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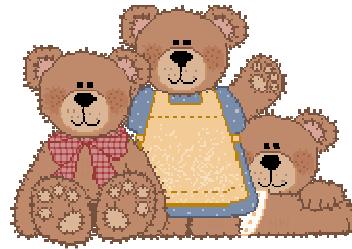
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M is for the million things she gave me
O means only that she's growing old,
T is for the tears she shed to save me,
H is for her heart of purest gold;
E is for her eyes, with love-light shining
R means right, and right she'll always be
Put them all together, they spell **MOTHER**
A word that means the world to me.



Happy Victoria Day
May 19, 2008



For all Mothers

Baby Bear goes downstairs and sits in his small chair at the table, looks into his small bowl. It is empty. "Who's been eating my porridge?!!", he squeaks.

Papa Bear arrives at the big table and sits in his big chair. He looks into his big bowl, and it is also empty. "Who's been eating my porridge?," he roars.

Momma Bear puts her head through the serving hatch from the kitchen and yells, "For God's sake, how many times do we have to go through this with you idiots? It was Momma Bear who got up first, it was Momma Bear who woke everyone in the house, it was Momma Bear who made the coffee, it was Momma Bear who unloaded the dishwasher from last night, and put everything away, it was Momma Bear who went out in the cold early morning air to fetch the newspaper, it was Momma Bear who set the damn table, it was Momma Bear who put the friggin cat out, cleaned the litter box, and filled the cat's water and food dish, and, now that you've decided to drag your sorry bear asses downstairs, and grace Momma Bear's kitchen with your grumpy presence, listen good, cause I'm only going to say this one more time.

"I HAVEN'T MADE THE @*%\$*%\$@%*%\$~%
PORRIDGE YET!!!"

FYI

BOARD NOTES

Decisions taken by YCC#75 Board of Directors at the meeting held on April 29, 2008

May 5, 2008

1. General discussion about the progress of the exercise room. The air conditioner has been ordered, the sprinkler system partially installed. The saunas have been started.
2. The exercise equipment committee met several times to include site visits to other gyms and completed the equipment requirement list. The Board of Directors has approved a quote for \$39,957.80 to refurbish the exercise room with state of the art equipment.
3. A discussion took place about the possibility of some of the exercise equipment being left in the television room after the exercise room is reopened. W. Langer and D. Redwood have received feedback from some residents who are enjoying tremendously the convenience of the having equipment in that area while they are doing laundry.
4. The annual fire inspection has been completed and the Board is awaiting a final report.
5. \$1,400.00 GST extra per wash was approved for window cleaning to all inaccessible windows to the building. The windows will be done three times this year

Denise Redwood
Secretary/Treasurer
York Condominium Corporation No. 75

Ongoing Activities



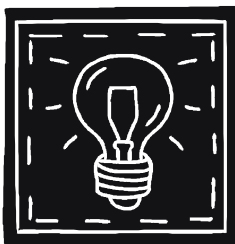
Bridge in the recreation room,
Mondays and Wednesdays at 7:30 pm.



Movies with Don in the
recreation room, Thursdays or Fridays at
7:30. Notices posted every week.



*To everyone who has a
birthday this month*



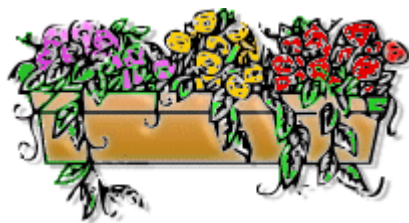
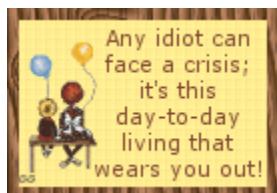
Lights Out

By Jean Walker

Congratulations to
those who joined
hundreds of
thousands of other
Toronto residents who
powdered down on Earth Day on March 28th
from 8:00 pm – 9:00 pm. In one hour you
helped to save enough electricity to power
about 435 homes.

For we who took part, it was a fun
candlelight evening with friends and
neighbours who managed quite well without
TV's, etc. and a minimal use of hydro.

Perhaps we could do this more often – this
habit could reduce our maintenance fees
too.



Summer is coming

When watering your flowers on your balcony,
please be considerate of your neighbours
and don't go too near the edge of your
balcony and do not let the water spill over to
someone else's balcony.



Yard Sale

Is anyone interested in holding
a **yard sale** this year? We
need a convener to organize
and administer it.

The steps to follow are:

- Choose a date or two and maybe a rain date.
- Check with the office to see if any of those dates are available. (If there are any moves that weekend, we can't use the driveway).
- Make up flyers to go up in the building and others to be posted around the neighbourhood to advertise it. The office will make photocopies for you.
- Post the flyers in the neighbourhood or recruit people to help you.
- On the morning of the sale make sure everyone who has purchased a ticket gets a table.
- The office will sell tickets and provide you with a list of people who purchased one.
- The tables will be brought out to the driveway and put away by the staff and



Laundry Room Etiquette

Please do not open the door of a
dryer in operation. It shuts the machine off.
If you do happen to do this, please push the
button to restart it



Recycling Corner by Bill McGuire

COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENT DAYS

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

There will be one held:

From 11:00 am to 3:00 pm
Tuesday, July 1st, 2008
At Riverdale Park –

Look for a few large trucks parked on Broadview Ave. adjacent to the southeast corner of the park, north of Gerrard Street East.

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

Broken Cell Phones
Broken VCR's, Computers, and other small electronics
Inkjet and laser cartridges
Used tires (off the rim, limit of 5) including used bicycle tires.
Plastic Shopping Bags

Household hazardous waste, (e.g. household batteries, old/unused medications, cleaning supplies and solvents, paint, mercury, thermometers/thermostats, fluorescent lighting tubes/bulbs, pesticides, motor oil, etc.).

You may donate the following items for re-use:

Art Supplies (e.g. pencils, markers, crayons)
Buttons
CD's and cases
Children's books
Costume jewellery, including broken/old watches
Fabric pieces/yarn
Sporting goods, (e.g. skates, hockey helmets/jerseys)

For more items and more information Phone 416-338-2010 or visit
http://www.toronto.ca/environment_days/ or consult the Spring, 2008 issue for apartments of
Toronto Waste Watch which you received in your mail box.

Thank You for recycling.

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.



The Best Headlines of 2007

Submitted by Jean Walker
Taken from Municipal Retirees
Organization Ontario Newsletter (MROO)

"Something Went Wrong in Jet Crash,
Expert Says"

"Local High School Dropouts Cut in Half"
"Panda Mating Fails; Veterinarian Takes
Over"

"Miners Refuse to Work after Death"

"Astronaut Blamed for Gas in Spacecraft"

"War Dims Hope for Peace"

"If Strike Isn't Settled Quickly, It May
Last Awhile"

"Red Tape Holds Up New Bridges"

"New Study of Obesity Looks for Larger
Test Group"

"Juvenile Court to Try Shooting
Defendant"

"Kids Make Nutritious Snacks"

In Memoriam

Re the passing of John Grube, age 78, on
April 28th, 2008

Submitted by John Kell

Some of you may remember a former
resident of 40 Homewood named John
Grube.

The last time I spoke with him was last
summer in front of 519 Church Street while
he was waiting for a taxi.

I mentioned that I remembered him as an
instructor at the Ontario College of Art that I
attended three decades ago.

When I graduated, I served a term on the
Alumni Association as Vice-President in the
early '90's when I met John again as he
was still on staff.

I was in conversation with him at the Arts
and Letters Club on Elm Street for an event
and I told him how privileged I felt when I
met A.J. Casson, (one of the later members
of the Group of Seven) . I mentioned that I
had a picture taken of myself at Hart House
in 1989 with Mrs. Casson and John was
impressed when I showed it to him. He was
living at 40 Homewood at the time and in my
capacity as Recreation Committee
Chairman, he gave me two of his paintings
to hang on the walls before the recreation
room as revamped to the way it is at
present.

John Grube was a strong advocate for gay
rights and performed on stage at 519
Church on occasion.



Please try not to have
your dog urinate on the
grass on our property. It
is killing the grass both at
the back and front of the
building. It is also
eroding the bricks at the
front. Thanks.

Money-Box

Submitted by Sylvia Keshen

Life is like a money-box, for out of it we get-
Just what we have put into it, it sounds
absurd, and yet, it's true.

Some folks appear to get the luck and all
the gold

But life's exchange is fair enough, when all
the truth is gold.

You can't put in a copper, and take out a
silver piece,

The coins won't disappear – they won't
diminish or increase,

The contents of the box is the amount that
you possess

A shilling is a shilling, nothing more or less
If you put nothing into life, you surely can't
complain

If you get nothing out of it – the reasoning
is plain

Put all your heart in what you do, and when
you come to count,

Rewards for service rendered, you will have
your full amount.

You'll find the only capital you have on which
to draw – is all that you put into life – just
this, and nothing more.

Movie Night with Don

Submitted by John Kell

To all residents of 40 Homewood, I would
like to say you missed out on a wonderful
laughter-filled evening on Friday, April 4th
with Don "The Movie Man".

Those in attendance watched old "Jack
Benny" programs from 50 years ago and I
requested that no one be admitted unless
they were 60 years of age or over! (Just
joking). We all laughed hysterically during
the two hour time period and also watched
commercials that told us the "advantage"
of smoking Lucky Strike cigarettes. It was
hilarious - The evening concluded with a
lovely lunch provided by a resident who'd
recently passed away and not wanting the
food to go to waste, we enjoyed a "night to
remember" and everyone went home with
a smile on their face.



Undue Noise

It seems that people have been
using the pergola and benches in the
front of the building in the middle of
the night. (e.g. 2:00 am) and talking
in loud voices and laughing loudly.
This disturbs the people on the east
side of building who are trying to
sleep.

Please be considerate of your
neighbours.

Annual General Meeting

Thursday, June 19th, 2008
Primrose Hotel.
7:30 pm

Schedule of Meetings

June 11, 2008 – Financial Meeting
June 15, 2008 – Meet the Candidates Mtg.
June 19, 2008 – A.G.M.

There will be two-vacancies on the Board of
Directors' this year. The two-year term of
John Darling expires and the presently
vacant seat on the Board.

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