



# A View from the Terrace

### DEAR RESIDENTS OF THE TERRACE

This month I want to start with apologizing for playing with a few numbers. That is a hobby for those of us who like to keep track of things and want to be able to compare these numbers from one year to the next. Here at E.T., on this date, our precious community consists of 136 persons, and is made up of 43 couples, 37 women who live alone and 13 men who also are on their own. But as we go through the list of names, we immediately notice that every resident is a very unique individual. That list reveals again that all of us are the sum total of our background, our education and the environment we have worked in. As we meet the new residents, who have made E.T. their home recently, and listen to their life stories, it is indeed fascinating to conclude that every person has his or her own very unique testimony to share. It was so impressive to learn that most of the E.T. residents who came to Canada after WW2 already came with their parents and therefore they were *being emigrated* because at that time they were still children or young teenagers. The decision where they would spend their future was made *for them*. We have also heard stories of teen-age children who did not agree with their parents' choices. They wanted to stay with their friends in the old country and they only reluctantly came along. Those strained relationships with their parents often remained for years and proved difficult to overcome. We have always loved to see their courage to emigrate from a biblical perspective. Those parents were the Abrahams and Sarahs of our century and they were obedient to the Divine Call to "go to a land that He would show them, to bless them there and cause them to be a blessing". **Gen.17:26.** We can not imagine how difficult those huge decisions were for them to make. They had to leave all that was familiar behind, they did not know where they were going and most of them were not able to speak the language. But they did make those courageous choices very conscientiously and always accompanied by a lot of prayer. They based their decisions on the familiar Scripture verses of **Prov.3:5,6** *Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him and He will direct your paths.* We will always respect the enormous decisions those parents made 70 years ago and honour their obedience to continue to serve God in the new country. B.L.

### SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1	Dirkje Koster	Zuidhorn	516
9	Joanne DeBoer	Apeldoorn	112
12	Dave VanAmerongen	Den Haag	408
16	John Koornneef	Pijnacker	309
17	Geoffrey Ellis	Grimsby	303
20	Ina Spekkers	Amsterdam	306
22	Jack DeRoos	Haula (Fr)	216
24	Lois Whewell	Hamilton	403
25	Lammie Rumph	Koekange	220
26	Mary Alkema	Rotterdam	209
28	Joka VanAmerongen	Scheveningen	408
29	Kit Rustenburg	Arnhem	311
29	Greta Vandermeulen	Oegstgeest	316
30	Betty Buter	s-Gravenzande	107



### LIBRARY NEWS

Over the last two months the library has received several more books which have been documented and placed on the shelves. But with these new books we have no more room. A year ago we added one more bookshelf, but there is really **no space left**. Enjoy the books we have. Be adventurous and take out a book written by an author with whom you are not familiar. Happy reading. B.V.H.

### VISUAL ARTS REPORT

On Friday, September 20, we will be showing the movie THE BLIND SIDE. It is based on an extraordinary true story. Yes, the story is much about American College football, but it is more about the priceless thing known as FAMILY. Starting time is 7:00 pm, and like most movies it is about 2 hours long. P.D.B.

### FROM THE LADIES GUILD

We invite you to join us on Thursday, Sept. 19th from 2:00 to 4:00 as we start up again for the coming season. Join us in making items, or just come for a time of socializing. We still have some yarn left to share if you are in a creative mood. Together we are able to bless others through our crafts. M.S.

## E.T. BOARD AND MANAGEMENT REPORT

### Recycling

An up-date on our waste management program. When we recycle we have an opportunity to be part of the solution not to waste our resources. In the lower lobby full directions are posted as to what items go in which bins, Grey bins for paper and cardboard etc, blue bins for containers glass and plastics etc. and the green bin for compostables such as food scraps, greens, soil, etc Read them and heed them!. Also any and all containers, glass or plastic must be thoroughly rinsed or washed like your dishes before putting them in the blue containers. The recycling bins are NOT garbage bins please treat them with respect.

In the corner we also have containers for used batteries and used light bulbs, we recycle them as well as they are considered hazardous materials and as such should not go in the general garbage.

If everyone does their share, by properly recycling as is indicated we will do a lot towards keeping our environment clean. As well if you do not sort it properly, someone else be it a volunteer or staff has to clean up after you. This is not fair to leave your mess for someone else to take care of. On a final note your garbage needs to be properly bagged when dropped down the garbage chute located in the elevator area on each floor. In the interest of cleanliness make sure when carrying garbage or compostables that the bag or container does not leak and mess up our nice hallway carpeting on your way to the chute. We want to encourage everyone in the Terrace to be part of the solution to our waste stream, not part of the problem!!

### Welcome to Evergreen Terrace

A hearty welcome to our Evergreen community is extended to John & Elly DeHoog who have moved into suite # 407. Wishing you God's blessings in your new home.

### Residents' Annual Meeting

A reminder to all our residents of our upcoming Annual Residents' Meeting to be held on Monday October 28 at 9:30am in the fellowship hall of the Mountainview church. Due to the fellowship hall being used as polling station for the Oct. 21st federal election, our meeting is held a week later than other years. Reserve this date on your calendar, as in years past this promises to be a wonderful social event with coffee, tea and goodies and an interesting guest speaker, followed by a light lunch. D.V.

## FROM THE SPIRITUAL LIFE COMMITTEE

We look forward to the month of September when all the activities that were on hold during the summer months will resume again. We have learned again that in order to build and maintain friendships we must spend time together in activities we have treasured so very much over the years. So we would ask especially the new residents to consider joining us in precious hours that help to build the caring, loving community here at Evergreen Terrace.

- The **Hymn-sings** are always scheduled on the fourth Tuesday evening of the month to *sing together* the Praises to our Lord and Saviour in Psalms, Hymns and Spiritual songs. These hymn-sings have been well attended, but there is always room for more voices to join the singing. The first Hymn-sing of the new season will be on Tuesday September 24 at 7:00 PM in the Willow room.

- The two **Bible studies** each month are on the first and third Tuesday mornings of the month. Pastor Fred VanderBerg will continue to lead the studies in the Book of Psalms. Pastor Dick Wynia has been leading the studies in the Epistle of James. Both these study series have been well attended but there is always room for one more chair. We look forward to the first study with pastor Fred on Tuesday September 3 at 9:30 AM and pastor Wynia on Tuesday September 17.

- The **prayer** meeting is a time that draws us closer to our Lord and to one another. As we realize our total dependency on the Giver of Life we are grateful for all His Blessings and respond to His Infinite Love for us. It is both a privilege and our duty to pray for those who experience difficult situations or have health concerns. Why not consider attending, not necessarily participating in this hour of praise and prayer every Thursday evening at 6:45 PM in the Willow room, starting again on Thursday Sept. 5.

We look forward to a new season of experiencing our Christian life style community here. B.L.

## FROM THE RESIDENTS COUNCIL.

We met on Aug. 15 with all members present. Times fly. Two members have already fulfilled their 3 year term, John Rensen and Audrey Pieters. Audrey agreed to serve another term, John Rensen asked for his term to be finished. We thank you John for all the work and input he had in the Residents Council. Agnes Bennink has also agreed to serve at least another year. Thank you Agnes. All this leaves the R.C. with one male seat to be filled. Sooo, if you are willing and able to serve on the R.C. please talk to the chairman John Amama or any other member of the R.C. It is September, and all activities are starting up again.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 am. A.P.

## PEOPLE ON THE MOVE

A while back the Residents Council approved a new "column" in our monthly newsletter pertaining to new residents moving in or current residents who have or will be moving out. It is done completely voluntarily. Today we have a short profile of three couples who moved in recently.

Will and Linda Termorshuizen, unit 402.

Will was born in Rotterdam, the Netherlands and came to Canada in May 1959. He lived in Brockville and the Niagara area and in Nigeria for 12 years.

Linda was born in Port Colborne and lived in S.W. Ontario and in Florida and Arizona. They are now happily living here and thankful for God's grace.

Maynard and Susan Smid, unit 420.

Hello everyone. We have four children and eleven grandchildren. We moved to Evergreen Terrace from Strathroy to be closer to our children.

Thank you for the warm welcome we received.

John and Elly de Hoog, unit 407.

John was born near London, ON, and Elly was born in the Netherlands and was five when she came to Canada. John and Elly and their two children moved to the Niagara area in 1987. They now also have two grand children and enjoy them. Their children attended John Knox Christian School in Fruitland where John served as board member and chair. John was a licensed carpenter and enjoyed his career. Elly was an RN and worked for 20 years at the Grimsby Hospital in the OR. They are members of the Forestview Community Church, part of the RCA. They both enjoy reading and are glad about the ET Library. John is also a WWII history buff. They enjoy living here and are impressed with the care of the building, inside and out.

Francis Snippe moved out recently and she would love to maintain contact with her friends at E.T.

Here is her info:

Francis Snippe. 72 Town Centre Drive. Townsend. ON.  
N0A 1S0. Room 38. Phone: 1-519-587-4982 A.D.



## SOCIAL ACTIVITY COMMITTEE.

What happened to the summer? It is September already.

The S.A.C. invites you to all the upcoming activities.

We start on Wednesday September 4 2019, with our first coffee social in the Willow Room from 2.30-3.30 pm.

From then on, every Wednesday, unless otherwise noted.

If you are planning a special treat, (cake for example) for Wednesday afternoon, please let Dini Post or Audrey Pieters know well in advance so that we do not get two celebrations on the same day.

The S.A.C. is very pleased to announce that Mary Alkema has agreed to join us. Thank you, Mary. If you have any questions, suggestions or activities for the committee, please contact any one of the members. Dini Post 105, Eve Baartse 106, Mary Alkema 209, Kit Rustenburg 311. Audrey Pieters 508.

We love to hear from you. A.P.

## MEMORIAL FUND

The purpose of the Memorial Fund is to honour the memory of those residents, or their spouses, who have passed away while living at Evergreen Terrace. This honour is expressed by making a donation to a charity or worthwhile cause as chosen by the family of the deceased.

An amount of \$100.00 per donation has been the standard amount made for each resident who has passed away at Evergreen Terrace. Since our last collection we have given 2 donations to Anchor Association, 5 to Shalom Manor, 1 to World Renew, 2 to McNally House, and 1 to West Lincoln Memorial Hospital Palliative Care Service. Our funds are running low, so we will be coming around to ask for your donations again, \$5.00 per person has been the suggested amount for years now, but do remember that it is totally on a voluntary basis. We hope to do this early in September. Should you have any questions, please give one of us a call, Audrey Pieters, Coby Krikke (Secretary), or Geraldine Kegel (Admin.) G.K

Who said we only make sawdust in the workshop? Lies!!



This all wooden bike was made by Dick Wikkerink.

# “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



Jane Denbok’s little corner of her earthly paradise.



## “THE WORLD IS MINE”

Today in the bus I saw a very beautiful woman  
and wished I were as beautiful.  
When suddenly she rose to leave,  
I saw her hobble down the aisle.  
She had one leg and used a crutch.  
But as she passed, she passed a smile.  
Oh, God, forgive me when I whine.  
I have two legs; the world is mine.

I stopped to buy some candy.  
The lad who sold it had such a charm.  
I talked to him, he seemed so glad.  
If I were late, it’d do no harm.  
And as I left, he said to me,  
“I thank you, you have been so kind.  
It’s nice to talk with folks like you.  
You see”, he said “I’m blind.”  
Oh, God, forgive me when I whine.  
I have two eyes; the world is mine.

Later when walking down the street,  
I saw a child I knew.  
He stood and watched the others play,  
But he did not know what to do.  
I stopped a moment and then I said,  
“Why don’t you join them dear?”  
He looked ahead without a word.  
I forgot, he couldn’t hear.  
Oh, God, forgive me when I whine.  
I have two ears, the world is mine.

With feet to take me where I’d go,  
With eyes to see the sunset’s glow,  
With ears to hear what I’d know,  
Oh, God, forgive me when I whine,  
I’ve been blessed indeed, the world is mine.