-5465

We meet in The Centre Monday to Friday from 8:10 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. I am pleased to guide the "Power Walkers" five days a week as we exercise to a series of Leslie Sansone tapes engaging muscles of the upper and lower body. This walking program improves range of motion, muscle conditioning and stretching to keep our bodies fit (and young?). No cost and no commitment. Everyone Welcome.



SCRAMBLE GOLF AND SOCIAL

Co-Chairs - Bill Anderson 982-2675
George Clapham 982-1593

Once again, Crestwood Golf Course has been selected as the venue for our weekly 2019 Scramble golf season. Located only 14 minutes north of Canterbury, this course is ideally suited for golfers of all abilities. Non or starter golfers are always made welcome and we look forward to inviting new residents to join in, so dust off your clubs and give it a try.

Our teams are put together by our panel of experts (!!) and team selections always result in a close finish. At the end of the day, the winners receive a few dollars and bragging rights.

Special events, like couples' days, ladies' days, challenge days and event-filled fun days are always well attended and 'a must' - don't miss them!

Our social get togethers, after golf, add greatly to the experience of playing Canterbury Scramble Golf.

For more information, visit our web site – www.canterburyscramblegolf.ca or contact one of our committee members.

Dates to mark on your calendar –

- Registration dates - April 12th & 15th from 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at The Centre
- Opening day - Thursday May 2nd
- Closing date - Thursday September 26th

Available golf packages can be viewed and purchased also at these times.

SCRAMBLE GOLF LEAGUE DONATION

Bill Anderson 982-2675

On Monday June 18, 2018, Crestwood held a golf tournament for Juniors and Intermediates. Canterbury's Scramble Golf league helped out by donating two sets of clubs for the junior program. Bruce thanked us for our support to help keep young people interested and make it possible for them to play when having clubs was not an option.



Photo: Andy Stamper

BILLY ELLIOT

Ken Hurst 982-2633

Hi, it's time to talk about Billy Elliot again ... and I hope you are coming to see my musical on June 20th. It is going to be a great day and one of many events that will take place after The Centre closes on May 1st. Billy Elliot played in London, England from 2005 - 2016. It later played in Australia and New York winning 10 Tony Awards. It has played in 28 different theatres and is now playing in Stratford.



The day will begin with the bus leaving The Centre at 9:00 a.m. We will have a great sandwich lunch on the bus with the show starting at 12:30 p.m. and ending at 3:00 p.m. We will then leave for St Jacobs, giving you time to enjoy this great little town where you have the choice of having dinner on your own or eating with a group at the Stone Crock Restaurant. Have a look at the menu on their web site, <http://www.stonecrock.ca>.

A total cost of \$140.00 per person covers your ticket to the show, the bus trip and lunch. You can sign up at The Centre or contact Ken Hurst (905) 982-2633 or (416) 573-2767 or email hurstk@rogers.com. Remember, the deadline for ticket purchase is May 1st.

COPING WITH CONSTRUCTION IN CANTERBURY

Nora Senechal 982-0601

Our neighbourhood has had a small taste of construction with the building of the two model homes on Coulter St. Soon, the work on The Centre will begin; we have even more construction to look forward to as the senior facility begins its build and eventually residential homes will be sold and built. The reality of the situation is that we could live in a construction zone for a few years. I'm not an expert on living in a construction zone so I went on the internet to see how others have coped with the noise, dirt and dust. The following is a small example of some things we can do to make our lives more pleasant.

Construction will bring many distracting sounds that we do not want to hear. It may seem odd to cover up distracting noises with *more* noise, but white noise makes it less likely that you will notice outside noises. This is why you don't hear the faucet dripping in your house during the daytime, but at night it's the only thing you hear. White noise is any type of constant noise that does not have a recognizable variance or tempo so that you don't really notice that you are hearing anything at all. Some popular white noise sounds include a fan, falling rain, or ocean waves crashing. Play something distracting. If white noise doesn't work for you, there are other types of noise you can use to help block out noise. There are other "colours" of noise, which include other groups of sounds. Blue noise is a more whimsical version of white noise, including sounds like birds chirping or children laughing. Pink noise includes warm, echoing tones like the sound a conch shell makes when you blow into it. Another method of covering distracting noise is to listen to ambient music. When choosing ambient music, try listening to several different sources of music before the construction begins next month. Try TV or radio; Compton Cable, Bell satellite, Apple and Android TV all have music available on their services. One site I found even suggested that you purchase thick noise reducing curtains. While I do think this could help block construction sounds, it seems like a very expensive and long term solution to a hopefully short term situation.

Construction debris will also be a problem for us. It is the responsibility of the builder to clean up large debris around the site. If you see that this is not done please contact someone on the Canterbury Transition Committee and they will bring it up with Geranium. There are many ways to reduce the effects of flying dust in your own home. A small floor mat at each door will ensure that you do not track dust into the house. Indoor plants can help with dust build up. They not only add oxygen and remove carbon dioxide, they filter out harmful chemicals in the air. Their foliage purifies the air and removes toxins from household paints, chemicals and plastics. They have a lot of surface area which helps to filter dust out and improve air quality. Some plants that will help with this are the Spider Plant, Philodendrons, Chrysanthemums, Aloe and some ferns such as the Boston Fern. Some only work while flowering and some are toxic and should be kept away from pets and grandkids. You may have to do some research at a local nursery if you go this route. Dust screens can be installed on your deck but before you do this, be sure to check with the Governance Committee to make sure that you comply with all rules.

We will have to adjust to using a trailer as the space will be a lot smaller than what we have been used to having in our Centre. We will have to be respectful of all groups using the facility. Try to keep all supplies at home and just bring them to the trailer when you are there. Remember to bring your own water, as we won't have any stored in the trailer.

COMPUTER CORNER

Nora Senechal 982-0601

Susan Lennox 985-0949

Are you having trouble with your electronic devices such as phone, laptop, tablet, etc? Do you need to learn how to use your electronic devices? We have put together a list of places in Port Perry where you can get the help you need.

Wireless 4U

Wireless 4U has Senior's Day Workshops on the first Monday and the last Friday of each month. Sessions run from 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at their 246 Queen Street location. Sessions are FREE, phone 905-985-0204 and speak to Jake, Ian or Zafar if you have any questions.

Port Perry Library

The Port Perry Library has two different programs you may be interested in. The first program is the *Zoomer Tech Club*. This Drop-In Program meets every Saturday from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. The program is FREE and no registration is required.

The second program run by the Port Perry Library is a series of *Computer Classes*. Classes are held on Friday afternoons from 3:00 p.m.- 4:30 p.m. Sessions are FREE, but you must register as space is limited. A list of specific dates and class content may be found on the Library Website at www.scugoglibrary.ca. Library programs will be held at the Port Perry Library on 231 Water Street; phone 905-985-7686 extension 101 if you have any questions.

The Latcham Centre

The Latcham Centre offers Tech Support by personal appointment at their 121 Queen Street Location in Port Perry. If you require help with Apple products please contact Rita Barrell at 905-985-2332 or rgaia0065@gmail.com. If you require help with Android products please contact Catherine Whittle at 905-985-1280 or cwhittle2001@yahoo.ca. Please note the phone number for the Latcham Centre is 905-982-2192.

OPEN STUDIO

Karen English 985-8255

A few months ago, looking to introduce the space as a 'cultural hub' the lower level of The Centre was made available to the artists in our community. Some of us are attending on Monday mornings and others on Tuesday mornings. As of yet no official 'classes' have been arranged but we have found that all of us are learning things from each other. The watercolour artists work from light to dark and the acrylic art is usually done from dark to light. This makes determining an approach to each piece of work a totally different process. We have shared information about brush sizes and styles, tricks to keep the art interesting and ways to paint in a straight line. I can see that as time goes by there will be many more aha moments and a lot of laughs.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE YOUR NAME IN PRINT?

Would you like to submit something to be included in a future *Chronicle*? Do you have a story or some information you would like to share with your neighbours? Feel free to send us your submissions at chronicle@canterburycommon.ca. But remember, it must pass our strict criteria: No, we do not print letters to or from the editor. Yes, we will always be politically correct. No, we do not print off colour jokes or gossip. Yes, we do try to include information for all the varied interests of our neighbours.

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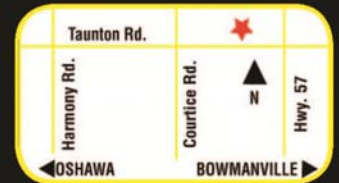
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In the 2018 spring issue of *The Chronicle* we mentioned that Harvey Graham was to be inducted into the **Agricultural Ontario Hall of Fame**. The official induction ceremony was held on June 10, 2018. Harvey was one of five inductees for 2018. It was noted that “combined, the influence of these five men spans 150 years. This year’s inductees were chosen for the legacy each of their careers has left on the Ontario farm industry.”

What follows is the official recognition of Harvey by the **Ontario Agricultural Hall of Fame Association**.

Harvey John Graham (1935-) Harvey Graham of Durham Region has spent his entire career working as an agricultural advocate locally, provincially, and nationally to ensure a sustainable future for the beef industry in both Ontario and Canada. He was a director and president of the Ontario Cattlemen’s Association (now Beef Farmers of Ontario), a director to the Canadian Cattlemen’s Association, helped to establish the Ontario Feeder Cattle Loan Guarantee Program, was instrumental in establishing the Environmental Stewardship Award and relentlessly encouraged beef farmers to institute the latest management practices to enhance their herd health, marketing, accounting and the environment. He also helped to implement the national beef check-off program to fund work in support of the beef industry. (Nominated by Beef Farmers of Durham Region).

We just learned that later in 2018, Harvey was also honoured at the **Celebrate Agriculture Gala** – receiving the **Spirit of Agriculture Award**. The **Spirit of Agriculture Award** celebrates the contributions of individuals, voluntary groups, organizations or businesses who exhibit the spirit of agriculture in supporting and championing the agriculture in Durham Region over the years.

What follows is the official recognition of Harvey for the **Spirit of Agriculture Award**.

Harvey Graham is the epitome of honesty, hard work and integrity. He goes above and beyond to help others and has the desire to make the world a little better for his actions. On the advice of the local Ag rep, Harvey headed to Kemptville College instead of law school and continues to advance rural issues and be a leading voice for farmers. He and his wife have travelled extensively throughout Europe, Canada and the United States and continue to travel as they take folks from the area on a yearly Farm Tour, educating as they go. Even into retirement, he continues to mentor others to be successful in farming and to unite urban and rural folks alike. His presence inspires and encourages others to strive to be better. He has a wonderful sense of humour and is always ready with a good story. His volunteer and committee work include Blackstock Fair, Blackstock United Church, Cartwright School Board, the local, provincial and Canadian Cattlemen’s Association. He also served a few stints as a Councillor for Scugog Township. In 2018 he was inducted into the Ontario Agricultural Hall of Fame. He is a man with a plan and is optimistic about the future of farming.

All of us who know Harvey recognize that he is so well-deserving of this recognition. He has not only been very successful himself but has been such a positive advocate for the farming industry and a dedicated mentor to others as well. As mentioned in an article by Ryan Rogers (CAPS Community News & Events, December 2018), “Harvey Graham has been honoured this year for his more than 60 years of contributions in the agricultural industry, helping advocate for a stronger voice for rural farmers. Graham’s career as a dairy farmer, cattleman, and cash-cropper ran parallel with his volunteer contributions with the Blackstock Fair, Blackstock United Church, the old Cartwright School Board and the Ontario Cattleman’s Association (now the Beef Farmers of Ontario.)

We certainly know how much Harvey has contributed to CCRA in a number of ways over the years, including organizing his ever-popular summer farm tours for us. He is truly an inspiration to all of us so finding out that two organizations have recognized his contribution comes as no surprise. **I am sure that all our residents will join us in congratulating Harvey on these well-deserved honours.**



CONGRATULATIONS TO MARG DOE & NEIL SIMPSON

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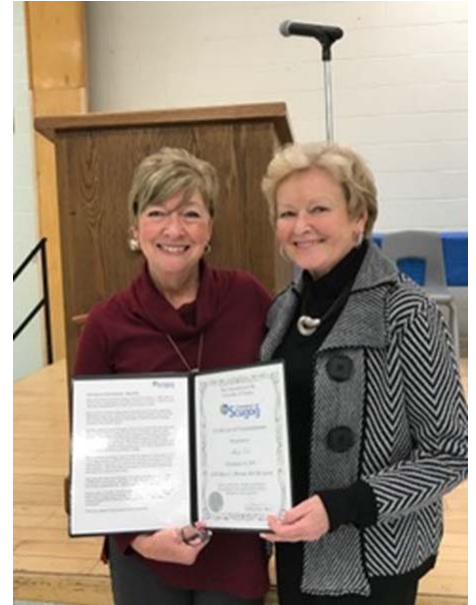
As noted in the January CCRA Information Bulletin, on January 6th, at the Mayor's Levee, Marg Doe and Neil Simpson were named as two of the recipients on this year's 'Mayor's Honour Roll', recognized for their contribution to the community. Unfortunately, Neil was not able to be there (too far to travel from Florida!) but will be presented with his award at a Scugog Council meeting in the spring.

What follows is the text from the tribute paid to Marg and Neil at the January 6th ceremony.

Marg Doe:

Scugog Ward 2 Councillor Janna Guido, introduced Marg, acknowledging her achievement.

"Mary Doe and her husband Roger moved to Port Perry in 1998, after her many years of managing a Bay Street law firm in Toronto. Marg's career was very rewarding with 150 staff and a mentor to many. Marg and her husband Roger had a wonderful life, but with retirement, Marg felt a huge void, until one day she read an article in the local Port Perry paper about Big Brothers Big Sisters of North Durham Region needing mentors in the school system, so Marg reached out to the agency and in November 2000 she met and was matched with a 10-year old boy, who to this day is still her little mentee. They spent countless hours together in the school getting to know each other. Life was not easy for this mentee and Marg was always there to help him along. They have continued close contact and Marg is proud to say that he has grown up to be a fine young man and is continuing his education at Durham College. Being a mentor led Marg to want to help the agency in more ways, so in 2002, Marg raised a sufficient amount of money for the agency for their half marathon and, even as a retiree, she decided she would run in the half marathon. After that Marg was asked to join the Board where she has been the treasurer ever since.



Marg spends many hours helping the agency whether it is in the office handling the accounting, attending events, speaking engagements or just being a supportive ear. Marg gives so much of her time. Marg is also a member of the Port Perry Artist Association, 100 Women Who Care, Scugog and Uxbridge and she was a paddler in the annual Dragon Boat Races for many years raising funds for this community- Thank you Marg for giving back to this community."

Neil Simpson:

Our Ward Councillor, Lance Brown, introduced Neil (in absentia) acknowledging his achievement.

"Neil's energy, enthusiasm, dedication and imaginative approach to fundraising for different causes is a classic example of someone who is always thinking about and helping others. In 2004, he organized a Canterbury Common team of seniors to enter the Port Perry Dragon Boat festival, for the cause of fighting breast cancer. This led to a ten-year participation in the annual event, raising a total of \$126,000. When Canterbury Common celebrated 20 years in 2018, Neil, with a team of willing supporters, organized various events to celebrate this milestone. It was his idea that these events should also serve a second purpose so he incorporated various fundraising initiatives to assist the Oakridges Hospice. The objective was to raise \$20,000. Under Neil's guidance, along with a team of eager and willing supporters, they raised a total of \$66,000. For the Oakridges Hospice.



Never one to rest, when Neil departs for time in Florida, he immediately starts fund-raising initiatives. Over the years, he, with willing supporters, has raised thousands of dollars for a variety of cancer related causes. Neil is a tremendous role model for young and old alike and is a most deserving recipient of this recognition."

The Canterbury New Year's Eve party was a GREAT success with 60 partiers, ready for a great dinner and lots of dancing. Dinner was provided by one of Canterbury's favourite caterers. Judy gave us the option of ordering our roast beef dinner the way we liked it, rare, medium or well done. We started with Caesar salad and added Yorkshire pudding to the menu. This year, sandwiches, sweets and coffee were provided at the end of the evening and were enjoyed by all. The music was great and we danced into the wee hours of the morning.

A few of us partiers and other volunteers returned the next morning to work and watch the transformation of The Centre from the Christmas season back to Day 1 of the New Year in two short hours. It takes a lot of time and many volunteers to decorate The Centre for Christmas and New Year's Eve dinner. Thanks to all.



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BINGO AND PIZZA EVENING



BINGO AND PIZZA EVENING

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Christy and Andy Cox

As with so many newcomers to Canterbury, Christy and Andy Cox spent the first few weeks surrounded by trades people and boxes as they transformed 49 Commons Blvd. just before Christmas.

Both Andy and Christy grew up in Scarborough, attended R.H. King Collegiate, then later bought a house in southwest Scarborough where they lived for 36 years. Christy spent her career in the central office of the Scarborough Board of Education then the Toronto District School Board while Andy plied his trade as a sheet metal worker for two companies before joining the Toronto Board. His specialty was working with copper roofing.

Given a violin as a youngster, Andy learned from his mother and went on to play in the Toronto Youth Orchestra and other groups. He has recently taken up the violin again but is now playing more fiddle than classical music.

Christy's grandmother was a huge influence on her and helped get her started with her love of anything that requires a needle – sewing, crewel, needlepoint, weaving and more. She hopes to get involved with the ladies here in Canterbury.

Andy has been involved in Shriners and the Lions Club for almost 30 years and was president of the Scarborough Centre Lions Club seven times. He takes pride in his 1955 Pontiac and hopes to meet up with other Canterburians who share a love of old cars.

The couple enjoyed day trips in their 23-foot boat which was moored at Bluffer's Park. They play some golf and love to travel. River cruises in Europe and small ship cruising top their list of favourites.

Two years ago, it was confirmed that Christy had inherited muscular dystrophy from her mother. She may stumble and stagger but is determined to do all she can, while she can, using a cane or walker as needed.

**Maria and Angelo Decina**

Moving to 20 Candlelight Court last September was a huge relief to Maria Decina. After a lifetime of living in houses, Angelo and Maria spent two years in a Richmond Hill condo where Maria felt like she was in jail.

Both were born in Southern Italy. Maria came to Canada with her mother, sister and brothers, following their father who emigrated in 1952. At the age of 17, Angelo left his parents and a chance to be in the restaurant business in Italy. He joined his brother, who had arrived in Toronto two years earlier.

Both worked in the garment district of Toronto, Angelo in a factory that made mannequins and Maria as a seamstress. A brother-in-law offered rides to work and the couple met in his car. It didn't take Angelo long to ask to meet Maria's strict father, win him over and propose marriage. They met in the spring of 1962 and were married the following February.

The couple bought their first house on St. Clair a year after they wed. Through the years they moved north with houses in Toronto at Finch, then Richmond Hill, Aurora and Newmarket. The Decinas have two daughters, both elementary school teachers in York Region, three granddaughters and two grandsons.

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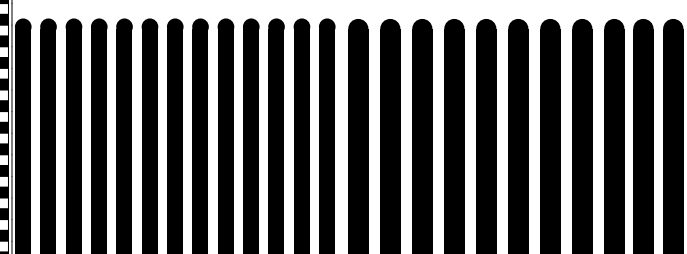
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DAVID THOMPSON PUBLISHES FIRST NOVEL

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For those of you who don't know David, he has been a Canterbury resident for over 11 years and has been very involved in Canterbury activities as well as serving on CCRA Committees and the Board, while still keeping busy with consulting work. In addition, he managed to fit in time to write a novel ... and get it published! He is already working on a sequel.

David's book is a political thriller called "*Dark Harvest*". I just finished David's book and loved it! It has been very well-received with glowing reviews on amazon.com, amazon.ca and goodreads.com. A short excerpt from the review from Goodreads super-rater/reviewer reads as follows "I am eager to see what else Thompson has to offer, as this was surely a stellar introduction to his writing, which is both tight and full of life. Kudos, Mr. Thompson, for asking me to read this wonderful piece. I can only hope that others will discover this novel and be as impressed as I was throughout."

A complete set of reviews of his book can be found on -

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What follows is the article written by Chris Hall, that appeared in the *Port Perry Star* on Nov. 2, 2018.

David Thompson loved both the arts and science in high school, but had to choose one for a career.

He veered into the sciences, ultimately becoming a global leader in the pharmaceutical industry for Johnson and Johnson, but has now swerved back into the arts during his so-called retirement years in Port Perry.

Thompson describes himself as semi-retired — "I tried to retire but failed at it," he says.

"I've got too much to do." — after starting his own consulting business. But in his spare time, the Canterbury Common resident likes to dabble in writing, a hobby that has seen one of his lifelong ambitions come true with the recent publication of his first novel, *Dark Harvest*.

"I've done the science thing, but now I finally have the chance to sit down and write," said Thompson during a recent interview.

He recalls having story ideas in the back of his head since his university years, but didn't start working on his new book until about three years ago.

"The concept was for it to be a short story, but I realized it couldn't just be a short story," said Thompson of *Dark Harvest*.

A political thriller, the book begins with a terrorist strike on a Montreal church, followed quickly by an attack on the Ambassador bridge — a nod to Thompson's hometown of Windsor. The novel then delves into the lives of Mustafa Suleyman, a man who becomes hunted by every law enforcement agency in the West, and Bradley Parsons, the head of the FBI's counterterrorism unit.

In the book, readers are introduced to a new terrorist organization in the Middle East that has risen out of the ashes of ISIL and has become the predominant force. However, there is internal conflict with one main character "fed up

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with all the death and destruction,” hinted Thompson.

“My dad and I always talked about the problems in the Middle East,” said Thompson. “This is my vision of how to solve the problems in the Middle East.”

The book took about two years to write, followed by about a year of feedback, editing and adjustments. He thanks the “good beta readers” as well as a friend who prompted him to tweak the ending for pushing the book to the next level.

“We took a reasonable book and they helped me try to make it a really good book,” said Thompson.

He’s already got plans for a sequel to *Dark Harvest* and admits to having ideas “jamming up” in his head for other books to write, too.

“I’ve got my future laid out before me,” said Thompson, who has lived in Port Perry for 11 years and in Oshawa for a decade as well.

Dark Harvest was released on Sept. 30 and has received “very positive” feedback since its launch, said Thompson.

The book is available at Books Galore and More ([175 Perry St. in Port Perry, 905-985-8645](#)) and Blue Heron Books ([62 Brock St. West in Uxbridge, 905-852-4282](#)) for \$19.99. It’s also available online at [amazon.ca](#) for \$15.64 (soft cover) or \$5.16 (eBook).

For more information, visit www.davidlthompsonauthor.com.

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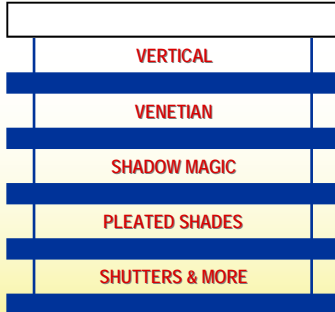
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After much talk in the neighbourhood and more back and forth talks with Geranium we finally have some concept pictures to show you.

The pictures you see here are not exactly what The Centre will look like after all renovations are complete but an artist's rendition of the drawings our Canterbury Transition Committee and Geranium have been working on for many months.

So, will the tables and chairs look exactly like what you see in the picture? No, they won't but you can get an idea of how much space we will have and how bright and airy the room will look when construction is complete.



The floor may not be the colour we see in the picture but it will be high quality vinyl flooring and it will be consistent throughout the building.

You can see the kitchen in the top right corner of the first picture. What you don't see is that there are two planned islands so that we can have a counter for serving food.

We don't know exactly what the lights in the new addition will look like but at this time we

know the plans include dimmable LED lights.

Although the pictures we have are not exactly what the end result will be, I must admit it is exciting.

We now have an idea of what The Centre will look like when all work is completed. I can't wait to see it!

Check out the CCRA website to see these pictures in colour.



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In a recent conversation with *The Chronicle's* editor, Nora Senechal, she mentioned that the community had outgrown its current Centre and plans for a new Community Centre were underway for Canterbury Common. The boxes were being packed up as the building was readied for temporary closure to enable construction in earnest.

My first thought was how this was an exciting time for The Centre and the community. My second, that change is hard. Even when we are excited about what change has to offer, relinquishing the status quo, saying good-bye to what we know and entering a time of unknowns can be tough!

Similarly, when Port Perry Hospital closed due to the fire last summer, there were a lot of unknowns for the community. What did this mean for the health care in Port Perry and North Durham? Would the hospital ever reopen?

During the time of restoration, services changed temporarily. The Port Perry Medical Associates, other Lakeridge hospitals and Uxbridge Cottage Hospital, all stepped up to coordinate and provide care for the community. And now, here we are, on the other side of significant change, better than ever. Port Perry Hospital has tremendously updated facilities, and is better prepared to respond to the needs of our community for many years ahead.

In February, the Honourable Christine Elliott, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, introduced The *People's Health Care Act, 2019*, the Ontario Government's plan to fundamentally reorganize the provincial health care system. For everyone who works in healthcare, and everyone who relies on quality care in our province, this is indeed a time of change.

Central to the new legislation is the creation of *Ontario Health*, a provincial 'super' agency that will be the central point of accountability and oversight for the health care system and establishing local *Ontario Health Teams*, responsible for delivering care to patients, understanding patients' health care history and needs, and directly connecting them to the different types of care needed.

This announcement will mean significant change within Ontario; however, it is not clear what the specific changes or opportunities will be. For the Lakeridge Health family, it is our shared hope that these changes will further enhance care for our communities.

Yours in good health,
Rachel Agnoluzzi
CEO, Port Perry Hospital Foundation

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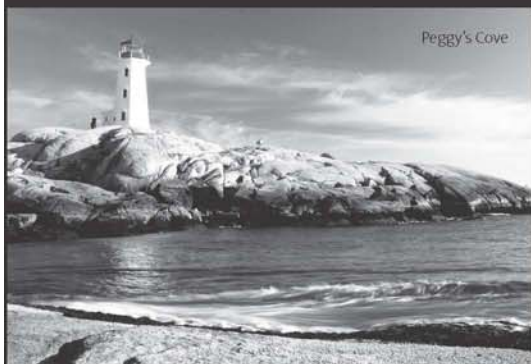
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A Senior's Version of FACEBOOK

For those of my generation who do not, and cannot, comprehend why Facebook exists, I am trying to make friends outside of Facebook while applying the same principles. Therefore, every day I walk down the street and tell passers-by what I have eaten, how I feel at the moment, what I have done the night before, what I will do later and with whom. I give them pictures of my family, my dog and my gardening, taking things apart in the garage, watering the lawn, standing in front of landmarks, driving around town, having lunch, and doing what anybody and everybody does every day. I also listen to their conversations, give them "thumbs up" and tell them I "like" them. And it works just like Facebook. I already have four people following me; two police officers, a private investigator and a psychiatrist.



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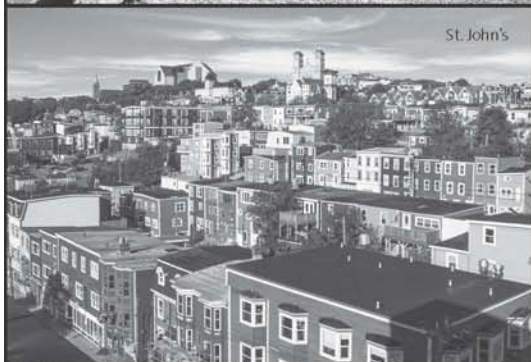
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St. John's

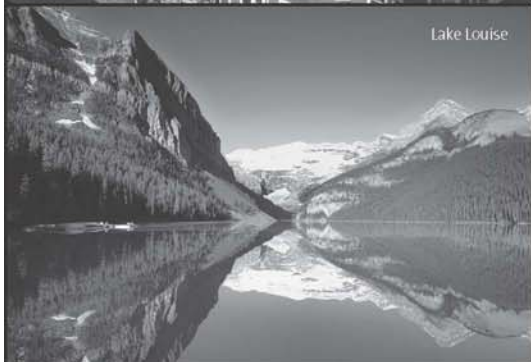
Newfoundland – 10 Days

June 14, 16, July 10, August 1, 3, 2019

Watch huge chunks of ice that break off Greenland glaciers drift by in "Iceberg Alley" and discover the rugged beauty of Gros Morne National Park. Take a catamaran cruise to Witless Bay Ecological Preserve and visit L'Anse aux Meadows to explore North America's oldest Viking settlement. Double: \$4,695, Single: \$5,495.

PRICE INCLUDES: Return airfare from Toronto, deluxe motorcoach transportation, 9 nights accommodation, 9 breakfasts, 5 lunches, 6 dinners, all highlights, Tour Director, Connections Program and all taxes. Prices are in Canadian dollars, are per person and include HST.

12-day tour including Labrador also available!



Lake Louise

Canada's West – 10 Days

June 15, 2019

British Columbia is a favourite with its vibrant cities, lovely villages, and magnificent mountains reflecting off cold glass lakes. This tour flies into Victoria, and visits Vancouver, iconic Whistler, Kamloops, glorious Banff and Jasper. Guests fly home from Edmonton. Double: \$4,795, Single: \$6,195.

PRICE INCLUDES: Return airfare from Toronto, deluxe motorcoach transportation, 9 nights accommodation, 9 breakfasts, 3 dinners, all highlights listed, Tour Director, Connections Program and all taxes. Prices are in Canadian dollars, are per person and include HST.



Chuckwagon Races

New: Calgary Stampede – 7 Days

July 4, 2019

Calgary ticks off every checkbox on a traveller's list, including the Calgary Stampede! The Calgary Tower is a great place to start with panoramic views of the city and the Rocky Mountains. Staying in downtown Calgary, you are within walking distance to the Stampede excitement! Double: \$4,195, Single: \$5,395.

PRICE INCLUDES: Return airfare from Toronto, deluxe motorcoach transportation to Banff and Lake Louise, 6 nights accommodation, 6 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 2 dinners, all highlights listed, 2-day Calgary Stampede Package, Tour Director, Connections Program and all taxes. Prices are in Canadian dollars, are per person and include HST.



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