



THE COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER OF HAMILTON'S NORTH END

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A tip of the Top Hat welcomes first vessel of 2017 to the Port of Hamilton

The first vessel of the 2017 shipping season has arrived at the Port of Hamilton. The tug Calusa Coast and its specialized tank barge Delaware arrived carrying liquid asphalt from Detroit for delivery to the Yellowline Asphalt Products terminal at the Port.

The Hamilton Port Authority marks the start of each shipping season with the ceremonial presentation of a top hat to the Captain of the first vessel. On March 21, Calusa Coast Captain Gary Kafcsak was welcomed to Hamilton by Yellowline's Operations Manager, Suresh Daljeet, and Hamilton Port's Harbour Master, Vicki Gruber. Ms. Gruber presented Captain Kafcsak with the traditional top hat, which he signed and dated, a Port tradition.

"2017 is the 70th year of the Port of Hamilton's Top Hat Ceremony," said Ms. Gruber. "This presentation is a gesture of respect and welcome. We are looking forward to a successful 2017 shipping season, and are pleased to welcome Captain Kafcsak here to help get the season underway." The Port's top hat ceremony began in 1947 and there have been two ceremonial top hats used since – the first from 1947 to 1987 and the current since 1987.

Captain Kafcsak and his crew on the Calusa Coast

travelled from Detroit via the Welland Canal. Soon after its arrival in Hamilton late in the evening of March 20, the ship's liquid bulk cargo began being transferred from the vessel docked at Pier 23, directly to Yellowline's tanks on Pier 22 via pipe.



The tug Calusa Coast and the barge Delaware unloading cargo

Let's Celebrate Our Diversity

Submitted by Frank Soberg

The new 2016 census has arrived just before we celebrate Canada Day. Canada is a country of 35,11,728 people. It is projected to take in 300,000 immigrants this year. Compared to the United States we take in .85 percent of our population versus the .30 percent the United States takes in.

A good example of Canada's ongoing engagement is our response to the Syrian refugee crisis. Prime Minister Trudeau received international praise at the United Nations General Assembly in September. We have resettled over 40,000 Syrian refugees in Canada. Many have been privately sponsored by Churches and other humanitarian organizations around the nation.

Our Immigration and Refugee history has shown some exemplary commitments in response to world conflict and the exile of those afflicted by its consequences. ***Just to mention a few:***

After a long and protracted conflict in Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia with the mass destruction of villages and lives, Canada resettled more than 60,000 refugees with approximately half of them through private sponsorship. In 1986, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees took the unprecedented step of awarding its prestigious Nansen medal to the people of Canada for their compassionate response to the Indochina Refugee Crisis.

Between 1945 and 1949 in the wake of the second World War, millions of displaced Ukrainians sought refuge in Western Europe and North America. Between 35,000 and 40,000 Ukrainians settled in Canada; this in large part due to the lobbying efforts of Canadian-Ukrainians who had come to Canada earlier in the 20th Century. Ukrainian immigration peaked in 1949 and by 1951 there were nearly 400,00 Ukrainians in Canada. In 2011, there were an estimated 1,251,170 persons of full or partial Ukrainian origin residing in Canada.

The United States coalition invaded Iraq and toppled the government of Saddam Hussein. Up to 600,000 Iraqis were killed and more than 2 million were forced to flee. As part of a multi-year commitment by the end of 2015 Canada has resettled more than 25,000 Iraqi refugees.

Canada is often referred to as a land of immigrants because millions of newcomers have settled here and helped to build and defend our way of life. With over 20 percent of the population foreign-born, and with more than 250 ethnic origins, Canada is one of the world's most multicultural societies. ***As we approach our 150th anniversary of confederation, let's celebrate this diversity that is Canada and why we are the "true north strong and free".***

FAMILY & FUN ZONE

This is our new section to help you discover fun things to do, share your stories and let us know what's happening in the North End for family fun.

Learning And Fun After School!

Is your child in grade 1-4 and looking for something to do afterschool? If they love playing games, need help with their homework, learning about financial literacy and connecting with friends then LAF is for you! Our Learning and Fun program has spaces available every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 3:00-5:00pm for children in grades 1-4! Please call Tom Wittreich, the Children's Programs Coordinator at 905-525-5824 to find out more about our afterschool program for Bennetto and St. Lawrence kids!

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April 2017

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We have free Family Swims on Mondays from 5:30pm to 6:30pm and Fridays from 6:00pm to 7:00pm

So come out for some FUN and EXERCISE.

New Spring and Summer Guides are now at your local Rec Centres for you to pick up.



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KidZone

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WED. APRIL 12 | 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

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you can register online at www.hughson.ca



For more information about Registration or the League contact: Derek Hisson at 905-527-3972 or derek@hughson.ca



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Friday, May 28th, 2017

Doors Open At 5:30pm ~*~ Movie Starts At 6:00pm

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EASTER EGG DECORATING

When: Tuesday, April 11th, 2017

Time: 5:30 pm to 7:30pm

Ages: 6-12 years

Cost: \$6.80

Course Code: 180004



EASTER EGG HUNT!! ALL WELCOME!!

Saturday, April 15, 2017

2:00 to 3:30 pm

Sunset Cultural Garden

(at the corner of Bay & Strachan Streets)

Egg Hunt and Goody Bags

Hosted by Sandra Hudson & Friends of the Parkette. Please email office@northendbreezes if you have any questions



ARE YOU A STUDENT OR A YOUTH WITH STORIES TO SHARE?

Do you want to tell your community about the great things you love about your neighbourhood? Or, are there things you want to see happen? Let us know so we can spread the word and make things happen. Remember, volunteer hours are available toward your credits.



Volunteers Make it Happen in Hamilton

by Donna Reid

Mother Nature continues to toy with us. She can't decide whether it's spring or winter or some other post climate change mélange. But we know by the calendar we are headed in the right direction. Yesterday I walked to work with scarf, mittens and winter coat – with running shoes. At the end of the day mitts and scarf were tucked away in my bag, coat slung over my shoulder and dreams of sandals in my future. 7 PM and 15 degrees!

Now this morning a whole different story – whoa! Thinking about turning the furnace on – and about all those energetic souls preparing to walk and run this weekend in the Around the Bay Race. Did you know that this race is the oldest in North America and began in 1894 in Hamilton?

April is National Volunteer Month, Earth Day is Saturday April 22 and it's time to clean up our neighbourhoods after winter and all of these offer opportunities. Most neighbourhood initiatives in Hamilton are created and driven by volunteers. Volunteering is a great way to learn more about your city, meet new friends and make your neighbourhood a better place for everyone to enjoy.

Neighbourhood Associations: For me –nineteen years ago - a neighbourhood association was my first “engagement” with the community. I was brand new to Hamilton, had purchased my home and arrived armed with a lot of information about my new city, but I really didn't know much about the neighbourhood where I was living or how residents could get things done through City Hall. Fortunately - Jane and Paul – the couple who sold me their home – were very involved in the neighbourhood. They took me to my first neighbourhood association meeting and next thing I knew I was on its board!

In 1998 when I joined the north/central neighbour-

hood group the area was beginning a major transition. Bayfront Park opened and the Waterfront Trail was being planned. The city had concepts for Central Park that included a multicultural garden but also residential disruption. Pier 8 was not developed – there was no Williams Coffee but we were soon to learn of the creation of the Marine Discovery Centre. And there was no talk – yet – of waterfront stadiums.

Hamilton has many diverse neighbourhoods. In the catchment area for the North End Breezes here are three to look into:

North End Neighbours: <http://northendneighbours.blogspot.ca/>

Beasley : <http://www.ourbeasley.com/>

Central: <http://centralneighbourhood.ca/>

Check out their websites – and the North End Neighbours column in this issue of The Breezes. Contact them and ask what activities they have planned and how you can help. Everyone has skills to share and it's a really good way to have a say in how your neighbourhood will evolve.

Most neighbourhood groups hold meetings on a semi regular basis with topics such as beautification, safety, proposed development and other issues unique to them. It's also a way to have a conduit to your local elected officials' office and learn about municipal government.

A 2014 list of most of Hamilton's neighbourhood associations may be found at this link. Cannot attest to its accuracy: <http://www2.hamilton.ca/NR/rdonlyres/4F414B5A-E73A-4D8F-AEDA-2C8E92E981D1/0/CPNeighbourhoodAssociationsDirectorySummer2014.pdf>

THINGS YOUR MOTHER SHOULD OF TOLD YOU

* Stuff a miniature marshmallow in the bottom of a sugar cone to prevent ice cream drips.

* Use a meat baster to “squeeze” your pancake batter onto the hot griddle and you'll get perfectly shaped pancakes every time....

A big SHOUT OUT to the Flying Squirrels who donated 20 passes to a North End neighbour. These passes were generously shared and enjoyed in our community. Thank you Britney Guerin at the Flying Squirrels. For information, please check www.flyingsquirrel/sport.ca

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Do you already contribute to our publication? Are you interested in sharing your thoughts about layout, design and content? Let's get together! I'd love to hear your ideas. Email or call and let me

Walkabout by Ken Hirter



This month's Walkabout is about A.M. Forster Brass Foundry/Freeman Block or the "Jamesville Foundry" circa 1873 located at 255-265 James Street North at Colbourne Street.

Let's go back, way back, to the days of yesterday of horse drawn carriages and General Stores and merchants the year was 1873.

A brief history:

The first Brass Shop on this site was A.M. Forster Brass which was one of the cities first Brass shops here in the city of Hamilton. In 1855 the company was renamed the Hamilton Brass Manufacturing Company which employed 140 workers. An interesting footnote the streetscape of this section of James Street North was very different on May 15th 1872 when legions of workers supporting the 9 hour work movement for shorter work hours paraded up this section of the street from the North. Spectators leaned out of doorways from bakers, blacksmiths, millners, shoemakers and tailors to witness the parade or an early demonstration of 1872. A lumber yard soon came under control of W.A. Freeman and he added a 4 storey towers with pinacles and pyramids roofs at either ends.

1903 saw a major fire that ripped through the building. It destroyed both towers and the tall roof. Sadly many of the ornate additions were lost, but the large round arched Windows at the North corner and the Terra cotta panels, medallions and the carriage way on the North side of the building survived. The Brass Company moved out in 1914 and it's ground floor became home to retail enterprises. By 1924 the upper floors were converted to apartments. Hamilton's downtown core was losing it's industry to the cities East End.

Archived vintage find as per an article in the Hamilton Spectators a James Street Keepsake from October 29th 2010 when a solid Brass cash register made at the Brass Manufacturing Company was located and lovingly restored as with this building forth coming this spring with new windows and doors and much more.....

Hope you enjoyed this blast from the past. Till next month, take care of you and those around you.

Lawnmowers

submitted by Brian Roulston

Spring is finally here!! We can put the snow shovels away and get the ol' mower out. Mother Nature sure has a way of keeping us busy doesn't she?

Formal lawns first began appearing in France during the 1700's and up until the 1830's only the wealthy could afford large beautifully cut and manicured lawns. These lawns were maintained by a multitude of sheep, goats, cows, horses and other four-legged lawnmowers.

A British mechanic by the name of Edward Beard from Stroud, England changed all that with his invention of the 'Reel Lawnmower' in 1827. It was 19" wide (480mm) based on a tool he saw that was used to uniformly cut carpets. It comprised of a series of blades around a cylinder placed at the front which was pushed from behind.

The next mower was one that was chain driven and invented by Thomas Green in 1859; he called it the Silens Messor which means 'Silent Cutter'. The first motorized lawnmowers appeared around the 1890's powered by steam. They took several hours to warm up to operating pressure, eventually kerosene and gas engines came along in 1900. JP Engineering of Leicester, and Ransomes' Automaton both created chain-driven mowers of their own after World War I. They were towed behind horses and the operator would ride on top of the machines, these could be considered the first riding lawnmowers. During the 1920's and 30's many people experimented with spinning blades similar to an aircraft propeller with sharp edges fixed horizontally called rotary mowers. It wasn't successfully produced until 1952 when an Australian Company Victa Mowers Pty Ltd produced them. Toro introduced the first push motorized lawnmower aimed for home use in 1938 called appropriately enough 'Home Lawn'. Briggs & Stratton one of the largest suppliers of gas engines to the lawnmower industry today revolutionized the home lawn and garden industry by building the first dedicated lightweight aluminum gas engines for lawnmowers back in 1953.

Today according the 2016 IBIS World Marketing Report the U.S leads the world in the Lawn and Garden industry, then Australia and the UK. Canada's lawn and garden industry is worth \$10 Billion annually employing 17,000 people.

FASHION FOR MARCH 2017

Submitted by: Alexandra Sempie

"Simplicity is the keynote of all true elegance,"
—Coco Chanel.



Sailor Style.

Photo Courtesy of Harper's Bazaar.

With the arrival of spring comes the arrival of rainy days and budding new flowers. But just because it may be damp and dreary some days doesn't mean that your wardrobe has to match the weather. Spring is a very important time in the fashion world, designers are launching the new seasonal looks and you can wear anything you like thanks to that crazy weather of ours. Let's take a look at what's hot and what's not this month.

No matter the occasion or time of year, we all have that one shirt we can turn to that can make us look incredibly stylish or make us so comfortable we never want to leave the house again. This season, one of the key trends designers are giving us is the button down shirt. Button down shirts are a great way to look professional but still casual as you flaunt your stuff this spring season. Whether you choose a knee length shirtdress or pair it with jeans, the button down shirt is a great look for all you fashion loving people.

Designers come up with all kinds of styles that makes us turn our heads and say 'wow, I would have never thought of that'. Well this season, one of the most chic styles is the sailor look. Pairing a nautical shirt with flared white pants is a great way to say you won't be burdened by the weather or water and will help you turn some heads this season. Looks like the sailor suit is no longer an outfit used for childhood photos! Grab your cap and set sail for fashion!

In: Seaside Stripes/Yellow Sundresses/Bucket Bags

Out: Small Handbags/Polka Dots/Floral Crowns

Stay Beautiful!

HER MAJESTY'S ARMY & NAVY APRIL ENTERTAINMENT 2017

*IF YOU LOOK AT WHAT YOU HAVE IN LIFE,
YOU'LL ALWAYS HAVE MORE. IF YOU LOOK
AT WHAT YOU DON'T HAVE IN LIFE, YOU'LL*

NEVER HAVE ENOUGH.
THURSDAY, APRIL 6TH

PHIL MYLS
THURSDAY, APRIL 13TH
REFLECTIONS

THURSDAY, APRIL 20TH
LIONEL BERNARD

THURSDAY, APRIL 27TH
BIG JOHN & THE NIGHT TRIPPERS.

*I FELT LIKE MY BODY HAD GOTTEN TOTAL-
LY OUT OF SHAPE, SO I GOT MY DOCTOR'S
PERMISSION TO JOIN A FITNESS CLUB AND
START EXERCISING. I DECIDED TO TAKE
AN AEROBICS CLASS FOR SENIORS. I BENT,
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Saturday: 7:00 pm Sunday: 10:30 am

Join us for Adoration, Saturday's 6:30pm - 7:00pm

Confession Times:

Saturdays: 6:30 pm - 6:50 pm or call (905) 522-9828 to arrange an appointment.

"THE WAY OF THE CROSS" (Friday April 7th and 14th)

Join us every Friday during LENT for the Stations of the Cross at 6:30 pm, followed by mass at 7:00pm.

The Way of the Cross is a pilgrimage; a journey that follows Christ's path of suffering and death. This pilgrimage represents the journey each of us makes in life.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER SERVICES:

Palm Sunday (April 8th) at 7:00 pm. (Distribution of palm)

(April 9th) at 10:30 am. (Distribution of palm)

Holy Thursday (April 13th) at 7:00 pm.

Good Friday (April 14th) at 3:00 pm.

Easter Vigil (April 15th) at 8:00 pm.

Easter Sunday (April 16th) at 10:30 am.



HUGHSON STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

Come share Easter with us this year!
Friday April 9, 10:30am

383 Hughson St N
Sunday April 11, 9:45am
Bennetto School

Easter weekend is the focal point of the Christian calendar, as it reminds us of the final days of Jesus Christ here on earth. Join us as we worship and reflect together.

WELCOME TO SUNSET CULTURAL GARDEN 2017, OUR THIRD SEASON

The season kicks off with an Easter Egg hunt Saturday April 15th. Then spring brings more promise. Activities for everyone!

For instance: Watching the sunset from our two serene circles/ Reading multilingual poems set in the ground and contemplating the sunset/ Seeing our wonderful donor's walk/ Recognizing indigenous plants and more/ Learning about pollinators, birds, butterflies/ Discovering the garden is paired with two gardens in China/ Taking in scents of three donated magnolia trees/ Coming to the garden on the full moon to see it rise in the east as the sun sets in the west. ***Fabulous!***

Our garden is your garden. A unique and extraordinary green space in the North End, that is forward thinking with the potential to be international. It is a place to reflect and at the same time offers educational and recreational activities.

On February 28th, 2017 we found out that we face losing this garden to development. We started the garden to save the parkette from being developed. Now there is a notice of motion before the City council to sell the park and relocate Sunset Cultural Garden. This is a terrible blow and we will do everything to deflect it.

Meantime we will see you soon, out and about in our garden of many delights.

BOOK CLUB CORNER

Submitted by Kit Darling



In March we discussed *Water for Elephants* by Sara Gruen. The story is told by Jacob, now in his nineties and living in a retirement home, about his experiences as a circus Vet during the Depression. Jacob finds himself penniless and an orphan after his parents die in an accident. He quits his studies as a veterinarian at Cornell, hops a train and finds himself with a seedy circus. A glimpse in to the dark side of circus life behind the tinsel. Both uplifting and tragic; a love story and a murder and with an elephant named Rosie as a main character. A well crafted and very readable book.

Recommended

And here are some recommended reads from our members, all of which are available from the Hamilton Public Library. Visit the Bookmobile at Bennetto Recreation Centre on Tuesday (2:30 to 4:30) and Thursday (6:00 to 8:00).

The Lady in Gold by Anne-Marie O'Connor

This true story has all the elements of love, wealth, society, artists, & war that will keep the reader enthralled. Vienna is the setting where Gustav Klimt painted Adele Bloch-Bauer, *The Lady in Gold*. The painting all but disappeared during World War II. Once the Austrian government returned the painting to the Jewish family of Adele almost 60 years later, it was sold for \$135 million. A riveting social history. (Paige Turner)

The Emerald Lie by Ken Bruen

Set in Galway, Ireland, this is the latest in the series featuring (former) Garda Officer Jack Taylor. As Jack descends into depression and despair, he is searching to discover the identity of, and to stop, a serial killer who is triggered by the use of bad grammar. Gritty and dark with satisfying solutions to mysteries (yes there are 2 to be

solved) this book can be read by someone new to the series although reviewers suggest that starting with earlier novels might be good. Hamilton Public Library has a long list available. A satisfying read. (Kit)

Have you read any of our recommendations? Liked any of the same books we talked about or disagreed totally? Let us know at bayareabookclub@bell.net.

More Things your Momma should have told you

- * To keep potatoes from budding, place an apple in the bag with the potatoes.
- * To prevent eggshells from cracking, add a pinch of salt to the water before hard-boiling.
- * Run your hands under cold water before pressing Rice Krispies treats in the pan and the marshmallow won't stick to your fingers.



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**NORTH END NEIGHBOURS UPDATE**

On Wednesday, April 5, NEN will be presenting the new NEN Constitution to the membership for approval at Bennetto Community Centre Meeting Room 7:15-8:45 PM. As a preamble to the vote on the constitution, John vanNostrand, a well known architect, will be doing a 30 minute presentation on opportunities and challenges for the North End with regard to densification and development. We think the presentation will help give the community a clear view of how important the local zoning and vision of NEN can help shape the future of our community.

Since the last meeting, we attended the Ward 2 Community Council with Councillor Farr and representatives of the other Ward 2 neighbourhood associations. There is significant overlap with the goals and challenges of all of the groups, and it looks like everyone will be working towards "Beautiful Streets, Parks, and Play Areas" as the Plan Local focus for the next year. If you have any ideas on what infrastructure projects would fit that framework, please get in contact with us.

Just after the Ward 2 Community Council, Councillor Farr dropped a bombshell on the neighbourhood by starting the discussion of selling off parks, gardens and green space to developers to fund social housing while Jamesville and the apartments on MacNab are redeveloped. We want to know what you think about this proposal? nen.president@gmail.com

Gardening Tips

- * Add compost regularly to provide nutrients and increase moisture retention.
- * Prevent dirt under your fingernails by scratching your nails across a bar of soap, so the dirt can't get under.
- * Rotate or add different crops in your garden each year to help with soil fertility and reduce soil borne diseases.
- * Prevent your weed whip line from jamming or breaking by treating it with a vegetable spray oil before installing it.

SETTING SAIL ON SUNSET GARDEN

Submitted by Sheri Selway



Friends of the Sunset Cultural Garden, and other volunteers and residents attended the Planning Committee meeting on Tuesday March 21 to speak on behalf of the Sunset Garden in opposition to a motion that would declare the land at Bay and Strachan surplus in order to rezone it and sell it for residential development. (The motion can be found on the City website – Planning Committee March 21) <https://www.hamilton.ca/council-committee/council-committee-meetings/planning-committee>

We did not think that enough notice was given to the volunteers and to the Friends of the Garden, nor was there any discussion with the group or the neighbours. Many of us assumed the discussion was incorporated into the community discussion about “redeveloping parts of Eastwood Park” to help save the arena.

Sunset Cultural Garden is an accessible neighbourhood park. It has been a tremendous success both in the area and beyond, attracting visitors, something the City of Hamilton can be proud of. It was built and maintained by a group of volunteers and is an established eco-system for pollinators, birds and butterflies. Many plants are indigenous, and drought-resistant. The Garden itself was designed by well-known designer Candy Venning of Venni Gardens. It is a speciality garden, certainly the only one of its kind in Hamilton that I know of.

One its special features is 12 multi-lingual poems and a Chinese language walkway engraved in stone and set into the ground as well as benches to sit and contemplate the sunset. (continued page 11)



Sharing Our Harbour

We're working with community partners to help recreational boaters stay safe on the water. Together with the RHYC, we hosted two informational sessions in February and March focused on how boaters and commercial vessels can safely share the harbour.

Close to 200 people attended these two events.

Team Up to Clean Up

Our annual port cleanup is coming up in April. Each year, HPA staff and Port tenants join forces to help keep our neighbourhood clean and beautiful.

Annual General Meeting

HPA's Annual General Meeting is coming up on May 4. This meeting is open to the public, and is a great opportunity to learn about the Port's latest initiatives, and what's coming up this year. Visit www.hamiltonport.ca for meeting details.

Doors Open

We are also participating in Doors Open Hamilton this year, May 5-6 at our new maintenance and boat storage facility at 210 Hillyard. We hope you can pop in for a behind-the-scenes look at Port operations.



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Cabinet for sale \$175 or best offer valued at \$500. Woodgrain approx 6' tall x 5' wide. Glass doors and shelves, lighting plus storage on the bottom. Please call Brian at 289-775-8512

Earlee the Children's Entertainer. Interactive Magic, Balloons, Paintable Tattoos. Only \$75.00 per hour. Call Earl at 289-439-0166 for details.

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THE PUBLIC RECORD ON TWO NORTH END MOTIONS

By Councillor Jason Farr

Hello, Breezes readers and special thanks to the new management at the North End Breezes for the opportunity to share with you two recent motions that appeared before Council. They relate to the future low density residential property (as per your Ontario Municipal Board ((OMB)) approved Setting Sail; Secondary Plan) at Bay Street and Strachan Street and a public meeting respecting Eastwood Arena/Park requesting your thoughts on the potential for the north west portion of Eastwood Park.

The first motion seeks to put into action the secondary plan for low density residential development at Bay and Strachan. Approved at the Ontario Municipal Board approximately five years ago.

As this motion clearly points out, proceeds from the sale will go toward North End residential street rehabilitation. The community garden club that has plantings, benches etc currently in place at this former lot acquired for a perimeter road many moons ago may work with staff (if they choose) to relocate across Bay Street at Bayfront Park. The housing mix will seek to accommodate family relocation needs for when the transformation begins respecting the Jamesville City Housing Hamilton site: from the current housing complex to one square block of mixed income housing.

NOTICE of Motion

**38 Strachan Street West/ 344 Bay Street North
February 28, 2017**

Whereas the Official Plan of the former City of Hamilton Official Plan designates the subject land “Residential”;

Whereas Setting Sail: Secondary Plan for the West Harbour, approved by Council, designates the subject land as “Low Density Residential”;

Whereas Setting Sail: Secondary Plan for the West Harbour was appealed to the Ontario Municipal Board none of the appeals focused on the subject land; Whereas the Official Plan of the former City of Hamilton Official Plan and the Setting Sail: Secondary Plan for the West Harbour contemplate residential land use;

Whereas Zoning By-law O5-200 zones the subject land “Neighbourhood Park (P1) Zone” to recognize the existing Parkette;

Whereas; Future redevelopment of nearby City Housing Hamilton (CHH) property may include the need for temporary relocation of current tenants; many of whom have shared via a CHH survey that they wish to remain in the North End neighbourhood during redevelopment.

Whereas; prior to the disposition of city owned

land municipally known as 38 Strachan Street West and 344 Bay Street North, in the City of Hamilton, the lands must be declared surplus to the needs of the City of Hamilton in accordance with the City’s Procedural By-law for the Sale of Lands, being By-law No. 04-299;

Whereas; currently, a community garden exists on subject lands.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the City of Hamilton enacts as follows:

a) That the lands municipally known as 38 Strachan Street West and 344 Bay Street North, in the City of Hamilton be declared surplus to the requirements of the City of Hamilton in accordance with the “Procedural By-law for the Sale of Land”, being By-law No. 04-299;

b) That the Development Planning Section of the Planning Division of the Planning and Economic Development Department be authorized and directed to initiate a site specific zoning amendment for those lands municipally known as 38 Strachan Street West and 344 Bay Street North, in the City of Hamilton for residential purposes.

c) That a formula be devised between Real Estate staff and a successful proponent that contemplates a number of units in the completed development to be temporally occupied by CHH tenants in order to address community needs respecting temporary relocation and until such time that they may return to their nearby redeveloped property.

d) That the manager of the Neighbourhood Action Strategy be requested to meet with representatives of the community garden and assist with, and in conjunction with any other City of Hamilton staff as needed, the relocation of the community garden to an area of similar size at the entrance of Bayfront Park to the west.

e) That any proceeds after Legal and Real Estate fees from the sale of 38 Strachan West and 344 Bay Street North be allocated toward road and side-walk rehabilitation in the North End neighbourhood.

This second motion simply seeks public input at a future meeting to be held at Eastwood Arena. We will review current needs not only for our one and

only indoor rink in Ward 2, but also ask you if you are interested in pursuing a possible development that also accomplishes a parkade (for the growing Pier area) on an under-utilised ball field and some residential development. Note, this is not an OMB approved plan, nor is it part of any current development plan. This is an engagement session only. Simply put, Eastwood Arena must undergo major renovations in the next few years as per both new Federal regulations and our Recreation Facility plans. In addition and as per our North End Traffic Management Plan, we seek to keep new traffic from pier development off our existing residential streets for future and a parkade placed on the north west corner of the park may encourage travel off Burlington Street and north along Ferguson. We may also achieve some “age in place” affordable residential development in the mix that may include temporary relocation units as we proceed with City Housing Hamilton fixes. This is all up for discussion with this motion.

Note one of the “whereas” offers an approximation of 152,500 sq ft of exciting NEW park land coming soon to the North End with the Pier 8 development. Therefore, a net gain of park land is intended as we proceed to talk about various possibilities.

NOTICE of MOTION

Eastwood Precinct

February 28, 2017

Whereas; needed upgrades at Eastwood Arena are estimated at an approximate cost of \$ 3.0 million dollars (design and construction) and a major renovation of the facility is estimated to be approximately 6.5 – 7.0 million dollars (design and construction)

Whereas; Future redevelopment of nearby City Housing Hamilton (CHH) property may include the need for temporary relocation of current tenants; many of whom have shared via a CHH survey that they wish to remain in the North End neighbourhood during redevelopment.

Whereas; Future development on Pier 8 lands may consist of approximately 1500 residential units and parking is desired in the form of parkade verses surface parking. In addition, preventing neighbourhood cut-through traffic resulting from new waterfront development is the basis of the North End Traffic Management Plan.

Whereas; utilization of two small ball diamonds at Eastwood Park (to the north west of the arena) is very low with use only on Tuesdays throughout the summer and two community events bookings for 2017 (*continued page 9*)

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Whereas; the Pier 8 development draft plan includes a 30m wide promenade park along the perimeter (pier) equating to a net gain of new North End parkland adjacent to Eastwood Arena and Park of approximately 152,500 sq. ft.

Therefore be it Resolved; The appropriate staff from Planning and Economic Development be requested to engage with the ward 2 councillor and North End community on what potential may exist that would provide for needed upgrades at Eastwood Arena by contemplating a development partnership that may include the creation of new housing opportunities and a public parkade on the north-westerly portion of Eastwood Park and Arena.

DAILY SCHOOL RIDE

Getting daily exercise has many positive benefits for a child's mental and physical health. Creating a lifelong habit of daily cycling can be a fun way to create a healthy habit at a young age. If you live in Hamilton's North End, you may have seen an innovative new program that's meeting these goals and helping students get active in a fun way. That program? The Daily School Ride (DSR).

The DSR is an active transportation system that launched at its first school, Bennetto Elementary in the fall of 2016. The DSR is organized and managed by Bike for Mike and New Hope Community Bikes. Both of these organizations work to promote safe and accessible cycling to Hamilton students.

The main goal of the DSR is to encourage and support 100% of students living within cycling distance to bike to school daily. A broader goal of the program is to encourage and support collaboration between students and their local community to create and advocate for a safe environment for cycling.

Students are encouraged to sign up to take part in the DSR program with their parent's permission. Once they are formally registered, each take part in certified cycle training conducted by New Hope Community Bikes. When students are "ride ready" they are trained to use the Ride Along group ride format. The Ride Along allows groups of students to be supervised on their ride into school by specially trained adults. The training and supervised Ride Alongs are the first step to creating a community of confident cyclists.

To ensure students are safe on their daily rides to school, safe routes are established using mapping tools that take into account traffic and existing infrastructure like bike lanes, crosswalks, and traffic lights. As new students sign up safe routes are established to support their part of the neighbourhood.

The team of volunteers behind the DSR help to develop safe local cycling by interacting with students, parents, schools, and the local community. The many program components of the DSR work together to nurture a safe, supportive, and thriving local cycling community. Our programming provides comprehensive student cycle training and ongoing support to ride to school safely; gives parents and schools the tools and information needed to support their students to create a daily habit of cycling; and works with the North-End community to support their younger neighbours when riding to school and equips students with cycle experience so they can advocate for necessary infrastructure improvements in their neighbourhood and city.

The DSR is run by Bike for Mike and New Hope Community Bikes. Both of these organizations have been working to promote safe and accessible cycling in Hamilton. Since Bike for Mike's first fundraising ride in 2011, they have donated over 2250 bikes, helmets and locks to students in Hamilton, 500 of which went to students in the North-End. These donations have helped promote cycling and create access for those without bikes. Our program partner New Hope Community Bikes has extensive experience providing youth with comprehensive cycle training. They have run cycle training programs since 2013, and trained students at many schools in Hamilton. They are a leader in creating confident and capable student cyclists through their cycle training programs.

For More information about the Daily School Ride go to BikeforMike.org or NewHopeCommunityBikes.com

To get involved contact Alex@BikeforMike.org.



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Elderberries

by Pam Winter

In your Easter bonnet, with all the frills upon it, you'll be the grandest lady in the Easter parade.

Ah, those were the days, Easter Parades. When I first came to Canada in the 1950's we arrived in a snow storm in early March and a heat wave in April. We celebrated Easter by walking around Casa Loma (we couldn't afford to go inside) and then went down to Bloor Street and watched ladies sporting Easter hats and floats going by. We had never seen anything like that before, just magical.

All of the community celebrations are the glue that holds us together. The Easter egg hunts, the games, prizes and don't forget the chocolate! Happy, smiling children enjoying the wonder of the Easter Bunny. And the many clubs, organizations and volunteers who put those smiles on their faces. A million thanks!

And, what about the traditions we share to celebrate. An Easter loaf, a Paska, that Penny at the Welcome Inn baked for all of the seniors years ago. Sharing our traditions with others is the glue that binds us together.

And, at the heart of the meaning of Easter, our many faith communities and churches who keep the true meaning alive.

Some of what we are used to is being replaced but Easter is our push to welcome spring. Open and clean those windows, watch the lake and look forward to a new season of hope. Happy Easter. Celebrate what is meaningful to you and build your own traditions! **Until next time ~ Cheers!**

We are thrilled to tell you that Pam is out of hospital and happily settled in her new home. If you have well wishes to pass on, please email office@northendbreezes.com and we will pass your message on.



Submitted by Candy Venni

It's taken years of thought and observation, thinking like a squirrel...to impart this knowledge so perk up your ears, put on your gloves and get yourself ready.

Spring is a sproingin' and you'll want to toss the crispy Christmas décor (if, like me you haven't already done so).

Time to refresh your porch urns, your containers and pots. Pansies & pussy Willow will soon be seen across the city but don't forget perennials can add foliage interest which will withstand a few temperature drops.

Remember that those fluffy tailed varmints, called 'squirrels' for short, can't resist the smell of fresh earth. I've found the best way to stop them digging up your plants in pots and urns is to press the earth down well, water deeply to disguise the smell (a sprinkle of blood or bonemeal doesn't go amiss either) and then insert a number of chopsticks, broken in half around the edges inside the pot. You are essentially creating a pitched, no dig zone and those sticks will perform double duty; preventing porch pansy suicide, pinning the roots of your plants in nicely.

Yes, there is very small, quiet, annoying battle going on atop our porches and balconies, so protect your Petunias, guard your Geraniums, defend your Datura. (and if you don't want anyone to see your battle plans, use a little moss or mulch to hide the visual evidence).

Garden tulips under attack? Plant more, plant deeply, plant densely and add other varieties they don't eat. Varieties such as Daffodils, Alliums, Fritillaria, Snowdrops, and Winter aconite have the added benefit of being early pollinator food.

While complaining about squirrels is a national pastime, I hope you'll remember that this is, truly, the most exciting time of the year in the gardening world. Enjoy the spring! Go wild, I mean it literally... go get some wildflowers (or seeds) and run with them. Skipping and scattering them haphazardly along Hamilton laneways and abandoned urban spaces! Buy that crazy plant you've always coveted; grow that thing you've always wondered about. Gardens are the slowest of the performing arts and have the power to create harmony in our lives so have fun and nevermind the squirrels!

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Please accept my apologies as the new kid in the neighbourhood if I missed anyone. Help me get it right by emailing office@northendbreezes.com Thanks ~ Brenda

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Join the Conversation

Join the conversation with us and share your thoughts. Find us on twitter at @WelcomeInnCC or Facebook at facebook.com/WelcomeInnCC to check out the latest!

DATES TO REMEMBER

Good Food Box: Pick up April 19: 2-5pm at Welcome Inn
 Food Access Program - Mon, Wed, Fri – 11:30- 2:00pm
 Teen Lead Drop In – Wednesdays at 6pm
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Volunteering at Welcome Inn

It's SPING!!!! The perfect time to try something new. Looking for ways to connect with your community....or build your resume.....or just get out of the house and enjoy some fresh air?

We have lots of ways for you to volunteer and get involved in the Welcome Inn Community.

New Horizons Thrift Store (520 James St North) is looking for Team Leaders, and a variety of other positions including: Receivers, Sorters and people to price donations.

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SETTING SAIL ON SUNSET GARDEN

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Although disappointed that the motion passed, the motion did specify that the garden can be relocated to Bayfront Park across the street. But the group is disappointed that we have to start over which is discouraging to those who volunteered thousands of hours of community engagement and \$20,000 of donated money!

I think many can agree, we are not opposed to the development of new housing in the West Harbour and recognize that there is a special need for “family” housing in our neighbourhood. But is a large amount of City owned land already identified for development. This land is identified as low density Residential in the Secondary Plan in 2005 before the James Street Go Station was contemplated and Places to Grow was adopted by the province.

This change in zoning (from Park to low density residential) should have, and could have, been part of a bigger discussion of the future of Parks and green spaces in the North End and downtown.



Metric Conversion

Nope, it's not an April Fools joke. It has been more than forty years since Canada officiallt went Metric. April 1st, 1975, to be exact. It was on this day that Bill Lawrence presented the first metric version of our weather forecast on the 6 o'clock news. Bill was a news anchor and weatherman and well known as the host of CHCH's “Tiny Talent Time”. On this day millimeters, centimeters, kilometers per hour replaced inches, feet and miles. For a while, both formats were were used in print media and on the air. Metric was first legalized in Canada as a system of measurement by John A. McDonald in 1871 but it was not well received and many refused to make the switch. In 1975, the Liberal government made it mandatory.



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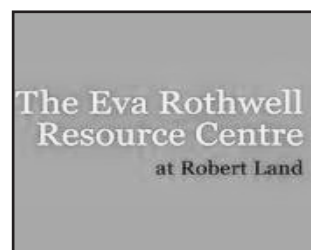
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Spring Cleaning: When the days get longer we spend more time outdoors. April is a great time to volunteer to help clean up our outdoor “living rooms” and public spaces. In 2016 over 25,000 volunteers collected over 6500 bags of garbage and over 2500 bags of recyclables during just the City organized events (City of Hamilton Team up to Clean Up).

Here are a few local groups who organize clean-ups and need volunteers this year:

Sunset Cultural Garden Spring Clean Up – this unique garden initiated and created- just a few years ago- Bay Street N and Strachan – a pollinator garden gateway to Bayfront Park. Sadly City Council has recently decided to sell the land it is on to a developer. But spring is here and the dedicated volunteers need help getting the garden cleaned up and ready for the season. @sunset-culturalgarden or on Facebook Dates TBA

Beautiful Alleys Spring Cleanup Saturday April 22nd, Earth Day. Join hundreds of volunteers to clean alleys across your city. Email hamiltonalleys@gmail.com

The Escarpment Project Clean up Day is Sunday April 30 – details here: <http://escarpmentproject.ca/>

Create Your Own Spring Clean Up event “Team up to Clean Up” is a free program to create your own clean up event. You pick a date, sign up online, the City of Hamilton will provide gloves / bags etc. and arrange for the collected garbage and recyclables to be picked up for disposal after the event. Interested?
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April Free Event:

GritLit – an annual event all about books and reading runs from April 6 to 9 at various locations around Hamilton. Grit (LIT) Live kicks off with a FREE event Sunday April 2, 7:30 PM at The Staircase Theatre – 27 Dundurn Street North. Authors participating are: Andrew Baulcomb (Evenings and Weekends), Graham Jackson (The Jane Loop), Joe Ollmann (The Abominable Mr. Seabrook), Molly Peacock (The Analyst), Phoebe Wang (Admission Requirements) and Sarah Roughley (Fate of Flames). Visit www.gritlit.ca for event listings + to purchase tickets.