



Bayview Village Association

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Newsletter

'It's better in Bayview Village'

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A WORD FROM JANE

Fall has arrived, kids are back to school and the days are getting shorter and busier. I encourage all drivers to take extra caution and watch out for kids, dogs, walkers and joggers.

The city is still getting itself back to normal after the prolonged municipal strike during the summer. Your Bayview Village Association (BVA) has been dealing with the city on some park area that still need attention and cleaning. We are now scheduled for clean-up SHORTLY.

Also on the garbage note: there is an ongoing problem with household garbage and yard waste being dumped in the garbage container at the ravine entrance on Forest Grove Dr – and is both unsightly and unsanitary situation – please dispose of your garbage and yard waste at home!

BVA MAGA committee (our committee for Municipal and Government Affairs) is keeping an eye on developments to the south – Concord/Adex development, the Daniels development and the proposed new Canadian Tire Head Office – and have met several times over issues.

The **BVA membership campaign** is starting shortly. Please send in your membership form quickly as we hope to get the directory out in early January. Volunteers are needed to stuff envelopes - cookies and coffee provided!! Contact me at jrobertso@rogers.com or 416-226-1390.

BVA Book Club had a record turnout this past month. It was a real treat to have the author, Rosemary Aubert, join us. Next month's book is *The Thirteenth Tale* by Diane Setterfield and we will meet on Monday October 19th at 7 Ambrose.

Interested in a **BVA Winery Tour** this November? We would travel by coach bus and enjoy lunch, dinner and wine tasting! The cost will be about \$80-\$100 per person. BVA will organize the trip to get a group rate. **(We don't subsidize or make a profit on this event. 100% of the cost is borne by the participants.)** Contact Lisa Stonehouse at 416-590-1298 or lisa.stonehouse@gmail.com for information and to register.

The BVA Events committee is also planning a Halloween event – stay tuned.

Jane

Jane Robertson, President – BVA jrobertson@rogers.com 416-226-1390.

EVENTS – AROUND BAYVIEW VILLAGE: LOTS HAPPENING – JOIN IN ON THE FUN



BAYVIEW VILLAGE BRIDGE CLUB.

2009 season starts in October. New players welcome ! Please call Lillian Rowley, 416-225-6140, or June McKey, 416-221-3160, for more information. Former players please call to confirm your return for another year.

FOREST GROVE UNITED CHURCH ANNUAL LUNCHEON BRIDGE/CARD PARTY

November 5th, 2009, 12:00 noon. All welcome. Tickets \$20.00
Call Joan Lago, 416-491-0029.

RUNNING CLUB IN BAYVIEW VILLAGE

Want some company while you run? Derryn Gill invites runners to join her. If interested meet at Timothy's at Bayview Village Plaza at 8AM – beginning SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4 (rain or shine – hopefully shine). Contact Derryn at 416-221-6697 or derryn@rogers.com



EDon News

East Don Parklands Partners invites everyone to a community Fall Tree Planting – Saturday October 17 10–12noon in the East Don Parkland, at the wetland 200 metres south of the Cummer Ave Bridge. They will be planting more around the wetland as many of us did in the spring. Great opportunity for highschool students to earn community hours.



Phil Goodwin of East Don Parklands Partners reminds us to watch for Salmon in the river/creek running through our ravines. Salmon arrived earlier this year – possibly due to cleaner beaches.

GOOD NEIGHBOUR GUIDELINES

Introduce yourself.

Consider your neighbors' lifestyle. Get to know your neighbours—and communicate with them about possible problems, for example if your teenage son plays the drums, let them know in advance and mention that if it's getting too loud, they shouldn't hesitate to let you know.

Remember your pets and family need to be considerate of your neighbours. Barking, stray cats, your drummer son with the rock band, all can put a strain on neighbourly relations.

Practice parking etiquette. Park in front of your home, not theirs.

Alert your neighbor to parties. If you're planning a very large party talk to your neighbours. Give them a telephone number to contact if they need to ask you to turn it down. Ensure your guests are considerate throughout.

Keep your garden tidy. Weed your garden regularly. Mow your lawn regularly and keep your flowers, trees and bushes trimmed appropriately. Put equipment away as soon as you're finished with it.

Control your BBQ. Position it where the smoke and smell will least likely blow onto your neighbor's property.

Put rubbish/garbage/recycle out on the right day.

Communicate with your neighbor. Above all, touch base with your neighbors regularly and keep them in the loop.

STILL HAVE THOUGHTS ABOUT THE RECENT GARBAGE STRIKE?

Share them with your local councillor and the Mayor

COUNCILLOR DAVID SHINER
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Toronto, ON M5H 2N2
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HISTORY LESSON: NORTH YORK HISTORY:

North York, East York, Scarborough, Toronto - and more. You only have to look as far up as its street signs to realize that Toronto is a city made up of other former boroughs, towns and villages. Some of these have been remembered in a set of the 16 buttons produced by Toronto's SPACING magazine through Spacing's e-store at <http://spacing.ca/buttons.htm> I've included the one for North York for you to see.

Pre 1922: North York area is part of York Township within York County

- July 18, 1922: The Township of North York is created
- April 15, 1953: North York becomes one of 13 municipalities in the new Municipality of Metropolitan Toronto



- January 1, 1967: North York is renamed a borough
- February 14, 1979: North York is incorporated as a city
- January 1, 1998: North York ceases to be an individual municipality and becomes part of the amalgamated City of Toronto

INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT THE HISTORY OF BAYVIEW VILLAGE? Then order: ***Bayview Village: Our History In Print: From Farmland to One of Canada's Most Picturesque Communities***. Enjoy the written history of Bayview Village and surrounding area from the earliest settlers to modern day times. Over 120 pages, with many pictures - available for just \$20 (tax included). Makes a great gift! To order your copy contact: Bayview Village Association c/o Doug Webster, 7 Sutcliffe Drive, Toronto, ON M2K 2A5 or call: 416-221-5870 - or order when you renew your BVA membership.

H1N1 INFLUENZA

What is H1N1 flu virus?

H1N1 flu virus is a respiratory illness that causes fever, chills, cough, sore throat, headache, muscle aches, fatigue, and possibly nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea—just like seasonal flu (influenza).



How can I stop the transmission of the flu?

Washing your hands is the single best way of preventing the spread of the flu. Everyone should take these steps to help stop the flu:

- Wash your hands frequently with soap and warm water for 15 to 20 seconds or clean your hands with alcohol-based hand rub
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth
- Cough or sneeze into a tissue and wash or sanitize your hands afterwards
- If you don't have a tissue, sneeze or cough into your sleeve or arm - **not** your hands
- Don't share objects that might transmit flu such as utensils and drinking cups, musical instrument mouthpieces, water bottles etc.
- Watch for flu-like symptoms such as fever, chills, cough, sore throat, headache, muscle aches and possibly vomiting or diarrhea and stay home if these appear
- Stay home if you are feeling ill
- Stay well rested, be physically active, drink plenty of fluids and eat nutritious food

AND Remember: You need both a Seasonal Flu Shot AND an H1N1 Flu Shot

LET YOUR INNER DESIGN SHINE: BVA GRAPHIC DESIGN CONTEST

Bayview Village Association is holding a contest to find a design for the cover of the 2010 BVA Membership Directory. All budding artists/designers are invited to submit their design. Your work should be appropriate for a cover approximately 8" X 5" (which will also need to contain the name of the directory which we will add) and we ask you to design using the theme of "Life in the Village".



The Winner will receive a \$100 Gift Certificate and their name and design will be on the front cover. All designs will be judged by the BVA Executive. Submissions can not be returned. Entries must be received by October 30, 2009 - send via email: bayviewvill@bayviewvillage.org or to Bayview Village Association, Bayview Village Postal Outlet, P.O. Box 91065, 2901 Bayview Avenue, Willowdale, Ontario, M2K 2Y6



GREAT IDEAS CORNER: We are looking for your tips, tricks, remedies, etc that solve those little problems we face each day and **WORK!** If you have one and would like to share please send to jcodd@yorku.ca



HOW TO GET RID OF WASPS: IT WORKS - IT REALLY DOES

Get a paper bag – shape it into a roundish shape (stuff with newspaper if you need to fill it out a bit) – hang it up wherever there are wasps. The wasps think a competitor has arrived and they leave the area.

HOW TO GET RID OF FLIES

Take a couple of zip lock baggies – half-fill with water, put 4 pennies in each, zip them shut – then hang on a wall, post, wherever those pesky flies are an issue. Flies don't stick around – something to do with the light reflections in the water and how it hits their eyes.



NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH - BY RON CHOI

EGGING: We again have had a few incidents of egging (raw eggs thrown at houses/driveways) – usually in the late evening from a passing car. Please be vigilant. If you see this occur – record the license plate and phone the police.

SENIORS IN NEED OF HELP: One place to turn to if you are aware of someone struggling with issues: Contact Seniors for Seniors at 416-481-2733 or contact www.seniors4seniors.ca

HOMEMAKERS AND NURSING SUPPORT: May be available through the city of Toronto at 416-392-8545. They will provide information and eligibility requirements.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT: For information and help related to alzheimers please contact the Alzheimer's Society. They can be of tremendous help. Please contact 416-488-8772 or their website at: www.alzheimer.ca

TORONTO POLICE HAVE ASKED WE SHARE THIS INFORMATION ON "CAR BUMPING": this is when thieves cause a minor accident to steal your purse or other items of value in your car. These criminals purposely bump your car slightly, causing you to get out to check for damage. Then, when your attention is averted, they steal your items on the front seat or centre console. Since there is no damage, there is no need to exchange Identification and will not be aware of being robbed until the thief is long gone.

Be aware when involved in a minor car collision. Have valuables stored out of sight and out of reach. Pay special attention to the other driver or passengers in the other car, get good descriptions of the occupants and vehicle including the licence plate. Contact Police immediately if you should find yourself a victim.

RAVINE FIRES: BE ALERT: Residents should be aware there has been an incident of a bonfire being started in the ravine. While the intent might have been a "fun campfire" it could easily have gotten out of hand – due to dry conditions. The fire department responded very quickly – and we thank them. Please be watchful – if you see a fire – or smell smoke in the ravine – call the police/fire department at 9-1-1.

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