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Happy Canada Day!!

Summer marks the beginning of our festival season here in Ward 43. My annual "The Guild Alive with Culture Art's Festival" will be held on Saturday July 27 – Sunday July 28 on the grounds of the Guild park & Gardens. This is a fantastic festival put together by my staff and the Guild Renaissance Group. The two day event is a great way to spend the week-end listening to live music performed on the outdoor Greek amphitheatre, as well as visiting artists selling original pottery, paintings, sculptures, jewellery, fiberware, and photography. Back again this year is the Old Stone Cottage Pub serving up good food and fun. Come join us and enjoy the festival. [Link to website](#)

June marked my first month as the Parks and Environment Chair. This will be a good opportunity for me to review all the City of Toronto Parks to see how we can improve on them and the way they serve the local community. This month I added two more Friends Groups to Ward 43, joining the others is Friends of Brooks Road Park and Friends of Morningside Park. I will be hosting a meeting with all my Friends of Parks groups this fall to discuss the new partnership policies put in place.

Scarborough's 46th Annual Canada Day celebration will be held in Thomson Park (1005 Brimley Rd.) from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Monday. This free event will include a free pancake breakfast, buskers, bouncy inflatables, entertainment and a craft show/sale. Thomson Park Memorial Museum will be open, and hot-air balloon rides will be offered. Seniors can also participate in a slo-pitch softball game. More information about this free event is available by calling 416-338-1968.

The annual Canada Day parade will begin at 4 p.m. west of the Scarborough Civic Centre on Brimley Road, ending at Lawrence Avenue East and Brimley Road at about 5:30 p.m. More information is available by calling 416-396-4069. The parade is sponsored by Metroland Media Toronto. Admission is free. A free fireworks display at Milliken Park (Steeles Road and McCowan Road) will begin at dusk. For more information, call 416-396-7757.

We have beautiful gardens in Scarborough lets give them the recognition they deserve. Nominations for this year's Scarborough Trillium Garden Awards is open for applications. If you would like to nominate a front garden please email bilton@toronto.ca or trilliumgardenawards@toronto.ca. The deadline for nominations is Monday, July 8.

Also send me your nomination as every year I recognize all the beautiful gardens in Ward 43 councillor_ainslie@toronto.ca. Your time and dedication to beautify our community is much appreciated.

Sincerely,
Paul Ainslie,
City of Toronto Councillor
Ward 43, Scarborough East

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1. Calendar

- July 1, 2013 * Canada Day Parade - Legion Event: Lawson Rd. & Centennial Rd.
- July 1, 2013 * Scarborough Canada Day Parade: Brimley Road and Progress Rd
- July 2, 2013 * Guild Renaissance Group Meeting
- July 3, 2013 * Executive Committee
- July 4, 2013 * Festival Market 4130 Lawrence Ave. E.
- July 4, 2013 * Councillor Ainslie's Community BBQ: Kingston Galloway Orton Park Community.
- July 6, 2012 * Guild Park Walking Tour
- July 8, 2013 * Ice Rink Scroll presentation to Home Depot: Natural Ice Rink at Morningside Park
- July 9, 2013 * Guildwood Village Community Association Meeting
- July 11, 2013 * Festival Market 4130 Lawrence Ave. E.
- July 12, 2013 * Kingston - Galloway Activity Group - Annual BBQ: 4301 Kingston Road
- July 15, 2013 * Flagstaff Park - Celebration of refurbishment of park: 42 Mercury Rd
- July 16, 2013 * Toronto City Council
- July 17, 2013 * Toronto City Council
- July 18, 2013 * Festival Market 4130 Lawrence Ave. E.
- July 20, 2013 * Councillor Ainslie's Community BBQ Mornelle Court
- July 22, 2013 * Toronto Public Library Board Meeting
- July 23, 2013 * Kingston Galloway Orton Park Planning Board Planning
- July 25, 2013 * Festival Market 4130 Lawrence Ave. E.
- July 25, 2013 * Don Watershed Regeneration Council Meeting
- July 26, 2013 * Toronto Region Conservation Authority Meeting
- July 27, 2013 * Guild Alive with Culture Art's Festival
- July 28, 2013 * Guild Alive with Culture Art's Festival

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2. Seven Oaks

Thank you - Annual Community Barbeque

It was a pleasure to see you all at my annual community barbeque on Thursday June 20, 2013. The weather held up for us this year, marking a great evening. Next year's barbeque will be celebrated with the opening of the new Seven Oaks Community splash pad for all to enjoy.

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3. Curran Hall Community

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

Curran Hall Community Centre Programs

[Link to Flyer](#)

Activity Camp – Fun in The Sun (3 – 5 yrs): Boys and girls will participate in a variety of active and passive games, sports, arts, crafts and special events supervised by experienced staff. Children will also go on outings arranged by the camp coordinator. Children must be toilet trained.

Activity Camp - Fun in The Sun (6 – 12 yrs): Over the course of each camp session, campers will be involved in arts and crafts, games, sports, special events, outdoor activities and local trips.

Adventure Camp - Eco – (6 – 12 yrs): Environmental Camp, with a focus on learning to garden. Camp highlights include hiking and nature exploration, organic gardening, drama, storytelling, music, nature crafts, cooking, and more! Join us as we put our hands in the soil and our hiking shoes on.

Adventure Camp – (6 – 12 yrs): This camp has all the ingredients of an activity Camp and more. Campers are introduced to a variety of enhanced activities through workshops, special events and excursions.

Cornell Youth Leadership 1 - (12-15 yrs): This program exposes participants to the skills associated with leadership and skill development. There will be leadership workshops, but this is not a certification program. Participants will work on their resume and do a placement in one of our camps.

Behind The Scenes - (10-14 yrs): Participants experience a variety of behind the scenes work including video and the written word. Campers will also enjoy active games and activities. A showcase will take place every Friday afternoon for the campers to show off their achievements.

Minds In Motion Summer Camp - (16-29 yrs): This camp is for individuals with an intellectual disability. This program includes trips, recreational swimming, sports, various games and activities, explore new themes, and lots of social interaction. We focus on functional life skills and incorporate TTC and street safety training on our community outings and offer a four-to-one camper to staff ratio. Campers must be ambulatory.

New Adventure: Eco Camp: Environment camp, with a focus on learning to garden. Camp highlights include hiking and nature exploration, organic gardening, drama, storytelling, music, nature crafts, cooking, and more! Join us as we put our hands in the soil and our hiking shoes on. www.toronto.ca/parks/index.htm | 416-338-4386 or 416-396-5143. [Link](#)

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4. Coronation and West Hill Community

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

Pow Wow Celebrations

Congratulations to everyone for putting on such a great celebration on June 27. From the sunrise ceremony to the Grande Entry later in the afternoon, the event was wonderful.

5. Cedar Ridge Community & Cornell Community

Mark the date for the Annual Community Barbeque on Tuesday August 26, 2013 at Cornell Park. If you would like to volunteer please call my office 416-396-7222.

Cornell Park Sports Pad

Staff have advised me that the sports pad is on schedule to be completed in mid to late July weather permitting. I want to ensure the residents that the new amenity is for you all to enjoy. Please respect your neighbours when using the park and keep it clean. The community park belongs to you, let it be a reflection of the good Cornell community spirit. As reported in my communications to the residents over the past two years the sports pad will be a fenced in structure.

Cedar Ridge creative Centre- 225 Confederation Drive

416-396-4026 – crcc@toronto.ca

Cedar Ridge Gallery Hours: Mon.-Wed.: 10 a.m. – 9 p.m., Thurs.-Sun.: 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

<https://www.facebook.com/cedarridgecreativecentre>

Expressions summer art camp

Cedar Ridge Creative Centre offers its annual summer visual arts day camp for children ages 8 to 13 years. Campers will have an exciting opportunity to create and experiment with drawing and painting, printmaking and sculpture, video, arts and crafts, pottery and recreation. Sessions run for two weeks. For information, or to register, call 416-396-4026.

The Gallery

Situated in an oasis of greenery and beautifully landscaped gardens, Cedar Ridge Gallery is a focal point of Cedar Ridge Creative Centre, an arts and cultural hub in southeast Scarborough. The gallery features three rooms - the lower level - of a historic mansion built as a summer home in 1912. The gallery is programmed ten months annually with a rotating exhibits showcasing the spectrum of emerging to established artists, community and student shows. Artists hail from the local Scarborough community, other parts of the country and international locations. The first three months of the year feature the juried Contemporary Art Exhibits, while the remaining seven months are part of See & Be Seen, a juried gallery rental program. The gallery is programmed by Cedar Ridge Studio Gallery in partnership with the City of Toronto Culture Division. Shows run one to two weeks in duration and may feature individuals or groups.

The Cedar Ridge Gallery is programmed for ten months of the year hosting a diverse roster of exhibits. From January to March, the gallery sponsors the Contemporary Art Exhibitions (PDF), five, two-week, juried exhibits, featuring contemporary artists from across Ontario.

Cedar Ridge Permanent Art Collection

Cedar Ridge Creative Centre houses a special component of the City's Permanent Art Collection. The Cedar Ridge Collection is an historical and contemporary record of artists who have taught, exhibited and been supporters of Cedar Ridge. The collection has a representation of each of the mediums taught at Cedar Ridge Creative Centre including, paintings, sculptures, pottery, woodcarving, fibre art and folk art. The collection and gallery fixtures have been acquired through the fundraising efforts of Cedar Ridge Studio Gallery.

What is Cedar Ridge Studio Gallery?

Cedar Ridge Studio Gallery was the original founding organization of the Creative Centre and the first public gallery with teaching studios in the east end of Toronto. Today, Cedar Ridge Creative Centre is operated and programmed by the City of Toronto's Cultural Services. Cedar Ridge Studio Gallery, a volunteer run, not-for-profit organization, programs the gallery, working in partnership with City of Toronto Cultural staff at the Creative Centre. Cedar Ridge Studio Gallery is very active within the

Creative Centre, hosting two fundraising events each year in June and November, sponsoring Rakudu, a special one-day raku festival for schools, and provides special workshops.

Cedar Ridge Studio Gallery continues to be an active partner with the Creative Centre, carrying on its long history of contributing to, and advocating for the arts in Scarborough.

A Brief History

In 1968, The Guildwood School of Arts and Crafts was founded by Barbara Jean Rodgers, under the patronage of Rosa and Spencer Clark. The school operated out of Corycliffe Lodge and the Log Cabin on the grounds of the Guild Inn. The school was a tremendous success and soon the buildings at the Guild couldn't accommodate the numbers requesting classes. Bethune House, a City of Scarborough owned building, was available and the school relocated, changing its name to Guildcrest Studios. In 1972, Guildcrest Studios, with a membership of over 500, became a federally chartered non-profit organization.

In 1976, plans were underway to enlarge the Bethune location to provide more studio space. However, in 1977, with the recent death of John Fraser, his estate 'Cedar Ridge' was acquired by the City of Scarborough through a land swap with Metropolitan Toronto. The Guildcrest Studios were invited by the City of Scarborough to redirect their fundraising activities to renovate Cedar Ridge, an opportunity to develop a gallery as well as teaching studios. The beauty of the original home was retained in the main floor gallery space. The upper floor and basement area were developed into studio spaces. Cedar Ridge Studio Gallery operated the gallery and studios from 1978 to 1985. In 1986, the City of Scarborough took over the daily operations of the Creative Centre. Cedar Ridge Studio Gallery, with a Board of Directors, has remained at the Creative Centre as a volunteer organization in support of the Creative Centre with a mandate to promote the visual arts and crafts in the community.

Carriage House Studios

The original estate included a gardener's cottage and a chauffeur's cottage, with attached three bay garage and stables for three horses. The garage was rebuilt in the 1930s after a fire had destroyed the original building. In 1993, Cedar Ridge Studio Gallery took up the challenge to raise funds to renovate the chauffeur's cottage, garage and stables into working studio space. In 1996, the building was renamed 'Carriage House Studios', and it was officially opened by the Lieutenant Governor, the Honorable Hal Jackman. The studios offer a healthy, inviting and inspirational setting for artists.

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6. Guildwood Village

Guildwood Village Com

munity Association website: www.guildwood.on.ca

The Guild Renaissance Group (GRG): <http://guildrenaissancgroup.com/>

Guild Inn (Bickford Residents) Update

On June 3, 2013 the Government Management Committee meeting gave City staff the go ahead to start negotiations with Dynamic Hospitality & Entertainment Group to design, build, finance and operate a new restaurant/banquet facility at the Guild Inn site. The matter will now be heard at the July 16 City Council for approval. Once approved staff will begin negotiations with the proponent.

I would like to thank all of you who have participated through the Guild Park Advisory Group, our selection process and goals set the framework for this project. I formed the advisory group in 2008 for community input it includes community residents from the Guild Renaissance Group and Guildwood Village Community Association.

I am very excited about this new proposal, this time out was different as one of the requirements was financial disclosure to ensure the applicant could fund the project. Dynamic Hospitality & Entertainment Group met all the City requirements and I am hopeful that this project will restore the Bickford building to its former glory. After negotiation are complete the matter will require final approval from City Council.

Dynamic Hospitality & Entertainment Group was the only proponent who met all the specifications required by the City. Like all City contracts details remain confidential until the negotiations are complete and approved by City Council. Staff, I however have been working closely with staff, they are aware and familiar to my and the communities expectations.

Meadowcliffe Drive Erosion Control Project Update

TRCA has completed the shoreline protection works associated with the Meadowcliffe Drive Shoreline Protection Project and is currently working on final site restoration activities and completion of the slope buttress at the eastern project limits. It is anticipated that these works will conclude by the end of September. During this final phase of work we will continue to enforce requirements for trucks entering and exiting the project site including; tarping of trucks, hours of work, cleaning of roadways and implementing dust controls as required. The public may continue to access the

waterfront via the shoreline access road, at their own risk, outside regular hours of operations and during weekends and holidays. We anticipate that the shoreline access road will be fully reopened to the public in October.

Other Planned or Potential Shoreline Works

Slope protection at 441-449 Guildwood Pkwy may take place in 2014/2015 pending the results of the design analysis exercise currently underway, receipt of all necessary approvals, and funding.

Material deliveries and beach restoration east of Bellamy Ravine may take place in the fall of 2014, pending funding and availability of suitable fill material.

Partial funding for the beach and headland system identified as part of the Guild Inn Shoreline Protection Project is included in TRCA's 2015 budget, however funding has not been approved by the City of Toronto. For more information see:
<http://www.trca.on.ca/the-living-city/green-infrastructure-projects/environmental-assessment-projects/guild-inn-shoreline-regeneration-project.dot>

TRCA is also completing a risk analysis at the south end of Livingston Road. Depending on the outcome of this study future slope works may take place.

If you have any concerns or questions with any of the above please do not hesitate to contact me at your convenience, you may also contact the TRCA directly Laura Stephenson, Senior Manager, Project Management 416.661.6600 ext 5296
lstephenson@trca.on.ca / www.trca.on.ca

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7. Mornelle Court Resident's Action Coalition & Tenants Associations in Ward 43

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Mornelle Court Residents Action Coalition...Working together to make a change... Be the Change you want to See...

www.mornellecourt.webs.com

Mornellecourtcoalition@yahoo.ca

[mornellecourt@facebook.com](https://www.facebook.com/mornellecourt)

Annual Community Barbeque – Come join us for some fun.

I will be joining the Mornelle Court Resident's Action Coalition to host the annual Mornelle community Barbeque on Saturday July 20, 2013. This is a great opportunity to speak on municipal issues as we enjoy our community park. The festivities will bring community information on city divisions and programs, along with children's activities. Come join me and my staff as we celebrate with the Mornelle Court Resident's Action Coalition and Mornelle Court residents.

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8. Council Highlights

Toronto City Council meeting of June 11, 12 and 13, 2013

Council Highlights is an informal summary of decisions made by Toronto City Council. The City Clerk provides the formal documentation at <http://www.toronto.ca/council>.

Electoral reform in Toronto

Council adopted several motions on electoral reform in Toronto. The City will ask the Ontario government to amend legislation and allow permanent residents to vote in municipal elections whether or not they are Canadian citizens. The City will also request amendments to the Municipal Elections Act to permit Toronto to use ranked ballots and instant runoff voting in its municipal elections.

Review of ward boundaries

Council authorized a review of Toronto's ward boundaries. At present, there are significant discrepancies in population among wards. The City of Toronto Act gives Council authority to make changes to the ward boundaries. The review, to be conducted by an external consultant, will include consultation with elected officials, stakeholders and the general public.

Managing traffic congestion

Council endorsed taking steps to better manage Toronto's traffic congestion and improve traffic operations across the city. The plan includes improving the co-ordination of traffic signals at about 1,000 intersections on priority routes over the next three years, along with making technological upgrades and other steps for better traffic flow.

Seniors and Toronto Community Housing

Council adopted the recommendations of a report documenting the City Ombudsman's recent investigation into Toronto Community Housing's eviction of seniors on the basis of their rent being in arrears. In addition, Council adopted a series of motions aimed at protecting seniors who are living in Toronto Community Housing units and may face eviction because of difficulties paying their rent.

Shared services with agencies

Council adopted staff recommendations on 18 opportunities for the City to share corporate support services with City agencies and authorized the development of a related labour relations and collective bargaining strategy. The objective of the shared services approach is to increase efficiency and effectiveness, and to improve customer service while reducing costs.

University of Toronto athletic field

After a thorough debate, Council affirmed its support for the University of Toronto's Pan Am Field Hockey Centre/Back Campus Fields Project, including the use of artificial turf at that location. Council directed the City Manager to ask the university to create a project liaison and monitoring committee and to conduct a formal impact assessment after 10 years.

Angel Cradles program

Council directed staff to work with provincial health officials to create an Angel Cradles program in a Toronto hospital for the acceptance of newborns from mothers who are unable to care for them. The intention is to provide a safe, anonymous and effective alternative for such mothers.

Implementation plan for middle childhood strategy

Council adopted an implementation plan called A Time for Action for the middle childhood strategy that was approved by Council last fall. Middle childhood refers to children from six to 12 years of age. The implementation plan outlines the initial steps needed to progress toward a comprehensive system of out-of-school-time programs in Toronto that are affordable and accessible to Toronto's families. In adopting the plan, Council directed staff to work with provincial officials on funding.

Aboriginal employment strategy

Council adopted a motion calling for the preparation of a City strategy to ensure that more Aboriginal people are employed at the City of Toronto and that the increase mirrors the proportional representation of Aboriginal people in Toronto's population. The plan will include consultation with the Aboriginal Affairs Committee.

Cultural funding for 2013

Council approved the City's cultural investment/allocations in support of major cultural organizations in Toronto for 2013. A motion was adopted to include funding for Pride Toronto along with the funding for 10 other cultural organizations listed in the report under consideration. Council also approved the recommended 2013 grant allocation for local arts service organizations across Toronto.

Community arts action plan

Council endorsed the 2013-2017 Community Arts Action Plan for Toronto, which contains recommendations from an external advisory committee to continue efforts to achieve the overall goal of barrier-free arts and cultural opportunities for all in Toronto. The new plan draws upon the previous five-year community arts action plan and related work on behalf of community arts.

Funding transit and infrastructure

Council adopted a motion to research the use of various kinds of municipal bonds that could be used to reduce the cost of servicing municipal debt and increase a city's ability to build and maintain its infrastructure. Governments in other jurisdictions, including the United States, have reduced interest rates and the cost of carrying municipal debt by implementing various tax breaks or rebates. The City of Toronto will spend \$400 million to service its debt in 2013 and the City faces major costs for infrastructure projects.

Managing contracts for road resurfacing

Council adopted Audit Committee recommendations aimed at ensuring adequate, effective management of the City's local road resurfacing contracts. Transportation Services is placing emphasis on preventive maintenance to extend the useful life of roads, and last year spent about \$30 million on local road resurfacing contracts.

Care of animals in Toronto

Council approved amendments to the City of Toronto Municipal Code that will strengthen the provisions for the care and well-being of animals in Toronto and seek to achieve service efficiencies. The amendments resulted from the findings of the Core Service Review, an Auditor General's review and public consultations.

Slaughter of horses for human consumption

Council adopted a motion to inform the federal government that Toronto City Council supports a current private member's bill calling for the government to prohibit importing into Canada - or exporting from Canada - horses for the purpose of slaughter or human consumption.

Economic impact of Grey Cup game/festival

Council offered congratulations to the Toronto Argonauts and Chris Rudge, Chief Executive Officer of the Toronto Argonauts Football Club, on winning the 100th Grey Cup last fall and on hosting a successful 2012 Grey Cup Festival. Council also extended congratulations to Mark Cohon, Commissioner of the Canadian Football League, on the successful event. The event generated a total of about \$133 million in economic activity in Ontario - \$95 million of it in Toronto.

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9. Art Gallery of Ontario

On Sunday, August 18, the AGO will host a live reading of the names of the 5,200 schoolchildren who lost their lives in the 2008 Sichuan earthquake, as commemorated by Chinese artist Ai Weiwei in his artwork entitled *Remembrance*.

We invite everyone who speaks a Chinese dialect to register to participate in this community art performance, which will take place in the exhibition *Ai Weiwei: According to What?*

The performance, entitled "Say their Names, Remember", will be directed by Gein Wong, artistic director of Eventual Ashes.

For more information and to register to participate, please visit www.ago.net/aiweiwei-names, or call 416-979-6660, ext. 477.

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10. New - Local Business Feature

If you have a long standing business in Scarborough East and would like to be my monthly feature please contact me.

DeGroot's Diagnostic Centre

Located at 4 Falaise Road in West Hill, the de Groot family has proudly owned and operated DeGroot's Service Centre since 1956. The de Groot family was one of the first resident families to open their own local gas station at Kingston Road and Lawrence Avenue, employing local residents.

In 1956, Kees de Groot opened the DeGroot Brothers BA gas station with his brother. In 1966, the station changed over to Gulf station, and in 1986 became a Petro Canada, two years after Mike de Groot (Kees' son) expanded and opened a shop behind his father's. The original station is now a Global.

DeGroot's Diagnostic Centre continues to offer professional, full service automotive repair and maintenance. DeGroot's is an AC Delco Repair Centre, Tirecraft and ASE Certified shop that provides high quality service to its generations of repeat customers. Mike provides consistent and friendly service with a smile, and is well liked by the Scarborough residents that continue to bring their vehicles in for service.

Mike appreciates business from local customers and thinks it's important to give back to the community. Mike continues to support local service clubs, sponsors hockey and soccer teams and community churches.

Today the de Groot family carries on Kees', the original founder, legacy and vision for the family. Mike's son, Braden works at DeGroot's and is learning the ins and outs of the business while Mike's sister, Merilee de Groot, has opened DeGroot Auto Service on Westney Road in Ajax.

Mike and Braden hope to see you soon for any of your vehicle's service needs or repairs!

DeGroot's Diagnostic Centre
4 Falaise Road, Scarborough, ON M1E 3B5
416-282-7250, degrootdiagnostic@bellnet.ca

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12. Toronto's outdoor swimming pools, wading pools and splash pads are great places to stay cool and relax this summer

There's no better way to beat the summer heat than by jumping into a refreshing outdoor pool. The City of Toronto invites residents of all ages to visit the many outdoor swimming pools, wading pools and splash pads opening for the season this weekend.

Weather permitting, 12 outdoor pools across the city will open with reduced hours (evenings and weekends) on Saturday, June 15. The remaining 46 outdoor pools will open with reduced hours on Saturday, June 22. All outdoor pools will begin regular hours of operation on Friday, June 28 and will remain open with varying schedules until Sunday, September 1.

The list of outdoor pools and hours of operation for each facility are available at <http://www.toronto.ca/parks/prd/facilities/outdoor-pools/index.htm>, by clicking on the facility's name, then "Drop-In Programs" and "Swimming". The listings will be updated whenever reduced or extended hours are in place.

Children six years of age and under require adult supervision, regardless of swimming ability. Children aged seven to nine years can swim without adult supervision, providing they successfully complete a facility swim test administered at the pool. Outdoor recreational swimming is free for all ages.

The following outdoor swimming pools will open on June 15:

Etobicoke-York District:

- Pine Point Outdoor Pool, 15 Grierson Rd.
- Sunnyside-Gus Ryder Outdoor Pool, 1755 Lake Shore Blvd. W. (Media access will be granted on June 15; see note below.)
- West Mall Outdoor Pool, 370 The West Mall

North York District:

- Goulding Community Centre, 45 Goulding Ave.
- Northwood Community Centre, 15 Clubhouse Crt.
- Oriole Recreation Centre, 2975 Don Mills Rd. W.

Scarborough District:

- Heron Park Outdoor Pool, 292 Manse Rd.
- Maryvale Outdoor Pool, 1325 Pharmacy Ave.
- McGregor Park Outdoor Pool, 2231 Lawrence Ave. E.

Toronto-East York District:

- Alexandra Park, 275 Bathurst St.
- Alex Duff, 779 Crawford St.
- Monarch Park, 115 Felstead Ave.

Splash pads often include engaging water features such as shower heads and spray jets that keep children entertained for hours. They are open across the city from May 18 until September 22 and operate daily from 9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. by push button release or motion sensors. Splash pads are unsupervised water play areas, so caregivers are reminded to supervise their children at all times in these areas.

Wading pools are shallow water areas and a fantastic choice to stay cool and have fun in the sun with younger children. Wading pools will open for the summer on June 28, operating on individual schedules until September 1. Caregivers are reminded to supervise their children at all times in these areas.

For more information, including hours of operation and up-to-date information on outdoor pools, wading pools and splash pads, visit <http://www.toronto.ca/parks> or call 311.

City of Toronto promotes water safety and drowning prevention

The City of Toronto's Public Health and Parks, Forestry and Recreation divisions remind Toronto residents about the importance of following water safety rules and advice when enjoying the city's world-class Blue Flag beaches.

Water safety tips:

- keep your children within arm's reach
- recognize the signs of drowning
- familiarize yourself with water conditions
- swim at a beach with a lifeguard and stick to designated areas
- always swim with a buddy
- if you are a non-swimmer, enrol in a swim class
- check for daily updates on beach water quality
- when out in the sun, wear a hat, use sunscreen and drink lots of water.

More information about water safety and drowning prevention is available at http://www.toronto.ca/health/injuryprevention/sr_water.htm.

More information about beach water quality is available at <http://app.toronto.ca/tpha/beaches.html> and by downloading the mobile app.

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13. Ontario Trillium Foundation – Free Camps

Kids transforming themselves and the world

With the support of the Ontario Trillium Foundation our organization is leading a free camp for at least 75 children aged 8-12 years of age in Scarborough. This camp is called “Camp Contribution” and it allows children to develop leadership skills, contribute to their community and to have fun.

For more information on our organization, please visit www.fpcanada.org. I have also copied the link to a video that explains what we do <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=94MNBKPykE>

Mission

To inspire and empower children, aged 8-14, from diverse, underserved Canadian communities to practice Possibility Thinking, and to become leaders by creating meaningful Goals of Contribution, both now and in the future

History

Geri and Harry Berholz launched Future Possibilities Canada in 2001 after being inspired by the program that was then operating in New York. Since 2001, more than 3000 children and adults have participated in FPK's one-of-a-kind community leadership and life skills development programs delivered to 8 to 14 years old children and youth in Toronto, York Region, London, Kitchener and Stratford, Ontario

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14. East Scarborough Storefront Initiatives

Annual Festival Market

[Festival flyer link](#)

The Festival Market is an annual event which takes place at St. Margaret's Parkette located at 4130 Lawrence Ave. E. Every Thursday starting June 6th until August 29th from 2:00 - 6:00 p.m. The market features local fruit and vegetables, crafts, music, barbeque and fun.

Follow on Twitter @EastScarbMarket or Facebook East Scarborough Festival

KGO Free Summer Tennis

This free program for local residents who reside in the Kingston Galloway Orton Park community ages 6 to 15 years, will commence on Monday, July 15, 2013. Lessons are available Mondays or Wednesday, 6-7:30pm at University of Toronto Scarborough Tennis Club 131 Old Kingston Rd.

This fun introductory set of lessons will focus on all aspects of the game. No experience is necessary, but if you are already at a beginner's level you will still have the opportunity to improve your skills. The program will run for 8 weeks. Participants have the option of signing-up for either Monday or Wednesday evening sessions. [Link to information](#)

Registration is required as spots are limited. To reserve your spot please register at: East Scarborough Boys and Girls Club at 416-281-0262 or visit 100 Galloway Road OR Pick-up a registration form at Storefront 4040 Lawrence Ave, 416-208-9889

Event Calendar

There are many events and programs in the KGO community to serve residents. Please participate by viewing the community events and programs Calendar: [link](#)

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15. Quote of the Month

"A good head and a good heart are always a formidable combination" -- Nelson Mandela

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16. Websites for Community Use

<http://www.torontopolice.on.ca/recordsmanagement/crimereporting.php>
Citizens Online Crime Reporting

<http://www.toronto.ca/golf>
Toronto's golf courses

www.torontohydro.com/peaksaver
peaksaver PLUS™

<http://www.torontopolice.on.ca/thebadge/>
Toronto Police newsletter "The Badge"

<http://www.scarboroughsoftballassociation.com/>
Scarborough Softball – Scarborough Dragons

<http://www.thestorefront.org/contact.php>

East Scarborough Storefront

www.facebook.com/TheTorontoZoo

Toronto Zoo's first official Facebook page

www.toronto.ca/eventcalendar

City of Toronto Events Calendar

www.toronto.ca/wbey/subscribe.htm.

We've been expecting you

<http://onthedon.createsend2.com/t/r/l/tlwukt/bhdtdkrth/e/>

TRCA – The Don

<http://www.toronto.ca/seniors/index.htm>

City of Toronto Seniors

http://www.seniors.gov.on.ca/en/seniorsguide/emergency_4.php

Province of Ontario Seniors

<http://www.dementiatoronto.org/0303.asp>

Toronto Dementia Network

http://aging.utoronto.ca/sites/aging.utoronto.ca/files/Section6_Eng%5B1%5D.pdf

Service Directory for Seniors

www.toronto.ca/transportation/snow

City of Toronto Winter Operations - Snow

www.toronto.ca

City of Toronto

www.toronto.ca/city-update
What is happening in our City

<http://wx.toronto.ca/festevents.nsf/>
City of Toronto Festival Page

www.seetorontonow.com/
Tourism Toronto – Official website

www.222tips.com
Crime Stoppers

www.ourkgocommunity.com
Kingston Galloway Community Network

www.torontopubliclibrary.ca
Toronto Public Library

www.torontobotanicalgarden.ca
Toronto Botanical Gardens

www.toronto4kids.com
Great ideas for what the kids can do in Toronto

www.ago.net/gallery-school
Ontario Art Gallery

www.starfall.com
Star fall – great to get the little ones reading

www.coronationca.com
Coronation & West Hill Community Association

www.curranhall.ca/
Curran Hall Community Association

www.guildwood.on.ca

Guildwood Village Community Association

www.mornellecourt.webs.com

Mornelle Court Coalition

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