

# THE CHRONICLE

A Newsletter for the Residents of Canterbury Common  
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## Special Edition

### A Salute to the Canterbury Transition Committee

#### REPORT FROM YOUR BOARD

Winter 2020

Jim Brady, President

The renovations to our Community Centre and new pool were completed by Geranium in July of this year and at that time, the facility was returned back to Canterbury. A wonderful, improved facility featuring many new additions for our residents to enjoy and to be proud of.

It was the Board's original intention, that when Geranium turned The Centre back to the Canterbury Community Resident's Association (CCRA), that we would celebrate our new Community Centre with a grand reopening to include our homeowners, town dignitaries and the Geranium management team. At the same time, as part of the celebration, we wanted to recognize the Canterbury Transition Committee (CTC), under the direction of Co-Chairs Gord Simmons and Ed Richards and their entire team, for all the time and efforts they have dedicated to achieve the wonderful results for our community.

Unfortunately, due to the ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic, and the health restrictions put in place for our safety, it was originally necessary to restrict the number of people in The Centre and, now, with the restrictions changing almost weekly, it has been decided to close The Centre until December 20th, 2020 or until the restrictions are lifted. As a result of these restrictions, a grand opening has not been planned.

The CCRA Board of Directors would like to dedicate this issue of *The Chronicle* to the members of the Canterbury Transition Committee in appreciation of all their efforts, countless hours of negotiations, planning and, selfless dedication of their expertise, in many fields, to achieve the incredible results we have today. In this addition, you will find a summary and overview of the Canterbury Transition Committee since its inception and, a profile of each of the CTC committee members. On behalf of the CCRA Board and the Canterbury Community, we extend a heartfelt thank you to each of the Committee members, for everything they have done to help provide this amazing addition to our community.

In closing, I would like to wish everyone a Happy and Joyful holiday season. To everyone staying at home or travelling, stay healthy and be safe.

#### The Canterbury Transition Committee – An Overview

It isn't very often that people in Canada in their seventies and eighties need to come together to protect their way of living and that of their neighbours, against a major event which, although legal, is unfair to people wanting to spend their senior years enjoying the fruits of their labour and the tranquility of a quiet community.

However, change is a fact of life. In our situation we faced a construction project on land that surrounds our community that until October 2015 gave Canterbury residents the scenic pleasure and use of a golf course that once operated on that property. The shock to the community of losing the golf course was profound as was the initial plan of the new owner (Geranium) to re-purpose the site for a 120 plus single family home residential development.

Many other communities faced with a similar situation would have been unprepared for what was to transpire over the next five years. Fortunately for this community we had a strong well organized corporate structure and administrative system in place at the time along with an established Board of Directors that allowed us to hit the ground running.

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It was 23 years ago when residents like Bill Abbott, Steve DeMorest, Tony Graham, John Howell, Dave Noble, Ron Pue, Lorraine Welbanks and others, formed the unofficial Board, then created the first official Board of Directors of the newly incorporated non-profit corporation known as Canterbury Common Residents' Association (CCRA). The presence of this organization would allow us to mount a powerful defense of our way of life in Canterbury against a formidable adversary (Geranium).

Having an organization already formed gave us a platform from which to launch a committee to challenge the Geranium residential development application that had been filed for approval with the Township of Scugog and Region of Durham. This Board-appointed committee operated for quite some time under the name "Canterbury Residents Planning and Action Committee (CRPAC)" and strategically adopted an adversarial position against the proposed Geranium residential development.

At a two-day Ontario Municipal Board (OMB) mediation hearing in Toronto involving Geranium Corporation, The Township of Scugog, Region of Durham and Canterbury Common Residents Association (CCRA) a mediated settlement of all involved issues was reached in May 2017 and subsequently approved by the stakeholders of all parties, including the voting members of CCRA by a 95.4% vote at a Special General meeting.

The CCRA Board disbanded the CRPAC committee and a new committee was created and named "Canterbury Transition Committee (CTC)" to deal with overseeing implementation of the negotiated settlement terms. The mandate of this committee was to work cooperatively and in partnership with Geranium to ensure CCRA received what it bargained for at the OMB mediation hearings. This partnership has worked extremely well for both CCRA and Geranium since the settlement terms were agreed upon in May 2017.

It gives me a great deal of pleasure to recognize the members of the Canterbury Transition Committee and what they have achieved over the past few years. We now have a Centre which has been enlarged by approximately 3400 square feet, its replacement cost has been independently valued at 3.5 million dollars, our CCRA owned open space zoned property will increase by close to 20 acres, our replacement swimming pool has expanded from 16 x 37 feet to 20 x 50 feet and we have a Lease Settlement Fund that was created with the \$255,000 payment we received from the commutation of the GolfNorth lease of the former pro shop located in the downstairs portion of The Centre . These funds are being treated as deferred income and drawn down by \$18,000 dollars each year for the next 13 years. In addition to all of this, we have made our own improvements to the rest of The Centre and have, where appropriate, incorporated changes to reduce the amount and costs of maintenance, have completely modernized our audio/visual and security systems and now have a modern fully equipped large kitchen which should serve us well for years.

All of this has been made possible by the members of the Canterbury Transition Committee and the many people who were involved in assisting them along the way. On the next few pages, you will be able to read profiles of the following individuals who played an integral role in the CTC:

- Co-Chairs - Ed Richards and Gord Simmons.
- Committee members - Barry Smythe, Roger Doe, Lauren Maher and Doug Thiemann.
- Advisors: - Vern Reynolds and Jim Worsley.
- CCRA President - Jim Brady as the liaison to the Board.

## ***CANTERBURY TRANSITION COMMITTEE***

### **Ed Richards - Co-Chairperson**

While we are recognizing Ed as someone who has put in five years of work on the Transition Committee it pales in comparison to what he has been doing for Canterbury over the last 22 years plus. When one examines the files at The Centre you literally see the fingerprints of Ed Richards on every important document that records the historical events of Canterbury. He is the consummate long-term dedicated volunteer.

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Ed was born in London, England and commenced his career in insurance in 1957. He and his wife Val emigrated to Toronto in February of 1964 and Ed joined Sun Alliance Insurance Company upon arrival in Canada. He achieved the qualifications and designation of Chartered Insurance Professional ("CIP") and successfully completed a two (2) year Management Studies Programme at York University in Toronto.

During his career Ed has served on various insurance industry committees and was the Director and subsequently Chairperson of the Board of the Canadian Insurance Crime Prevention Board. He remained with Sun Alliance Insurance Company for 34 years and retired December 31, 1996 having occupied various senior positions leading to the titles of Executive Vice-President and General Manager for Canada and serving as a Director on the Board. Following his retirement in 1996 he acted as an Insurance Consultant to the Ontario Government on a number of major insurance related projects and is currently a Director on the Board of Omega General Insurance Company in Toronto

Since moving to Canterbury Common in January 1999, he was elected as a Director for four (4) years on the CCRA Board, has served on numerous Board-appointed committees and standing committees as a volunteer and on a number of occasions, in an advisory role to the CCRA Board and standing committees. For a number of years as the Insurance Committee Chairperson he has handled the insurance needs and requirements of CCRA to protect CCRA assets and ensure liability exposures are mitigated and remaining exposures are protected by liability insurance

For the last five years Ed has acted as Co-Chair of CTC with Gord Simmons, handling the responsibility for protecting the interests of Canterbury residents in the interactions with Geranium, achieving established objectives in negotiations and ensuring a smooth transition of the agreed upon terms outlined in the OMB Minutes of Settlement.

He has been instrumental in rewriting and updating By-Law No. 1 with Roger Doe and Gord Simmons and played a significant role in upgrading, rewriting and updating the CCRA Policies and Guidelines. Ed and Roger have been conducting the negotiations for the ownership of the former golf course lands which have been turned over to the Township by Geranium Corporation.

Ed, along with Roger Doe, Gord Simmons and Barry Smythe were the key negotiators at the OMB hearing and came away very successful. The contribution Ed has been making to this community for so many years is jaw dropping and he deserves our sincere thanks.

### **Gord Simmons - Co-Chairperson**

After WWII, Gord's Dad and Uncle started Trenton Machine Tool and Die and at twelve years old Gord had his first job. He literally grew up in the machine shop sweeping the floors and keeping the place orderly. During his teenage years he was heavily involved in sports, hockey and baseball in particular and was fortunate enough to be scouted by the St Louis Cardinals and Detroit Tigers but did not pursue the opportunity. His first real job was managing the office at the machine shop and it lasted six years. During that time, he studied Business Administration by correspondence through LaSalle University in Chicago.

In 1967, the Department of Manpower and Immigration was recruiting 300 people with management experience to become Program Administrators in Development and Gord was selected as a candidate. This kicked off a 27-year career with the Federal Government which culminated in his appointment to the position of Regional Director of Human Resources for the Ontario Region of Human Resources Development Canada.

Gord took an early retirement from government service and was bored after about two weeks so decided he wanted to keep working but only for a year at a time. Over the next few years, he taught Economics and Human Resources, became the Dean of a Vocational College, worked as a Director of Human Resources and then in partnership with his wife Martha founded a Quality Management Consulting and Training business in Belleville called The Business Resource Centre. The company specialized in quality management training (ISO) and implementation of quality management systems.

Since coming to Canterbury eight years ago Gord has literally thrown himself both in mind and body into

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becoming an extremely busy, dedicated and accomplished volunteer for the Canterbury community. His extensive involvement in Canterbury affairs and committee work is mind boggling and Gord has a tenacity for getting things done that includes arranging meetings, setting agendas and following up on tasks that remain incomplete or not done properly.

He has been a major contributor in his role as Chairperson on the Governance Committee, served as a CCRA Director, Vice-President and then President of the Board of Directors. For the past six years he has shared the Co-chair responsibilities for the Canterbury Transition Committee with Ed Richards working on the largest community project that Canterbury has been challenged with to date.

Gord, Roger Doe, Ed Richards and Barry Smythe were the key negotiators at the OMB mediation hearings and against a very formidable and major developer this team negotiated a very successful outcome for Canterbury and its residents.

Gord played a leading role in organizing the upgrading and rewriting of the CCRA Policies and Guidelines. Working with Roger Doe and Ed Richards he did the same for CCRA By-Law No.1 achieving in the process consistency in the language and terminology of both these important corporate documents that form the foundation of how the business affairs of Canterbury are conducted. With The Centre renovations and expansion work now completed, and the responsibilities of the Canterbury Transition Committee slowing down, it is hoped that Gord will take a well- earned break but knowing Gord he probably will not.

### **Barry Smythe - Engineering**

One of the main reasons we were able to secure the agreements we did and be in a position to negotiate the eventual settlement we came to with Geranium and the Township, was that we had a national treasure living right here in Canterbury in the form of Barry Smythe who headed up our Engineering group and was an integral part of the negotiating team.

Barry earned a B.A.Sc. in Civil Engineering and was awarded the First Spruce Falls Power and Paper Company Scholarship for his final year while standing first in his class. He went on to earn an MBA and was awarded a Junior Fellowship at Massey College. He did not take an easy route as he took his first year part-time at nights and while working for his father's construction company as Project Manager studied part-time for his MBA over five years.

In 1966 Barry joined Woods Gordon, Management Consultants as a Senior Consultant and was the Project Director of the Hospital for Sick Children, three-year expansion project, with a new front addition and completely renovating all interior floors including ICU and ORs, all the while maintaining operations. In 1968 he was sent to Crow's Nest Industries in British Columbia to manage construction and phase-in of a very large lumber production facility (100,000 fbm/day) while phasing out three existing smaller mills nearby. In 1970 he was appointed a Partner of Woods Gordon.

In 1970 he was appointed by Public Works Canada and Canada Post to be Project Director of the four- year, Major Postal Plants (MAPP) project entering Canada Post into the automated processing world. He was retained by Canada Museums Construction Corporation to select the Architects for the new Museum of Civilization and the new National Gallery.

Barry has also taught Project Management for Executive Programs at UBC, McGill, University of Alberta, and York University as well as conducted Executive Seminars in Project Management for Ontario Power Generation, Inco, ICBC, Bombardier, Urban Transit Development Corp, Alcan, Aljam, Westcoast Energy, United Nations, Yukon Hydro, BC Hydro and Discovery Channel. He was one of the founding members of the Project Management Institute. He was awarded PMP (Project Management Professional) Designation. Member No 48 (1,036,367+ members in PMI worldwide) and was later awarded CMC (Certified Management Consultant) standing.

In 1981 Barry left Woods Gordon to become Senior Vice-President of Urban Transportation Development Corporation and was responsible for the design and construction of the Vancouver Skytrain, a \$2 billion project which had a "hard stop" completion date in time for operation for Expo 86. In 1986 Barry formed his own consulting firm, E. B. Smythe & Associates to continue seminars and consulting. He was on the Board of St. Lawrence Centre for the Arts and its Chairman for six years.

Besides all the above experience and knowledge that Barry brought to the CTC, it is his personality, demeanor, honesty, soft spoken manner and obvious concern for other people's feelings which had the greatest impact as they made the people with whom we were dealing relax in his presence. He is so dedicated to quality, integrity and professionalism that with his help and guidance we have not just built a building together, we have helped rebuild a community and improve the lives of our fellow residents and to all of us, that is a great feeling.

### **Roger Doe - Legal**

Roger was born in Bermuda, moved to Canada in 1945 he lived in Toronto and Ottawa before going to Carleton College where he took courses with the design that he would become a lawyer. He took them for six weeks and decided that, if that was what law required, he was no lawyer, so he changed to Commerce courses then transferred to Business Administration at Western, graduating in 1953. From there he proceeded to Osgoode Hall Law School and upon being called to the bar in 1958 joined an eight-man law firm, where he practiced for 40 years. He retired at 65 in 1998 having been a senior partner and Management Committee member of the firm which grew to over 700 hundred men and women with offices across Canada and in New York, London, Beijing and Johannesburg.

He had a corporate law practice (a Bay Street lawyer) and was a Director of Dofasco Steel for some 30 years, Chair of its Governance Committee and was on the special committee negotiating Dofasco's eventual takeover by Arcelor in 2006. In addition he represented Dofasco and Mannesmann Steel in the negotiation and completion of arrangements over a five year period with American, French and Italian steel companies for the financing, construction and operation of Wabush Mines located in northern Quebec and Labrador, advised a Special Committee of the Board of Hudson's Bay Oil and Gas (which included some prominent Canadian businessmen) with respect to the bid by Dome Petroleum, to acquire all remaining shares of HBOG which was valued at over \$2 billion. While representing financial institutions he also developed unusual financing plans for two religious organizations and for the Toronto Hospitals Steam Corporation.

In 1999 Roger and his wife Marg moved to Canterbury and were welcomed to the community by Carol Sambrook. A few years later, Susan Hogarth, then President, included him in her list of Director candidates. At his first Board meeting, he was appointed to the Governance Committee. The previous committees had left criteria for enforcement of the restrictive covenants and Roger initiated the publishing of guidelines for the review of projects and procedures to ensure that prospective purchasers and real estate agents were fully aware of the protective restrictions and their operation. What Roger and his committee developed is still in use today.

Roger was an integral part of the various Canterbury committees formed when GolfNorth thought it wanted to sell the golf course and offered it to Canterbury Common, when GolfNorth attempted to develop a portion of the golf course, when the Planning and Action Committee was formed to oppose the Geranium Development and was also a key member of the negotiating team from the Canterbury Transition Committee.

Throughout the past six years and well before that, Roger has generously volunteered his time and expertise to our community. Most recently he has participated in a review and revision of the by-laws and policies and guidelines to bring them up to date and provide consistency. He has also been working with Ed Richards and CCRA's corporate lawyer to facilitate the legal transfer of ownership to CCRA of those blocks of land identified for transfer from the Township of Scugog in the OMB Minutes of settlement".

We have all benefited by his ability to disseminate a complicated issue into a simple straight forward and usually very brief explanation. His words and actions will have a very positive effect in Canterbury for years to come.

### **Lauren Maher – Social, Design and Research**

Some of the factors we had to consider when we selected people for the Transition Committee were not only their skill sets and experience but tangibles such as personality, character, resolve and compatibility. When Lauren consented to join the CTC, we got all of those things and so much more.

Lauren grew up in a small town where she obviously learned how important inclusion, friendliness and a welcoming personality are if everyone is going to get along and prosper. These very important facets of her personality helped us perform better as a team as her presence and demeanor served as an example to those of us who were so focused on the end goal at times that we needed to be reminded that sometimes the journey can be as pleasant and rewarding as reaching the destination.

Lauren and her husband Lee, moved into Canterbury in July 2009, and were welcomed immediately by members of the Social Committee. Lauren has since been actively involved in the Social Committee as the Chairperson as well as a Director on the Board of Directors. During her service on the Board she also asked by the President of the time to serve as Vice-President.

Her career background in Medical Office Management obviously honed her skills in research and her proficiency in completing tasks quickly and efficiently. As is her inclination today she was heavily involved in many volunteer activities; i.e. National Institutes of Health in Washington, D.C., Princess Margaret Hospital in Toronto to name just two. She also enjoyed being co-chairperson of the Potomac Newcomers while living in Washington.

Lauren has also been involved in many fundraising initiatives prior to and since moving to Canterbury. Notably Lauren was part of the Canterbury Dragon Boat racing group, which raised over \$125,00.00 on behalf of Breast Cancer research and during our 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration which raised over \$65,000 for the Port Perry Hospice. Having been involved in so many social activities in Canterbury, Lauren was able to provide suggestions to the Canterbury Transition Committee regarding the use of The Centre, and specific needs as The Centre was being expanded and renovated.

Her research skills and rapid completion of tasks allowed the CTC to move quickly to solve one problem after another. She has shown a lot of initiative and can take full credit for many of the innovative initiatives in *The Centre*.

Lauren participated fully in all of the discussions, made her case in very lucid and easy to understand language and with her warm and inclusive manner made sure that we all considered the human factor in our decisions.

### **Doug Thiemann - Finance**

Doug is a competent professional who is very dedicated to Canterbury and its residents and has over the years served this community as the Treasurer of the Board of Directors on two separate occasions. In 2007 he joined the Board and served four years and then again in 2013 when he returned to the CCRA Board and served another four years as Treasurer.

After graduating from University of Toronto with a B.Sc. and from Vanderbilt University with a Doctorate in Chemistry, Doug joined a major paint manufacturing company in Montreal. He spent the rest of his career, some 37 years, in the paint and the consumer chemical manufacturing business, the last 20 as President and General Manager with two different companies. During that time, he served on the Board of the Canadian Paint and Coatings Association as Treasurer and Chairman. He also joined the Board of the Canadian Consumer Specialty Products Association holding the position of Treasurer.

Given his business background and experience, Doug was a perfect choice to provide CTC with advice and counsel. He is currently a member of the Finance committee and his experience in Finance was invaluable to CTC as we moved through various stages of the development and negotiation period. Doug was instrumental in assisting the CTC establish the dollar amounts left on the contract for the rental of the premises CCRA leased to GolfNorth and provided us with solid advice throughout the negotiations.

Another very significant accomplishment was his initiative to have The Centre exempt from property taxes. As a result of his work, with assistance from Lee Maher, we are no longer paying taxes on The Centre which has saved us thousands of dollars over the last couple of years.

His straight forward, no nonsense approach at meetings has always impressed his colleagues at the CTC and ensured that the meetings were an effective use of everyone's time.

His willingness to listen and change his mind is another strength that we found extremely helpful as well, as he served as a good example to all of us and others who needed to remember that flexibility is far better than rigidity.

Each of our committee members played a very valuable role during the last few years and we like to think that his role, besides being our finance expert, was to be the rational voice of reality. His comments always made us think again and that was very helpful to us as we had so much going on at times that we would have moved too quickly had he not had us pause and reflect. Doug always has a twinkle in his eye and his sudden outbursts of humour were very relaxing for us when things were getting tense.

### **Vernon Reynolds - Advisor**

Vernon was raised and educated in Toronto, married Doreen in 1958 and moved to Willowdale in 1961 where they raised their son and daughter. His business career involved consumer credit management at Eaton Credit Corporation where he worked for 31 years in several areas - credit granting, collections, consumer affairs, quality control and administration. Prior to that, he worked for several years with independent firms in the construction industry – credit granting and collections.

Vernon found he preferred the consumer credit side of the business which appears to be where he perfected his meticulous skills in researching, verifying and presenting his thoughts in a clear, well organized and articulate manner.

After retiring from his job in 1998 he relocated to Canterbury Common in July 2000 and immediately became a willing volunteer. He became active in the community at large serving as an Elder, a Steward and Chair of the Official Board of the Port Perry - Prince Albert Pastoral Charge.

To our good fortune in Canterbury, Vernon became a member of several Canterbury committees; Communications, Finance, Administration and was eventually elected to the Board of Directors. He was a very active and effective Board member and was instrumental in ensuring that our Policies and Guidelines were not only up to date and relevant but actively followed.

Vernon was instrumental in creating and coordinating the first version of the CCRA Policies and Guidelines and was a key participant in the CTC revisions and updates of the Policies and Guidelines for use by the Board of Directors for installation on the Canterbury Common website so all residents have easy access to it.

On the Canterbury Transition Committee Vernon served with John Rintoul in managing the project to research our needs for a new security and audio/video systems at The Centre . Despite having retired from the Board and active committee work, Vernon stepped up and with John gave us an extremely comprehensive report with crystal clear recommendations.

As a result of the depth and clarity of the report every recommendation was approved and today, we have first class security and audio/visual systems in place in The Centre .

Vernon is well-organized and insightful. He is a real pleasure to work with and we have all benefited from his precision in speech and innate ability to present in writing, a logical thinking process, leading to conclusions or recommendations that are so easy to understand and accept.

Our community owes Vernon a huge debt of gratitude for not only the work he has done with the CTC over the past few years but the contribution he has made to Canterbury as a Director of the CCRA Board and through the important role he played on the Administration Committee.

### **Jim Worsley - Advisor**

Jim joined Bell Canada in January, 1962 as a mechanic and through the Bell training program became certified in heavy equipment diesel, truck, bus and automobile endorsement, to National Standards. In 1970 he transferred to the Bell construction department where he became a lineman and later on was involved in cable splicing which was classified as a Class one position just below the management level.

In 1981 Jim moved into a level one Management position as the Manager of a 10-person splicing crew working in the 905 district of York and worked in this position for two years managing contractors placing cable for Bell. Besides being responsible for quality control he also approved all payments for completed work. Jim then moved to the Bell Training Centre where he had the responsibility of training new technicians and craftsmen in cable splicing, reading of blueprints and cable repair. During his time at the Training Centre he received training in Course Preparation and Development.

Eventually Jim moved into the Right of Way department where he had the task of acquiring easements across private property and hearing and resolving complaints relating to all Bell easements in his district. Much of his work entailed coordinating activities with the legal department and paying the various law firms contracting with Bell doing the legal work required to secure the easements. It was during this period that Jim acquired training in Negotiations and Public speaking.

After retiring from Bell in April of 1995 Jim began volunteering his services to the community and Canterbury has benefited greatly from his contributions. He has shown himself to be a person of vision and with Bob Crawford, John Rintoul, and Gord Simmons developed the first concept drawing of the expanded Centre. This plan became the starting point for the design of The Centre we have today.

Jim, along with Wayne Shannon, made very tangible contributions to the expansion of The Centre in a number of ways but the two most apparent and prominent for CCRA was their work in identifying and solving the sewage leakage problem and the serious deterioration of the unpinning of the floor in The Centre. Their initiative and subsequent recommendations and action saved CCRA tens of thousands of dollars by rectifying the problem before the work in both areas was completed and had to be redone later. The pragmatic approach to problem solving that Jim takes is very important and his dedication to "getting it right the first time" has over the years resulted in tremendous savings to future Canterbury residents.

Jim has served on the House and Property Committee (H&P) as a Committee member, the Chairperson, Board Director and Adviser. During his time with H & P he was responsible for identifying, securing and installing a new H/VAC system for The Centre. This undertaking was a significant expense and a major project for CCRA and Jim managed it well despite the reticence of others in the community who were concerned that the financial commitment was too great.

We are very fortunate to have people like Jim within our community who share the talents and experiences from their long and distinguished careers to make Canterbury a great place to live.

### **Jim Brady - CCRA Board Liaison**

Jim was born in St. Thomas, Ontario and eventually moved to Kingston, Ontario where he met and married his wife Barb. Their daughter and son live in the Region of Durham with their families. In 1962, he started his career with DuPont of Canada at their Manufacturing plant in Kingston, Ontario. In 1969 he was transferred to the DuPont sales organization in Toronto where he was instrumental in developing the floor covering business across Canada.

In 1979, he assumed the position of Business Development Manager for Coronet Carpets. After being instrumental in several successful acquisitions of other manufacturing companies, he was named as a Director and Executive Vice-President of Sales and Marketing for Beaulieu Canada, a position he held until he retired in 2010.



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After retiring, he joined the Rotary Club of Port Perry where he has served on their Board of Directors and other positions and eventually became President. During his tenure with Rotary he was involved in several large fund-raising events and played an integral part in Rib Fest which has always been a key fundraising initiative for Rotary.

Jim remains an active member of the Port Perry Rotary Club but with the time commitment required as President on the CCRA Board, he made the decision to resign from the Rotary Club Board of Directors. Jim reached a decision a couple of years back that since he had lived in Canterbury Common for 20 years as of this November, that he wanted to spend more time contributing to his community. His first venture into the Canterbury volunteer community was to take on the role of President and he has made a huge contribution to Canterbury during two of its most turbulent years.

In his role as President, Jim has been the Liaison with the Transition Committee for the last couple of years and has played a significant part in the discussions and decisions made during that period. His knowledge of flooring and his industry connections were invaluable in researching and deciding upon the best and most appropriate flooring product for The Centre . Jim has had previous experience with our Centre as ten years ago, he arranged for the replacement and installation of the best quality, solution-dyed nylon carpeting for The Centre .

The enthusiastic approach Jim has is easy to discern as soon as he greets you with a very warm "Good morning". The Transition Committee has had to go through a few unsettling situations which called for the solid backing of the Board of Directors and it was gratifying to know that Jim in his role as Liaison to the Board would support our case well.

Canterbury has benefited from the experiences Jim has had in business and volunteer organizations and he continues to look to the future of Canterbury with a positive attitude and a creative approach to making Canterbury an even better place to live.



**Canterbury Common Transition Committee** From left to Right

**Top Row:** Co-Chairs Ed Richards, Gord Simmons

**2<sup>nd</sup> Row:** Transition Committee members - Roger Doe, Lauren Maher, Barry Smythe, Doug Thiemann

**3<sup>rd</sup> Row:** Board Liaison to the Committee - Jim Brady

Committee Advisors - Vern Reynolds, Jim Worsley

## BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

### ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

Murray Smith, Chair

I originally had a wonderful report for *The Chronicle* which told you all about how great it was that we were still able to have The Centre open on a limited basis for several of our activities. Unfortunately, the dreaded COVID-19 has struck again and that is no longer possible at this time. I can however, tell you about some of the things we are working on for you.

On the lower level, two shuffle board courts are undergoing final touches for us to play on when we get back in The Centre. We hope to have all material and supplies ready for use as soon as The Centre is open for business.

We are currently looking at updating our section of the Policies and Guidelines. One of the major changes for our committee is that we are now responsible for looking after the key fobs residents use to access The Centre. Although the procedure has not been finalized, we ask that any neighbours who are moving from Canterbury try to return their key fob to a member of the Administration Committee before they leave.

Since our goal is to keep The Centre as safe as possible for our residents, we should let you know that as long as the Durham Region is in the "Red" health category The Centre will be closed and the key fob system has been shut off. You will not be able to enter The Centre for activities at this time. If you need to hold a committee meeting please contact Donna Easter to see if The Centre is available. Let's all keep each other safe. Thank you.

### COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

Nora Senechal, Chair

It seems like we just finished the fall issue of *The Chronicle* and here we are publishing the winter issue. At times it seemed like the year 2020 would never end and at other times it seemed like time was moving at warp speed. Either way, the Communications Committee was here working to make sure that you have been kept informed about neighbourhood news.

We hope 2021 will return us to our normal social schedule. We don't know what the future will bring. We will miss getting together this winter season but if anyone has any pictures or information to share with the community please send them to [info@canterburycommon.ca](mailto:info@canterburycommon.ca) for the website. Pictures can also be posted to the Canterbury Instagram account ccrainsta.

### FINANCE COMMITTEE

Lee Maher, Chair

#### FINANCE MID-YEAR UPDATE 2020/2021

##### Finance Summary Update (Oct 1, 2020)

- The Q2 financial statements were presented to the CCRA Board, with the following summary:
- Total income (\$123K) is currently 84% of plan
- Low interest rates on investments, no rental/refreshment income, delayed new home occupancy impacting on total
- Forecast new home occupancy fees for second half of fiscal year should bring income close to budgeted number
- Operating expenses are tracking under plan for the first half of the fiscal year (as forecasted) with the continued closure of The Centre until Aug 2020.
- COVID expenses (cleaning costs, safety equipment, etc) is putting pressure on the Admin budget for the second half forecast
- Insurance costs for the second half are significantly higher than forecast

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- Utility costs were paid by Geranium until Aug 1. Remainder of the year's utility costs will challenge budget number (40% larger centre)
- House and Property is forecast to be slightly over budget at year's end (Increased grounds maintenance scope, increased maintenance & repairs)
- Replacement Reserve Fund (RRF) balance is currently \$117K, with \$51K of committed expenses remaining to be paid
- RRF Study has provided a template for future investments/expenses
- Capital Fund expenses are currently \$7K under budget with \$11K in committed projects remaining to be paid. Additional income will be realized from new home initiation fees.

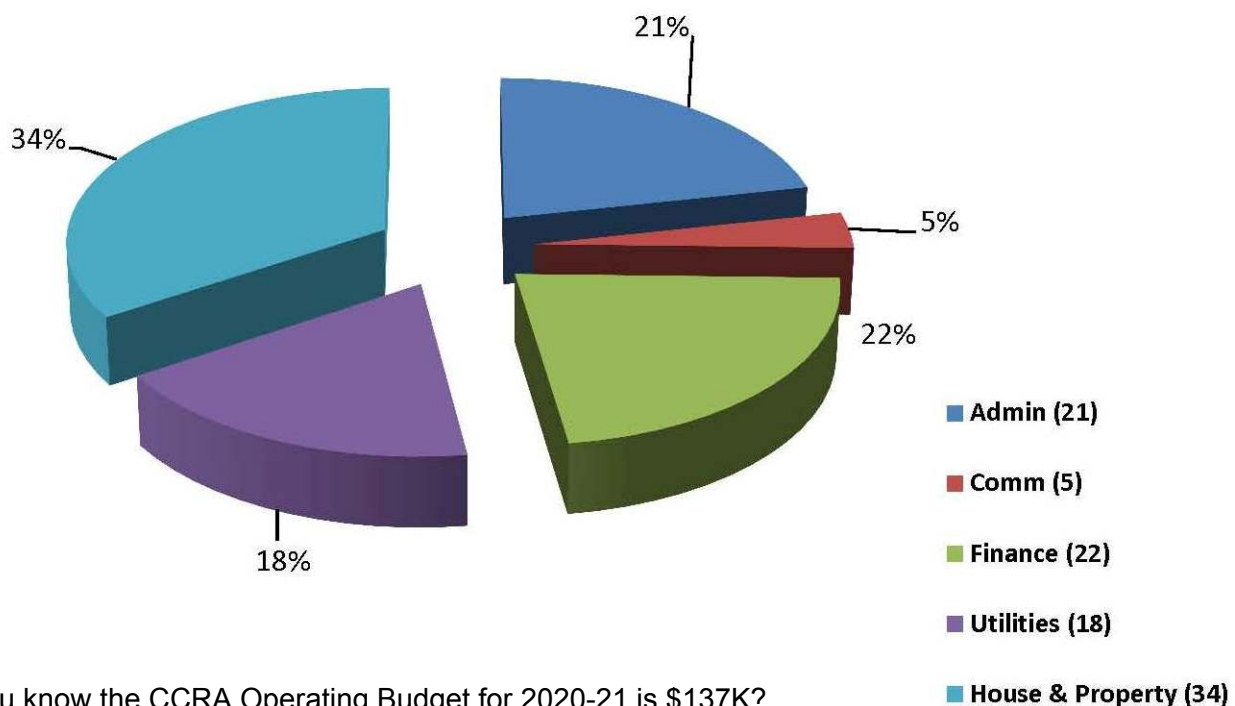
## **FINANCIAL FORECAST FOR REMAINDER OF FISCAL YEAR (2020/21)**

Considering all of the financial variables in play (COVID impact, expanded centre, unbudgeted expenses, new homes fees, etc), we are forecasting that the CCRA budget of \$136K will be adequate to meet this year's financial obligations.

### **ADDENDUM (Attached graph)**

- The following is an abbreviated explanation of the elements comprising each expense sector of the CCRA Operating Budget:
- Communications (5%): Chronicle, website maintenance
- Administration (21%): Janitorial, meetings, centre improvements
- Finance (22%): Insurance, legal, audit, bookkeeping, taxes
- Utilities (18%): Cable, hydro, gas, water, telephone
- House & Property (34%): Grounds maintenance, pool maintenance, HVAC maintenance, centre exterior maintenance and repair

## **CCRA Operating Budget 2020-2021**



Did you know the CCRA Operating Budget for 2020-21 is \$137K?  
The pie chart details the breakdown by division.

## GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

Gord Simmons, Chair

The period from June 2019 Annual General Meeting to September 8, 2020 was the busiest ever recorded by the Governance Committee for projects in Canterbury. There were 25 pre-approval letters given for new projects and 11 final approval letters sent for projects which were completed. Nine letters were sent to Real Estate Agents to provide them with information regarding the Protective Restrictions and where to confirm the status of the home. From September 8, 2020, we have provided three more pre-approval letters and issued 13 more final approvals with four more letters being sent to Real Estate Agents.

The bulk of the projects had to do with replacing entire back decks or the flooring and uprights. Most of the replacements were as a result of the age of the structure while others had to do with replacing the railings with glass or aluminum uprights. There have been a couple of hot tubs and storage cabinets installed either under decks or close to the house walls as required. All this work has resulted in some beautiful structures being installed, which our residents will enjoy for years to come.

Why is this information important to you? It is important because it tells us several things which are important to our house values:

- The amount of activity this past 14 months shows homes in Canterbury are being updated all the time
- some of the decks which are older are being replaced and modernized
- new owners are showing the same amount of house pride as those who have been here for years
- most people are calling the Governance Committee for pre-approval
- the Protective Restrictions are not a hindrance to selling but an incentive to buyers who are looking to move into an area which emotes a tidy, orderly and appealing appearance.

Recent conversations with our new residents, as a result of an initiative set up by Lauren Maher and Carol Sambrook of Administration to greet and meet our new neighbours, has confirmed from their impressions that the appearance and appeal of Canterbury had a positive impact on their decision to purchase a home here.

All of the above would not be possible without the cooperation of all the residents in Canterbury following some very simple principles such as, don't put up anything that blocks the view of your neighbours, inform them before you build, use quality materials and ensure that the Governance Committee is called before you start your project.

Everything mentioned above is instrumental in making our community one of the most sought after in Ontario, but what really makes the biggest difference is you. To be able to walk along the beautiful streets is really positive but what really makes the Canterbury experience special are the waves, smiles and friendliness exuded by our residents.

Thank you again for welcoming us to your homes and making our job of helping you easier to do. Should you need any information or interpretations regarding the Protective Restrictions call any of the following Governance Committee members.

John Brewer: 905-985-8244, Barbara Holt: 647-224-2055, Tallya Moore: 905-985- 8370,  
Gord Simmons: 905-982-1330, Frank Young: 905-982-0482

## HOUSE & PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Dave Sparling, Chair

### GARDENING

The gardening has been completed for this year with the valuable help of volunteers. Plans are in the works to enhance the gardens in 2021. We hope to be able to maintain all of our gardens with the help of volunteers. We are grateful to all the volunteers who worked hard to make the gardens look so attractive and enhance the appearance of The Centre . The volunteers saved the association a lot of money. A big thank you to Mary-Anne Matthews, Debbie Simpson, Tracey Vernest, Netty Kuipers, Hugh Allward and the coordinator, Ren Blimke.

### POOL

As we look forward to a new season, Acapulco Pools will open the pool on May 15. The Board of Health must

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inspect the pool before it opens and we will schedule an appointment with them. A pool monitoring team has been organized to oversee the new high tech pool equipment. Thank you to the team members, Ren Blimke, John Brewer, Steve Holt and the coordinator, Gary Carmichael. A big thank you to Gord and Martha Simmons for organizing and training all of the pool volunteers. We would like to thank all the volunteers and hope to see you again next year.

## **CENTRE AND BUILDING MAINTENANCE**

Most of our bigger jobs have been completed. Some of the jobs we have recently completed are: installation of a waterproof ceiling in the pool equipment room, a wall was built and lined with metal-coated fencing to keep the animals out and to protect the pool equipment. In the basement, we installed a vanity, sink and a shelving unit for the artists and added shelving in the lower storage room. We also reorganized the upper storage rooms. The basement games room is now usable.

We would like to thank all of the volunteers that made The Centre what it is today and a special thank you to Gary Carmichael, Wayne Shannon and Dave Sparling. While The Centre was being renovated, these committee members worked tirelessly to ensure the association's needs were met.

The committee is focused on saving the Association the high cost of hiring outside help where possible. Over the last year, the House and Property members have worked very hard saving the association thousands of dollars which contributes toward the yearly resident's fee. The committee recently lost 2 important members, Jim Worsley and Bill Gerber. Everyone appreciates their years of hard work making The Centre and the pool a better place for all of us.

We can only accomplish these savings with the help of volunteers. If you are interested in joining the committee or volunteering your time, please contact:

Dave Sparling: 905-985-8001, Wayne Shannon: 905-982-8766, Gary Carmichael: 905-985-6938, Ren Blimke: 905-985-2361

Mail Kiosk – to help keep the kiosk and area safe in the winter, a salt bucket is located in the kiosk. Residents are encouraged to spread the salt if it is slippery. Please do not use the bucket as a garbage can, that is not its purpose. Take your garbage home.

## **MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS**

Dorothy Bull, Chair

I'm happy to report that there is always something interesting going on in Canterbury Common, even during COVID-19. The beautiful weather has been great for getting out and greeting new friends and neighbours, at a safe distance of course, getting extra gardening done and starting to put out Christmas decorations.

There has been discussion with the Township Office and Lance Brown, Councillor, regarding reducing the speed limit in Canterbury Common to 40 km. Lance has said he is fully in favour of this but it would have to go before council. In the meantime we ask everyone to drive with care. Also, to enhance safety and avoid congestion around the postal kiosk at the Community Centre, please park in the parking lot, not in the street when picking up your mail.

Over the summer we saw some progress with dead tree removal and new plantings. This will resume in the spring. Also, we have been on a waiting list for some time for concrete repairs to curbs, sidewalks and a storm drain.

I was included in a meeting with our key representatives for the Canterbury Transition Committee, Geranium, and representatives for the Township of Scugog. We heard great news on the ongoing new home development which is ahead of schedule and experiencing strong sales. There was a great deal of discussion about the "slope" between the homes on Waterbury Crescent and the proposed Seniors Residence on Block 100. Our representatives were firm in their resolve to bring the best possible solution to correct the embankment and create a safe, attractive passage. A task force is being created to come up with a plan which will be presented in the first quarter of 2021.

## BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

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As winter is coming please refer to Township of Scugog By – Law Number 106 -05 (more information may be found in an article by Ed Richards in this issue) for information on your responsibilities regarding snow removal on your property.

### **SOCIAL COMMITTEE**

Ken Gadsden, Chair

Greetings to all! Due to COVID, your Social Committee has been in hibernation for quite a while. However, we have not given up and meetings are on schedule to reactivate Canterbury's social life once restrictions are lifted.

A welcome to new residents in both the old and new parts of our community. When the opportunities for events return, we hope you will join in and see what a wonderful community we all share.

If you have any questions please call me at 905-985-4294.

Compliments of the season to all and remember: "Better days ahead."

## COMMUNITY COMMITTEE REPORTS

### **MENS GOLF COMMITTEE**

George Clapham, Chair

Golf for Canterbury Men's League finished at the end of September for the 2020 season. Many members continued to play on Tuesday mornings throughout the fall and we just experienced an unexpected but beautiful week for golf in November. Men's Golf had a very successful season with only a couple of drizzly, wet mornings that many members played through. Most Tuesday mornings were beautiful golf days. We will return to Sunnybrae for the 2021 season.

**2020 Men's Golf award winners** included:

George Clapham - low gross (best 2-week total 84)

Larry Bowskill – low net (best 2-week total 69)

Registration for Men's Golf is scheduled for April 20 at 1:00 p.m. at Sunnybrae and our first golf game in 2021 is scheduled for Tuesday, April 27, so mark your calendars.

Enjoy your winter, stay safe. See you next season.

### **SCRAMBLE GOLF & SOCIAL**

George Clapham, Chair

Thanks to everyone who made 2020 Scramble Golf a success. Thanks to the weather for co-operating all spring, summer and fall. Thanks to Crestwood Golf Club and especially Bruce Grant and his helpful staff. The Scramble Golf and Social Committee look forward to another successful season in 2021.

We always welcome new aspiring golfers, so please join us on the course. Many thanks to Bill Anderson who is retiring from the Scramble Committee as our weekly golf co-ordinator. His efforts to plan and organize interesting, fun golf events was much appreciated by all our golfers

Scramble will hold its registration in mid-April 2021 (date to be announced) and begin its season on May 6 (hopefully).

Next season we hope to return to our new Centre for our Thursday afternoon/evening festivities. We will be depending on weekly volunteers and committee members to ensure that each Thursday is "special." Volunteers play a vital role in organizing and running the approximate 23 weeks of our golf season. Please respond to our committee as we ask for volunteers throughout the season or speak to one of our committee members right now.

We look forward to 2021 with anticipation.

## BOOK CLUB

Marilee Eagan



The CCRA book club, like everyone else, has had many challenges this year. We are following all the rules to keep safe and still enjoy our books. Our next meeting will be held (we hope) on January 29 in The Centre . At that time we will discuss the book *The Quintland Sisters* by Shelley Wood. It's the story of the Dionne quintuplets told from the perspective of a young midwife.

Pat Procnier, our leader for many years, has left the neighbourhood so we are currently looking for someone to coordinate our activity. Our January book is the last we have on our reading list. If you have a book you would like to recommend please let us know. We would welcome your recommendations and would love to see some new faces at our meetings.

We hope to see you soon in our beautiful new Centre.

## THE CANTERBURY ARTISANS

Birgit Pullen



Our first project of an "acrylic swipe" resulted in a variety of amazing results, all with different images that are being enhanced by some with additional artwork. The next project was a study in light/shadows starting in November, also with acrylic paint.

Due to COVID restrictions, our class is full, however, if you would like to be put on a waiting list you can contact me at [birgit.pullen@gmail.com](mailto:birgit.pullen@gmail.com). We are now meeting twice a month, on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month, at 1:00 p.m. in the lower level of The Centre . If you are someone who has fun with art and/or have experience in teaching art, we would also love to hear from you - it's always great to get different perspectives in different mediums. Please let me know if you are interested in showing us some of your ideas!

## BID EUCHRE & EUCHRE

Bev & Bruce Bone

Until further notice the euchre and bid euchre games will be on hold. There will be notices when we can begin. Thanks for understanding.

## DUPLICATE BRIDGE

No submission for this issue

## MIXED BRIDGE AND LADIES BRIDGE

Carol Hough

There is no further notice at this time as to when the Ladies Bridge group will resume. We are still going through difficult times and we all look forward to getting back to something normal. Maybe spring will bring us hope. Thanks for your patience. Hopefully we can spend a happy and healthy Christmas with our families.

## CRIB CLUB

Audrey Thompson



We are anxiously awaiting permission to start playing again on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. (with safety modifications of course). New players welcome!

Stay tuned and stay safe.

## KNITWITS

Jane Sibul and Robin Stamper

Here we are heading into the winter season; a perfect time to pull out the knitting needles. Come to *The Centre* and snuggle down by the fire for some knitting and chatting.

Every Friday from 1:00 p.m. you will find us there. Please join us. We are always happy to see people interested in doing fibre arts - knitting, crocheting, cross-stitching, needlework, rug hooking, crewel work and quilting - as examples.

If you are especially interested in quilting, please call Bronwyn Quirk at 905-985-6195.

## MAH JONGG

No submission for this issue

# ACTIVITIES

## LIBRARY

Lorna Zamulinski

Safety First!! A hand sanitizer station is going to be placed in the Library for our convenience and to keep everyone safe. Please use the hand sanitizer before handling books.

Monday and Tuesday are the only days books should be returned. This will allow us to quarantine the books for 72 hours before returning them to the shelves.

Book donations will be welcomed but should be in good condition and placed in the return bins on a Monday or Tuesday.

Thank you to all who have donated new books to our library

## POWER WALKING

Heidi Hampel

We exercise in the lower level of The Centre Monday to Friday from 8:10 a.m. to 9 a.m. Using a variety of Leslie Sansone DVDs, we power walk while engaging muscles of the upper and lower body. Each DVD covers a distance of three or four miles with some routines using an exercise band or weights during the walk.

This walking program improves range of motion, muscle conditioning and the ability to stretch to keep our bodies fit (and young?). No cost and no commitment.



## INSTAGRAM CONTEST

What a beautiful Christmas tree! Head over to our Instagram contest on the community Instagram account (ccrainsta).

You can see pictures of the trees your neighbours have shared on the account. Don't forget to like ♥ your favourites!



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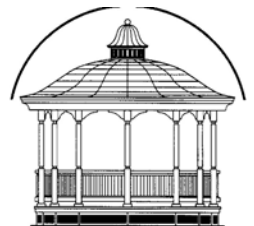
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## A YEAR IN THE LIFE OF CANTERBURY

Nora Senechal

*Another victim of the COVID-19 pandemic*

If you have lived in Canterbury Common for a couple of years you will know that "A Year in the Life of Canterbury" is a document that lists the activities and groups that have an organized presence in our neighbourhood. You will find anything from Aqua Fit to Power Walking on this list; and it gives you a contact name and phone number so that you may learn about activities you are interested in. You have not seen this document in a while because it was decided that we would not incur the costs of printing the page during the time we had a trailer replacing our Centre. Earlier this year, the Communications Committee began looking at updating and publishing the list for all residents new and not so new so that we may all begin socializing again. Unfortunately, that nasty COVID-19 is not done with us, so a decision has been made that we will hold off on this publication at this time. You can look forward to another "A Year in the Life" being produced and inserted in your issue of *The Chronicle* when all social activities are once again available to all residents.





## **VOLUNTEER – KEEP US CONNECTED**

Volunteering provides an opportunity to connect with your neighbours and make new friends. The commitment of our many Canterbury volunteers throughout the years has provided a unique quality of life, while maintaining our annual assessment at a rate much lower than most Adult Lifestyle Communities. The pandemic has made it difficult to get together. We hope to be able to work on some new projects soon.

<b>COMMITTEE</b>	<b>PURPOSE</b>	<b>CONTACT</b>
<b>ADMINISTRATION</b>	Responsible for the operation of The Centre and the cleaning schedule. Schedules resident activities and private events, creates the monthly calendars online and printed, manages keys and key fobs, fire safety, service providers and the Annual General Meeting. The Administration Committee is not looking for volunteers at this time.	Murray Smith
<b>COMMUNICATIONS</b>	Ensures that all CCRA Members of Canterbury Common will be kept abreast of activities pertinent to CCRA including the community newsletter, website management, bulletin boards, management of advertising revenue, and the community Instagram account. The Communications Committee always welcomes volunteers. At this time the committee requires a Photo Coordinator.	Nora Senchal
<b>FINANCE</b>	Manages the records, accounts and the direction of the financial matters of CCRA and advises the Board on financial matters. Prepares budgets and quarterly financial statements including financial statements for the Annual General meeting. Other responsibilities include notice and collection of annual assessments. The Finance Committee is not looking for volunteers at this time.	Lee Maher
<b>GOVERNANCE</b>	Responsible for the maintenance and compliance with our Protective Restrictions including reviewing homeowner alterations and new projects. The Governance committee is currently looking for volunteers.	Gord Simmons
<b>HOUSE &amp; PROPERTY</b>	Responsible for the operation and maintenance of The Centre including furniture and fixtures, the exterior of The Centre, swimming pool, postal kiosk and parking lot. Maintains list of preferred contractors who have liability insurance. House & Property is currently looking for volunteers.	Dave Sparling
<b>MUNICIPAL</b>	Attends Town Council meetings and reports resident's concerns. No volunteers are required	Dorothy Bull
<b>SOCIAL</b>	Responsible for planning and conducting social events which may include coffee hours, dances, trips and BBQs. Ensures residents are aware of the activities through newsletters, bulletin boards, the website, calendar of events etc. At this time this committee does not require volunteers but will look for help as social activities begin again.	Ken Gadsden
<b>GOLF</b>	At this time activities include Scramble Golf and Men's Golf. The Scramble Golf Committee is looking for volunteers to help run the 23 weeks of the golf season.	George Clapham



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Thanks to House & Property Committee for photos in and around The Centre





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## CHECKING THE BOXES

Brenda Glover

Jim and Brenda Glover decided to leave their long-time residence in Toronto and move into Canterbury in September. Brenda chuckles when she thinks how often she has since been asked, “Why Port Perry?” The answer is so simple. Their new home on Waterbury Crescent checked all the right boxes. The town is beautiful and welcoming (pandemic aside). She’d long wanted to get out of Toronto but Jim said the only way he’d leave the house they lived in for 35 years was “feet first.” Brenda prevailed and Jim loves it here.

Jim had a long career at Ford Credit of Canada, retiring in 2005 after a bout with cancer. He then started up a country band, as a lead singer and guitarist. His family fondly dubs him “Jukebox Jim” as he knew the words to over 1,000 songs.

While managing the band, Jim and Brenda also volunteered at seniors’ residences. They brought music into the lives of residents for over a decade. Sadly, they had to give it up in 2019 as Jim’s dementia progressed to the point where he couldn’t remember what he had just sung. The jukebox is winding down, yet Jim still loves to sing and entertain.

Brenda is a retired lawyer, accountant, and Human Resources professional. She also taught as a Professor at Osgoode Law School, Ryerson University, and Seneca College. Giving all that up was really difficult, but her love for Jim is strong. She needed to stay home and keep Jim safe on his journey that is often deemed “the longest goodbye.”

They have two adult children and two grandsons. Brenda calls her grandsons “God’s gift for getting older”; her kids as a reward for being alive.

An avid reader, Brenda is aiming to join the community book club. Both of them are looking forward to music nights when the world normalizes again. And to long days around the pool meeting new friends.

Brenda wanted to thank everyone for being so kind when they moved in; and for being patient with all her questions.

Canterbury Common continues to check all the right boxes.

## LOYALL CANN

From the *Toronto Sun* November 13, 2020

### **WARMINGTON: One was big and one small. Both were TPS giants**

Author of the article:  
Joe Warmington

They were two great Toronto cops with almost a century of service between them.

The Toronto Police family lost two greats this week in former Deputy Chief Loyall Cann and Det.-Sgt. Bert Novis.

Chief James Ramer — like anybody who worked with them — had high praise for both.

“Loyall Cann had a photographic memory,” said retired Staff-Insp. Eddie Hegney. “It’s one of the things that made her a good investigator.”

Her colleagues liked that special skill that helped solve crimes. The people she arrested loathed it.

“If you told her something a few years before and tried to change it, Loyall would remember every part of how the conversation went,” said her husband of 45 years, retired Det.-Sgt. Don Cann, who worked at 51 Division for



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many years.

“She had a lot of empathy for people. When she got sick we received many cards from custodial staff and non uniform Toronto police members, because she just didn’t walk past people. She was interested in them.”

Loyall died Wednesday at the age of 75, after several battles with cancer, as well as dementia.

“She was a fighter,” said her husband.

Born in Sault Ste. Marie, Cann came to Toronto as an 18-year-old who wanted to be a cop.

“There were only 13 women on the job in 1964 and she was told they never wanted to have more females than they had horses,” said Don.

It made her more determined. She became the boss of many units and eventually become deputy chief — the second woman to achieve that prestigious role.

“Loyall had no interest in being a police chief,” said Don.

“She just wanted to serve her community and support her officers. She was one of those people who didn’t get involved in the politics and told it like it was. It was because of that, she was actually surprised she was able to rise to the rank she did.”

Hegney said it was her pure policing skill that got her there. She pushed for other women to be treated as equals and was also part of the first recruiting drive for ethnic officers, including looking for members in Chinatown.

“Loyall owed no loyalty to anything but the truth. She would stand against anyone, no matter the rank and state her opinion without fear of political or personal ramifications,” said Hegney. “Above all, she was just a wonderful person, a great friend and a true professional.”

By the time she retired, Toronto Police had many less than horses than women. Toronto Police moved in the modern era and it stemmed from people like Loyall Cann, who helped make that happen.

“She really was a trailblazer,” said Hegney. “Mostly, she was one hell of a police officer.”

Loyall also never forgot her northern roots.

She asked to be cremated and rest in a cemetery on St. Joseph Island, southeast of Sault Ste. Marie, a place she loved as a kid and, of course, never forgot.

Novis — another cop icon who served in the military first — played for the Argos in the CFL and then became a mainstay in the Hold Up Squad — famous for making more than 500 arrests in one year.

“A legend, no question,” said Toronto Police Association Acting President Brian Callanan.

Retired Staff-Sgt. Frank Craddock said Novis died Monday at 90 after contracting COVID-19. It was, ironically, the only thing that ever beat the six-foot-four, 250-pounder. It wouldn’t have in his younger years. No one ever did.

“He was as tough as nails,” said Craddock.

But he was also a gentle giant.

Both Bert Novis and Loyall Cann were giants in the Toronto Police world, who, as they say, are now walking the beat up in heaven.

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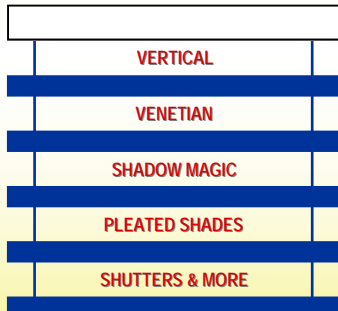
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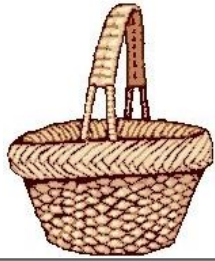
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Pat Corrllett 985-4966



Thank you to Canterbury residents and friends for your monetary contributions and gift cards in support of the Durham Basketeers. Hopefully next year we can do what we do best filling beautiful baskets with essential items for the Women's Shelters in Durham Region

## **SOUP, SOUP, SOUP**

Linda Kaban

Have you ever made a list of your top five favourite foods? Foods you could eat every day for the rest of your life? At the top of my list is spaghetti. Actually, most of the list consists of Italian food even though I have a Ukrainian background.

But one of my favourites is the most diverse foods of all time. Soup. It can be hearty and meaty or silky and smooth. Virtually every vegetable, meat and liquid can be mixed and matched together to make a meal, that when paired with bread or crackers, can satisfy the most voracious hunger.

Here are three of my favourites with some of my own tips.

### **Turkey, Rice, Cabbage Soup**

Years ago my mother and father, Barb and Mike Kaban, went to a burger joint in Frankford, ON. Mom grew up in that area and they were visiting her old haunts. They ordered a soup that so impressed them, they called the young guy working in the kitchen out to their table to talk about it. He gave them the recipe and it has been a family favourite ever since.

#### **Ingredients:**

- turkey carcass or two turkey legs (tip: I've even used frozen turkey wings. The Trading Post always has nice ones)
- 1 package Original Johnsonville Breakfast Sausages
- 1 medium cabbage – approx. 5 cups chopped
- 1 cup of rice
- fresh basil

**Instructions:** (because this was not a written recipe, the instructions are not as “professional” as you would wish. Experienced soup makers will get the gist and newbies can wing it. This is a no-fail recipe)

- In a piece of cheesecloth, put turkey, a chopped onion, a small piece each of celery and carrot and about a tsp of peppercorns). Tie the cheesecloth together and drop it into a soup pot filled with 12 quarts of water. (adjust as needed for the size of your soup pot)
- Simmer for 2+ hours and then remove cheesecloth.
- While waiting, bake sausage in oven or toaster oven – rinse – cut into little rounds.
- In the last hour add: sausage, rice (I like to add more rice when my mother isn't looking), cabbage, torn basil and salt (to taste). (Tip: I usually give the cabbage a little more time. You want it soft, not crunchy)

### **Garlicky White Bean and Spinach Soup**

#### **Ingredients:**

- 2 tsp olive oil

- 1 medium sized onion finely chopped
- 2 large cloves of garlic, peeled and pressed or finely minced
- 1 can (I prefer Unico) white kidney beans
- 1 carton chicken broth (I prefer Campbell's)
- approx. 10 ounces of fresh, rinsed, coarsely chopped baby spinach (I remove the stems)

#### **Instructions:**

- Heat the oil in a heavy 4-quart saucepan over medium-high heat.
- Add the onion and garlic and cook stirring till the onion softens, 2 to 3 minutes.
- Add the beans and broth. Season with salt to taste.
- Raise the heat to high and bring to a boil. Reduce the heat to medium-low, partially cover the sauce pan and simmer until the soup has thickened slightly, about 15 minutes.
- Add the spinach and cook until wilted, about 5 minutes.
- Transfer the soup in batches to a food processor or blender (I use a blender and wear silicone oven mitts to keep the lid on the blender because it tends to want to explode upward with the heated broth). Or simply use an immersion blender.
- I pour the blended soup into a slightly smaller pot and add salt and pepper to taste. Reheat over medium-low heat and serve.

(I LOVE this soup. Very quick to make and pretty healthy, not to mention tasty)

### **Beefy Tomato Soup**

#### **Ingredients:**

- $\frac{3}{4}$  lb (I use one pound) ground beef
- 2 Tbsp olive oil
- 1 onion, chopped
- 3 cloves of garlic, minced
- $\frac{1}{4}$  tsp ground black pepper
- 1 tsp oregano
- 1 jar of Classico (any flavour) or President's Choice pasta sauce, plus at least 3 tablespoons more of any tomato sauce
- 4 cups of chicken stock (that equals one carton of Campbell's chicken stock)
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup of cream cheese, at room temperature (half a block of Philadelphia)
- $1\frac{1}{2}$  cups elbow macaroni or short-tubed pasta (I use the Barilla box of Ditali pasta – little, short tubes)
- $\frac{1}{4}$  cup fresh chopped basil, divided

#### **Instructions**

- In a large pot heat the olive oil over medium heat.
- Add the onion and garlic to the pot and cook for 3-4 minutes, stirring, until the onion softens.
- Add the ground beef to the onions, breaking up with a spoon and cook until no longer pink.
- Next add the salt, pepper and oregano to the beef and stir to combine.
- Now you can pour in the chicken stock and the pasta sauce, scraping the bottom of the pot as you stir.
- Bring the soup to a simmer and cook for 10 minutes.
- Whisk in the cream cheese until it's all mixed in and then add  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the fresh basil.
- Pour in the pasta, stir and let cook for another 10 minutes with the lid on.
- Spoon into bowls and garnish with the leftover basil if desired.

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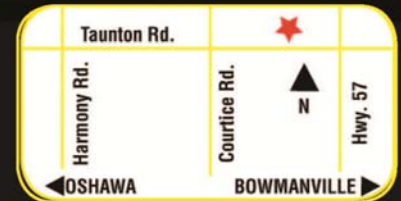
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**Compton Update**

Since the article was written to discuss moving from Powergate to Rogers – a few things have come to light. My biggest eye opener was that although Rogers gives you 90 days to move all of your contacts, calendar and emails over to your new email provider – they will not give you any warning when the Powergate account will be deleted. Specifically, I was told it will happen 90 days from installation of the new Rogers equipment. It would probably be a good idea to shorten that date to 75 days or so just to allow yourself a bit of leeway.

**Contacts** in most cases are able to be exported from your mail program. That might be Outlook or Windows Live Mail, Thunderbird or something else. If you can't see how to export – search online for instructions. Apparently, Rogers will not allow you to import those saved contacts from a file but only from another Mail program (like Gmail or Hotmail). Powergate is not a program you can import from. At the very least you should try to print a list of all of your contacts before the deadline.

**Calendar** data can also be exported from your Powergate account. You can open the exported file using Excel for reference. I have not personally tried to import my calendar data to another program but I am sure it is possible.

**Emails** are the hardest item to deal with. You should ask yourself why you think they are important enough to be saved in the first place. Have you ever gone back 3 months and looked at an old email?

You might want to save some of the information in an email such as a doctor's appointment, driving directions or a specific photo. Your choices include copying the information to a word file or photo file and saving it on your computer; or if nothing else, you can forward the email from your Powergate account to your new Rogers (or Gmail, etc.) account. I would suggest that after you take care of the email on Powergate you delete it – so you don't have to look at it again.

Best of luck to all concerned.

**SMILE OF THE DAY**

David McBride

**FRECKLES**

An elderly woman and her little grandson, whose face was sprinkled with bright freckles, spent the day at the zoo. Lots of children were waiting in line to get their cheeks painted by a local artist who was decorating them with tiger paws. 'You've got so many freckles, there's no room to paint!' a little girl in the line said to the little fella. Embarrassed, the little boy dropped his head. His grandmother knelt down next to him. 'I love your freckles. When I was a little girl, I always wanted freckles,' she said, while tracing her finger across the child's cheek. 'Freckles are beautiful!' The boy looked up, 'Really?' 'Of course,' said the grandmother. 'Why just name me one thing that's prettier than freckles.' The little boy thought a moment, peered intently into his grandma's face and softly whispered 'Wrinkles.'



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After the whirlwind that was 2020, I am making every effort to embrace the little things this holiday season – watching my favorite Christmas movie (*It's a Wonderful Life*), reading Christmas cards from friends and taking in the beauty of downtown Port Perry with its festive touches.

At the Port Perry Hospital, patients and staff are also enjoying the small things, including the recent purchase of a number of therapy pets.

Lakeridge Health's Geriatric Consult Team reached out to me asking for our Foundation's help with therapy pets at Port Perry. With realistic fur and pet-like sounds and sensors that respond to petting and hugs with familiar

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pet-like actions, these robotic pets can be a very effective way for a person with Alzheimer's or other forms of dementia to decrease stress and agitation. COVID-19 has meant that patients' family and friends' visits are highly restricted. For patients with medical needs that include dementia, the isolation can be exceptionally challenging.

There is a patient here right now; I'll call her Jane to ensure her privacy. Jane's dementia caused her to become easily agitated, aggressive towards hospital staff and to wander. The staff kept her close to the nursing station so they could tend to her needs but it was a challenge. Then the pets arrived. Jane's nurse presented her with her very own pet cat. The connection was instant and the cat has not left Jane's side.

Every time I walk by the nursing station I spot Jane sitting content, cat on her lap wrapped in a cozy blanket. Her nurses have told me that Jane is less prone to violent episodes, that she's content, petting and even humming sweet songs to her cat. She evens signals to have her doctor check her cat's heart.

These therapy pets were purchased with donor support. Of course, we also purchase vitally important life-saving medical equipment with donor support. But seeing Jane and her cat as I walk by the nursing station reminds me, especially in a year like this one, how essential it is to embrace the little things. I hope you'll agree that this small purchase made a big impact on patient care at Port Perry Hospital.

When you donated to the Port Perry Hospital this holiday season, purchased a charity ornament from Dana's Goldsmithing or a Win Win booklet from the Lions Club, you helped make a difference. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Please feel free to email me at [ragnoluzzi@lh.ca](mailto:ragnoluzzi@lh.ca) or call the Foundation office at 905-985-7321 Ext. 45580 if you'd like to find out more about the Foundation, make your year-end donation, or have a special story you'd like to share.

Merry Christmas. Happy Holidays. Stay safe.

Rachel Agnoluzzi

CEO, Port Perry Hospital Foundation

## **THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS**

Emotionally draining for many, the last eight months have upended our schedules, routines, and daily lives, tested our peace of mind, and challenged our personal and collective balance. COVID-19 certainly has changed our lives.

Yet, despite all of this, instances of cooperation and mutual support are multiplying, neighbors are looking out for one another and people are donating their time and efforts to care for the community. What an encouragement to see that physical distancing, rather than drawing us apart, is bringing us closer together! Walks around Canterbury Common have become not only a healthy activity but also a social activity for many of us.

Now Christmas is just around the corner. It will be different this year. However, we can still make the most of this coming Holiday Season and reach out to those who are dear to us and those who are alone. Take some time to remember fond memories of your past Christmases and relive a little of their magic. Keep listening to others, but also pay attention to yourself.

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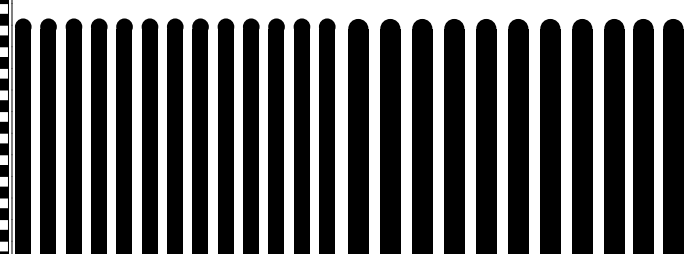
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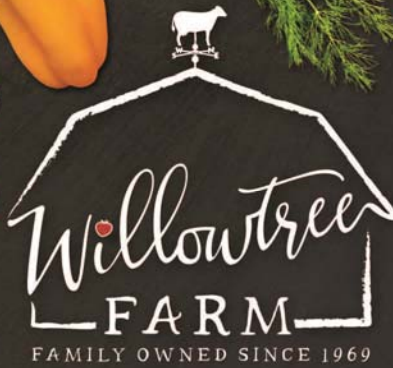
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**VIRTUAL GINGERBREAD VILLAGE**  
from Durham Region.com



Scugog's sweet subdivision will become a virtual village in 2020.

A holiday season staple at the Scugog library each December for the past 24 years, [Bakersville – The Animated Gingerbread Village](#) will instead be displayed

online this year through its Facebook page due to the ongoing coronavirus pandemic. Traditionally, community members would create and submit gingerbread buildings that would be used to build a miniature and magical winter wonderland that was then displayed in the Kent Farndale Gallery at the [Scugog Memorial Public Library](#). Due to COVID-19 safety restrictions, however, Bakersville organizers have opted to cancel the physical display but are still urging the community to take part in the annual showcase by submitting photos of their sweet creations.

Participants can build a gingerbread house from scratch or use a kit, and this year, there is no deadline, theme or size limit. There is also no admission fee to take part in the virtual display.

Those wishing to participate are encouraged to take some photographs and post them with a description on the [Bakersville: Animated Gingerbread Village Facebook page](#).

**DOORSTEP SCAM**



This scam is currently going around the Brampton and Milton area but we felt a heads up for our neighbours is a good idea. Residents have had a woman, with a box of chocolates in hand, ring their doorbell. Assuming she was there to sell the chocolate, the door was opened and two large men pushed past the woman and proceeded to ransack the house. It should be noted that during the COVID-19 pandemic most door-to-door sales have been completely eliminated. If it seems that someone is at the door to sell you something be aware that they may not be legitimate.

**EMAIL REMINDER**



Remember, if you are changing your email provider from Powergate to another provider such as Rogers or Gmail you will need to notify your contacts. Don't forget to change your information in Canterbury. Your login for the website and email address for receiving community emails should be updated as well. To make sure you continue to receive Canterbury emails such as the *CCRA Information Bulletin* please send your new email address to John Rintoul at [redball@live.ca](mailto:redball@live.ca). Canterbury website users should send the changes to [info@canterburycommon.ca](mailto:info@canterburycommon.ca).

Robbers! Robbers! - Port Perry

The Bank of Commerce in Port Perry was the scene of several robberies, or attempted robberies in the 1900's. During those years the bank was located at 165 Queen Street, the current site of the Toronto-Dominion Bank.

In 1934, two men entered the bank, tied up the manager and a clerk and made off with \$200. These thieves had the misfortune of running out of gas and needed to stop at the Superior Store to fill up, leading to their arrest. Moral of the story? Always fill the car before venturing out to rob a bank.

In 1945, the bank manager was locked inside the vault after the robbers had taken off with a goodly sum of money. The manager used a screwdriver to get out of the vault. Moral of that story? Always keep a screwdriver inside the bank vault. You never know when it might be handy.

In 1945, the bank was again robbed, this time by members of the notorious Boyd Gang. Three frightened bank employees were locked up inside the vault, but one described the robbers as very polite. No report as to the amount of the haul that day.

In 1951, robbers entered the same bank, bound and gagged the manager, his wife, and caretaker and took them upstairs to the apartment over the bank. While the would-be thieves were trying to detonate the safe, the telephone rang, and frightened off the robbers who fled empty-handed.

Nostalgia Time Again: An Invitation to Share

Many years ago, some of our residents shared Christmas Traditions in a "Nostalgia" segment of *The Chronicle*. We heard that many really enjoyed reading these. I am suggesting a new venture for *The Chronicle*. Would you consider sharing with us your own Snippet of a time in your life before Canterbury? It might be anything: the best trip you ever had; a happy family event such as a child's wedding day, or even your own? Perhaps a wonderful memory from your childhood? Your submission should be typed and sent along to our Editor at [chronicle@canterburycommon.ca](mailto:chronicle@canterburycommon.ca). Not every article submitted will be published and it may be edited. Probably no more than one will be included in any one issue. Linda will decide its fate.

So I will jump in first with my offering:

***Why growing up in Swansea was so great!***

Most of you know of Swansea, the former small village on the southern edge of Toronto's west end, that is now part of Metropolitan Toronto. I especially loved winters there as you could toboggan all the way down the hill at the back of our house to skate on Grenadier Pond. The ride down was grand, the long climb back up? Not so much, but we were of course, just kids. There was a little hut where you could change your skates and even warm your feet on heated bricks.

In summer you might badger your parents to allow you to walk to the lakeshore to swim at Sunnyside Pool. None of us thought a thing about walking long distances and there were certainly no school buses. Carpooling had not been invented yet.

You had a choice of routes getting to school. You could walk the "proper way" up the street, west along Morningside, up and down the hill and finally arrive at school OR you could take the adventurous way, via the dump, which was faster, and way more exciting but definitely frowned upon by our parents. I do not know how long that dump existed, but it surely disappeared eons ago. There was only one small convenience store close to our school but it stocked lots of great things. I loved when my Mother would send me there. You could even buy waxy candy lips and penny candy.

The Village had so many places to explore, trees to climb, bikes to ride, Catfish Pond to visit. You could walk along the shores of Grenadier Pond, or even hike over to High Park without having to walk on one sidewalk. But the big city was just on our doorstep. Many a Saturday, we would walk to Bloor Street to see a matinee at one of two movie theatres, sit on the edge of our seat as we watched the next exciting episode of the serial, and of course the feature film; and if you were at the Runnymede theatre, watch the clouds, the stars and airplanes move across the theatre ceiling. You might say we lived for Saturdays. Yes, the Village was just the grandest spot to grow up!

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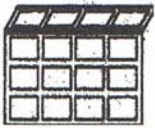
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## Township of Scugog Bylaw Number 106 -05 regarding removal of snow and ice

As the winter months will soon begin to take hold, and bring with them snow and ice conditions, this is an important reminder to Canterbury Homeowners. The Corporation of the Township of Scugog has a bylaw requiring property owners to remove snow and ice from sidewalks adjacent to their properties within 24 hours after a winter event. Failure to do so is an offence and upon conviction the property owner is liable to a fine or penalty. In Canterbury Common, CCRA has contracted with a service provider simply to assist Homeowners carry out this function. However, this arrangement does not transfer responsibility for complying with the Township bylaw to our service provider since ultimate responsibility for being in compliance rests with the property owner to make sure the sidewalks in front of their property are kept free of ice and snow within the required 24 hour time period.

Township of Scugog requirements also stipulate that the property owner is responsible for:

- Clearing snow on driveways
- Removing snow windrows left by plows on roads and sidewalks

## Sidewalk Liability for slip and fall accidents on Township owned property

For purposes of clarification: If someone slips and falls and is seriously injured on a Township sidewalk, it is the Township, as owners of the public sidewalk, that may be held liable founded on negligence for any damages. The adjacent property owner would not be liable for the mishap unless their actions were in some way a contributing factor to the hazard created that led to the mishap - for example, if they allowed an overhanging eavestrough or downspout to drip water onto the sidewalk and a pedestrian slipped on the ice that formed. In that situation a claim and any subsequent legal action may be instituted against both the Township of Scugog and the property owner. If this were to occur the property owner should refer the claim to their insurance broker/insurance company to confirm that coverage is provided under the liability section of their homeowners' insurance policy.

Any Notice of Claim against the Township of Scugog must be made by the injured person within ten (10) days of the injury and must be made in writing and addressed to the Municipal Clerk.

In summary, responsibility for any falls that occur on public sidewalks rests with the Township and not the adjacent property owner unless in some manner the property owner was responsible for introducing the condition that led to the mishap in which case both the Township and property owner may be held liable. Even if the property owner failed to ensure that any snow and ice was cleared from the sidewalk within the required 24 hour period, and someone fell, at best the property owner may only be liable for a fine and not any legal liability for damages.

Trust this provides the necessary clarity on this issue.

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These ladies have the right idea! This Line Dancing group has been using Candlelight Court in Canterbury Common as their dance studio.

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### **The Smile Starter**

**Smiling is infectious  
You catch it like the flu....  
When someone smiled at me today,  
I started smiling too!**

**I passed around the corner  
And someone saw me grin...  
Then when he smiled I realized  
I had passed it on to him.**

**I thought about that sunny smile,  
And realized what it's worth...  
A single smile like mine, you see,  
Could travel 'round the earth.**

**So, if you feel a smile begin  
Don't leave it undetected....  
Let's start a BETTER epidemic....quick!  
And get the world infected.**

## **TELEPHONE LIST UPDATES**

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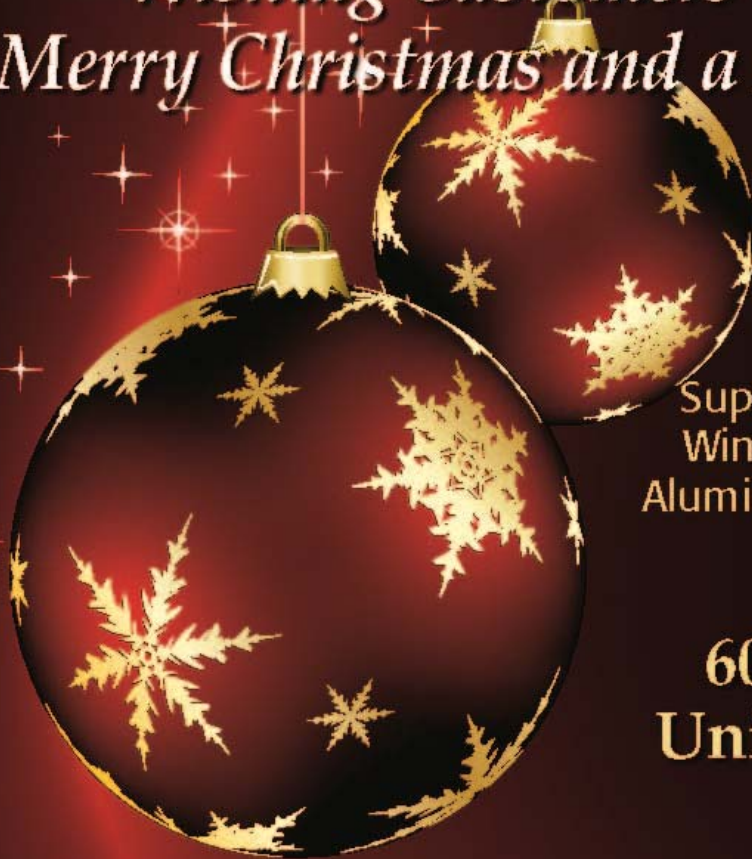
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## **WHAT CANTERBURY COMMON AND ROCKEFELLER CENTRE IN NEW YORK CITY HAVE IN COMMON**

Mark & Ellen Brewer

Early in November, the Power Walkers arrived at the lower level door of our Centre only to find a Northern Saw-Whet Owl awaiting us. This little fellow had obviously hit a window and sat there stunned. This is the same type of Owl, recently mentioned in the news, that had been found trapped in the large Christmas tree that was being erected in Rockefeller Centre, New York City.

The Northern Saw-Whet Owl is the smallest of the owl species in North America. Adults are 17 to 22 cm (6 to 8 inches) tall with a wingspan of 42 to 56 cm (16 to 22 inches). Their average weight is about 2.8 ounces, about the weight of an egg. Every year these owls migrate south, not to escape the cold but to find food, hunting mice and voles at dusk and dawn. Many settle in North Durham Region and the Kawarthas, finding shelter in dense coniferous trees. Being



nocturnal and having their small size, they are very difficult to find. Their hearing is very sophisticated allowing them to very precisely localize their prey. The Northern Saw-Whet make a repeating "tooting" whistle sound but have eleven different vocalizations.

Not knowing if our little visitor had been injured, we contacted "Shades of Hope Wildlife Refuge" 705-437-4654, ([shadesofhope.ca](http://shadesofhope.ca)) which is located in Pefferlaw, Ontario. They instructed us on how to care for the owl in the event that it had been injured and needed to be transported to them for their care. With a Blue Jay circling and other potential predators, we kept a watchful eye on the owl for an hour as we exercised. Fortunately, this story has a happy ending. As we went to collect our visitor to offer some protection, he flew away with no apparent injury. His feathered cousin in New York did need some care for three days but also returned to the woods.

Moral of this story: It DOES matter to wildlife if humans give a HOOT!



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