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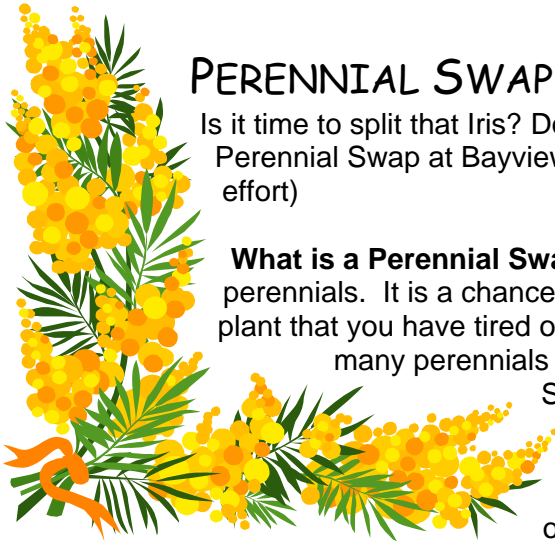
Newsletter

'It's better in Bayview Village'

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PERENNIAL SWAP - SATURDAY, MAY 15 10AM TO 12NOON

Is it time to split that Iris? Does your Hosta need to be thinned out? Then come to our second annual Perennial Swap at Bayview Middle School parking lot (thanks to the school for their support of this effort)

What is a Perennial Swap?: It is for anyone interested in swapping their bright and beautiful perennials. It is a chance to divide a favourite plant that has grown too large – or to hand-off a plant that you have tired of but willing to share with someone. Remember you can take home as many perennials as you bring.

So bring along your 'old perennials' and find some new ones from other Bayview Village Gardeners. It is helpful to bring along a box to help carry home what you swap. If you can label what you bring (or dig up) that would be wonderful and also please note whether it will grow in sun or shade or both.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO CAME OUT TO HELP IN THE BAYVIEW VILLAGE SPRING CLEAN-UP!!

Your hard work pulled many bags of garbage out of our ravines and parks. In addition, volunteers tackled our flower planters and got them ready for spring and summer. Some new rose bushes have been planted and we are looking forward to another blooming season!



Some of our BVA volunteers working on the planters near Bayview Plaza.

Where In Bayview Village is This?

On our walks through the Village we often come across some unique features. Some are brought to us by nature, others have been designed or installed by our creative residents! Here is the first of our recent finds. See if you can find it on your travels in the Village.

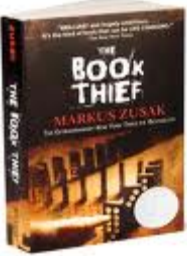
PLAYGROUND IMPROVEMENTS

David Zimmer (MPP Willowdale) has passed along news that through Federal/Provincial/city infrastructure money the city will be arranging to improve the playground at Bayview Village Park – We do not have details of the improvements just yet but we hoping to hear soon. Total funding is \$99,000 with each partner putting in one third of the cost.



A WORD FROM JANE

Mark Your Calendars for: Tuesday June 15: BVA Annual General Meeting (watch for details BVA Book Club: Here are our upcoming Books & Meeting Dates. I hope you can join us. Monday, May 31, 2010 at 8 pm at 53 Citation Dr.: 'The Book Thief' by Markus Zusak. Monday, June 21, 2010: discuss 'We Need to Talk About Kevin' by Lionel Shriver. (Location to be determined). September 2010 discuss "She's Come Undone" by Wally Lamb (date & location coming)



April was Volunteer Month – So thanks to all everyone who help to make Bayview Village a better place to live. We have volunteers who worked at the BVA Annual Spring Clean-Up, volunteers who are busy planning the Perennial Swap and even more working on the Annual Garden Tour. Your BVA Executive are also all volunteers and they continue to monitor government activities, local issues, contact various agencies and organizations on your behalf, work on the website, newsletter, directory and membership – and so much more. So THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Jane

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

Directory Update: Just to let you know – the correct number for the Ontario Seniors' Information Line (on page 57 of the directory) is 1-888-910-1999. Also here is a handy guide for knowing who to call when you spot a problem while out in our local parks and ravines.

WHO DO I CALL?

TORONTO Parks, Forestry & Recreation 

The illustration depicts a park with a playground, a sports field, a path, trees, a picnic table, a bench, a dog, and a person walking. Each element is associated with a specific contact number for reporting problems.

- Graffiti Removal: 416-338-0338
- Playground: 416-395-1278
- Park Trail Repair: 416-392-1111 (press "8")
- Sports Field Repair: 416-338-0338
- *Sports Field Permits: 416-392-8188
- *Illegal Activity (Toronto Police): 416-808-2222
- Dog off leash: 416-338-0338
- Lighting: 416-338-0338
- Tree - broken limb: 416-338-TREE (8733)
- Waste overflow/illegal dumping: 416-338-0338
- Homeless Issues: 416-392-3777
- Broken/damaged Picnic Table: 416-338-0338
- Park Sign: 416-338-0338
- Horticulture: 416-338-0338
- Turf Maintenance: 416-338-0338
- Park Permits/Picnic Area bookings: 416-392-8188
- Commemorative Tree/Bench Program: 416-395-6028

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 - books will be available both at the BVA Garden tour and BVA AGM in June!!



In Mary's Garden

SPRING GARDENING ADVICE COLUMN BY MARY ANDERSON

How To Cut Down on Weeding? The answer is mulch. It will help suppress weeds and conserve moisture, keeps soil cooler in the summer and provides winter protection. Marvellous, marvelous mulch.

DON'T FORGET THE 2ND BAYVIEW VILLAGE PERENNIAL SWAP – MAY 15

Details on the first page of this newsletter

5TH ANNUAL BAYVIEW VILLAGE GARDEN TOUR

This year is the 5th Bayview Village Garden Tour on **Sunday June 27th**, 2010, from 1 – 5pm. We are celebrating with a lovely array of gardens in the village as well as some public gardens that bring a new dimension to horticulture in Bayview Village. There will also be a special addition of live music to accent the tour at selected venues throughout the afternoon. Remember to come out to see the hidden gems of the Village. Tickets are \$10, and will be on sale in June at Sheridan Nurseries.

BAYVIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL COUNCIL IS EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE:

OUR FIRST EVER VENDORS

MARKET & RAFFLE & BBQ!

THURSDAY, JUNE 3rd, 2010 5 to 9 pm

The market will bring you everything from crafts to jewelry and from clothing to children's toys and books. Great opportunity to purchase some unique gifts. Watch for signs in the neighbourhood. Fun for the whole family. Everyone welcome,



Potential vendors – tables may still be available to rent: Interested in being a part of the Bayview Market please contact bmsfamfundayvendors@hotmail.com or call Lorna Gold directly at 416-564-0200 directly.



Did you know? The City of Toronto is implementing a mandatory water meter program that will replace or install new automated meters in every home and business in the city, over the next six years, to provide an equitable system for all Toronto Water customers.

Under the new system, all city households will pay for the water they actually use. The City will provide meters to those who were previously on a flat rate system and replace old existing meters with more efficient and up-to-date technology.

Installation will occur over the next 6 years – we await news of when our area will be serviced.

THEY'RE BACK!! EFFECTIVE CONTROL OF TENT CATERPILLARS

Village residents have been again coping with tent caterpillars. They need to be tackled early if you want to have a chance to prevent the damage they cause.

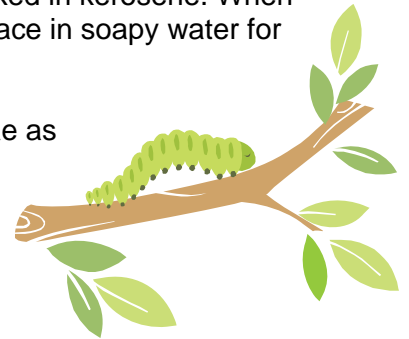
- Tents may be removed by pruning underlying branches when tents are first noticed. This may not be possible in severe infestations when they become too numerous.

- Attract birds and other beneficial organisms to your yard by planting appropriate plants (herbs, flowers, ground covers and shrubs) in your garden.



In the spring, if webs are present, wipe the affected branch with an unlit cloth soaked in kerosene. When tents are fairly large, cut off the infested branches and crush individual webs or place in soapy water for 2 days.

Burlap wrapped around the trunk of infested trees will trap mature caterpillar larvae as they crawl down trees seeking a place to pupate. Place the burlap at about chest height, tied in the center, then folded in half. The caterpillar larvae can be found here in the day as they are searching for shade, but become trapped. Check burlap traps daily to collect insects – again placing them in soapy water for 2 days.



GREAT IDEAS CORNER: Olive Oil



FINGERNAILS: Use a bit to moisturize cuticles, or mix oil and water and soak your hands before a manicure.

LUBRICATE MEASURING CUPS & SPOONS: Rub or spray on your measuring tools for easy clean-up of sticky substances like honey, grain mustards, and sugar syrups,

SHINE STAINLESS STEEL & BRASS: Rub a drop of olive oil on a clean rag to prevent streaks, corrosion, & tarnish.

AS YOU BATHE: Add a few tsps. to bath water. You'll be amazed when you towel off.

REMOVE MAKEUP. Dab a bit under your eyes, your cheeks & forehead, then wipe with a damp cloth.

REMOVE PAINT FROM YOUR SKIN: Rub on olive oil onto messy hand and arms (or faces) and allow the oil to soak into the skin for five minutes, then rinse with soap and water.

FIX A SQUEAKY DOOR: Use a rag to apply to the top of a problematic hinge in your home or car.

SOFTEN YOUR SKIN: Rub olive oil daily on notoriously dry areas, such as your feet or elbows, especially after a shower, shaving, or waxing.

EASY CLEAN UP OF GARDEN TOOLS: Spritz some olive oil on your tools to cut down on dirt buildup.

CONDITION LEATHE: Rub olive oil into worn leather, such as a baseball glove, and let set for 30 minutes, then wipe away any excess.

IF YOU HAVE a tip, trick, remedy to share: Just send to jcodd@yorku.ca

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