

# MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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# Whats going on?! by Martha MacLachlan

November and December will be busy months for the social committee members, with great activities planned for everyone.

The annual Arts and Crafts show will be held on **Sunday, November 19th** in the Party Room from 11 am to 4 pm. This popular event showcases creations by resident artists and artisans living here. It gives us all a chance to see and purchase gift items before the holiday rush.

The café will feature tea and coffee by donation and baked goods for sale by John, our resident baker, who has been enticing us for the last few weeks with sumptuous treats. (See The Condominiums at 40 Homewood Ave. FB page for his daily offering.) In the afternoon the café becomes a well-received wine bar. Tables and chairs will be set up so that we can sit with neighbours and artists and enjoy our culturally-themed Party Room.

Artists interested in participating please email: club40artshow@gmail.com. There is no cost to you to set up a table or arrange with the committee for a standing rack to display your art and/or wares.

The annual Holiday Party will be held on **Sunday, December 3rd** in the Party Room from 5 pm to 9 pm. The food set up for the 50th Anniversary Party was so popular, the Social Committee has decided not to have a sit-down dinner this year. Instead of being confined to a table, residents will be treated to an array of hot and cold hors d'oeuvres and generous trays of finger foods. For those who wish to sit down with friends, there will be some table settings placed around the room. For those who wish to be on the move, conversing with friends and neighbours, picture yourself with a drink in one hand and a constant tasty morsel in the other hand. Something for everyone as we gather together and wish each other well.

Mark down these dates:

- Sunday, November 19th, 11 to 4, Party Room Arts and Craft Show
- Sunday, November 27th, 10 am, Party Room come help Social Committee members put up holiday decorations
- Saturday, December 2nd, 10 am Lobby tree will be erected
- Sunday, December 3rd, 5 pm 9 pm, Party
   Room a sumptuous feast for all



## Good eats, cheap eats & sweet spots

by Dr. Cammy Lee Bostwick

Where can you get two lobster rolls with fries or salad for under \$20? At the Light Cafe on Baldwin Street, located in the heart of the restaurant strip on Baldwin, you'll find a quaint little cafe serving up sandwiches, brunch and mini buttermilk pancakes that are to die for. The lobster rolls are made with shrimp and lobster blended with mayo and served on a toasted buttered bun. A sprinkling of micro sprouts garnishes the top. The rolls aren't huge but two are definitely filling and will satisfy any post-workout hunger. This restaurant closes at 8 pm. We were cutting it close on our first visit there, so I called ahead to order. The staff were friendly and accommodating. Though we went for dinner, the Light Cafe is more of a brunch place. So go early and linger. Enjoy!



## Homewood History Information provided by Adam Wynne, historical researcher & written by Charles Marker

#29 Homewood Avenue was built in 1879. The family of Magloire de Laplante, who had lived next door at #27, moved into this smaller but newer house in 1879 and stayed there until 1912 after the death of his second wife.

This is a one-and-a-half-storey Ontario Gothic Revivalstyle cottage. It was originally a roughcast or wooden building, later converted to a masonry structure.

Mr. de Laplante was a prominent builder, landlord, lumber merchant, and mill owner. Laplante Avenue in the Discovery District is named for Magloire de Laplante and his family.

Later occupants include Lavilla Murrell, widow, from 1912-1914 and Frederick E. May, baker, 1915. Turnover of occupants was frequent in the 1910s.

Householders between the late 1920s and 1939 were Alfred James Weston and his wife Marian Weston, both of whom died in 1939. Alfred James was a baker and was an older brother of George Weston, also a baker and founder of Weston Bread and down the line to the Loblaw's empire.

This house has since been subdivided into rental apartments or rooms.

Interested in more? Click the link, here!





### **Green Corner**

by the Green Committee

### **Moving Out?**

When you need to move, life moves fast. Instead of leaving good furniture behind in the bulk shed at the back of the building, consider the following tips to help reduce waste:

- Post an Ad use the bulletin board in the laundry room or post items using online markets such as <u>Freecycle</u> or the <u>40 Homewood Facebook group</u> (click the underlined links to check them out)
- Frog Boxes reusable boxes that can be rented and returned to avoid having to source cardboard boxes, link here!
- Furniture Bank schedule a pick-up or drop off your furniture to support women and children leaving shelters, people transitioning from homelessness and newcomers and refugees to Canada, <u>link here!</u>

Know of any other charities that accept furniture? Send us an email at: 40hgreencommittee@gmail.com - thanks!



#### **Autumn Event - Winner**

Congratulations to **Elizabeth for winning the Autumn Sorting Challenge draw!** Elizabeth has won a gift card to Bulk Barn, a one-of-a-kind recycled Pan-Am banner tote bag and her very own City of Toronto mini-recycling bin. Residents were invited to test their waste stream knowledge and partake in our zero-waste snacks, homemade cookies and kombucha.

Most residents learned that paper take-out containers that are soiled in food can simply go in the Green Bin to be composted.

**Note**: Paper containers that are coated in wax or plastic go down the chute and are destined for landfill. One way to check if the container is lined is to make a small tear to better see if there is plastic or wax lining.

Interested in joining the Green Committee or just wondering where we sourced our package-free butter and kombucha? Email us! 40hgreencommittee@gmail.com





# Yoga At Homewood let's get physical

### Fitness Classes in the Party Room

Starting Wednesday, November 8th

### 12 Noon - Move with Cammy - 30 min\*

5/class but must buy 10 = 50

These classes will appeal to seniors and persons with mobility issues and will be structured to provide exercises that improve balance, flexibility, strength and a sense of well being.

### 6:45 pm Mat yoga - 45 min\*

Holiday discount \$10/class but must buy 10 = \$100 These classes will appeal to anyone who has a mat and can get down and up off the floor:

\*must have minimum 8 people who pay in advance in order to run



# Gallery Wall A look at what happened last month









