



# Bayview Village Association Newsletter

Working Together to Shape the Future

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January 2016

## "Community Matters" ...2016 Kick Off

Bayview Village Friends, Residents & Neighbours:

### BVA FREE 60th KICK-OFF SOCIAL

Friday, January 29th from 7:30-8:30 pm

Bayview Village Shopping Centre

UNIT C-100, Lower concourse

Free Parking



Celebrate community - Meet Neighbours - door prizes - refreshments - Come hear about all the special events / activities that your Bayview Village Association has planned for you for our 2016 celebration!



Space graciously donated by **Architect Reza Aliabadi of RZLBD Architects**, located at Bayview Village Shopping Centre.

Thank you to **RZLBD Architects**, **Loblaws Bayview Village**, **Dauids Tea**, **Timothy's World Coffee** and **Chadwicks women's store** for their donations to the evening. We encourage you to support them.

## TORONTO BUDGET WATCH

Mayor Tory and city council are working on the 2016 budget. It is expected to be an \$11.7 billion dollar budget. Toronto Council will make

decisions that will impact the services we receive, the environment we live in, the roads where we walk, cycle and drive, our health and property values.. If you want to learn more go to [www.toronto.ca/budget](http://www.toronto.ca/budget)



## Toronto 2016 BUDGET

Some of the local items included in this year's budget include capital expenses towards the building of a Parks & Recreation Community Centre and a new Toronto Public Library (replacing the one at Bayview Village Shopping Centre) – both to be built on the south side of Sheppard.

- Learn more about the budgets through presentations made to committee and City Council
- View the service levels, budget highlights and budget notes for the City's programs and agencies
- Learn how to get involved.

For specific concerns and comments: please call Councillor Shiner at 416-395-6413

## CAN YOU HELP?



Jean is a long-time resident of Bayview Village volunteering as our 'BVA Help Matchmaker' – she will work with you to match you with your interests to the community needs of Bayview Village!

You can reach Jean at 416-222-4033 or email her at [jean.probyn@rogers.com](mailto:jean.probyn@rogers.com)

How you can help

**Membership Annual Campaign** - We have a good system, but need volunteers to help assemble the material for home delivery, and deliver to some streets. If you can help – Call Jean.

### **Special Activities**

There are many activities where we could use an extra set of hands...and some new ideas... From our BVA Annual Skating Event, Earth Hour Walk, and BVA Socials, to planning/helping at a Speaker Series, or help with our Annual Shredding Event...and being involved with events for our 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – we need you.

### **Environment**

Community cleanup, pollution issues, research, new initiatives, support our Bayview Village flower planters, community education – there are so many needs in our community about the environment. If you want to make our world healthier – Call Jean.

We'll work to match your interests and energies with our communities' needs. In anticipation of your calls to volunteer your help, thank you. Every bit of help is needed and appreciated.

## BVA ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

Your BVA Environmental Committee has been working hard on a number of initiatives. They have just added a series of environmental posts on our website at [www.bayviewvillage.org](http://www.bayviewvillage.org). We are featuring a taste of each of their posts in our upcoming newsletters. Check our website for the full post.



## FEATHERED FRIENDS IN BVA

*From FLAP CANADA (Fatal Light Awareness Program: organization that provides bird rescue and conservation work and advocates for bird friendly buildings).*

Do you love to see and hear wild birds around your home? Do you put out feeders for them and give them water to splash in and drink? Wild birds benefit greatly from your kindness. If you want to keep them safe, make all your windows visible to birds. Provide birds with visual cues or markers that alert them to the presence of glass. Windows can deceive birds: reflected trees or sky, a tempting potted plant seen through glass or a view straight through the building or glass balcony railing can trick birds into thinking they can fly through to the other side. Birds that do not die upon impact can become easy prey for predators such as cats, raccoons, gulls or other animals. For further information on how you can bird proof your home go to [www.flap.org](http://www.flap.org)



## NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH – by Sue Wires

**Reminder from Toronto Police** – don't leave your car running unattended. With the colder weather police tell us there have been several car thefts as drivers 'warm up' their car. Don't be a victim.

**For those of you heading on vacation** – make sure you have lights that come on at night, have friends or neighbours check your home to ensure mail does not build up and, if possible, have driveways cleared. You want your home to look occupied.

**Snow shoveling:** You are responsible to ensure that the snow from your driveway is not shoveled onto the street or on to your neighbours property. There are still fines – for pushing snow onto the roads because this can pose a safety hazard and hamper snow clearing operations

### **Your 72 Hour Emergency Kit**

Whether you're just starting to prepare or are a preparedness pro, gathering your emergency supplies isn't hard. A good rule of thumb is to have supplies for at least 3 days or 72 hours. You'll probably be surprised at how much you already have.

## Bayview Village 2016 Membership Form

Complete and with your membership fee, mail or drop off any of the addresses listed below.

Please Join and support your community

<input type="checkbox"/> Renewal	<input type="checkbox"/> New Member	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>I may be able to volunteer some time. Please contact me.</i>
Please allow us to list all information in the directory. This allows neighbours to get to know each other, keeping Bayview Village a safe, strong and friendly community. Note your email address will NOT be published in the directory.		
Address (house number & street)		
Resident #1: Last Name		
First Name		
Occupation/Company (optional)		
Resident #2: Last Name		
First Name		
Occupation/Company (optional)		
Home Phone Number		
Email Address: (optional, will not be published or shared)		<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Newsletter by Email?</b>
Year moved into Bayview Village:		
<b>Membership Fee:</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<b>Please Check One:</b>
<b>Voluntary Contribution:</b>		<input type="checkbox"/> List all information in directory <input type="checkbox"/> List all information except Occupation/Company <input type="checkbox"/> List my initials, address and phone no. only E.g., H.R.....1Clarinda Dr.....416-123-4567  <input type="checkbox"/> List only as "member"
<b>History of Bayview Village Book \$20</b>		
<b>Total Amount Enclosed:</b>		

◆ The information collected is used to prepare an annual directory for members.

◆ BVA does not distribute or sell its membership information. ◆ Only members receive a directory.

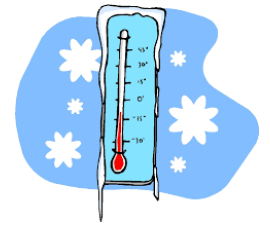
**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND GENEROUS CONTRIBUTION!**

Complete the form, enclose a cheque for the total amount payable to <b>"Bayview Village Association"</b> and Mail To: Bayview Village Association P.O. Box 91065 2901 Bayview Avenue Toronto, ON M2K 1H0	<b>OR Join/Renew On-line using PayPal™</b> Visit <a href="http://www.bayviewvillage.org">www.bayviewvillage.org</a> and click on the appropriate link.  The BVA website uses PayPal to accept payment for Memberships, Donations, or 'The History of Bayview Village' book.  *PayPal uses secure encryption technology to handle its financial transactions. You are not required to open a PayPal account. All you need is a credit card.
OR Drop-off at an address below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 23 Arrowstook Rd.</li> <li>▪ 15 Morewood Cres.</li> <li>▪ 1 Clarinda Dr.</li> <li>▪ 47 Citation Dr.</li> <li>▪ 17 Blithfield Ave.</li> </ul>	

**PLEASE ENSURE YOUR MEMBERSHIP IS IN BY FEBRUARY 15, 2016.**

## FROZEN PIPES: WHAT TO DO WHEN THE TEMPERATURE DROPS WELL BELOW ZERO

- Keep garage doors closed if there are water supply lines in the garage.
- Open kitchen, bathroom and laundry cabinet doors to allow warm air to circulate around the plumbing.
- If leaving for an extended period of time, turn off the water at the main service valve in the basement and open the taps to drain the water from your plumbing lines. You may also wish to have someone check your home regularly.
- For your own peace of mind, you can choose to run a pencil-thin stream of water to ensure some movement of water in the pipes. However, you will be charged for the water used if you choose this step.
- Run cold water from the lowest point in the house, usually a laundry room sink or tub.
- Ensure the drain is kept clear of debris to prevent overflowing or flooding.



## IN And Around Bayview Village

### GIBSON HOUSE MUSEUM'S PAY WHAT YOU WISH THURSDAY NIGHT SOCIALS

Thursdays, 5 to 8 p.m.

Enjoy a relaxing, social evening 1850s style. Have some tea and sit by the fire in the kitchen, play board games and chat with neighbours and friends. Drop by the community quilt group and see what they are creating – add a stitch or two, if you wish. Children may explore hands-on activities and crafts. Activities will vary each week and we welcome your ideas and suggestions for future Thursdays. Admission is pay-what-you-wish. 5172 Yonge St, 416-395-7432, [gibsonhouse@toronto.ca](mailto:gibsonhouse@toronto.ca)

### Toronto Public Library: Bayview Village Branch: Did you know you can borrow a pedometer



from our local library? Use it to start a walking program - watch your number of steps grow – while improving your physical and mental health. Computer terminals and large screen monitors also available to use at the library - also Free Wifi.

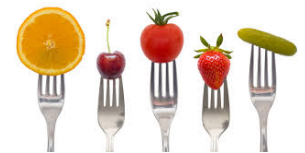
### LOBLAWS FREE NUTRITION EVENTS AND WORKSHOPS

InStore Dietitian is Judy Chodirker: <mailto:Judy.Chodirker@loblaw.ca> 416-569-8479

#### Mindful Eating For Weight Management

Free of charge, registration required

2016 is a brand new year! Why not start it with a new approach? Mindful eating enhances a healthy approach to weight management. Come to an enlightening, interactive workshop to explore mindful eating to help you reach your 2016 health and nutrition goals. Thursday January 28, 3-4:30pm (Loblaws Bayview Village Community room, 2<sup>nd</sup> flr)



#### Nutrition Counseling and Nutrition Store Tours: Free of charge, by appointment only

Talk to Judy about your nutritional concerns. Sessions are personalized and times are flexible to meet all needs and schedules. Evening and weekend appointments available. Initial consult (45-60 minutes) generally includes an assessment of health, diet history and nutritional concerns and/or an interactive nutrition tour. For all ages.

### Sign Up for Bayview Village Association Email alerts and news

Did you know? You can sign up to receive emails for news and events and alerts from BVA. Don't worry – we won't bombard you with emails or your email to anyone. To sign up – go to our website at: [www.bayviewvillage.org](http://www.bayviewvillage.org) or provide it when you renew your membership.

### Follow us on twitter: @BVAssociation

Twitter helps us to share the latest news & stay in touch. We have 600+ followers - join us!



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