



HOMewood

Community Newsletter

August, 2014



Barbecue

August 9, 2014

5:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Recreation Room and
Patio

Tickets: \$7.00

Includes burger, hot
dog, salad, dessert and
soft drink (wine
available w/donation)

Tickets available in the
office

****LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEER
BBQ'ers****

If interested, please give your name
and contact information to the
office.



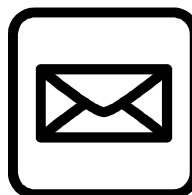
IT'S EXHIBITION TIME



Newsletter Committee

Is there anyone
out there who
would like to join
the Newsletter

Committee? We need some more
people on the committee and of
course, people are encouraged to
submit articles at any time.



Daily Mail

If you go down to your
mail box around 11:00
am and find it empty, it
doesn't mean you have no mail that
day.

The mail is now delivered to this building
every weekday between **2:00 pm** and
4:00 pm.



Don's Movies For August

**All movies at 7:30pm in
Recreation Room**

Friday, August 1
**THE CURIOUS CASE OF BENJAMIN
BUTTON** (2008)
Brad Pitt, Cate Blanchett

Thursday, August 7
THE CHOCOLATE SOLDIER (1941)
Nelson Eddy, Rise Stevens

Friday, August 8
CHOCOLAT (2000)
Juliette Binoche, Johnny Depp, Judi
Dench

Friday, August 15
CLEOPATRA (1934)
Claudette Colbert, Warren William

Thursday, August 21
THE CORSICAN BROTHERS (1941)
Douglas Fairbanks, Ruth Warrick

Friday, August 22
THE SEA HAWK (1940)
Errol Flynn, Claude Rains

Thursday, August 28
THE TENDER TRAP (1955)
Frank Sinatra, Debbie Reynolds

Friday, August 29
MARRIAGE ON THE ROCKS (1965)
Frank Sinatra, Deborah Kerr, Dean
Martin

A Special Request for 07 Units

Would the occupants of the 07 units kindly refrain from opening your bathroom windows wide when showering?

Reason: The soapy water runs down the windows of all of the units below you leaving a residue which is difficult to clean as it requires removing all of the various smaller windows and screen to get at the outside piece of glass. Additionally, much of that same soapy water ends up on the floor of the balcony of unit 207, who is quite literally left to clean up the mess. Please be mindful of our neighbours.

Solution: Since there are no exhaust fans in the bathrooms of the 07 units, it is recommended that you leave the bathroom door open when showering. If you must keep the door closed, then open the window just a crack to allow air in but not water out. A fan is also very useful for circulating air and preventing the buildup of steam.

Thanks to all of the occupants of 07 units for their cooperation.

Attention! Seniors

The Peartree Restaurant at 507 Parliament Street has a 20% discount for seniors every Monday.

Condominium Act **Review**

by Timothy Oakes

Big changes are coming for the over 600,000 condominium owners in Ontario if the proposed new changes to the *Condominium Act* become law.

An 18 month, 3-stage review process has been undertaken by working groups comprised of condominium owners, developers, managers, lawyers and other stakeholders. On completion of stage 2 of the process, they focused on solutions to the problems that were identified in the first stage.

These solutions are centred on five key areas:

- Consumer protection
- Dispute resolution
- Financial management
- Governance
- Condominium property management

A key component of the proposed changes is creating an umbrella organization independent of the government called the *Condo Office*, which would oversee education and awareness, dispute settlement, the licensing of condo managers and maintaining a registry of all condominiums in the province. This new *Condo Office* would also have a "Quick Decision Maker" who would be able to resolve disputes around voting, proxies, minutes and records, etc. independently of the court system. More complex issues would be handled by the new dispute resolution office. Of course, this *Condo Office* has to be funded and what is proposed is a \$1 to

\$3 per month levy on each and every condominium in the province, in addition to user fees for the services of the *Condo Office*. For the math buffs, that translates into a \$22.6 million dollar budget in the first year, plus the user fees.

Another interesting proposal involves quorum at Annual General Meetings, which has become an issue for many of the mostly tenant-occupied newer condos. Not having quorum results in having to call a second meeting, which can be a costly venture. If quorum is not met by the second meeting, the proposal calls for a third meeting which can proceed based solely on whoever shows up.

The draft legislation was about to be introduced in the Legislature when the recent election was called in May. It is now one of the first agenda items for the sitting of the Legislature in September. If passed, it will take about a year to become law.

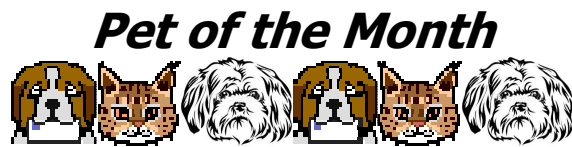
Board Announcement

The Board of Directors is pleased to announce the appointment of Craig Trask to the Board.

Craig is taking the Director position recently vacated by Charles Marker, who has left the Board for health reasons.

Craig will serve the remainder of Charles' elected term until the next AGM in 2015.

Congratulations, Craig.



Pet of the Month

Halton



Hi my name is Halton, a miniature schnauzer puppy. I am the newest resident of 40 Homewood. My Daddy named me Halton because I was born on a farm in Halton Hills. I am only 8 weeks old and am learning and exploring. If you see me out for a walk or playing ball stop and say hi.



Are You Creative ?

The Green Committee would like its own logo. We are looking for creative people to send in their ideas and submissions.

The winner does not get a prize, just bragging rights and a mention in the newsletter.

Please send submissions to
40Hgreencommittee@gmail.com

Loud Air Conditioners

Your neighbours would appreciate if those with loud air conditioners would turn them to a lower setting at night.

Some ac units, especially older models, can be loud enough to prevent people from sleeping properly. Thank you.



Ticks and Fleas

This is a good time of year to check your pets for ticks and fleas.



"Good Eats, Cheap Eats, Sweet Spots"

by Cammy Lee-
Bostwick

Hello Food Lovers!

This month my choice of place is not too far from us: it is Loblaws. Yes, that's right. And I know you've probably already been there. But there is so much to eat; for instance, take this month's selection: the 'croissant ring donut' or 'CRD'. For many who are familiar with this, it is actually what they popularly call the 'cronut', but it's been trademarked, hence the long name at Loblaws. A 'cronut' is a cross between a croissant and a donut, which means it's got the buttery flakiness of a French pastry coupled with fried dough. Fried dough?! Are you kidding me? This is a marriage made in foodland heaven!

The first thing I must mention about the 'CRD' is its size: it stands 2 inches high! (see the pic) And you can choose between a honey glaze or cinnamon sugar. I've tried both and prefer the honey glaze. So while it is high, and you might think, hmm...that's pretty big to get my mouth around...but as soon as you bite into it, all the layers of beautifully soft pastry get squashed down, like any French pastry worth its name, and it just melts in your mouth. It's chewy, sweet, soft, and ooey-gooey good. At first, I shared it with my husband, but soon realized, half is definitely not enough.

So clearly, this is not the stuff of diets, or even 'clean-eating', but honestly, in moderation, a whole CRD (\$1.29) and a small Vanilla Hazelnut coffee, which is the perfect accompaniment, is a well-deserved and simply satisfying afternoon treat, as good as any!



Yard Sale

Our Yard Sale on July 5th was successful as usual. Hope some people made more than they spent!

We would like to thank the following members of the Social Committee who were responsible for putting on this event.

Martha MacLachlan
Helen Knight
Robert Richard
Christine Leask
Brian Brenie
Tammy House

A special round of thanks go out to **Perfecto (Peter) Alea**, our new cleaner, who was a superhero bringing the tables out to Montague Parkette and then bringing them back to our building. Thanks, Peter.

Heads Up!

A bit of information that you might like to know about. We have friends here in our community and one of their sons is an entomologist (insect expert), and has been telling them that there is an epidemic of bed bugs now occurring in America. Recently I have heard on the news that several stores in NYC have had to close their doors due to bed bug infestations, as well as a complete mall in New Jersey.

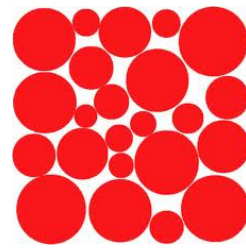
He says that since much of our clothing, sheets, towels, etc. now come from factories outside of America, (sad but true) Even the most expensive stores sell foreign clothing from China, Indonesia, Taiwan etc. The bed bugs are coming in on the clothing as these countries do not consider them a problem. He recommends that when you buy new clothing, underwear, socks, sheets, towels, etc. that you immediately put them in your clothes dryer for at least 20 minutes. The heat will kill them and their eggs.

DO NOT PURCHASE CLOTHES AND HANG THEM IN THE CLOSET FIRST. It does not matter what the price range is of the clothing, or if the outfit comes from the most expensive store known in the U.S. They still get shipments from these countries and the bugs can come in a box of scarves or anything else for that matter. That is the reason why so many clothing stores have had to shut down in NYC and other places. All you need is to bring one item into the house that has bugs or eggs on it and you will go to hell and back trying to get rid of them. He travels all over the country as

an adviser in prevention and helps many stores after they had the problem.

Send this information on to those on your e-mail list so that this good prevention

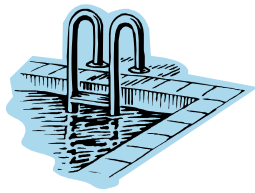
Information gets around quickly.
Visit us at <http://www.uhhospitals.org/>.



Red Dots for “No Junk Mail”

In case anyone wants to stop getting junk mail in their mail box, cut out the following and place it at the back of your mail box. The postman will see it and put a red dot on you slot and you will not receive junk mail any more. These forms are also available at the office.

*I DO NOT WISH
TO GET ANY
JUNK MAIL IN
MY MAIL BOX*



Salt-Water Pool

By Timothy Oakes

A number of residents have expressed an interest in having the pool converted to a salt water pool and recently, an article was posted on our website about them (see link on Home page of www.40homewood.org)

The Board of Directors reviewed the possibility in 2010 and turned it down largely based on the expense. Since that time, a number of upgrades have been done on the pool systems, and today, the biggest cost would be to install a non-corrosive titanium pump and salt-chlorine generator. With this in mind, the current board is re-evaluating the conversion.

There are several things to consider. The cost of chlorine will go down, but will be replaced by the purchase of a considerable amount of salt. For those who believe that the pool will be chlorine-free once we convert to salt, that is not the case at all. There will still be the regulated levels of chlorine in the water, although it will not be added in the usual way. The salt water is charged with a small electrical current while it is being filtered, and it is converted into chlorine gas. The advantage is that your eyes will not burn with the chlorine produced by this method, nor will your bathing suit bleach out. And while the water will be softer and more buoyant, do not expect that the pool will be the equivalent of the Dead Sea!

Perhaps the best reason to convert the pool is that it is far more environmentally friendly than a traditional chlorinated pool.



The Green Committee is looking for volunteers. Are you interested in environmental issues?

Do you have a couple of hours in a month to join us? We meet on Mondays at 6:00.

You can get in touch with the Green Committee at:

40Hgreencommittee@gmail.com



TASSIMO



The Green Committee recently counted and packed up around 2,000 Tassimo disks to send to Terracycle.

Since we started the campaign, the total number is approximately 10,000.

Great Job.....Keep them coming.



Why?/Because!

WHY:

Why do men's clothes have buttons on the right while women's clothes have buttons on the left?

BECAUSE:

When buttons were invented, they were very expensive and worn primarily by the rich. Since most people are right-handed, it is easier to push buttons on the right through holes on the left. Because wealthy women were dressed by maids, dressmakers put the buttons on the maid's right! And that's where women's buttons have remained since

WHY:

Why are zero scores in tennis called 'love'?

BECAUSE:

In France, where tennis became popular, the round zero on the scoreboard looked like an egg and was called 'l'oeuf,' which is French for 'the egg.' When tennis was introduced in the US, Americans (mis)pronounced it 'love.'

WHY:

Why is someone who is feeling great 'on cloud nine'?

BECAUSE

Types of clouds are numbered according to the altitudes they attain, with nine being the highest cloud. If someone is said to be on cloud nine, that person is floating well above worldly cares.

WHY:

In golf, where did the term 'Caddie' come from?

BECAUSE:

When Mary Queen of Scots went to France as a young girl, Louis, King of France, learned that she loved the Scots game 'golf.'



**MARK YOUR
CALENDARS!**

**HOLIDAY DINNER
Sunday, December 7th, 2014**



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