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ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL NORTH END FOOD DRIVE

Thank you to everyone that donated food and cash and volunteered for our annual Food Drive. The Welcome Inn will receive 1800 pounds of food and \$700 cash to top up their cupboards! Great job everyone! See you next year!



THE WELCOME INN **SENIORS DINER CLUB & CYCLING WITHOUT AGE**

SUBMITTED BY KEN HIRTER

Tuesday October 31 2023 marked the end of season ride with Cycling without Age for the Welcome Inn Seniors Diner Club

James Vanderberg, Executive Director of Welcome Inn Community Centre says it began in 2020 when the initiative to start a chapter of Cycling Without Age and partnered with New Hope Community Bikes and other partners (Hamilton Oshawa Port Authorities and McMaster)."The Hamilton chapter of CWA reached out to the Welcome Inn Community Centre in 2021 and invited us to partner with them, connecting our seniors with their ride program on a weekly basis. The rides began with our seniors in the spring of 2021 on a weekly basis (Tuesdays). At the time, we did not have our lunch program up and running, because there were still too many COVID restrictions. When we did reopen our lunch program in September, the rides were mixed into our Tuesday lunch schedule. The rides now run from May to October each year, throughout the summer. Our seniors deeply value the program, because it gives them the chance to get out of the house and enjoy the waterfront. It also means that they get to enjoy thoughtful conversations with the volunteer drivers and spend time outdoors".

Cycling Without Age Canada (CWACA) is a national not-for-profit organization The initiative was founded in 2012 in Denmark. Its aim is reducing social isolation and increasing both mental and physical health for all.

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AMAZING AND UNBELIEVABLE CHRISTMAS TRADITIONS YOU NEVER KNEW EXISTED

SUBMITTED BY BRIAN ROULSTON

Christmas is a time when many people come together in good cheer, good will, and to celebrate with Christmas traditions. Some traditions around the world are fascinating, unusual and even record-breaking.

Queen Victoria instituted the Christmas feast early in her reign. Now, consider a feast of turkey so massive that it makes it into the Guinness Book of World Records. The Duck Inn in Worcestershire, England did just that when they offered the largest commercially available meal on Christmas Eve 2013. Weighing in at 9.6kg (21.1lbs), Ashley and Louise Gargon served the turkey with carrots, parsnips, broccoli and cauliflower; roasted potatoes, pigs in blankets along with 25 Brussels sprouts.

On Christmas Eve, many individuals in Japan like eating KFC fried chicken. The tradition started in the 1970s, when the fast-food giant launched a unique but successful marketing campaign dubbed "Kentucky for Christmas."

The Adelaide Christmas Pageant is regarded as the world's largest Christmas parade. The Australian procession is 3.2 km long and draws over 240,000 spectators from across the continent. It is also televised with over 583,000 viewers tuning in each year. (The Toronto Christmas Parade is, of course, Canada's largest parade; it is the world's oldest Santa Claus procession and one of the world's oldest annual parades. Fun fact, did you know that Eaton's Department store once arranged to have Santa's sleigh drawn by real reindeer brought in from Labrador specifically for the parade in 1913?) Staying in Australia, David Richards a lawyer, set a Guinness Book of World Record in 2014 for the world's largest Christmas light display at his Canberra home. The next year, he constructed a much larger exhibit at a shopping mall in that city. It took the form of three huge Christmas gifts and included 1.2 million LED bulbs. It was proven to be the world's biggest LED display, and if the bulbs had been placed side by side, it would have stretched 120 km (75 miles).

In Colombia, people light up the night with thousands of candles on December 7, the Day of the Little Candles. This tradition marks the start of the Christmas season and honors the Virgin Mary.

For centuries, St. Nicholas aka Kris Kringle was the Santa that most people knew, until Coca-Cola changed his image in 1931 to

what we know today.

At 21.08 meters (69'16" ft.) tall, the world's largest Santa towers above Águeda, Portugal. It is decorated in festive lights and was constructed of 8 metric tonnes (17,637 pounds) of aluminum and iron.

Without his reindeer, Santa's sleigh would be stranded at the North Pole. The world's tallest reindeer rises 40 feet along the interstate highway passing by Naperville, Illinois. The oversized Rudolph features a glowing red nose and is completely covered with festive lights.

A Douglas fir at 64.6 meters (212 ft.) was the world's tallest Christmas tree. It weighed a whopping 22,680 kg (50,000 lbs) and was 287-years-old. The tree was erected in 1950 at the Northgate Centre Mall in Edmonton, Alberta. The biggest Christmas tree in Ontario went up at CF Toronto Eaton's Centre on November 24th, 2016. It was 10 storeys or 33.5 meters high.

And if you had a Christmas tree like one of those, you'd need a serious collection of Christmas ornaments to decorate them such as the one owned by the late Sylvia Pope aka Nana Baubles from Swansea, U.K. Her Guinness Book of Records collection consisted of 1,760 tree decorations; or you could go with one giant ornament like the world's largest bauble. It is 4.68 meters in diameter (15'4") and was created for the Dubai Mall in Dubai, UAE in 2018.

The record for the world's most expensively dressed tree goes to highly luxurious Emirates Palace Hotel in Abu Dhabi, UAE in 2010. The 13.1 meter (43') high tree was decorated with 181 items of jewelry valued at more than \$15.2 million Canadian.

To celebrate its 25th anniversary, Dubai's Global Village Mall embarked on a mission to break 25 Guinness World Records from October 25, 2020 to May 21, 2021. Among the records that it achieved was the largest collection of letters to Santa Clause in a single day. A total of 2,144 letters were written and sent to the North Pole within 24 hours.

You could cram a lot of Christmas goodies in the world's largest Christmas stocking, made by Carrara, Italy's volunteer emergency services in January of 2011. It was 50 meters long (168') x 21 meters (70') heel to toe.

The world's largest Hand Made Candy cane made by Logan's Candies in Ontario, California would make a great stocking stuffer for that stocking; contrary to what your den-



tist might think. The candy cane is 2 meters or 6 feet long and weighs 19 kg or 30 lbs.

At Pudong Shangri-La, Shanghai, China, 80 chefs made the world's longest Christmas cake -yule log- of vanilla with bitter chocolate frosting. It measured 1,068 meters or 3,504 feet, in length.

The Statue of Liberty requires no introduction, it is regarded as the world's largest Christmas present. It was a gift from France to the United States and was built in 1884, shipped to the U.S. and erected, then dedicated by President Grover in October 1886.

A construction firm in Bangkok, Thailand broke the record for the largest gathering of people dressed as Santa's elves on November 25, 2014. In total, 1,762 "elves" were gathered. Unfortunately, fourteen of those so-called elves had to be eliminated because they were not dressed correctly.

The Godswill Akpabio Unity Choir in Nigeria formed the largest Christmas choir in the world on December 19th, 2014, with 25,272 participants. They sang The First Noel, Joy to the World, O' Christmas Tree, Hark! The Herald Angels Sing, Once in Royal David's City, and O' Come, All Ye Faithful.

Finally, we come to what could be perhaps the wackiest Christmas tradition of all, the Norwegian's hide their brooms on Christmas Eve to prevent evil spirits and witches from stealing them. This tradition dates back to ancient times, when people believed that witches were more active on this night.

No matter how you celebrate, on behalf of the North End Breezes, have a safe and happy holiday.

WHISPERS IN THE GARDEN

Fundraiser for Keaton's House -Paul Paletta Children's Hospice



Kelly Matukaitis and Dannial Zubas would like to take this opportunity to thank every single person who helped make the event on October 28th possible.

Everyone who donated prizes and money to our event, we THANK YOU!

Shout out to Grande Pizza, Knights of Columbus Council 5860, Carluke and Aspire Bakery, DJ Dan Rivero, Phillips Jewellery, Miska Trailers, Super Sausage, H William Jewellery, North End Breezes, Alves Meats and Variety, McConnell Plumbing, RD Masonry, Knighton Real Estate, Our Corner and Atmosphere By White Flame.

Most importantly to all of our volunteers we THANK YOU from the bottom of our hearts, we could not have done this without all of you. Special thanks to Christa Ryerson - Botten for all your hard work. We raised over \$30,000.



Sunday Worship 10:00 - 11:30AM **Children's Ministry Nursery to Grade 5**



500 James St N, Hamilton Contact Phone: 905.527.3972 Email: office@jamesnorth.church Office Hours: Mon to Fri 9AM - 4PM www.jamesnorth.church

James North Baptist Church (formerly Hughson Street Baptist) has been a part of the North End for more than 135 years. We have been more than just a worship gathering on Sundays as we meet as many people during the week as we do at our Sunday worship times. We believe the Lord has called us to a very simple philosophy of ministry - we seek to bless the North End of Hamilton in Jesus' name.

We would be glad to welcome you any Sunday at our morning worship gathering. We believe the gospel changes everything. The good news of the gospel is that the death of Jesus Christ has paid the price for our sin, taking the penalty we deserve on Himself, saving us with certainty because of His resurrection. The gospel grants us purpose, hope and a hew perspective on joy and fulfillment. Life may not always be easy, but our hope in Jesus Christ gives us strength for the journey.

We also offer the hope of Jesus to others through our ministries and programs. There are several weekly ministries that you and your family can attend. You could come by on Fridays from 9-11am for Coffee's On where our Food Bank is open to help those who need a little boost. We have children's programming running on Tuesday nights during the school year. Check our website for up-to-date information for programs (www. jamesnorth.church) or give us a call at 905-527-3972.

We are located at the corner of James St N and Picton Ave, the building with affordable housing on top. We would be glad to welcome you.



JAMES NORTH BAPTIST CHURCH WELCOMES A NEW LEAD PASTOR



On Sunday November 19th Pastor David Gray began a new season of at James North. Dave comes to the North End after being the pastor of Trentside Baptist Church in the City of Kawartha Lakes for the past 9 years, overseeing two congregations, one in Fenelon Falls and the other in Bobcaygeon. This change comes as Pastor Dwayne Cline moved on from the role last January after being the pastor of the church for almost 30 years. He has since taken up consulting with various churches and ministries.

Dave grew up in Oshawa so Hamilton has a bit of a familiar feel to it, but is looking forward to getting to know the North End in the coming years. James North is looking forward to Dave bringing his gifts of teaching, leadership training, and strategic thinking to the church as we continue to serve the North End for the glory of God.

As Dave joins the team he looks forward to meeting many neighbours and understanding how the North End works. If you'd like to meet him on his territory, the church gathers every Sunday at 10am for worship, and has many programs during the week. Check out their website for details. www. jamesnorth.church



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> Pastor: Rev. Peter Jurzyk Sunday Mass 11:00 a.m.

Weekday Mass Schedule:

~No Mass Monday~ Tuesday - Confession 6:30 p.m. Mass 7:00 p.m. Wednesday - Mass 12:00 noon Thursday - Confession and Adoration 6:00 p.m., Mass 7:00 p.m. Friday - Mass 12:00 noon Saturday-Confession 9:30 a.m., Mass 10:00 a.m. Please check our website for weekly updates/changes

Sacraments of Marriage or Baptism:

Please contact the parish office to make an appointment to meet with Father Peter

Parish News and Important Dates

CWL Christmas Bake Sale

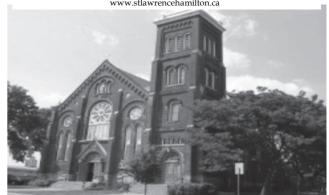
Sunday December 10, 2023 after 11:00 a.m. Mass **Advent Celebration** Thursday December 14 at 7:00 p.m.

Christmas / New Year Mass Schedule

Dec 24th 11:00 a.m. - Mass of the 4th Sunday of Advent Dec 24th 5:00 p.m. - Christmas Vigil Mass Dec 25th 12:00 a.m. - Christmas Midnight Mass Dec 25th 11:00 a.m. - Christmas Day Mass Dec 26th 7:00 p.m. - St. Stephen Mass Dec 31st 11 am - Mass of the Holy Family Sunday Jan 1st 11:00 a.m. - New Year's Day Mass

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WARD 2 UPDATE

SUBMITTED BY WARD 2 COUNCILOR CAMERON KROETSCH



It's been an active and productive year at City Hall, and in the North End. and I'm grateful to be able to represent you as Ward 2 City Councillor.

Thanks to everyone who came out to the Hamilton Public Library or joined

us live online to participate in our Ward 2 Neighbourhood Town Hall on November 13. It was a robust meeting with many questions about citywide and North End issues. Residents wanted to know more about how City Hall works, how I am approaching the work I do, and where I stand on a number of issues. I was happy to be able to engage with everyone face to face.

I'm proud that we were able to hold more than 25 meetings to engage with the community in 2023 and I look forward to announcing our engagement schedule for 2024, which will include more opportunities to hear from you directly.

If you haven't seen it yet, please take the time to read the 2022-23 Impact Report, which is available through my social media accounts and the Ward 2 website at ward2hamilton. ca/reports. It outlines what we've been able to accomplish over the past year, and what I hope we can do together over the next 3

This year, I've worked with the community to address concerns around restoring some of the local urban forest canopy and I will be meeting with CN Railway and Metrolinx to discuss potential improvements to the lands along Strachan Street and at the West Harbour GO Station.

I've also worked with my colleagues on mo-



COUNCILLOR KROETSCH WITH MEMBERS OF CITY STAFF, TRUSTEE DAHAB, AND REPRESENTATIVES FROM CN RAILWAY AND METROLINX AT THE STRACHAN STREET TREE PLANTING IN LATE OCTOBER

tions to direct the repair of existing affordable housing units, invest in non-profit co-operative housing, and to implement a Housing Sustainability Investment Roadmap. We've also put forward motions to protect renters including new bylaws regulating evictions, maximum heat in the summer months, and tenant health and safety.

In addition, the Ward 2 Team has taken on some projects with more local impacts like embarking on a multi-year plan to improve North End sidewalks, working with City staff to conduct street safety reviews and audits, adding garbage cans in busy parts of the core, and implementing a program to clean up litter hot spots.

Over the course of 2023, Council approved my motions to deliver \$30,000 in Community Grants to organizations operating in the North End including Compass Community Health, Lucky Lion Night Market, North End Breezes, NENA, Steel City Inclusive Softball Association, St. Lawrence the Martyr Church, and Welcome Inn.

This has all happened while making significant progress on my campaign promises, especially my commitment to doing things differently as a City Councillor. I will continue in that spirit and will listen, engage, and represent you at City Hall.

None of this is possible without the expert support of the Ward 2 Team and I want to

take this opportunity to thank Liesl Thomas, Hasnain Khan, and Joey McCullough for all of the work they do, every day, to respond to resident concerns, support my work at Council, and make Ward 2 a better place for

If you need our help, at any time, please reach out at Ward2@hamilton.ca or through our office phone number at (905) 546-2197. The Ward 2 Team is in the office Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 8:00am to 4:00pm; Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:00am to 8:00pm; and Saturdays from 10:00am to 2:00pm.

- Cameron-Kroetsch

NORTH ENDER OF THE YEAR AWARD PRESENTATION ANNOUNCEMENT

We are excited to let you know that Jayne Eastwood will present our 2023 Awards! Jayne has appeared in over 150 feature films and worked with cast members Martin Short, Andrea Martin, Gilda Radner and Eugene Levy during her 50 plus years in the industry.

Javne has settled in the North End and calls it home!

We welcome all nominees, their nominators, past winners and guests. Come and visit, enjoy a light luncheon and meet Jayne!

The event will be held on December 2, 2023 at James Baptist Church, 500 James Street North from 11am to 1pm.

Breakfast Club

FREE, FRESH BREAKFAST EVERY DAY BEFORE SCHOOL AT COMPASS COMMUNITY HEALTH 438 HUGHSON ST. N. 7:45 AM TO 9:15 AM

Contact Mariko at mbown-kai@compassch.org to register!

See you there!



DECEMBER GARDEN NOTES

SUBMITTED BY CANDY VENNING

Here we are at the end of the year, I'm not going to tell you to sharpen your shovels, oil your secateur springs and clean out the garage... all worthy but there are enough chores in December.

Instead, I'm going to tell you a little about the local 'green' charities that could use your time, money or a follow and share on social media.

- 1. Royal Botanical Gardens / rbg.ca protects 2,400 acres of Nature Sanctuaries, offers courses, lectures, an excellent café, special events and so much more. The gardens are absolutely glorious. One of my favourite things about a yearly membership is how often I use it, knowing I'm able to visit as often as I like with no admission charge, this includes the incredible rock gardens, greenhouse in winter, and extensive trails that lead down to Cootes paradise. Family \$130 = 2 adults and up to 6 children, Seniors and single memberships approx. ½ that cost. No cash? Consider volunteering for invasive species removal or other events. The RBG is a real treasure!
- Green Venture / greenventure.ca empowers Hamiltonians to implement greener practices in their homes and communities to make our city a climate champion. Those de-pave projects along Barton and in schoolyards are made possible by this group applying for grants and working with multiple stakeholders & community members to complete these projects, they also have a seedling sale in spring as well as various educational programs at Eco-house. Check them out or sign up to volunteer.
- 3. The Hamilton Naturalists Club / hamiltonnature.org states their primary goal: 'To promote the enjoyment of nature through environmental appreciation and conservation' The club has worked hard to raise funds to purchase 10 nature sanctuaries which permanently protect over 500 acres of natural lands while stewarding an additional 60 acres. They regularly meet for hikes, birding and lectures. Membership is just \$45, a great gift!

- 4. Environment Hamilton / environmenthamilton.org The clue is in the name but seriously, membership is free via e-mail, you'll have opportunities to participate in local activism, from in-person protesting, tree planting, contacting counsellors and politicians to fight sprawl and more. They're a super inclusive and friendly group doing great things to protect people and places in Hamilton and be-
- Hobbitstee Wildlife Refuge / hobbitstee.com – a safe and highly equipped facility where sick, injured and orphaned wildlife are rehabilitated. They believe every living creature deserves a second chance, they are an excellent source for education about what to do if you find injured or 'abandoned' wildlife. Their online store has some of the most awesome and unusual earrings (for example, these salamanders) for gifting – go shop, or donate now!

Also, let's not forget our domestic animals; Salty Animal Rescue / saltyanimalrescue.com, Ladybird Animal Sanctuary / ladybirdanimalsanctuary. com and others who consistently need funds for veterinary services or food for all their creatures. I'll be donating in memory of my beautiful kitty who passed over the rainbow bridge last year around this time.

- Donate to your local seed library if you're in the habit of collecting seeds you might want to ask your local garden club (or consider joining) where and what seeds they would like.
- Offer to volunteer some garden services at your local hospice, retirement home or community garden.

So, there we have it - a fantastic list of reminders that there are wonderful people doing good things in the world (including you) and we can donate a little time, money or attention to help boost their efforts!



OUR CHANGING WATERFRONT

SUBMITTED BY KIT DARLING

When I first moved to the North End 30 years ago, it was a very different place. Many of the residents had been born here or lived here all their lives. My 90-year-old neighbour proudly stated that she was born in the North End, married a North Ender and she lived here until the day she died - less than a month before her 100th birthday. It was reminiscent of a small town - there was even a butcher shop for a while. By the waterfront – it was lovely if you only looked in one direction - west toward the marina, yacht club and Leander boating club. The high-level bridge could be seen through the trees. There were even ice boats on the harbour on occasion. On the other hand, straight ahead on Pier 8 it was cracked concrete and weeds, rusting sheds and some rusting coils of steel. All inhabited by Canada Geese and other critters. But times change - as we all do. And thankfully so. I am not what I was 30 years ago nor is our neighbourhood.

Slowly but surely the waterfront is becoming a space to walk from Princess Point to the Haida. Williams Café has replaced an underused sailing school. The rusty sheds and their inhabitants are gone. We have art installations rec-

ognizing and celebrating the Indigenous people who lived here long before any of us arrived. There is music and ice skating and much more. And we are replacing the concrete and weeds with an addition to our community. A mixed residential, commercial and institutional development that is not eating up scarce farmland. It will have housing for families and couples - old and young. There will be affordable housing. There will be room for larger units for families, either in the tower or in the other smaller blocks. And it will bring life to our neighbourhood. I know there are some who wish we could go back 100 years to a green/working harbour. With fish plants and freighters and ice cutting in the winter – but we also know that is an impossible dream. That was then - this is now.

This development - in particular the tower beside Williams and the Discovery Centre, has caused a great deal of debate in our neighbourhood and beyond. Many see it as catering to developers and 'yuppies from Toronto'. There is a misapprehension that they are the only people who have enough money to buy or rent here. We may indeed see more people moving here from outside the City. We will also see Hamiltonians some who may be downsizing and others who have been looking for housing near schools, parks and public transit. And others who have been waiting to move into our neighbourhood, because that's who we are – neighbours.





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THE WELCOME INN SENIORS DINER CLUB & CYCLING WITHOUT AGE

SUBMITTED BY KEN HIRTER

The bikes are trishaws with electric pedals to assist the bike pedaller. Each bike can carry 1 or 2 passengers comfortably and securely to be taken on an adventure previously unimaginable till now.

The volunteer pedallers are called "pilots" and visit care homes, senior centres and community groups to offer rides on the trishaw. The ability to be outdoors is so very, very important, reconnecting with the community and chatting with the wonderful pilots which nurtures emotional well-being for the seniors. Each ride makes passengers simply smile, brings back fond memories and allows them to be part of society again, renewing their appetite for life.

It all starts with a ride!

Look for what's new for 2024 with the Community Ride. Seniors or anyone who has obstacles to riding a bike on their own. For more information, please visit their website at newhopecommunitybikes.com Motto: "The right to wind blow in your hair".

I would especially like to thank Lorraine Chapman (pilot) from the Hamilton Burlington chapter of Cycling Without Age Canada for taking the time between the rides to sit and chat about this wonderful program. Please visit their website and to learn more. https://cyclingwithoutage.ca

Please note that the rides are free and donations are greatly appreciated. I would like to also thank the other pilots Mark Hadala and Dayna Firth for taking the delighted seniors for the last ride-about through scenic Bayfront Park and beyond.

This season end ride-about was bountiful and beautiful catching the end of the fall season in all of it colorful splendor as winter is just around the corner.

This December, remember to continue to support, donate and support the small businesses and non profit organizations in your neighborhood.



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PHOTO HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE 2023 ANNUAL NORTH END FOOD DRIVE





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HISTORIC S.S. KEEWATIN **SETS SAIL FROM THE PORT OF HAMILTON TO CALL KINGSTON HOME**

Once a proud vessel navigating the Great Lakes, the S.S. Keewatin spent six transformative months anchored at the Port of Hamilton, harbouring tales of maritime history.

Built in 1907 in Scotland, and one of the last Edwardian steamships in the world, the Keewatin was once part of the Canadian Pacific Railway Transcontinental transportation system. It served as a passenger ferry and cargo service vessel on the Great Lakes until 1965 when it was established as a museum ship in Port McNicholl.

While docked at HOPA Ports' partner, Heddle Shipyards, the historic vessel underwent a major renovation. "We're doing a lot of deck refurbishment, interior work, mainly cosmetic," said Ted Kirkpatrick, Director of Business Development and Government Relations at Heddle Shipyards. "Friends of the Keewatin organization have done a tremendous job maintaining the engine room. If you go down there, it looks like you could fire it up and sail away," he added.

Once at the heart of shipbuilding, Ontario has a profound cultural and historical connection to ship building and repair, but according to Kirkpatrick, a significant portion of this heritage has been lost in the past two decades. He says there is a gradual resurgence in preserving and reviving that history. "Having the Keewatin here is an important part of raising that awareness; to remind people that Ontario is very much a maritime culture. It's important to have a vibrant port network and commercial shipping operators and the ship repair and ship building yards that support all that."

"It's been such a treat having the Keewatin here in port and seeing the tremendous work by Heddle Shipyards' skilled tradespeople," said Larissa Fenn, Vice President of Corporate Affairs at HOPA. "This project has been a great celebration of Hamilton's maritime workforce, and the contribution this sector makes to Ontario's economy."

The Titanic-era steamship is now at its new home in Kingston where the Great Lakes Museum has plans to make it an exhibit.

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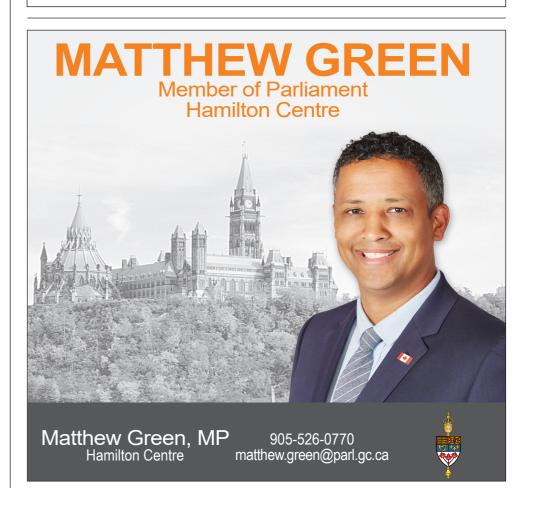
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From the Waterfront Shores team:

Thank you for believing in our vision

Last week, Waterfront Shores celebrated a long-awaited decision after years of extensive community engagement and collaboration with the City of Hamilton.

On Wednesday, November 22, City Council approved the development plans for Block 16 at Pier 8. While this was a proud moment for our team, this approval marked a landmark decision for both the City of Hamilton and the North End community. And we could not have done it without you.

From the beginning of this process, it was important for us to listen to the people of Hamilton and listen to the North End community. It was through these important discussions with families, businesses and community organizations that we came to understand what makes Hamilton the great city we know. And it was through these discussions that our vision for the Pier 8 community came to life.

Set to integrate within a historic neighbourhood, the approved 45-storey tower will foster new opportunities that reimagine city place-making. Block 16 will provide much needed family size units and improve opportunities for the public realm, including a publicly accessible look-out terrace. The civic landmark will contribute to and enhance the broader Pier 8 community and the City of Hamilton.

And our work does not stop with the approval. We have listened and worked with the community

to understand the current and future needs of Hamilton. We are committed to continuing to work closely with you to foster a Hamilton waterfront that we are all proud of. Waterfront Shores is excited to review next steps and work with the City and the community to lead the project into the future. We've heard from you. You want us to get moving! And we will.

To the city staff, the community partners and the entire Hamilton community, you have all contributed to bringing this bold civic landmark to Pier 8, the North End, and Hamilton. Thank you for your support. Thank you for your involvement. Thank you for believing in our vision.

From The Waterfront Shores Partners –



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BENNETTO COMMUNITY CENTRE

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BENNETTO COMMUNITY CENTRE

- Registration starts December 6th, 2023 at 8am!
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- FREE Girls Who Play Registered Program on Thursday starting this Winter!
 - Girls Who Play 9-12 years 4-5pm
 - Girls Who Play 7-17 years 5-6pm
- **NEW Drop-in Open Gym 13-17 years Friday** night 7-8:30pm, starting January 12th!
- **NEW Open Tech Help 55+, starting January** 12th, Fridays 11am-1pm!
- **NEW Anime Art Class 9-12 years Monday 5:30-**6:30pm

Hamilton.ca/Rec for more info such as Drop-In Schedules and **Registered Programs**





Christmas Hampers

If you live in the North End and you could use some assistance with food and gifts for your children this Christmas. contact the James North Baptist Church office at 905.527.3972 to register your family to receive a

Christmas Hamper on December 16. There are limited quantities so register soon.

Christmas Week Services

Sundays December 17 & 24 at 10:00 AM

Christmas Eve Services

Sunday, December 24 6:00pm.

Start your evening in worship.

A simple service of carols, reading the Biblical story of Jesus' birth, and the traditional lighting of candles.



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Volunteers Needed

ONLINE CONTENT CREATORS

The Breezes is looking to add to the online content team. Are you a social media wiz? Photographer, Videographer? A roving reporter? Say hi!

What we're looking for:

- Content creation
- Writing/photo/video chops
- Day-to-Day liason with partners and our community
- Ad buying/ Design skills nice

APPLY NOW

Send Your Info to: office@northendbreezes.com

*If student - can count towards volunteer hours







NORTH END BREEZES TEAM

The Breezes is published on the first day of the month and delivered to 4,200 homes and businesses in print and on-line. Contact us at 289-933-819, by email at office@northendbreezes. com, on our website: www.northendbreezes. com or social@northendbreezes.com.

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Articles may be edited for length, tone, clarity and are subject to publication based on available space.

Deadline for submission is the 15th of the month prior to publication. We appreciate an early notice by the 10th of the month if you want to reserve ad space and early submission gives us time to edit your articles. Pictures and logos are accepted and will be included as space allows.

NORTH END BREEZES MISSION

The North End Breezes is a not-for-profit team of volunteers who produce a monthly newspaper and online publications to promote connectivity, share community news and encourage mutual support by engaging our North End neighbourhood community.

NORTH END BREEZES VISION

The North End Breezes is a vital resource in the North End that promotes harmony, pride and collective community action in a diverse and ever-changing neighbourhood. For 50 years now we've been a resource for the community and rely on our volunteers to keep the information flowing for years to come. Help us grow your Breezes. Please email your thoughts to office@ northendbreezes.com or call 289- 933-4810.

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