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Dear Ward 43 Residents,

I trust that your summer has been a great one thus far. It has been a busy one for our community with the business of City Hall continuing, many community events and festivals as well as community meetings.

I have continued to speak with the Province regarding the proposed wind turbines off of Lake Ontario and urge residents to send in their comments on the government's proposed regulations for off shore projects. Details on how to comment on in section 14.

On July 15, the City's Planning Division held a Community Consultation Meeting regarding the proposal to build a 37,000 sq. m. (400,000 sq. ft) recreational sports facility, aquatics centre and multi-sport field house for the 2015 Pan Am Games at the corner of Military Trail/Morningside Ave. Details of the proposal can be found under section 15 of this report.

I was proud to again this year act as the Chair of The Guild Alive with Culture: An Arts Festival Committee. This year's Arts Festival took place on August 7 and 8 on the Guild Inn property located at 201 Guildwood Parkway. A success on all fronts the Festival was enjoyed by residents who attended from across the City. This year's new feature was the Centennial Café which was very popular with all the festival goers. The food, music, artists and community groups were great this year. It was a fun-filled event!

The Terry Fox Run will take place on September 19, 2010. This year I have taken our local organizer, Ken Pearson's challenge and have registered a team "Paul Ainslie". To join the team please see all the details under section 16.

I look forward to seeing you on September 19 at the Terry Fox Run.

Your Councillor

Paul Ainslie

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1. Scarborough East Community Calendar

August 5, 2010 - Mornelle Court Residents Action Coalition meeting
August 5, 2010 - Festival Market at 4040 Lawrence Avenue & Guildwood Farmers Market 85 Livingston Rd.
August 7, 2010 – Guild Alive with Culture Arts Festival
August 8, 2010 – Guild Alive with Culture Arts Festival
August 9, 2010 - Budget Committee Meeting
August 9, 2010 – Guild Renaissance Group Meeting
August 10, 2010 – Toronto Public Library Board Meeting
August 10, 2010 - Safety planning audit Meeting – Kingston Galloway Orton Park
August 12, 2010 - Festival Market at 4040 Lawrence Avenue & Guildwood Farmers Market 85 Livingston Rd.
August 17, 2010 - safety audit on Lawrence Avenue East
August 18, 2010 – Meeting with Youth leaders for 90 and 110 Mornelle Court
August 18, 2010 - Rose Garden Bike Rodeo at 4040 Lawrence Avenue East
August 19, 2010 - Community Development and Recreation Committee
August 19, 2010 - Market at 4040 Lawrence Avenue & Guildwood Farmers Market 85 Livingston Rd.
August 22, 2010 – Lakeview Community Barbeque
August 24, 2010 - Toronto Zoo Board of Management Meeting
August 25, 2010 – Toronto City Council
August 26, 2010 – Toronto City Council
August 26, 2010 - Market at 4040 Lawrence Avenue & Guildwood Farmers Market 85 Livingston Rd.
August 27, 2010 – Compost Available - Curran Hall CC
August 28, 2010 - Toronto Heritage - Natural walk at the Guild Inn Property and surrounding areas

2. Seven Oaks

Tree Planting: The Urban Forestry Division is planning to increase the urban forest canopy in Brooks Road Park while providing shade for the residents who use the park. The planting is scheduled begin this fall to be completed in the Spring of 2011. If you would like further information on this project please contact my office at 416-392-4008.

Neilson Road: Arrangements have been made and room exists for the planting 60 large caliper street trees along Neilson Road between Ellesmere Road and the 401, which would provide a 3:1 replacement ratio for the trees taken down earlier this year. I have asked that the trees be plated this Fall.

Join my Terry Fox Run for Cancer Team: Join the Paul Ainslie Team for this worthwhile event on Sunday September 19. You may join by visiting www.terryfox.org call 1-888-836-9786 We will meet at Cedarbrook Park – off Markham Road Below Lawrence Ave E at 9 a.m. You can bicycle, rollerblade, walk or run. The route is also Wheelchair accessible.

Compost Available: Very popular with the Seven Oaks Community, Compost will be available on Friday August 27, 2010 at the Curran Hall Community Centre located at 277 Orton Park Road. Compost will be available in the rear parking lot from 6:00 p.m. until quantities last.

3. Curran Hall Community

website: <http://www.curranhall.ca/>

Compost Available: Compost will be available on Friday August 27, 2010 at the Curran Hall Community Centre located at 277 Orton Park Road. Compost will be available in the rear parking lot from 6:00 p.m. until quantities last.

Fields of Gold, Daffodil's for Botany Hill Park: I have arranged to have the Cancer Society plant golden daffodils in Botany Hill Park. The daffodil is the Society's symbol of hope and the program offers residents a chance to honour family and friends who have fought cancer. The daffodil bulbs will be planted this fall.

The program, developed in collaboration with the City's Parks, Forestry and Recreation and Transportation Services Divisions. Money raised by Fields of Gold will help the Canadian Cancer Society's mission of eradicating cancer through research, to provide

messaging on prevention and advocacy efforts, and enhancing the quality of life of people living with cancer through information and community-based services. Fields of Gold daffodil bulbs are available for \$10 each or three bulbs for \$15. For more information on the Fields of Gold gardens or to purchase bulbs, visit www.cancer.ca/fieldsofgold or call 416-323-7154.

Off Leash Dog Park: Construction for the off-leash area commenced this week with an anticipated completion date of August 30, 2010. As advised in my last report the details for the park are as follows Hours of Operation: 7am – 10pm Monday through Sunday. The height of the fence will be 4 feet high. Park users can park along Orton Park Rd for the allotted 3 hour limit, as well as park at the adjacent community centre. It will be the responsibility of the dog owner to supervise their dog. The fence is a visual guideline and is there to provide containment not confinement.

4. Coronation and West Hill Community

Website: <http://www.coronationca.com/>

Heron Park Family Fun Day: Saturday August 21, 11:00 to 2:30 Heron Park Community Centre One of West Hill's major Community Event, to be held in Cooperation with local community groups and TPF&R will be held on the baseball diamond. Last year saw about 700+ people attend. BBQ, games, live concerts, inflatables, face painting, Zoo display, henna, police, fire etc.

Annual General Meeting: Tues. Oct. 5 6:30 - 9:30 Eastview Public School The CCA Annual meeting will take place 20 Waldock St

CPLC / Police Family Skate Day: Fri. Nov. 19, 12:00 - 2:00 Scarborough Village Centre. Kingston Rd & Markham Rd Free Family Skate -Hosted by Community Police Liaison Committee and 43 Division Toronto Police Services. Skates will be available for those that do not have skates - while quantities last. Used skates can be donate by dropping them off at 43 Division Police Station.

Annual Police Toy Drive: Sat. Nov. 20, 43 Division Police Station @ 4331 Lawrence East. New toys can be dropped of at the Police Station . 4331 Lawrence Ave. These toys will be distributed to less fortunate children. Help give a Kid Christmas.

Breakfast with Santa: Tentative Date Sat. Dec 11 9:00 am - 12:00 pm, Heron Park Community Centre Hosted by City of Toronto Parks & Rec. and Local Community Groups

5. Cedar Ridge Community

Cedar Ridge Gallery: the gallery features the Cedar Ridge Creative Centre Students Exhibit. Please contact Joy at 416.396.4112 for more information.

Adult Art Programs:

Drawing Fundementanls for Beginners - Monday, 6:30 - 9:30 pm Cost: \$125/10 weeks

Drawing & Painting (All Levels) Wednesday, 7 - 10 pm; Thursday, 1 - 4 pm; Saturday, 9 am - 12 noon Cost: \$125/10 weeks

Drawing & Painting - Tuesday, 6:30 - 9:30 pm Cost: \$125/10 weeks

Portrait Painting - Monday, 1 - 4 pm Cost: \$125/10 weeks

Watercolours

Beginner -Tuesday, 7 - 10 pm Cost: \$125/10 weeks

Beginner - Thursday, 9 am - 12 noon Cost: \$125/10 weeks

Intermediate - Friday, 9 am - 12 noon cost: \$125/10 weeks

All Levels - Saturday, 9 am - 12 noon Cost: \$125/10 weeks

All Levels - Saturday, 1 - 4 pm Cost: \$125/10 weeks

Pottery

Beginner Pottery - Monday, 7 - 10 pm; Wednesday 9 am - 12 noon Cost: \$125/10 weeks

Intermediate Pottery - Tuesday, 1 - 4 pm Cost: \$125/10 weeks

Beginner/Intermediate Pottery - Wednesday 7 - 10 pm; Saturday, 9 am - 12 noon Cost: \$125/10 weeks

Please call Cedar Ridge at (416) 396-4026 for additional information.

Jumblies Theatre for Like An Old Tale: As artists-in-residence, in collaboration with Toronto Cultural Services and Cedar Ridge

Creative Centre, Jumblies has spent the past year it taking inspiration from Shakespeare's The Winter's Tale - with its themes of seasonal and life cycles, jealousy, betrayal, courage to defy authority, loss, atonement, redemption and - as a springboard for generating new poetry, imagery and stories, and expressing it all through theatre, dance, music, writing, visual arts and storytelling.

For more information about Jumblies Theatre and this event, go to www.jumbliestheatre.org or contact info@jumbliestheatre.org, 416 203 8428.

6. Cornell Community

Cedarbrae Library Update: The library renovation is coming together quite nicely. Residents can now see the transformation taking place as the glass walls are visible from Markham Road. It is evident that the building will be a beautiful addition to our community. The building renovations are on schedule for a late Summer opening. The library re-opening will be a highly anticipated event which will be open to the public. The completed library will be 26,200 square feet and will include a redesign all interior spaces. All the details may be viewed at:

http://www.torontopubliclibrary.ca/hou_loc_bra_ced_renovation.jsp.

7. Guildwood Village

Website: www.guildwood.on.ca

The Guild Alive with Culture Arts Festival: Was a great success this year. The event which took place on August 7 and August 8 was a treat with great food, entertainment, artists and community Groups. Dorsey James a great favourite attracted many on lookers as he carved and spoke about his time as a sculpture on the grounds of the Guild Inn. The Centennial Café was great addition this year. Everyone raved about the food and display the Café brought to the park.

Chairing the festival committee and working with the community groups and residents to bring this festival to you has been very fulfilling.

Emerald Ash Borer: I have submitted a Notice of Motion to be heard during this month's Toronto City Council scheduled for August 25/26, 2010. The motion recommends that: 1. The City of Toronto take a proactive approach toward the impending local infestation and develop an Official Management Plan to Fight A Potential Emerald Ash Borer Infestation. 2. The Management Plan to address the City's response to the impact the Emerald Ash Borer will have upon the tree population in the City of Toronto. As a part of this Official Management Plan, the City will also attempt to help the private sector including private residential property owners, with the concerns regarding disease or decay of Ash trees due to the Emerald Ash Borer. 3. As it is certain that this pest will eradicate the majority of the Ash species in Toronto, the City needs to create an "Official" proactive plan to address public and private needs before, during and after the infestation. The management plan is to address:

- **Monitoring** as the infestation approaches the City of Toronto;
- **Communication** from the City of Toronto's Forestry Department to: City Council, residents and the private sector regarding how to recognize signs of infestation and what to do;
- **Treatment** – trees located on public property and having a very high potential for survival may be treated in an attempt to protect them from the impending infestation;
- **Removal** – as necessary trees on public property that are dead, posing a safety threat or not salvageable due to the Emerald Ash Borer shall be removed;
- **Replace** (Canopy Replacement and Care)– the City will replace Ash trees removed from parks and public property with other species and will recommend that streets with Ash tree lawn trees be considered for future "Free Tree Lawn Tree" programs that are sponsored by the City through the Forestry Department.
- **Federal government:** The City of Toronto needs to engage the Federal government to seek assistance for private residential homeowners to reduce the monetary burden placed on them to replace infected trees on their property.

8. The Residents Rising Community Association

Residents Rising Community Association: If you would like to get involved and help create a new vision for the Kingston/Galloway/Lawrence & Morningside Community, the Residents Rising Community Association is looking for new team

members. Meeting monthly, the RR team helps to plan events, brainstorm ideas and works with local partners to improve the neighbourhood. Members represent many cultures, ages, economic levels and abilities. They are looking for local residents who care about the community and are willing to volunteer and participate. The office is located at 4117 Lawrence Avenue East, unit 100A or call 647-347-2342.

9. Mornelle Court Resident's Action Coalition

Community Update: On Wednesday August 18, 2010, I met with the Youth Committee to discuss issues important to them within their community. The meeting was very successful. It was pointed out that the lighting in the basket ball court was poor as well as there being a lack of garbage bins in the area. These concerns were brought to TCHC to address.

Community Barbeque: Mornelle Court Residents Coalition held a successful community BBQ on July 10, 2010 held at 110 Mornelle Court. The event was well attended.

The Mornelle Court Resident's Action Coalition: Association meetings take place the first Thursday of each month with the next meeting scheduled for Thursday May 3, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. @ 110 Mornelle Court in the community room. New members are encouraged as there are many events planned for the upcoming months.

10. Tenant Information

Parking at TCHC properties: The petition circulating in regards to the new visitor parking regulations has been submitted to Toronto Community Housing Corporation, as I do not support their decision to install meters. I have asked TCHC to terminate the new pay Visitor Parking meters. I take this position as in residential neighbourhoods visitors/residents are permitted to park on city streets for a three hour period. Residents who reside in TCHC buildings are not being given this same privilege. I have outlined that organizations such as the Boy's and Girls Club of East Scarborough are faced with parking fees when they attend TCHC properties to deliver programming. You may send me an email to support my petition at councillor_ainslie@toronto.ca.

Municipal Standard issues? Dial 311 to be put forward to the Inspections - Apartment Standards Division. You may also email at 311@toronto.ca. You may also visit the apartment Standards webpage: <http://www.toronto.ca/apartmentstandards/faq.htm>

ML&S Apartment Standards Web Disclosure: The City of Toronto has developed a Web site to facilitate public access to information pertaining to property standards orders issued by the Municipal Licensing and Standards (ML&S) Division. This disclosure also includes by-law and inspection information as well as deficiency details and order status with respect to multi-residential rental apartment buildings within the City of Toronto. However, no personal information about individuals (owners, tenants or complainants) will be disclosed.

11. City of Toronto Council Highlights

Council Highlights

City Council meeting of July 6, 7 and 8, 2010

Lawrence Heights revitalization

Council approved proceeding with the revitalization of the Lawrence Heights housing complex. Created in 1957, the neighbourhood currently houses about 3,700 tenants in 1,208 units. The Toronto Community Housing Corporation will replace all 1,208 present-day rent-geared-to-income units, and 4,792 market units will be added to the 60.5-hectare property, for a total of 6,000 housing units. Revitalizing Lawrence Heights as outlined in the broad Lawrence Allen Revitalization Plan that Council endorsed will help bring positive social and economic changes to that area of the city. Council adopted many directives to City divisions and agencies concerning this major initiative.

Tower renewal across the city

Council endorsed a plan for implementing the Tower Renewal Program city-wide (as presented in the City's "Tower Renewal Implementation Book") and approved steps to establish a Tower Renewal Corporation. The corporation will administer financing and co-ordinate incentive programs for highrise apartment building renewal in Toronto. The City will encourage the participation of local businesses and manufacturers in supplying products and services for tower renewal projects.

Commendations for G20 Summit work

Council adopted a motion commending Toronto Police Chief Bill Blair and the Toronto Police Service and other police/security personnel who participated in June's G20 Summit in Toronto "on a job well done." The motion also thanked the police chief for his support of the Toronto Police Services Board's decision to launch an independent civilian review of the G20 Summit, and acknowledged the Toronto Police Services Board for exercising its oversight role. Council also adopted a motion commending all City staff who helped with the Summit.

Voters list for City election

Council decided to ask the Ontario government to initiate electoral reform to establish a permanent municipal voters list that would be compiled and maintained by an organization such as Elections Ontario. Council also requested the City Clerk to support enfranchisement of tenants in Toronto by arranging for the distribution of the application form (and information) to assist with adding voters' names to the Voter's List in advance of this fall's municipal election. The City Clerk was asked to report back to City Council on problems with the current enumeration system.

Aboriginal communities in Toronto

Council adopted a "Statement of Commitment towards Aboriginal Communities in Toronto" and directed the City Manager to prepare a related action plan. Council also authorized the preparation of guidelines for considering urban Aboriginal issues in all the City's policy development and service delivery. Council expressed appreciation to Aboriginal Affairs Committee members for their work on the statement of commitment and extended thanks to members of the Aboriginal community for participating in the process of preparing the statement.

Evolution of Lower Don Lands

Council voted to support plans by Waterfront Toronto and the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority to revitalize the Lower Don Lands, re-naturalize the lower Don River and flood protect the Port Lands. Council directed that the corridors of the Lower Don River and infrastructure in the Lower Don Lands must be protected from development. In addition, Council approved an affordable housing strategy for the Keating Channel lands.

Management of Casa Loma

Council directed City officials to initiate a dispute resolution process to address concerns about the Kiwanis Club's management of Casa Loma. If not satisfied with progress on the operational and financial management of the City-owned tourist attraction, the City intends to terminate the management agreement with the Kiwanis Club and find another way of managing Casa Loma. Under the 2008 agreement, the Kiwanis Club of Casa Loma was to implement a "Strategic Vision" for the facility and meet certain obligations, but the organization is behind in meeting expectations.

St. Lawrence Market building design

Council endorsed the selection of a design proposed for a new St. Lawrence Market north building. The winning design was chosen in an international design competition. The design consists of a four-storey building with ground-floor market hall, courtrooms and offices on the second, third and fourth floors, and an underground parking garage.

Next year's Canadian census

Council supported a motion urging the federal government to reverse its recent decision to scrap the mandatory "long-form" census that for many years has provided detailed information to municipal governments. The federal government intends to use a new, voluntary household survey for the 2011 census. That change is expected to hamper the City of Toronto's access to the kind of detailed information needed in planning municipal policies and programs - ranging from immigrant settlement support to public transit design.

Toronto bid to host Ontario Summer Games

Council agreed that the City of Toronto will support the Toronto Sports Council's bid to hold the 2012 Ontario Summer Games in Toronto. If chosen as host, the City of Toronto will make a financial contribution and serve as the financial guarantor of the event.

12. Farmers / Festival Markets in Ward 43

Guildwood Village Farmers' Market: presented by: Farmers' Markets By The Bluffs Association starts: June 10, 2010 2:00 PM Guildwood Parkway and Livingston Road Ends: October 7, 2010 06:30 PM. The farmers' market is held every week in a lovely green space under beautiful tall trees. A bounty awaits you. There is organic produce, fruits, seafood, meats, cheese, fresh bread, baked goods, jams, soups, and more. We also feature artisans and musical talent. Make the market your weekly stop! See you there! For more information contact: Phone: 416-694-4024 www.marketsbythebluffs.com TTC: Guildwood GO Station.

Albert Campbell Square Scarborough Civic Centre FARMERS MARKET: Every Tuesday from June 15 - October 19, 2010. Farm fresh selection of produce, baked goods and preserves International flavours of local restauranters, Jazz, R&B, Folk, Roots and World Music by Toronto-based musicians Free admission! Brought to you by the City's Facilities Management Division.

East Scarborough Festival Market: Located at 4040 Lawrence Ave. East. Starting June 3rd. Thursdays from 2:00pm – 5:00 pm. Fresh fruits & vegetables, Organic Produce, Delicious snacks, Children's activities, Music & entertainment, Many items for sale, Bingo at every market.

13. Update on Proposed Wind Turbines on Lake Ontario

NO OFFSHORE WIND TURBINES

SUBMIT YOUR COMMENTS BY AUGUST 24, 2010

Telephone: Environmental Registry inquiry line at **416-325-7893**. Posting no. 011-0089 Renewable Energy Approval Requirement For Offshore Wind Facilities. This line allows you to leave your comments.

E-mail & Web-site: Log onto <http://www.ebr.gov.on.ca/ERS-WEB-External/>

insert the posting no. **011-0089** to view the Policy Proposal. To submit a comment via email/online, click the submit button found under the comment section.

The Ministry of Natural Resources announced the Province decided on a 5 kilometre setback for offshore wind turbines. As the lake bed at the Scarborough Bluffs drops off after 4 kilometres this would mean the proposed wind turbines off of the Scarborough Bluffs would not be viable. This setback should eliminate any projects close to shore, including the proposed project off the Scarborough Bluffs. No projects in Ontario can go forward until the regulations are finalized.

Since the project was proposed, I have had continuous dialogue on this issue with the Province, City Council and Toronto Hydro, stating the Scarborough Bluffs is not the proper location for wind turbines and that "no go" zones need to be implemented. I will not be supporting the proposal as it is not financially viable. In addition to economics, health, natural landscapes- specifically those with sensitive eco-systems, and sites with historical value such as the Scarborough Bluffs, would be inappropriate locations for wind turbines. Finally, as I do not want to miss any opportunities to represent you, I have and will continue to openly speak to the Province and Toronto Hydro to immediately shut all aspects of this project down.

On June 4, 2010, I met with Hon. Brad Duguid, Minister of Energy and Infrastructure (Scarborough Centre) and Hon. Margaret Best, Minister of Health Promotion (Scarborough - Guildwood). At this meeting I again outlined concerns and stressed that the Province needs to be vigilant to protect the residents, listen, and ensure questions are answered. I stressed leaving loopholes in their regulations would not be a measure which I would be supportive of nor will I be supportive of a setback which would allow wind turbines off the Scarborough Bluffs.

Community input is a measure which I have been fighting for since the Province introduced the Green Energy Act. In February 2009, I moved a motion seconded by Councillor Karen Stintz requesting that the City of Toronto seek from the Province a provision in the Act which would allow for community focused stakeholder groups to provide input from a community prospective. Mayor Miller was not supportive of the motion and with his Executive Committee quashed the motion.

Please exercise your opportunity to comment on the Province's Requirements for Offshore Wind Facilities.

14. Aquatics centre and multi sport field house for the 2015 Pan/ Am Games

A community consultation meeting was held on July 15, 2010 to develop a 37,000 sq.m (400,00 sq. ft) recreational aquatics centre at the University of Toronto, Scarborough Campus. This centre is intended for the 2015 Pan American Games to be held in

July 2015.

The purpose of the Meeting was to provide an opportunity for the community to have input on this project, view the plans and ask questions.

If you did not attend the meeting or would like further information please contact Andrea Reaney, Senior Planner, at (416) 396-7023, or by e-mail at areaney@toronto.ca.

15. Seniors Issues

As I feel strongly in helping our seniors, I, at City Council on July 7, 2010 brought forward several motions requesting for increased senior housing within Toronto Community Housing Corporation. My requests included:

- increasing the amount of seniors' designated housing within East Scarborough.
- Strategies for human resource development for public domains of participatory action, including how TCHC prepares and assesses its public servants for their roles as communicators and social facilitators.
- The need to develop a unique plan for resident participation appropriate to each locale, be it in neighbourhoods or smaller subsections, with sufficient budgetary allocations and expertise for such programs.

Low income Seniors and Persons with Disabilities: An application may be made to cancel or defer tax increases, and receive water rebates. For details on eligibility and how to apply: www.toronto.ca/taxes/property_tax/tax_relief.htm or call 416-338-4829.

16. Infrastructure Funds for Morningside Park and Guildwood Park, Child Care and Youth Services

To ensure that Federal infrastructure funds reached Ward 43, I kept an open dialogue with the Federal government. Ward 43 is receiving funding with one project already completed.

Morningside Park Trail Improvements have been completed. The project included: Re-paving sections of trails and the service yard in Morningside Park. Project costs of \$295,303.82

Guildwood Park trail improvements Trail Improvements.

Native Child Care Centre currently being built at Galloway and Kingston Road.

Boys and Girls Club of East Scarborough expansion.

17. Get on the Voters' List

Election Day is Monday, October 25, 2010. In order to make voting a quick and easy experience, voters are encouraged to make sure that they are included on the Voters' List. Being on the Voters' List ensures that voters receive important election messaging such as their voter information card. The voter information card details where and when to vote, and also speeds up the time spent at the voting location.

The Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) is responsible for preparing the preliminary list of electors. This is an initial list of individuals who are eligible to vote in a municipal and school board election and this list is used by the City of Toronto to create the final Voters' List. Information about property owners and tenants is included in MPAC's database and the database is kept up to date with the help of residents.

MPAC will mail Municipal Enumeration Forms later this month to specific households where it needs to confirm or update the occupant information currently on file. Residents are asked to review the information, confirm and/or make any necessary changes. Once the form has been completed, please sign and return it to MPAC in the envelope provided no later than June 1, 2010.

Residents who do not receive a Municipal Enumeration Form in the mail are asked to contact MPAC directly before June 1, 2010 to find out if they are currently in MPAC's database, to update or change their information, or to have their name added. Doing so will make voting day easy.

MPAC can be reached directly:

Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Toll free: 1-866-296-MPAC (6722)
Website: <http://www.mpac.ca>

Access for the Deaf or Hard of Hearing is available by calling 1-877-TTY-MPAC (6722) or through the Bell Relay service

18. Rouge Valley Health Services/Centenary Hospital

I have had the pleasure of being an active member of their Community Fundraising Panel. This year the hospital launched the "Buy and Bed" campaign which my wife and I are co-chairing. This is a great way for you to support your local hospital. For further information please visit: www.Buyabed.ca

19. City Newsroom Web page

The City has launched a newsroom web page, <http://www.toronto.ca/newsroom/>. This web page consolidates information frequently requested by media. Useful information about City Council decisions, City policies, services and programs, new and emerging initiatives and media contacts can be found all in one place.

Information available includes:

- City news releases, media advisories and reports
- City Council and committee agendas and decisions
- City publications such as Our Toronto
- Mat stories, photographs and videos on City initiatives
- Media contacts for City divisions
- The City's agencies, boards and committees directory
- How to sign up to receive City news releases and media advisories

The City of Toronto values the role that the media play in communicating information about City services, programs and initiatives to the public. The City's newsroom page will continue to be updated to include further information about City services and programs in the future.

20. Eastview Breakfast Club at Eastview Public School

Volunteers are needed for the Eastview Public School Breakfast Club. Volunteers will help serve the children and prepare for the program. If you are interested in volunteering or would like to help support this excellent program please contact: Eastview Jr Public School, Special Education Assistant/Nutrition co-ordinator at 416-396-6210 Faye.Wheeler@tdsb.on.ca.

21. New spay-neuter clinic opens adjacent to Toronto Animal Services East Shelter

The Toronto Animal Services East Spay-Neuter Clinic has officially. The new clinic is located at the Toronto Animal Services East Shelter, 821 Progress Avenue.

Staffed by Toronto Animal Services veterinarians and technicians, the clinic will perform spaying and neutering for Toronto's feral cat population through registered caretakers of Toronto's feral cat colonies. The clinic will also perform spaying and neutering for Toronto Animal Services' adoption animals.

Animal Services will work with cat colony caretakers in Toronto who will trap the cats, bring them to the shelter and then return the cats to their colonies after the surgery and recovery.

The renovation of the clinic has been funded by money the City has received for 'community benefits' in exchange for increased height and density in certain developments.

For more information on the clinic, visit <http://www.toronto.ca/animalservices>.

22. Quote du Mois

"We must use time wisely and forever realize that the time is always ripe to do right." Nelson Mandela

23. Websites for Community Use

www.secure.torontopolice.on.ca/tpsml/ (sign up for your community reports)

www.222tips.com

www.ourkgocommunity.com

www.toronto.ca/city-update

<http://wx.toronto.ca/festevents.nsf/>

www.seetorontonow.com/

www.torontopubliclibrary.ca/pro_march_break.jsp

www.sportacularevent.com/leaside-GHL_2009.php

www.torontobotanicalgarden.ca/children/marchbreak.htm

www.toronto4kids.com/component/option,com_eventing/task,viewcatall/id,57/ <http://www.ourkids.net/march-break-camps.php>

www.ago.net/gallery-school

www.toronto.ca/parks/recreation_facilities/skiing/centennialski.htm

www.starfall.com/

24. ENews Policy and Contact Information

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