



## The South Armour Heights Residents' Association

You are invited to attend the

## **Annual General Meeting**

Thursday, April 24, 2014 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Armour Heights Presbyterian Church 105 Wilson Avenue

#### Agenda

Welcome and Introductions
Approval of Minutes of 2013 AGM
Treasurer's Report 2013
Waiver of Audit
Call for nominations / election of SAHRA Directors
Election of President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer
President's Report
New Business

The AGM is your chance to hear what is happening in your neighbourhood.

Please come and join us!

### **Get Emergency Ready**

With the floods last summer and the ice storm this winter, we need to think about Emergency Planning for the future....what we should do in advance, what we should do at the time and what we should not do.

Being emergency ready means that you have a plan so that you and your family know what to do in an emergency. You may need to look after your own needs and those of your family for up to 72 hours after an emergency occurs. You should have an emergency kit – at home, work and in your vehicle – with food, water and supplies to last at least 72 hours.

The City of Toronto Office of Emergency Management has prepared a pamphlet 'Get Emergency Ready' with helpful information, instructions, tips, checklists and forms.

You can obtain a copy of this pamphlet at the Annual General Meeting or you can download it from:

http://www1.toronto.ca/city of toronto/office of emerge ncy\_management/files/pdf/oem\_booklet.pdf

### **Right-of-Entry Permit**

The right-of-entry bylaw provides the right to access a neighbour's property when necessary to make repairs or alterations to your property. If your neighbour agrees to let you use their property, then no permit is required. Otherwise, you must apply for a permit. The owner or occupant of the land to be accessed will be advised by the City of any application to enter the property. Once the permit is issued, the owner/occupant is notified and provided a copy of the relevant terms and conditions. You cannot obstruct or hinder access under a permit. If you do, it is a Provincial offense and you can be charged.

The permit only applies to repairs and alterations to an existing structure such as a building, fence or other structure. Plumbing and sewage not located directly in a building are also covered. Landscaping or other yard work is not covered.

Information on the Permit process can be accessed at: http://www1.toronto.ca/wps/portal/contentonly?vgnextoid=96d9f110c18414 10VgnVCM10000071d60f89RCRD&vgnextchannel=424feebc70161410Vg nVCM10000071d60f89RCRD#.UzHqy5DJ5s4.email

Read Frequently Asked Questions at:

http://www1.toronto.ca/wps/portal/contentonly?vgnextoid=4f2d529d2ca714 10VgnVCM10000071d60f89RCRD&vgnextchannel=424feebc70161410Vg nVCM1000071d60f89RCRD http://sahratoronto.com Spring, 2014 Page 2

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## Community Events

Fairlawn Avenue United Church Annual Book Sale - Apr 24 (6-9 pm), Apr 25 (12-9 pm) and Apr 26 (10 am-1pm)

A huge selection of gently used books, CDs, DVDs and vinyl records. The church is located at 28 Fairlawn Ave, five blocks north of Lawrence just west of Yonge. For more info, call 416-481-6848 or visit http://www.fairlawnchurch.ca/news-events/.

#### **Clean Toronto Together 2014**

Led by Live Green Toronto, this year's theme is Clean and Green. Clean up dates are Fri, April 25 for Community and School Clean-ups and Sat, Apr 26 and Sun, Apr 27 for Community Clean-ups.

#### **Rummage Sale**

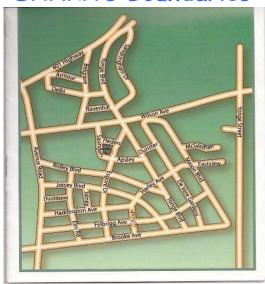
At Armour Heights Presbyterian Church, 105 Wilson Avenue on **Sat, Apr 26** from 10 am to 2 pm.

#### **Environment Days**

Plan to drop off your hazardous waste, old electronics, unwanted and gently used clothing and household items for reuse and recycling all in one convenient location: the North Toronto Memorial Arena Parking Lot, 174 Orchardview Blvd (off Yonge, north of Eglinton Ave W).

**Thursday, May 29 4 to 8 pm** hosted by Councillor Josh Matlow and **Thursday, June 19 4 to 8 pm** hosted by Councillor Karen Stintz.

### SAHRA's Boundaries



"The Cricket Club Area"

SAHRA boundaries are: 401 down to south side of Brooke East side of Avenue Road over to west side of Yonge Blvd.

Approximately 833 households

#### **Your Board of Directors**

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Please contact us if you have questions or issues that you want us to deal with.

## History & Street Names

The original developer of the "Ridley Park" area south of Wilson, Frederick Burton Robins, named various streets in the development after his favourite places in the UK and close friends. Armour Heights, Ridley Park and the Yonge Blvd area was collectively known as the "Highlands of Toronto".

**Felbrigg Avenue** gets its name from Felbrigg Hall in the UK, one of the most elegant country houses in East Anglia (Norwich, Norfolk). The rolling landscape park with a lake, 520 acres of woods and waymarked trails is a great place to explore the nature and wildlife on this bountiful estate.

www.nationaltrust.org.uk/felbrigg-hall/.

Ridley Blvd was named after Lord Matthew Ridley, Third Viscount, England (1902-64). Was known for his love of sports cars; his Alfa Romeos were a familiar sight on roads and race tracks in the northeast. A capable engineer, he set up an engineering works on the estate where he designed and build a "baby-car" that notched up a world speed record at the Brooklands Race Track in 1931. Inherited Blagdon estate (8500 acres) in Northumberland, the family fortunes having been laid in the 18<sup>th</sup> century by Matthew White, a prosperous Newcastle coal merchant who acquired the estate from the Fenwick family in 1700, having married Jane Fenwick.

Remember to check the SAHRA website from time to time for new information.

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## Jane's Walk 2014 - Sat, May 3, 2014 at 1:00 p.m.

Jane Jacobs was a famous urbanologist who lived in Toronto, a person who was passionate about protecting and enhancing cities from unbridled growth. She pinpointed the existence of thriving neighbourhoods as the essential building block ensuring that cities were liveable and dynamic entities.

Your local residents' association, SAHRA, has organized a walk-about in our neighbourhood to make residents more aware of the hidden gems in our backyard. Knowing your neighbourhood is a key step to wanting to protect and enhance it. Jane's Walk takes place in different cities all over the world. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.janeswalk.org">www.janeswalk.org</a>.

Be inspired by the wonderful neighbourhood we live in as we tour the **Armour Heights Presbyterian Church** and **Loretto Abbey**.





Armour Heights Presbyterian Church began with services in Armour Heights Public School in 1948 and the congregation was formally established in 1950. Property was acquired on Wilson Avenue and the church building was completed in 1952. In 1962 a two-story addition was added for the Sunday School and gymnasium; another two-story addition in 1995 enlarged the lobby area and provided additional space for the Sunday School. The church holds about 325 people. Also in residence is The First Toronto Korean Methodist Church.

Loretto Abbey is a heritage site – a rare example of Neo Gothic Architecture. It is now an all-girls Catholic high school. Established by the Loretto Sisters from Ireland in 1847, it is one of Toronto's oldest educational institutions and as of 2011 became part of the Toronto Catholic District School Board. Originally located on Duke St., Loretto Abbey moved to a Bathurst St site and then to Bond St in 1860. In 1867 the school relocated to the former mansion of Attorney General Robert James on Wellington St. In1927, the school moved to its current home on Mason Blvd.

We will gather at Armour Heights Presbyterian Church at 105 Wilson Avenue (west of Yonge St and east of Avenue Rd.) on Saturday May 3, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. at the main entrance to begin the Jane Jacob's tour.

You can preregister by sending an email to <a href="mailto:sahratoronto@rogers.com">sahratoronto@rogers.com</a> giving your name and the number of people that will be attending.

Accessibility: Family friendly; wheelchair accessible; strollers welcome.

Parking: Parking on side streets.

<u>By Transit:</u> From York Mills subway station on the Yonge line, take the westbound bus. At the top of the hill Wilson Ave. intersects with Yonge Blvd (the second stop on the bus route). The church is a very short walk west, on the south side of the street.

If you need more information, please contact Sheila Dunlop at 416-485-6718 or sheilakharrison@rogers.com.

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# 2014 SAHRA MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

SAHRA's mandate is to protect South Armour Heights residents from inappropriate planning and development from residential, commercial, transportation and any other Government sources; to promote safety and security in the South Armour Heights neighbourhood and to enhance the environment and social life within the community. Your membership fees and donations help fund SAHRA activities including:

- Addressing Committee of Adjustments and OMB notices and hearings
- Representing SAHRA interests at FONTRA<sup>1</sup> and CORRA<sup>2</sup> meetings
- Communicating with our City Councillor on neighbourhood issues
- Updating residents on local issues via email and Newsletters and website (sahratoronto.com)
- Hosting community-building events Jane's Walk (May); Neighbours' Night Out (September)
- Holding regular SAHRA meetings and the Annual Meeting (April), all open to interested residents

This can only happen with the continued support and the involvement of the residents. We are dependent on your contributions to support associated costs. Our fiscal year is Jan 1 to Dec 31.

It would be most appreciated if you could take a moment and send in your contribution now for the 2014 year. Thank you in advance for your support. -----□ I would like to give my support to SAHRA. Please find attached my cheque for: \$25 o \$50 o \$75 o Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Name Address Postal Code Daytime Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ **Email Address** Email is a fast way for us to let you know about upcoming neighbourhood events.... special presentations, social events, public forums organized by our Councillor, etc. ☐ I am interested in volunteering my time for SAHRA. Please contact me to discuss how I can help. Optional: Please do not publish my name in the annual membership list. Please make your cheque payable to "SAHRA"

South Armour Heights Residents' Association, Ontario Corporation Number 771757

You can mail it to SAHRA, 1500 Avenue Road, P.O. Box 1373, Toronto, ON M5M 0A1 OR drop it off at 109 or 118 Felbrigg Avenue

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Federation of North Toronto Residents' Associations <sup>2</sup> Confederation of Residents and Ratepayers Associations