



Bayview Village Association Newsletter

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JANUARY 2019

CELEBRATE WITH US! CHINESE NEW YEAR ON MONDAY FEBRUARY 11, 2019, 6 PM



AT THE DRAGON PEARL! In China, you'll hear the New Year being called chunjie (春节), or the Spring Festival. It's still very wintry, but the holiday marks the end of the coldest days. People welcome spring and what it brings along: planting and harvests, new beginnings and fresh starts. Spring will be coming soon – join us.

Dragon Pearl features an excellent Chinese Buffet along with a good selection of western food. You can try it all – meet new friends – experience new things – enjoy an evening out. Dragon Pearl at 865 York Mills Road, Unit #2 (just west of Don Mills).

COST: \$35 (includes tax and tip).

TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT: contact Jan Siegel at jandsiegel@icloud.com or 647-802-1418

A WORD FROM HAROLD

"THE BAD GUYS ARE OUT THERE - WE NEED TO WORK TOGETHER"



~ ON RECENT HOME BREAK-INS IN THE AREA

Your BVA Executive is concerned with the recent increase in home break-ins in our area. I have been in direct touch with Toronto Police at 33 Division and requested additional police patrols. **This is now happening.** I have also received a communication with Detective Sergeant Shane Brar (see below) offering additional support and a willingness to work with us. BVA's Neighbourhood Watch committee (chaired by Frank Anastasiadis) are following up with police at 33 Division. In this newsletter Frank shares some helpful tips to protect your home.

We ask YOU to be watchful and report suspicious activity to police.

To call Non-Emergency: 416-808-2222 - in an EMERGENCY: Call 911

~ Harold Rosenfeld, BVA President hrosenfeld4@gmail.com

Toronto Police – 33 Division

I am one of the Detective Sergeants responsible for your neighbourhood. We are also concerned about the break and enters in your neighbourhood. We have two Major Crime Teams actively investigating these cases. They are working with other divisions and other police services in the area to apprehend these culprits. We are willing to work with community and set up directed patrols to have uniform officers patrol the neighbourhoods when they are not responding to crimes in progress.

We are also willing to meet with the Neighbourhood Watch Committee to provide the best advice to protect your homes from becoming targets.

We can't solve these crimes without the assistance of the community. We rely on security video and watchful neighbors that call us when they see something that doesn't look right. Please don't hesitate to call the main police number when you see something.

Shane Brar, Detective Sergeant #1277, Detective Operations, Central North District

BVA Municipal & Government Affairs Committee (MAGA)

Bayview Village Plaza Update

Your BVA MAGA Committee has been monitoring, meeting, and working hard to voice both your concerns and hopes for the BV Plaza redevelopment proposal. We have also been finding ways to ensure you have opportunities to learn more. THANKS TO ALL WHO TURNED UP AT THE INFO SESSION IN NOVEMBER. We plan to host our own info session for you this spring.

There are have been some significant changes made to the plans in the form of increased green space, access to subway, decreased heights, better location of proposed buildings. Final submission of the revised plan and approval by the city is not expected until at least Spring, 2019. Stay tuned!

BVA 2019 MEMBERSHIP.

We need you to join BVA to enable all our volunteers to keep supporting your concerns – from the Bayview Village Plaza redevelopment issues, to traffic & infrastructure, community safety, programs. And more.

Logon to www.bayviewvillage.org/membership.html or use the membership form delivered to your home.



Full BVA membership is open to residents of Bayview Village as defined in the BVA By-laws.
‘Friends of BVA’ membership is open to non-residents who support the community.

Your membership supports:

- Advocacy on matters of development, zoning and other activities that affect the Bayview Village.
- Annual Directory for Members
- Monthly Newsletter
- BVA Website (www.bayviewvillage.org)
- All Candidates Meetings
- Community Events (Perennial Swap, Earth Hour Walk, Spring Clean-Up, Family Halloween Party, Safety Fair, Book Club, Bridge Club, Socials, Community Shredding Day)
- Beautification (street planters)
- Neighbourhood Watch - working with police on local safety issues.

Bayview Village History Book

“Bayview Village: From Farmland to One of Canada’s Most Picturesque Communities” By Jeanne Hopkins

At over 120 pages with historic pictures, it’s ideal as a keepsake or gift. **\$20.00** (Tax incl.)

We welcome your suggestions, questions and any help that you may be able to offer.

<input type="checkbox"/> Renewal <input type="checkbox"/> New Member <input type="checkbox"/> I may be able to volunteer some time. Please contact me.	
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. Please note that email addresses will NOT be published in the directory.	
Address: (house number & street, postal code)	
Resident #1: Last Name	
	First Name
	Occupation/Company (optional)
Resident #2: Last Name	
	First Name
	Occupation/Company (optional)
Phone Number:	
Email Address: (optional, will not be published or shared)	
Year Moved Into Bayview Village:	
Membership fee (per household)	\$ 25.00
Voluntary contribution	\$
History of Bayview Village Book	\$ \$20
TOTAL AMOUNT enclosed	\$

Please check one:

- List all information in directory
- List all information except Occupation/Company
- List my initials, address and phone no. only
E.g. H.R.....1 Clarinda Dr.....416-123-4567
- List only as “member”

The information we collect 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!

BVA BOOK CLUB

BVA Book Club meets next on Tuesday January 15. Our book is: *Museum of Extraordinary Things* by Alice Hoffman: A tale of star-crossed lovers, freak shows, murder and mystery'. RSVPs requested! For information contact Jane Robertson at 416-226-1390/
jrobertson@rogers.com



Future BVA Book Club Meetings and Books. Consider joining us!

Feb: <i>Little Paris Bookshop</i> by Nina George	May: <i>Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane</i> by Lisa See
March: <i>Big Little Lies</i> by Lianne Moriarty	June: <i>Do Not Say We Have Nothing</i> by Madeleine Thien
April: TBD	

FOREST GROVE UNITED CHURCH SPEAKERS SERIES at 43 FOREST GROVE DR,

Friday, January 18 - - 7:30 pm, Sylvain Roy on Mental Health

Homeless People, Dementia and Brain Science

Dr. Sylvain Roy, PhD, CPsych., CAMH, is the lead clinician in the Psychosocial Rehabilitation Assessment Service of the Centre for addiction and Mental Health (CAMH), President of the Ontario Psychological Association. He is a neuropsychologist interested in brain and mental health, disability and homelessness, as well as health and social policy.

Friday, February 1 2019 - 7:30 pm, - Walter Borden on Theatre

Walter Borden, a native of New Glasgow Ns, has been a member of Halifax's Neptune Theatre, and the Ontario Stratford Festival. He is a recipient of the Queen Elizabeth II Golden Jubilee Medal, the African Nova Scotia Music Association (ANSMA) Music Heritage Award, and a Member of the Order of Canada. In 2007, Borden was awarded the Martin Luther King Jr. Achievement Award for his prominence as a theatre actor.

ALL SAINTS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

hosts the Toronto Welsh All Male Voice Choir

On Saturday February 2, 2019. Located in Bayview Village the church will host the evening at the Grand Luxe at 3125 Bayview Avenue

Tickets Dinner & Show \$75, Show only \$30

For tickets logon to www.welshchoir.ca or call Al Sadegursky at 647-389-8084.



BVA Neighbourhood Watch by Frank Anastasiadis

With the increase in break-ins in our area and the holiday season, it is easy to become distracted while out shopping, dining, taking transit or enjoying the season's festivities.

Here are some precautions to take to protect yourselves + your loved ones from becoming victims:

- **New Purchases over the holidays? Don't put the empty boxes announcing those purchases outside for all to see – break the boxes down – and place in your bin or return to store.**
- **Make sure your home looks active – leave lights on – use timers so that lights alternate, lock doors, keep driveways clear of snow, make sure your mail/newspapers are cleared each day.**
- Remain alert and be aware of your surroundings
- Whenever possible, travel with someone; there is safety in numbers
- Do not be distracted by your cell phone
- Refrain from using ear buds or headphones
- Do not leave bags or purses unattended, such as beside you on the transit system or on the back of your chair while in a restaurant
- Avoid using cash, instead use credit or debit cards
- Park in a well-lit area and lock your vehicle
- Keep valuables out of sight and in the trunk

Crimes can be indiscriminate. If you have been the victim of an unprovoked assault or witness one, please keep your distance from the suspect and call 9-1-1.

Be safe and be protected ~ Frank

AND NOW ABOUT VEHICLE THEFTS

In December Detective Sergeant Daniel Sabadics of 53 Division held a news conference with The Insurance Bureau of Canada (IBC) to talk about car theft. In IBC's annual list of Canada's most stolen vehicles reported there has been a **15% increase** in Auto Theft in Ontario.



DID YOU KNOW?

New Year's Day is the most common time for vehicles to be stolen?

That across Canada the most stolen vehicles are Ford F350 trucks?

And in Ontario, thieves target high-end SUVs and trucks, including Chevrolet's Tahoe, Silverado and Suburban. In Alberta, Ford's F250s and F350s dominate the list. While in Atlantic Canada, the Nissan Maxima is stolen most often, followed by the Chevy Silverado and Jeep Liberty.

In Toronto, 53 Division and 13 Division, have experienced a combined 92% year to date increase in overall auto thefts and **the entire city of Toronto a 29% increase in comparison to 2017.**

Investigators believe that these are largely attributable to electronic overrides, which include fob cloning or relay theft and on-board diagnostic (OBD) overwriting. In 53 and 13 Division these types of thefts accounted for a **240% increase**, in 32 Division and 33 Division a 45% increase and **a 90% increase in Toronto overall.**

What Can You Do?

Recommendations to prevent your vehicle from being stolen in addition to not leaving your vehicle running, parking in well-lit areas and/or a garage, and not leaving your keys in the vehicle, are:

- Steering Wheel Club
- Wheel Boot/Chock
- OBD (On Board Diagnostic) Port Lock
- Aftermarket Ignition Kill Switch
- Aftermarket Alarm System
- Intelligent radio-frequency identification (RFID) car immobilizer
- Place keys in Faraday bag
- Park in Your Garage

ICE STORMS

Heavy winds and ice build-up could cause tree branches to snap and power lines to come down. In the event of a power outage, receive up-to-date information by contacting your local hydro provider:

Toronto Hydro Website: Toronto Hydro Outage Map Twitter: @TorontoHydro

To report downed power lines and outages: **416-542-8000**

To report non-emergency damaged trees or fallen branches: **311**

If any outage occurs, Toronto Hydro recommends you do the following:

Unplug or turn off all appliances to avoid possible damage when power resumes.

Don't use barbecues, propane heaters or portable generators indoors or in enclosed spaces such as garages, covered porches and sheds – they generate carbon monoxide gas, which can be fatal.

Never leave candles unattended.

NEW COUNCILLOR - HOSTING REGULAR MEETINGS

Constituent Day Sign-ups

Welcome to our new local municipal councillor Shelley Carroll! She has her office up and running and is in the process of arranging for regular meeting areas in our ward.

If YOU have a specific City-related issue you'd like to discuss with Councillor Carroll just sign-up for one of her Constituent Days! 30-minute meetings are available. To sign up, just email councillor_carroll@toronto.ca with your name, phone number, address, and description of your issue so we can best serve you.

BVA - Staying In Touch

Twitter: @BVAssociation

email: bva@bayviewvillage.org

WEBSITE: www.BayviewVillage.org :Register online to receive email updates for police alerts, public safety, local news, etc.