

News for and from our Residents

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A View from the Terrace

DEAR RESIDENTS OF THE TERRACE

Remembrance Day this year is a very special occasion. On November 11 it will be exactly 100 years ago that World War One, which was fought between the Allied countries and Germany, officially ended on the 11th day of the 11th month at 11AM. on Nov.11 1918. That historic event, which became known as Armistice Day, has been celebrated every year on November 11 since. WW1 became known as The Great War because it affected people all over the world and it was the biggest war anyone had ever known. As we look at the number of soldiers that were killed in the major battles we see staggering figures. The Germans lost no less than 1,773.700 soldiers and civilians, the French Republic lost a total of 1.397.800 soldiers and civilians and the British armies a total of 1,114,914 soldiers, killed in the trenches in Belgium. The reason for these numbers of fatalities being so high is that the generals on both sides were determined not to lose one square inch of ground and to keep defending their positions at all costs. Another cause was the introduction of new weapons like the machine guns and the use of gas warfare. Most of us will remember that we learned in the history lessons that the Dutch government chose not to become involved in that war and to remain neutral. We now get a new appreciation for that wise decision as we try to imagine how many Dutch lives were saved as a result of that firm stand.

Reading the stories of the celebrations which were held when the Great War was finally over, is very interesting. The expectations were high that this war would end all wars; that tyranny had been overthrown and that from that day forward democracy would always triumph. But in a world that is filled with sinful people, the cruel reality is that there always will be wars, until the deceiver, Satan and his false prophets receive their final judgment when Christ returns as King of kings to establish His Kingdom of Peace, Rev.20:10. That is why we may have joyful anticipation and continue to pray so sincerely for: Thy Kingdom come, Thy Will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Both in the hearts and lives of all believers now already but also when at the Name of Jesus every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord to the Glory of God. Phil.2:10 B.L.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

6	Cris Drost	Ruinerwold	412
7	Horace Hryciw	Winnipeg	116
9	Dick Wikkerink	Aalten	414
12	Coby Krikke	Bergentheim	514
19	Jeannette Lip	s'Gravenzande	205
20	Bill Kegel	Berkel & Rodenrijs	320
21	Ed Aitken	P.E.I.	201
28	Mary Vermeer	Maasdijk	505
28	Wendy Wall	Hamilton	518
29	Leo Dvk	Ten Boer	202

Happy Birthday to you

RESIDENTS COUNCIL REPORT

We met on Thursday, October 18, with both the old and new members present.

The chair spoke a special welcome to Mary Alkema and explained what the Residents Counsel' mandate is, namely all of the activities in E.T.

Each council member is also a liaison to one or more of the committees. A new committee list will be published in the near future. All committees are asked to review their current members list.

The R.C. thanks the management for keeping our building clean. It looks very GOOD.

Please, let all of us residents, work on keeping it clean.

We adjourned at 10 o'clock and thanked Anne for all the hard work she has put into "The Residents Council" A.P.

REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE

On Sunday evening, Nov.11, at 7:00 PM we want to honor the memory of those who gave their lives for our freedom. This year Remembrance Day is a very special occasion as it will be exactly 100 years ago that World War One officially ended on the 11th day of the 11th month at 11 AM. on Nov.11 1918.

Ev Page will be speaking about how WWI impacted Grimsby and how many young men were willing to risk their lives to help liberate those European countries which were occupied by the German oppressors. Let us do our part to honor the memory of those who paid the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom, so that they may never become *forgotten soldiers*.

LADIES GUILD REPORT

The Ladies Guild is having its annual Sale on Thursday, November 8^{th} from 2-4 pm in the Willow Room. We invite all of you to come and see what has been produced in the past months and urge you, of course, to purchase some of these hand-made items.

The Ladies Guild serves a two-fold purpose. We, as ladies have something to do and make and are able to socialize weekly and through this are able to support a local charitable organization. In the last several years items have gone to McNally House, City Kitz, Grimsby Life Centre and Shalom Manor.

Lately we have actively supported **Indwell**, a Christian charitable organization that builds affordable houses for marginalized and homeless people in our communities. Homes and apartments have recently been built and opened in Hamilton, Woodstock, and Simcoe. Future projects are in the planning stages in Mississauga and in Hamilton.

It would be nice if we could furnish a room on behalf of "Evergreen Terrace" in the soon to be opened Parkdale Apartments. We would have to raise \$2000.00. We already have \$400.00 in the kitty from this past year's sales.

Donations will be gratefully accepted. Receipts will be issued, if requested. Will you all help us?

Mark the date and ask your friends and family to join us for our sale on November 8.

THE VISUAL ARTS COMMITTEE REPORT

The Visual Arts Committee is glad, that after some technical difficulties, it was able to show the beautiful movie SELMA. What the power of NON VIOLENCE can accomplish! Our next movie night will be Friday, November 23. We still have not decided which movie to show. We are always open for suggestions. PD



Our guest speaker at our annual meeting, Harry Bergshoeff

"911" Emergency

To all Residents

When calling "911" for Ambulance or Fire

REMEMBER BOTH THESE SERVICES HAVE ACCESS TO A MASTER KEY WHICH WILL **OPEN ANY DOOR** IN THE BUILDING



Our Resident's Council. Back row left to right:
John Amama, Chair; John Rensen.
Front row left to right: Audrey Pieters, Calendar;
Agnes Bennink, Secretary; Mary Alkema, Vice Chair.



FIRST TIMERS AT OUR ANNUAL MEETING



Ben & Hilda DeVos, 114



Maria Kiss, 206



Lydia Koomans, 321



Eve Baartse, 106



Henry & Olga Dekker, 304



Joe & Chris Drost, 412



Frances Stegne, 210

Annual Residents' Meeting held at Mountainview CRC on October 15, 2018 at 10:30 am

Board Chairman PJ Vermeer opens the meeting with having us sing the hymn "Great is Thy Faithfulness" followed by words of welcome to all present. This is followed by reading from scriptures from Matthew 6: 25 and on, Jesus' encouragement not to worry but to trust our heavenly Father. This is followed by a prayer for a blessing on our gathering. At this time the chairman introduces the members of the board, namely: John Koornneef, Andy Fluit, Bonnie Desjardins, Adrian Koornneef, Geraldine Kegel, Robert Heersink and Property manager Dick Vermeer. As well as absent members Jennie Antonides, Gerry VandenBerg and Rick Batenburg.

The Chairperson of the Resident's Council, Anne DeBruyne then addresses the meeting, remembering those who have passed away since we met a year ago. As well as those who have moved out. She also welcomes newcomers to the Evergreen Terrace community. A vote for one new council member to replace retiring member Anne DeBruyne was held with Mary Alkema and Trudy Terpstra as candidates. Mary Alkema is duly elected to serve on council.

Dave Van Sickle our sales coordinator addresses the audience relating his experiences and time served (38 years) as a realtor in the local market, 16 of which he has served as Evergreen Terrace's sales coordinator. Although residents do not tend to buy in with the primary objective of capital gains, it is good to know that their investment in Evergreen Terrace is a sound one, appreciating at the same rate as real estate in the local market. Dave indicates his pleasure in serving the Evergreen Terrace organization, in that it is not just real a estate sale but people are buying into a community where people care for each other. Dave especially thanks our residents for their support and their friendliness whenever he comes into the Terrace with potential buyers.

Following this Chairman PJ Vermeer introduces and welcomes our guest speaker, Mr. Harry Bergshoeff, volunteer with the World Renew organization. Harry assisted by power point presentation relates how World Renew is involved in disaster relief in a number of countries world wide. Their emphasis is on assisting and training people to be self-sufficient. The main part of his talk was about the work done among the Rohingya people who have fled from Myanmar to Bangladesh and are now living in squalor in huge refugee camps in that country. Even though the size of the disaster is huge (around a million people) World Renew and other charitable organizations working together do what they can and do make a difference

Chairman PJ Vermeer thanks Harry for his enlightening presentation

Following our guest speaker, Property Manager Dick Vermeer addresses the meeting with a report on some of the highlights of the past year. Seven suites have changed owners in the year past. The Board at its September 22, 2018 meeting discussed and accepted the 2019 proposed budget which will include a 2% increase in the monthly occupancy fees over the current year. Of note is a saving of over 3 million liters of water in the past year attributable to the replacement of all the toilets throughout the building. The numerous Evergreen Terrace volunteers are thanked for all they do for our community. In particular our Safety Committee in their efforts and direction to keep us safe in case of fire. To sum it up, when the fire alarm rings and there is no evidence of fire in or near your suite, call 911 give them your address and stay in your apartment. If there is fire or smoke in your suite, get out, close but do not lock your door and again call 911 with your address and suite number. The Safety committee has two wardens appointed on each floor recognizable by their bright safety vests, please obey the directions they give you. Where possible stay out of the hallways and common areas to allow the fire department to do their job. Remember safety is everyone's business.

Pastor John Klomps than leads us in words of a closing prayer of thanksgiving. A good lunch was shared by all. The remaining sandwiches were distributed by volunteers to those residents who for various reasons were unable to join us.

Dick Vermeer, Property Manager and recording secretary.