40 Homewood Community Newsletter

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SORRY KIDS.
IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN!

recurity

Our daytime Security Officer, Andy Sebhatu has moved on to another site and has been replaced by Charles Nwagjei. Let's all extend Charles a warm welcome.



Down Memory Lane By Violet

WELLESLEY HOPSITAL

Wellesley Hospital began as a stately home built by George Allan between 1846 – 47. He was a lawyer, politician and held many executive positions. The house was named Homewood and the gate bore that name above it.

George Allan also gave the Horticultural Society five (5) acres of land on the south side of Carlton Street to be used as a public gardens. It was officially opened by the Prince of Wales, who announced that the area would be known as Allan Gardens.

The Homewood House changed hands several times. Some of the various owners enhanced the house and its grounds. In 1900, Frederick Nicholls became the owner. He was an electricity magnate and founder of the Canadian General Electric Company. During the Nicholls' occupancy, it was a hub of Toronto social life. In 1909, following Mrs. Nicholls' death, the house was sold to

Dr. Herbert Bruce who opened it up as the private seventy-two bed Wellesley Hospital in 1912

In 1964, Homewood House was demolished to make way for the Wellesley Hospital we all knew. Some stained glass windows were saved from the house for the hospital. The gates adorned with the original name were moved to a wrecking yard. (A resident did make a search for that in our early years at 40 Homewood).

Only Homewood Ave. remains to remind us of the romantic wooded estate of George Allan.

Information from "The Estates of Old Toronto" by Liz Lundell, 1977

Cetting To Know You



Michelle & Bill Kyle

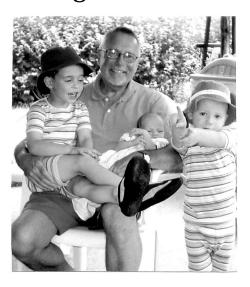
There's nothing like a bicycle ride from Vancouver to Newfoundland to confirm that the person you married was the right one. Three months on the road last year after a whirlwind engagement and marriage was "a test of fire," said Bill, and a triumph for both Michelle and him (www.michellekyle.com/crosscanadacycling).

Accepting challenges seems a way of life. Bill's dad, a railroad man who moved his family from Toronto to Calgary and then Montreal, got him touring on his bike as a teenager. Now he's ready to make the cross-country run again. Meanwhile, his studies at University of Western Ontario in political science have led to a successful career in call-centre operations and financial services management, allowing him the resources to follow his desires.

Michelle is also following her desires, currently playing cello and piano as a soloist (www.michellekyle.com) and with Bellamusica (www.bellamusica.ca), performing for weddings and at retirement homes. After a music degree in Waterloo and a Master's in performance at McGill, she explored some detours, earning a law degree from Osgoode Hall and briefly practicing law, working full-time as a web developer at TD, and teaching rock climbing, then came back full circle to her first love, music.

Bill likes to cook and listen to jazz. Michelle buys miniatures and sheet music on eBay. She has lived at 40 Homewood for nine years; Bill joined her here in 2003.

@MMMMMM®Getting To Know You



Joseph Haggar with grandsons, Ethan, Logan and Aidan

It's a milestone year for Joseph. He and his partner, children, grandchildren, siblings, other relatives and many friends and co-workers will mark his 60th birthday this month with a party at Olympic Pizza. Another 2005 milestone is the 10th anniversary for him and his partner. Among the six children of a Lebanese father and a French-Canadian mother, Joseph was born in Sturgeon Falls and raised in Blind River near Sault-Saint-Marie. Forty years ago, he ventured to Toronto and landed a job in the Men's Department at Eaton's. Various careers followed: sales. hospitality (Windsor Arms), flight attendant (Wardair) and, after a legal course, the past 13 years as a law clerk. Joseph works for Robert Coates, who specializes in real estate, wills and estates. Joseph met an English woman in 1967, and they were married for 10 years before divorcing. Believing in the importance of family, Joseph cared for his son and daughter every weekend while they grew up and he now has three grandsons. A \$99-return trip to Europe with the Eaton's travel club in 1967 sparked a continuing love of traveling. His most recent major trip was to Lebanon in 2002 where he traced family roots and met some of his father's relatives. Other interests are cooking and reading. Joseph enjoys 40 Homewood, where he's lived for 12 years, for its diversity, location and affordability.

Barbecue











August, 27th 2005



The Barbecue was a big success again this year. About 85 people enjoyed the food, the ambience and the camaraderie

Arthur Martin offered to co-ordinate the event this year. He had a great team of volunteers who were very important

in making the event run smoothly and easily.

The volunteers were:

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Russ Baxter, Neil Gilson, Larry Wert, Denise Redwood, John Serena, Gary Carter, Marianne Gallagher, Candice Green, Gus Kieley, Baron Von Britain, and Jim Lindley. David Thornton volunteered to take care of the music but a key to the cabinet could not be located..

Thank you to all these people who gave up the better part of their day to prepare the food, move tables out to the patio and then back inside because of rain, set the tables, cook the food and clean up afterwards. It takes good teamwork and Arthur had a great team. Way to go everyone!!.

We had a visit from Bob Mullin with Cathy and little Ashley. It was nice to see them again.

Thanks also go out to Pat Savoy who ran around purchasing food and supplies and donating three wonderful door prizes.

And thanks to Donna, Liz and Tracy for once again selling the tickets for us.













In Memoriam

Hak Tang, Unit #2102, passed away on August 8th, 2005

Jack West, long term resident of the building, passed away on August 22^{nd,} 2005.

Their many friends and neighbours in the building will miss them.



Last of the 80's

Again this year, Violet Green had a birthday celebration on August 13th 2005 in the recreation room

This one is 89. Violet called this one "Last of the 80's". In lieu of gifts, Violet requested that donations be made to the Canadian National Institute for the Blind. (CNIB).

The food was delicious and the ambiance great. Everyone who attended enjoyed themselves immensely, making it a very memorable event. **Thanks Violet**. Thanks also to **Arthur Martin** who was instrumental in putting it all together.



- ~ Boxes (cereal, tissue, detergent, etc.);
- ~ Corrugated cardboard boxes:
- ~ Flexible plastic bottles—step on them—INDOORS please;
- ~ Milk or juice cartons.







Submitted by Florence Rice

Did you hear about the guy in Paris who almost got away with stealing several paintings from the Louvre?

After planning the crime, and getting in and out past security, he was captured only two blocks away when his van ran out of gas.

When asked how he could mastermind such a crime and then make such an obvious error, he replied: "Monsieur, I had no Monet to buy Degas to make Van Gogh!"

(And you thought I lacked De Gaulle to tell a story like this!)

RECIPE EXCHANGE

Frozen Cherry Salad

- 1 package (8 ounces) cream cheese 1 carton (8 ounces) frozen whipped topping, thawed
- 1 can (21 ounces) cherry pie filling 2 cans (11 ounces each) mandarin oranges, drained

Maraschino cherries and orange wedges, optional

In a mixing bowl, combine the cream cheese and whipped topping. Stir in pie filling. Set aside ¼ cup oranges for garnish. Fold remaining oranges into cream cheese mixture. Transfer to a l-in. x 5-in x 3-in. loaf pan. Cover and freeze overnight. Remove from the freezer 15 minutes before cutting. Garnish with reserved mandarin oranges and cherries and oranges if desired.

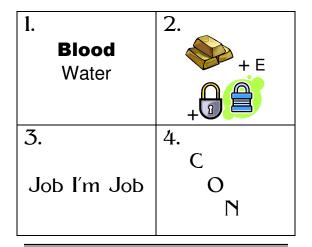
Yield: 12 servings.

It has been brought to my attention that it would be helpful to have a section of this newsletter to answer questions that owners might have from time to time. I am still contemplating this but might I remind owners that they are invited to attend Board meetings which might help them with answers to a few of their concerns.



BRAIN TEASERS

What do you think the following mean?





Please don't remove a notice from the bulletin boards unless you posted it yourself.

If you feel there is no room to post yours, move them around and make room—do not pull them down. Time and money are spent in creating these notices and it is very discourteous and unkind to others to remove theirs.

Getting to Know the Staff

As some of the staff have changed, it is time to update you on the people who work very hard every day to make this a well kept property.

Property Manager - Pat Savoy **Assistant to Property Manager** - Donna Breit

Office Administrators – Liz Madden and Tracy Liddell

Maintenance - Peter Warner.

Resident Cleaners - Bill Corner and John Komac.

Non Resident Cleaner - Antonio Monni Part-time Non-Resident Cleaner. - Delores Hall.

Ongoing Activities

Bridge in the recreation room, Mondays and Wednesdays at 7:00 pm.

Movies with Don in the

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



Cabbagetown Festival



The Cabbagetown Quilters' Guild is participating in the Festival this year on **Saturday**, **September 10**th and **Sunday**, **September 11**th. We will be assisting children to sew and decorate felt gingerbread men which we have already cut out. We will be located at Riverdale Farm. Bring your children or your grandchildren—we would love to see our friends and neighbours from 40 Homewood on those two days.

CLASSIFIED

For Sale

Attention – Students. Brand new unused BYO bed with pump for sale.



Locker on B-2 for rent call

For both items please call 2416-925-6325

Bedbugs... Who Me?

As many of us have read in the papers, downtown Toronto is having a problem with bedbugs. These nasty bugs live in mattresses and woodwork, and spread quickly if not taken care of. The following tips will help keep 40 Homewood clean of the pests.

- Bedbugs bite. They are also visible.
 So, if you see any bugs jumping around, or if you have been bitten, get in touch with the office immediately.
- If you are not sure whether you're dealing with a bedbug or a flea, don't hesitate; the office wants to know in both cases and will take care of things.
- Once alerted, the office can treat the problem with spray the same day; you will have to vacate your apartment for about three hours, but the bugs will vacate.

Most important, do not take your linens downstairs to wash them until your apartment and your linens have been treated. Washing sheets with untreated bedbugs will only encourage the critters to spread, and cause the laundry room to be closed for treatment as well.

If we all take the matter to heart, there should be no problem. Happy hunting!

Area News

By Bob Leah

OUR LADY OF LOURDES SCHOOL

Septemer means back to school. Once morse our neighbourhood school will be buzzing with activity. A **Homewood Neighbourhood Association** member will meet with Donald MacLeod, School Principal (There are problems nearby, including car break-ins.)

GOOD NEWS

- A number of houses on the east side of Homewood have been upgraded. Thank you municipal standards officer, Anthony Bartolo
- Extensive weeding has been done in the planting beds and patio of Montague
 Parkette. Repair of the wooden railroad tie steps, etc. should be done soon.

THE NATIONAL BALLET SCHOOL

News Release

Canada's National Ballet School has moved into its new state-of-the-art facilities at **400 Jarvis Street.**

The Jarvis Street campus, with its blend of restored heritage buildings and contemporary new architecture, is the brainchild of lead architect Philip Goldsmith. Philip has worked in with internationally renowned Toronto firm Kuwabara Payne McKenna Blumberg to produce a stunning complex.

The Jarvis Street campus is comprised of several linked buildings each with their own purpose. The studio block, named the Celia Franca Centre after the founder of the National Ballet of Canada and co-founder of the School, occupies a central position. On the interior, it is linked to Northfield House, the 1856 home of Sir Oliver Mowat, housing NBS's executive offices. To the south of the site, a bridge has been constructed over the new Radio City access lane to connect the Celia Franca Centre with the Margaret McCain Academic Building. To the north, the new buildings are joined to the Betty Oliphant Theatre, completed in 1988 in honour of NBS's other co-founder and first Artistic Director. The Betty Oliphant Theatre is part of the R.A. Laidlaw Centre which includes historic Ivey House, soon to be the home of NBS's retail store, The Shoe Room.

Although all dance, academic and administrative functions have been moved, NBS has retained ownership of the heritage-designated **Maitland Street block**. Over the next two years, the Maitland Street buildings will be completely renovated for a student residence.

The Jarvis Street campus is buzzing! Between the School's full and part-time programs – the Professional Ballet Program (full-time ballet academic study for students in Grades 6 – 12 and intensive dance study for post-secondary students), the Teacher Training Program, the Associates Program (after-school and Saturday classes for children aged 6 – 14) and Adult recreational Ballet - over 800 students plus their families are coming and going from the buildings each week.

Following the Official Opening on November 30, 2005, NBS will throw open its doors for a free public Open House on Sunday, December 11, 2005 from 10 am – 4 pm. NBS hopes to be part of the 2006 Doors Open Toronto. Residents interested in becoming more involved with the School will be invited, through a post-card mailing later this month, to contribute to the final stages of the capital fundraising campaign.

NBS looks forward to welcoming its neighbours to its new home. For more information about Canada's National Ballet School, please visit our website at www.nbs-enb.ca

Charlotte Davis
Senior Marketing and Communications Manager

Here are this month's answers to the brain teasers.

1. Blood is thicker than water 2. Goldilocks 3. I'm between jobs 4. Condescending

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