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September 3, 2007



September 13/14, 2007



September 22, 2007



September 11 – October
12, 2007

Barbecue



September 15th 2007

5:00 pm

In the Rec. Room/Pool
Patio.

\$5.00 for a hamburger,
hotdog, drink, salad, and
dessert.

Come and join the fun!!
Get your ticket from the
Management Office



Voluntary cooks are needed. Please phone
Arthur at the office or give your name to



Board News

At a Board of Director's meeting held on
August 21st, 2007, I resigned my seat on the
Board.

Ron Browne was appointed to replace me
for the rest of my term.

The officers are as follows:

Ron Browne	President
John Darling	Vice-President
Denise Redwood	Secretary/Treasurer
Bill Langer	Director
Rachael De Grâce	Director



Getting To Know You



Stefano Eudoxie- Wojedubokowski & Schroeder

Stefano was born in the South Pacific island of Tonga, adopted at three months and moved to Saint Lucia in the Caribbean. Thanks to his father, a dual citizen and a British diplomat, Stefano has travelled and lived in London and Addis-Ababa. Thanks to his mother, born in Martinique, he learned smatterings of Creole.

The various influences, adding to the Spanish and French frequently spoken in the islands, set Stefano on a career path using languages. A good student, he was always near the top of his class. When the family immigrated to Canada, he was 19 and enrolled in Laurentian University to study translation. The winter, however, with its minus-50 degree days, caused him to transfer to York, where he studied linguistics and teaching. He also studied Italian and German.

In 1996, he headed for Asia, spending one year in Korea and three in Taiwan teaching English. Once back in Canada, he turned to teaching in the public system. When a foray to Vancouver didn't turn out, he returned to Toronto, moved to 40 Homewood, and settled into teaching grade 4 French Immersion in York Region.

In constant motion, Stefano does square-dancing, country-line, and salsa on three different evenings. He also sings soprano in the Metropolitan Community Church choir. He finds time for Tai Chi and Yoga at the Y, and collects models of commercial planes to fill his own model airport.



Getting To Know You



Charles Marker and Connie John

Beginning with the newsletter issue of April 2004, we've interviewed and introduced 116 people in this column, "Getting to Know You."

These are our neighbours, sometimes our friends or relatives, sharing space here at 40 Homewood Avenue. Many readers have told us they have found the interviews interesting. We, too, have had the best, most interesting time getting to personally meet and talk with so many of you.

There have also been at least 75 people who've said "No, thanks," they didn't want to be featured. So, we've still accounted for fewer than half of the nearly 500 units in the building.

Some of you haven't been approached by us or Martha McGrath, the editor, just because we don't know you or haven't "trapped" you in the elevator. You can include yourself by approaching one of us to say you'd like to be introduced.

The two of us interview people together, usually 45 minutes. Connie writes up a draft which is then edited and approved by the subject. Charles takes some photos and the best is selected.

Grab us in the hallway or elevator or contact Charles at 416-9683458 or email charlesmarker@esuete.ca. See you soon!



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.



*To
everyone
who has a
birthday
this month.*



Dogs and Cats are better than Kids

Submitted by Sylvia Keshen

Because they:

1. Eat less
 2. Don't ask for money all the time
 3. Are easier to train
 4. Normally come when called
 5. Never ask to drive the car
 6. Don't smoke or drink
 7. Don't have to buy the latest fashions
 8. Don't want to wear your clothes
 9. Don't need a gazillion dollars for college, and
 10. If they get pregnant. you can sell their children.
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HOW TO STAY YOUNG

1. Throw out nonessential numbers. This includes age, weight and height. Let the doctors worry about them. That is why you pay "them."

2. Keep only cheerful friends. The grouches pull you down.

3. Keep learning. Learn more about the computer, crafts, gardening, whatever. Never let the brain idle. "An idle mind is the devil's workshop—and the devil's name is Alzheimer's."

4. Enjoy the simple things.

5. Laugh often, long and loud. Laugh until you gasp for breath.

6. The tears happen. Endure, grieve, and move on. The only person, who is with us our entire life, is ourselves. Be ALIVE while you are alive.

7. Surround yourself with what you love, whether it's family, pets, keepsakes, music, plants, hobbies, whatever. Your home is your refuge.

8. Cherish your health: If it is good, preserve it. If it is unstable, improve it. If it is beyond what you can improve, get help.

9. Don't take guilt trips. Take a trip to the mall, even to the next county; to a foreign country but NOT to where the guilt is.

10. Tell the people you love that you love them, at every opportunity.

AND ALWAYS REMEMBER:

> Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away.

Didja know?

There are 64 squares on a checkerboard.

More Summer Barbeque Pictures

Photographer: Eva Kato





Recycling Corner

by Bill McGuire

COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENT DAY LAST CALL FOR THE 2007 SEASON IN OUR VICINITY

The City of Toronto holds these Community Environment days at various locations from April to September.


There will be one held by the City of Toronto:

From 10.00 am to 2:00 pm
On Saturday, September 21st, 2007

At Ramsden Work Yard, 1008 Yonge Street, across from the Rosedale Subway Station. Follow the driveway on the south side of the park.

You may drop off the following items for recycling or proper disposal.

All phones
VCR's, Computers and other electronics
Inkjet and laser cartridges
Used tires (off the rim, limit of 5) including used bicycle tires.

Polystyrene plastics with a  symbol on it, often muffin and baked goods trays, berry containers; also Styrofoam cups, food trays, packing materials, etc. Household hazardous waste.

You may donate the following items for re-use;

Buttons, fabric pieces, yarn
Costume jewellery
Broken/old watches

For more items and further information check www.toronto.ca/environmentdays.
Phone 416-388-2010

Thank You for recycling.

Didja know?

Most modern roses are descended from varieties grown in China>

Didja know?

Rubber bands are often used in braiding horses' manes.



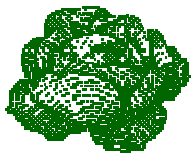
Don't Flush The Floss

(Water Wash, Volume 15, Issue 2)

You may find this hard to believe, but disposing of dental floss in the toilet is causing problems at our wastewater pumping stations and treatment plants (this is where the water from your toilet, sinks and laundry goes).

Many of the newer flosses are made of Teflon and gortex and are shred resistant and therefore very strong—great for flossing your teeth but bad for the sewage pumps' parts. When the dental floss builds up, it literally turns into rope. If enough dental floss wraps around the impellers (the equipment that moves the waste against gravity) it can stop them completely. The only way to remove the floss is to cut it and pull it off by hand.

Flushing dental floss down the toilet adds to the cost of maintaining wastewater facilities and reduces the service life of pumping equipment. Please dispose of dental floss in your waste bin.



Cabbagetown Festival

Friday, September 7th, 2007 – 1:00 pm - midnight
Saturday, September 8th, 2007 – 8:30 am – 10:00 pm
Sunday, September 9th, 2007 10:00 am – 10:00 pm
Parliament Street closed from Wellesley to Gerrard.
(I found these times on the internet but couldn't find a phone number to confirm.)

Tai Chi

On October 16th at 6:00 pm there will be a Tai Chi Chuan demonstration in the recreation room. Following the demonstration, people who would like to join the class may sign up. Practice is held every Tuesday evening from 6:30 pm to 7:45 pm. It is a free activity, organized by Rodney John, now in its tenth year here.



"My doctor told me to avoid any unnecessary stress, so I didn't open his bill."

Let's Talk.



A good way to get to know your neighbours and encourage more of a sense of community in the building is to talk to each other in the elevators.

It can be your vertical sidewalk.

Note from the Editor

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I apologize for confusing people last month by not putting the little code numbers in the recycling section. That column will appear again next month with the codes inserted.

