



Canterbury Common Residents' Association

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CCRA INFORMATION BULLETIN

January 2023

IN REMEMBRANCE

Ed Richards

It was with deep sadness and loss that on Wednesday morning we received news of the passing of Barry Smythe. Canterbury Common has lost one of its most revered residents. Barry's volunteer contributions to our community were enormous. Those close to Barry, and who worked with him on the Canterbury Transition Committee, were witness to the tremendous amount of time and knowledge he brought to our community as a retired civil engineer. We have lost a valued friend and colleague. Barry refused to let the tragic and very serious accident that occurred back in December 2021 define him. During his lengthy rehabilitation he suffered many setbacks but he faced each ordeal and the significant pain with great dignity and courage. That is the man we are so sad to see leave us but there is no question his life was well lived and he left a very large footprint for us to never forget him. Our condolences go out to Jane, his devoted wife and best friend and their family.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Lou Rocha

The Board of Directors met on January 16, 2023 at The Centre and via ZOOM link. Administration Chair Suzanne Brolley attended as a guest. The Board appointed Malcolm Ward to the position of director and liaison to House and Property. Malcolm replaces George Clapham who has resigned for health reasons. George served on the Board for one and half years and held the position of Vice-President prior to his resignation.

Dorothy Bull was appointed to the position of director for Municipal Affairs until the Annual Meeting in 2024. Her re-election should have taken place at the 2022 Annual Meeting but was missed due to an oversight. Lauren Maher's term of office was corrected to one year, ending at the 2023 Annual Meeting. In June 2022 Lauren had been appointed to a two-year term following the resignation of Ellen Brewer but Section 9 of By-Law 1 requires a one-year lapse if directors from the same home have served four consecutive years. Since Lee Maher had served three years as Treasurer, Lauren was limited to one year. The Board also approved the role descriptions for the chairpersons of each standing committee. These descriptions are part of the new Recruitment Policy.

The Strategic Planning steering committee gave a verbal report on the meetings with five standing committees in January. The feedback was highly supportive of the ideas described in the two themes of Preserve and Protect. Following are some of the main points raised by multiple committees.

There was a significant emphasis on the value of volunteers and the need to recruit and support them but to hire external personnel for tasks that were not safe for residents. Several committees expressed a desire to restart activities and events. There was a request to consult with the community on the use of the former golf course lands and to prepare a master plan. There was support for communicating accurate and timely information using print and electronic means.

All of the feedback will be summarized and presented to the Board with some preliminary recommendations. The Board is planning to consult with all residents in the spring. The Strategic Plan will be presented for approval at the Annual Meeting in June.

The Treasurer presented an update from the Finance committee. Expenses are tracking to budget. The third quarter financial report will be presented to the Board in February. Funds have been received from Geranium for the first group of new homes in Phase 2 on Holtby Court. The Budget process has been reviewed and committees will receive a template and instructions for submitting their budget requests.

The Governance committee submitted a summary for a proposed Personnel Policy. The Board discussed the scope and applicability of the policy in a volunteer organization. A request was made to provide the full policy to the directors for their review prior to the next Board meeting.

The Board approved the admission of seven new members from Holtby Court. They will be formally welcomed at the next Meet and Greet meeting on February 2, 2023.

HOUSE AND PROPERTY

Malcolm Ward

CANTERBURY COMMON SIGNAGE FOR THE CENTRE is to be further researched and potentially consolidated with the repair/replacement of the Centre's outside Display case.

BARRY'S PATHWAY EXTENSION, east of the Centre is scheduled to be completed in late winter or early spring due to vendor constraints and the winter weather variability this year.

SIDEWALK SNOW PLOWING AND DEICING SIDEWALK: Snow plowing and as needed, salting/deicing, continues based on the amount of snowfall and forecasted freezing rain ice formation. Barry's pathway received another two deicing bins for resident ad hoc use on ice formation along the path. More environmentally/animal friendly deicer material is now being used for all deicing bins around the Centre and along Barry's path.

MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

Dorothy Bull

UPDATE ON THE PLANNED WILDFLOWER GARDENS: At the time of writing this message, the base preparation for the gardens is still to take place. We are waiting for the ground to be fully frozen so that trucks can drive to the gardens and put in the topsoil and mulch that has been ordered. All we can do is watch and wait and hope Mother Nature finally co-operates.

For anyone interested, The Arboretum at the University of Guelph offers a workshop called Virtual Wildlife Garden Design and will be online on February 28, 2023 from 12:00 until 1:00 p.m. The cost is \$16.95 including HST. To sign up go to “The Arboretum University of Guelph” web site, and look for workshops under the Education and Events tab.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Lauren Maher

Save the dates and plan to join your neighbours and friends at the following events:

- January 20th Happy Hour 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
- January 26th Coffee Hour 10:00 a.m.
Guest speaker: Jillian Housam speaking on services offered by COMMUNITY CARE OF DURHAM.
- February 3rd Happy Hour 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
- February 4th Bingo Event (Watch for details)
- February 9th Coffee Hour 10:00 a.m.
Guest Speaker: Terry Coyne, Ward 5 Councillor, TOWNSHIP OF SCUGOG
- February 11th Wine Tasting & Artisans’ Display (Watch for details)
- February 17th Happy Hour 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
- February 23rd Coffee Hour 10:00 a.m. (Watch for details)

We look forward to seeing you!

COMMUNICATIONS

Karen Sallows

Preparations are already underway for the 25th Anniversary issue of the Chronicle to be published in September of this year. In that issue we will be including pictures of all of our residents. Residents will be notified sometime in the future to set up convenient times for the pictures to be taken.

WINE TASTING

Birgit Pullen

Mark your calendars!

Our popular Wine Tasting event is back! It will be held on Saturday, February 11 from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. in the Centre. As in the past, we ask that Couples bring a bottle of wine and an appetizer to share and Singles bring either a bottle of wine OR an appetizer.

Any non-alcoholic beverages are also appreciated. Please remember to bring your own glass and a small plate. We will provide napkins. With respect for our Covid guidelines, we ask that you supply your appetizer in single finger food servings, be it in paper muffin cups or with toothpicks, in order to limit handling of the food. Come and get back into the Canterbury spirit. Enjoy displays of art and carvings from our talented residents (some pieces might even be for sale) and spend some time with friends and neighbours while enjoying a variety of wines to try.

ACTIVITY REMINDERS

BID EUCHRE

Murray Lennox

Monday evening at 7:00 p.m. Everyone welcome!

BOOK CLUB

Robin Stamper

Thursday, January 26 at 2:00 p.m.

KNIT WITS

Robin Stamper

Friday afternoon by the fireplace at 1:00 p.m. All welcome!

CRIBBAGE

Audrey Thompson

Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m. Why not give it a try!

MAH JONG

Carol Sambrook

Tuesday and Thursday afternoon at 1:00 p.m.

February 2023						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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