



ROSEWOOD TAXPAYERS' ASSOCIATION

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Spring 2008

Message from the President

Hello to all Members. We are delighted that so many of you decided that it was worthwhile to join our Association. We are well known by many organizations – thanks to all of you. All that we do is towards making Rosewood a better and safer place for all of us to live. Together, we make a difference.

We are, at present, trying to prevent the extension of a parking lot in the Hydro corridor, but we need your help. The Church at the corner of Brimley and McNicoll wants to add an additional 88 parking places. We want to keep as much green space as possible as it is much better for the environment. Plus, many of you enjoy walking in the Hydro field. By the time you read this it may have happened already. However, rest assured that we are doing everything we can to prevent this happening.

Please remember that any meeting we host is with you all in mind. We offer topics that should be of great interest, so please make an effort to attend. We look forward to seeing you all.

Sincerely,
Valerie Plunkett
416 291-4047

Hold that date! Rosewood Clean-up

Saturday, April 19, 2008, 9.30 a.m. – 12:00 noon

Please come out for a bit of springtime exercise and help keep our community clean!

Important numbers

Police Non-Emergency: 416 808-2222

Emergency Police/Fire/Ambulance: 911

Special Garbage Pick-up: 416-338-2010. This is for large metal items. Other large items such as sofas are to be put out for the regular garbage collection.

General Meeting for Members

Wednesday, April 16, 2008, 7:30-9:30 p.m.
Doors open at 7:00 p.m., with refreshments

Alexmuir Junior Public School, Lunch Room
95 Alexmuir Boulevard

Topic: How to Save Money by Saving Energy

Guest speaker: Mr. David Carrington, Toronto Hydro Energy Service Advisor

Invited special guests: MPP Bas Balkissoon, City Councillor Chin Lee

Canvassers Needed

We are currently enjoying an unprecedented number of members and wish to thank all of the volunteers who canvassed with enthusiasm and commitment last year. To continue to keep our membership high, I invite anyone who is interested in canvassing door-to-door in Rosewood (for only a few hours in May or June) to call me.

Our strength is in our numbers and we look forward to your support in the coming year.

Jane Morrison
VP Membership
416 292-8775

Police 42nd Division Picnic – FREE!

Saturday June 14, 2008, 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Burrows Hall Community Centre and grounds
Sheppard Ave E. at Progress Ave., east of Markham Rd.

Meeting with the Chief Of Police, William Blair

Tuesday April 15, 2008, 7:00–8:30 p.m.
L'Amoreaux Collegiate, 2501 Bridletowne Circle

Message from Councillor Chin Lee

Dear Rosewood Neighbour,

At the time of writing this report, we are still coping with a lot of snow. Eventually this snow will melt and could cause flooding of roads and basements. Although crews are clearing snow from the 150,000 catch basins across the city, we are asking residents, where possible, to help by exposing the drains in front of their home. If you do experience flooding due to a blocked catch basin, please call me as soon as possible so that I can take action.

Another consequence of this year's heavy snow and ice is potholes. Since January the City has filled over 40,000 potholes (at an average cost of \$25 to \$35 per hole). The key to keeping repairs costs down is to fix potholes early while they're still small. You can help by calling the pothole hotline at 416-599-9090, press the pound key (#), then 164, to leave a message about the location of a pothole.

If you require assistance with any City issue, please contact me at (416) 392-1375 or councillor_lee@toronto.ca

Sincerely,

Chin Lee

Ward 41, Scarborough-Rouge River

A lovely day at the Volunteer luncheon in early fall



Report from Bas Balkissoon, M.P.P.



Dear Constituents,

It is my pleasure communicating with you. I have been appointed to the Cabinet Committee on Poverty by the Premier. Members of this committee, chaired by Hon. Deb Matthews,

Minister of Children and Youth Services, will work to develop poverty indicators and targets, and a focused strategy for reducing child poverty and lifting more families out of poverty. The goal of this committee is to make progress in the fight against poverty over the course of the government's four-year mandate. The committee will come up with some short term and some long term goals.

The McGuinty government is proposing changes to the Building Code which would require the mandatory sprinklering of new multiple-unit residential buildings greater than three storeys in height. Public safety is a priority for the provincial government. Residents who are concerned are encouraged to attend information sessions in late March and early April. The date, time, and location of these sessions will be posted on the Building Code website www.ontario.ca/buildingcode.

Yours sincerely,

Bas Balkissoon

Scarborough-Rouge River

Chinese Community Liaison Director

Elisa Yang is the Chinese Community Liaison Director. Reach Elisa at 416 293-1623, elisay@sympatico.ca

如果您需要中文的資訊或服務, 請打416 293-1623 或電郵elisay@sympatico.ca 給我們的華人聯繫主任, Elisa Yang

Register for email notification

If you wish to receive community announcements and information by email, mail your name, address, telephone #, and email address to:

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