40 Homewood Community Newsletter

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Congratulations to all our athletes who did us proud at the Winter Olympics.

Wow 26 medals 14 gold, 7 silver, 5 bronze WAY TO GO, CANADA!!

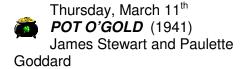




Movies with Don

This list is subject to change. Posters will still be posted on the bulletin boards.

Friday, March 5th **GUYS & DOLLS** Frank Sinatra, Marlon Brando, Jean Simmons



Thursday March 18 **NOTHING SACRED** (1937) Frederic March and Carole Lombard

Friday, March 19th

KISS ME KATE (1953)

Howard Keel and Ann Miller

Thursday, March 25th **A DAMSEL IN DISTRESS** (1937)

Fred Astaire and Joan Fontaine

Friday, March 26th **YOLANDA AND THE THIEF** (1945)
Fred Astaire

They're baaaaack.... these pesky leprechauns that always infiltrate the March newsletter. Can't get rid of them. They are after the pot of gold.

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May your glass be ever full May the roof over your head be always strong.

And may you be half an hour in heaven before the devil knows you're dead

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May your pockets be heavy
And heart be light
May good luck pursue you each morning
and night



May your blessings outnumber the shamrocks that grow, And may trouble avoid you wherever you go



May your home be bright with cheer, May your cares all disappear, May contentment come your way, And may laughter fill your day.



May green be the grass you walk on, May blue be the skies above you, May pure be the joys that surround you,

May true be the hearts that love you.



Ongoing Activities*

Bridge in the recreation room, Mondays and Wednesdays at 7:30 pm.

Movies with Don≭in the

recreation room, Thursdays or Fridays at 7:30. Notices posted every week.



Home Sweet Safe Home

Submitted by Maureen Houlihan, 2604

Did you know that there is help available to modify your home?

The Home Adaptions for Seniors Independence (HASI) provides up to \$3500 for minor home adaptations such as handrails, leverhandles on doors and faucets, grab bars in washrooms and brighter lighting. To apply you must be at least 65 years old and require the modifications in order to make daily activities easier and safer to perform.

The Residential Rehabilitation
Assistance Program (RRAP) Modification for a Disabled
Resident provides up to \$16,000 for
major modifications to improve
access, based on a modification
referral from a recognized healthcare professional. Modifications
must be permanent and reduce
barriers and imminent safety risks.



For both programs total household income must be no more than \$37,000 for singles or a couple or \$43,000 for two or three persons. For more information call the City of Toronto's Housing Improvement Programs at (416) 392-7620 or go to www.toronto.ca/affordablehousing/hasi.htm

Reminder: Please contact the office for approval before proceeding with unit modifications.



March 14, 2010



The Valentine's Day
Potluck & Sing-along
on February 13th
Was enjoyed by about

two dozen people and a great time was had by all.

Thank you so much to Arthur Martin for organizing it and to Harry Lewis who spent hours playing piano for us. Also thanks to "Harry's Assistant" for all his work in making sure Harry had all the music to play our requests.



Upcoming Activities



Join Don "The Movie Man" Sangster and your neighbours in watching:

The 82nd
Academy Awards
March 7th, 2010
7:00 PM

In the Recreation Room
Refreshments will be welcomed
Pick the winners
Win a prize



Environmental Documentaries submitted by Robert Richard

Thank you to the Green Committee for presenting an informative and compelling series of environmental documentaries over the past month. The focus was on crucial issues such as world water accessibility, proliferation of plastics and the source of our food production. One common thread tying the docs together was the abuse of power in the hands of a few. It is our responsibility as consumers to question the source of information presented as fact. When the primary motive is profit based it is interesting how information can be manipulated. Consider that not many years ago it was legal for tobacco companies to advertise cigarettes as health giving. It was noted with optimism in the documentaries that consumer based movements can have a positive environmental effect over time.

Management Office Section



Mail

We receive several pieces of mail every day in the Office. The mail is brought to the Office because some owners have not provided their suite number on their return address. Please ensure that you do this in order to prevent unnecessary delays in receiving your mail.

Complaints

If you are issuing a complaint or enquiry of any kind, please put it in writing. In the case of complaints, a written record of the specific complaint must be provided should the matter require legal action.

Elevator Bookings

When booking the elevator for moves or deliveries please ensure you notify the Office in advance to ensure the elevator is available on the day in question. We also suggest that you do not confirm your move or delivery date until the elevator booking date with the Office is confirmed.

Windows

If you have not already done so, please inform the Office of any leaking, rattling or draughty windows.

Cardboard Boxes

In an effort to reduce costs, we ask residents to break down any cardboard boxes before placing them in the blue bins.

Common Element/Special Assessment Payments

This is a reminder that your monthly common element payments are due and owing on the first day of each and other month. If you have not yet made arrangement to pay your Special Assessment please do so as it was owing and due by January 31, 2010. Please note – The Corporation reserves the right to place a Lien on you unit for non-payment of the Common Expenses and Special Assessment.

This will include any legal costs associated with registering the Lien.

Resident Parking

If you are vacating your parking space it is imperative that you provide 30 days written notice to the Office.

Office Hours

Please be advised that the Office is closed Monday to Thursday from 1 pm to 4 pm and Friday from Noon to 3 pm.

Washing Machines

When using the washing machines we ask that you follow the instructions posted in the Laundry Room. Please follow the instructions regarding use of detergents as well as avoiding over loading the machines. These problems cause unnecessary machine breakdowns and service calls.

Laundry

Please ensure that you pick up and remove your laundry in a timely basis. This ensures other users will have access to the machines. Please remember – The corporation is not responsible for laundry left in the Laundry Room.

Tenanted Suites

Repairs in units occupied by tenants MUST be authorized ONLY by the unit owner. If you have a repair request, you must inform your landlord and your landlord will request the repair through the Office.

Security

If you notice or observe any suspicious activity please inform the Office or Security, if after hours.

Package Delivery

If you are expecting a delivery via courier and will not be home please inform the Office.



Insuite Repairs

There appears to be some confusion regarding the Corporation's responsibility for Insuite repairs. Any repairs to items which affect your unit alone are the responsibility of the unit owner and NOT the Corporation.

Items included are leaking taps, running toilets, and leaking p-traps. If you are unsure about a particular item, please call the Office.

Garage Security

A few incidents in the garage has necessitated that we alert all users of our underground parking. Users are responsible for security of your vehicles. It is suggested that you keep the car locked and windows rolled up and do not leave anything visible in the vehicle. Anyone with "removable" car stereos etc., would be advised to remove them

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Irish Men

There are only three kinds of Irish men who can't understand women —young men, old men and men of middle age.



Irish XDiplomacy is the ability to tell a man to go to hell so that he looks forward to making the trip.

Q. "I hear Murphy died," said Pat. "Was he ill long?" A. "No," said Mick. "He died in the

best of health."



Q. "Well, Mike," said the doctor. "I can't quite diagnose your case. I think it must be the drink."

A. "Sure, that's all right, doctor," said Mike. "I know how you feel. I'll come back when you're sober."



Q. Definition of an Irish husband? A. A man who hasn't kissed his wife in twenty years, but he'll kill the man who does.



Q. Did you hear about the Irish newlyweds who sat up all night on their honeymoon waiting for their sexual relations to arrive?

President's Message

By Brian Fernandes

February has been a very hectic month. The Management Office is on an offensive to keep the building clean. If you do have issues with areas of the building not being cleaned, please advise the Management Office. We will start cleaning the garage by sections, over the months of March and April.

Ť We received a statement of claim from Savoy and Associates on the 5th of February 2010. In 2008. Pat Savov sent in her resignation on August 28th 2010. What are the next steps of action with regards to the P. Savov and Associates claim? The Board has met and is seeking advice from our lawyers regarding a response to this claim. With guidance from our solicitor, an experienced and respected condo lawyer with specialized experience working in accordance with province of Ontario condo legislation, we will continue to address the matter. I will keep you advised.

There are a few building projects currently underway. The thyristor repairs are nearing completion, and commencement of other building services projects over the next few months are in the plans, about which I will keep you updated.

I advise you always to keep yourself informed of activities and recommendations of our Green Committee. The City of Toronto is actively upgrading Go Green projects and we are on board to keep up to date and upgraded.

We are all counting the days up to spring, that's for certain. But thus far we've had a relatively snow free winter and that helps with operating costs. Every type of cost saving is encouraging.











The Leprechauns Wee Buffet at 40 Homewood

Submitted by Martha MacLachlan

Sunday, March 14, 2010

5:00 pm - 9:00 pm Recreation Room

\$10 a ticket - available in the office March 4th.

Join us for a wee drink, a wee bite and some Irish Music

MENU

Avocado hummus served with fresh crudities

Spinach Ravioli in pesto served on a skewer

Mini Irish grilled cheese sandwiches with fresh herbs

Mini Corned Beef sandwiches on rye served with pickles

Mini chicken skewers with grilled green peppers

Mini meatballs with homemade B-B-Q sauce



This month Sylvia has submitted Julie Andrews Parody of My Favorite things. Sung to the tune of that song from The Sound of Music

Maalox and nose drops and needles for knitting,

Walkers and handrails and new dental fittings,

Bundles of magazines tied up in string, These are a few of my favorite things. Cadillacs and cataracts and hearing aids and glasses,

Polident and Fixodent and false teeth in glasses,

Pacemakers, golf carts and porches with swings,

These are a few of my favorite things.

When the pipes leak,

When the bones creak,

When the knees go bad,

I simply remember my favorite things,

And then I don't feel so bad.

Hot tea and crumpets, and corn pads for bunions,

No spicy hot food or food cooked with onions.

Bathrobes and heat pads and hot meals they bring,

These are a few of my favorite things. Back pains, confused brains, and no fear of sinnin',

Thin bones and fractures and hair that is thinnin'.

And we won't mention our short shrunken frames.

When we remember our favorite things. When the joints ache,

when the hips break,

When the eyes grow dim,

Then I remember the great life I've had,

And then I don't feel so bad.

Note from the Editor

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Yippee, I finally got the pot of gold past those sly little leprechauns.





