SAHRA Information – Sep 15 2019

Federal Candidates' Meetings

Two of our local Residents' Association will be hosting Candidate meetings for our community:

The Bedford Park Residents Organization in partnership with Fairlawn Avenue United Church will host an All Candidates Meeting on *Wednesday, September 25 7:00-9:00 pm* at Fairlawn Avenue United Church, 28 Fairlawn Avenue. https://www.bprotoronto.ca/

Candidates confirmed to date:
Reuben DeBoer, Green
Marco Mendicino, Liberal
Alexander Nash, NDP
Michael Staffieri, PPC (People's Party of Canada)

The Lytton Park Residents' Organization will host a Candidates' meeting on Wednesday,

October 2 at 7:00 p.m. at Eglinton St. Georges United Church, 35 Lytton

Blvd. https://lpro.wordpress.com/

Our Neighbourhood

A neighbourhood sense of community has been shown to be linked to so many positives: creating a sense of belonging, providing a physical and mental health boost, and even lowering rates. With benefits like these, we should all strive to strengthen our neighbourhood ties.

Here are a number of ideas for building community in our Neighbourhood (attached).

If you have some additional ideas on how to build our community, please send them on to info@sahratoronto.com and we will add them to the Ideas List which will be maintained on SAHRA's website.

Yoga with Erin (Sunday morning – Sep 15, 22, 29 and Oct 13 at 8:30 a.m.)

Join Erin Stone at Armour Heights Church on Sunday mornings for FREE yoga classes, followed by coffee and light refreshments. All levels and abilities welcome – this is a Vinyasa class, challenging but different levels for all. Please email Erin for details (estone@armourheights.org).

Folk & Circle Dancing with Karen Millyard

Join Mosaic & Armour Heights Presbyterian Church for the next Community Café featuring Karen Millyard from Danceweavers. Take part in various types of folk dancing led by Karen or simply enjoy the music, fun, discussion, connection and social interaction.

Tuesday Sep 24 10:30-11:30 a.m. Armour Heights Presbyterian Church, 105 Wilson. RSVP by calling 416-485-4000.

City Consultation on approaches to reduce single-use and takeaway items

The City is undertaking consultation to help develop a strategy to reduce single-use and takeaway items. A single-use or takeaway item is any product designed for a single-use after which it is disp[osed of in the garbage, Blue Bin or Green Bin. You are invited to learn more about what's being proposed, ask questions and provide feedback at an in-person event, or join via live-webcast, Telephone/Web Town Hall or through an online survey.

Public event on Tues, Sept 24, 2019 7-8:30 p.m. at Toronto City Hall, Council Chamber, 100 Queen St. W. RSVP requested.

Telephone/Web Town Hall on Thurs, Oct 10 from 7-8:30 pm and on Thurs, Oct 24 from 1-2:30 pm. The same information will be presented on both dates. RSVP required.

Online Survey will be available from Sept 25 to Nov 4, 2019.

Click here for more details and to RSVP https://www.toronto.ca/services-payments/recycling-organics-garbage/long-term-waste-strategy/reducing-single-use-takeaway-items/

Neighbourhood Watch Online

Neighbourhood Watch groups are being formed in the North, South-East and South-West areas within SAHRA boundaries. If you are interested in leading or participating in such a group, please send an email to info@sahratoronto.com and we can provide information.

Email Address Campaign

We are conducting an Email Address Campaign from **Sept 23 to Nov 15** to add more addresses to our eBlast distribution list. We need Advocates for each block to give our new brochure to their neighbours who are not currently on our list, asking for their email address. No soliciting for contributions. Send an email to <u>info@sahratoronto.com</u> or call 416-485-6718 if you can help on your block.

Watch Out For These Scams (compliments of Toronto Hydro)

Toronto Hydro is seeing an increase in scams targeting its customers, especially around long weekends. Most fraudsters are contacting customers by phone. They're threatening immediate disconnection and demanding payment, usually in the form of a pre-paid card or Bitcoin. Toronto Hydro never threatens to disconnect power immediately. Toronto Hydro also doesn't have a 1-800 number

and we don't accept payment by wire transfer. Report suspicious activity to the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre at 1-888-495-8501 (quote file number 844396). Also, please report to Toronto Hydro by calling 416-542-8000 or by submitting a report online at torontohydro.com/reportfraud. Learn more about how to protect yourself: torontohydro.com/fraud.

We discovered that the links listed above did not work. The new links are: https://www.torontohydro.com/for-home/report-a-scam-or-fraud https://www.torontohydro.com/scams-and-fraud

Block scammers with these tips:

- Don't provide any personal or account information if contacted by phone, email or text.
- ❖ Don't make any type of payment until you can confirm you're dealing with Toronto Hydro.
- Don't click on any links advertising a refund or a rebate in text messages or emails as this is a tactic fraudsters use to access personal information.