



# ROSEWOOD TAXPAYERS' ASSOCIATION

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## Fall 2002

### Message from the President

First of all, we wish **Ron Green** and his wife **Amanda** a fond farewell and thank them for all their hard work on behalf of the association. We wish them well in their endeavours. Ron and Amanda—you will both be missed.

On a brighter note, we are very fortunate that **Zena Vaz** will be taking up Ron's position as Vice President Operations. We look forward to having her back on the executive board. She will be a great asset.

Our February meeting was well attended. The guest speaker, **Marcel Bouchard**, was very helpful in advising members interested in investing their hard earned dollars as wisely as possible.

Our May meeting was also well attended. The guest speakers, **Collette** and **Katrina**, made an informative presentation on how to free your home lawns from dependence on chemical pesticides and herbicides. Katrina's presentation centered on what the Provincial and Municipal governments are doing to rid public space of this chemical dependence while maintaining attractive green spaces.

We always try to get first class speakers. If you have not been attending our community meetings, please pay attention the next time a telephone committee member calls. Make a note of the meeting in your calendar and come out for a pleasant and interesting evening. Thank you, **Mavis Young** and the other twenty-eight Telephone Committee members for your diligence in phoning association members to encourage them to come to the general meetings and other community events.

We were delighted that our Federal M.P., **Derek Lee**, and our City Councillor, **Bas Balkissoon**, were able to join us for our Spring Clean Up. **Alexandria Liu** and **Steve Miller** are our Special Projects V.P.s. I want to thank them for their excellent job organizing the clean up.

I would also like to thank V.P. **Jane Morrison** and her great volunteer canvassers who did such a wonderful job helping to keep our membership strong.

Listed below are our current **Executive Board Members** who are all very active in the community:

**Zena Vaz**, Vice President Operations  
**John Skears**, Vice President Communications  
**Jane Morrison**, Vice President Membership  
**Alexandria Liu**, **Steve Miller**, Vice Presidents Special Projects  
**Lotte Kozlowski**, Treasurer  
[Vacant], Community Liaison  
**Amanda Huang**, Secretary  
**Horace Atkinson**, Communications Director  
**Mavis Young**, Telephone Committee Coordinator  
[Vacant], Welcoming Committee Coordinator  
**Joseph & Emma Hize**, Membership Coordinators

Please contact us with your ideas. Your contribution to ongoing efforts and future events are especially welcome.

Sincerely,

**Valerie Plunkett**  
416 291-4047



### Home security tips

Police advise that it is an effective deterrent to keep on house lights at the front and rear of your property as soon as it gets dark.

Also, Police advise that you do not leave ladders outside where they can be used to gain entry. If you must store a ladder outdoors, you should chain it to a fence and padlock it in place.

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## Community Events

Mark your calendar (or Palm Pilot)

### Your Community and your Schools

**When:** Thursday, September 26, 2002, 7.30–9:30 p.m.

**Where:** Alexmuir Junior Public School Library

#### Guest speakers:

Mr. Lothar Maier, Principal, Alexmuir Jr. Public School

Mr. John Healey, Principal, St. Marguerite Bourgeois Catholic Elementary School.

Staff Sergeant Tom McIlhone, 42 Division

### Gardening

**When:** Thursday, May 1, 2003, 7.30–9:30 p.m.

**Where:** Alexmuir Junior Public School Library

**Guest speakers:** To be announced

### Spring Clean Up

**When:** Saturday, May 3, 2003, 10:00 a.m.–12:00 noon

**Where:** Meet in the Alexmuir Jr. Public School parking lot

**Provided for you:** Garbage bags, gloves, and refreshments

Come have some fun in the sun with your neighbours. Rosewood looks so much nicer afterwards!!

#### RTA Membership Application

Name		
Address		
Postal Code		Tel:
e-mail:		
I would consider helping with:		
<input type="checkbox"/> Telephoning members	<input type="checkbox"/> Chinese Chit Chat Club	
<input type="checkbox"/> Canvassing neighbours	<input type="checkbox"/> Welcoming new residents	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other	Please get in touch with me.	
Annual membership is \$5. Mail this form with your cheque to:	Rosewood Taxpayers' Association P.O. Box 27087, 4190 Finch Ave. E. Scarborough, Ontario M1S 5C2	

## From Councillor Bas Balkissoon

Ward 41 Scarborough-Rouge River

Dear Rosewood Neighbour,

Need to clean out a garage or get rid of some home renovation material?

Every household in Toronto is entitled to dump, free of charge, up to one ton of waste each year. You can make multiple trips through the year, as long as you do not exceed the cumulative total weight of 1 ton in the calendar year.

Materials to be dumped can be loaded into your vehicle and taken to any city transfer station. Please ensure that your bulk material does not contain any hazardous waste, such as paints and chemicals, which must be handled separately. The nearest transfer station for most of Ward 41 is at 1 Transfer Place (enter from Nugget Avenue, just west of Markham Road).

To take advantage of this free dumping, you must first complete and submit a Disposal Exemption Form. Forms can be obtained by contacting my office or by going online at: [http://www.city.toronto.on.ca/exemption/exemption\\_policy.htm](http://www.city.toronto.on.ca/exemption/exemption_policy.htm)

Sincerely,

**Councillor Bas Balkissoon**

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