

A View from the Terrace

DEAR RESIDENTS OF THE TERRACE

FROM THE BOARD AND MANAGEMENT OF
"EVERGREEN TERRACE"

I am sure that all of us are still trying to understand the enormous changes that have taken place since the COVID-19 suddenly appeared as an [infectious disease](#). It was first diagnosed in [Wuhan](#), China, in December 2019. You may have discovered that COVID-19 is an abbreviation of [Corona virus disease 2019](#). In addition, it is astonishing that it could spread so rapidly all around the world. More than 27.600.000 cases have been reported in 188 countries, with a total of [898,000 deaths](#). Let us first look at the positive changes that happened. The good news is that 18.5 million people have recovered with no known permanent effects on their health. The social distancing rule requires that people, who are not immediate family, must always stay 6 feet, or 2 meters away from others. It was impossible to effectively implement that rule for people who worked in offices. Therefore, staff members and employees were advised to work from home as much as possible. Many people accepted that recommendation and the results of that decision are very impressive. The most beneficial is the time saved from no longer having to travel to and from work and not being tied up in traffic, but also the fuel savings are substantial. Also, the number of cars traveling along the QEW and 403 on their way to Mississauga or Toronto has diminished so much that we do not hear about traffic tie-ups anymore and the number of accidents is down accordingly. Just imagine the reduction in exhaust emissions and the pollution that has been achieved.

However, there is also a downside to those changes. Think about all the people who have lost their jobs, perhaps only temporarily, but so many have lost their source of income and are struggling to feed their families. It is no wonder that so many people are asking the question if this is now going to be the new normal. We know that our Sovereign Lord is in complete control and that everything that happens is with His permissive will. We may trust Him and be assured that whatever happens to us is for His glory and for our good. We accept each day as His gift to us, one day at a time and know that He never leaves us or forsakes us. B.L.

Property Manager

After eighteen and a half years of serving as Evergreen Terrace's Manager, we want to inform you of the pending retirement of Dick Vermeer as your Property Manager. This (D.V) will take place on January 1, 2021. The Board of Directors after a diligent search has appointed Mr. Jan Visser to this position. Dick will be sharing his years of experience with Jan in an extended period of training and bringing him up to speed on the intricacies of managing Evergreen Terrace.

Heating Systems Upgrade

The earlier reported replacement of our domestic hot water and heating systems is nearing completion. The job is expected to be completed by the first week of October. By installing high efficiency, modern equipment we expect to see a considerable savings in our fuel consumption helping both our finances and the environment.

FROM THE RESIDENTS' COUNCIL

Agnes Bennink's term has ended and we would like to sincerely thank her for her many years of work on the council. The residents now have the opportunity to vote for a replacement. Two residents have been found willing to stand for nomination: Gertie DeRoos and Linda Termorshuizen. Residents will receive a ballot in the near future, one ballot per unit. The ballot will show the date on which you can deposit your completed ballot in the ballot box, which will be placed in the foyer. M.A.

LADIES GUILD

In light of the fact that the Covid-19 cases are again on the increase, it would be better for us to continue to work individually. Most of us to date, have established our own "bubbles" and by meeting as a group, we would expose each other in many ways. Please call Maria, 507, if you need wool and would like to continue making things for the Guild. M.S.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

4	(Cor Langendoen)	Oost Voorne	201
7	Abe Knecht	Den Hoorn	421
8	Peter DeBruyne	Veere	401
15	Joanne Dieleman	Schiedam	317
18	Jake Hoek	Katwijk	307
21	(Joe Drost)	Wanneperveen, Ov.	412
24	Fred DeBeer	Nes (Fr)	207
28	(Betsy Heersink)	Aalten	404
29	John Kralt	Grimsby	Office

Happy Birthday

MOVING ON

Cor Langendoen will be moving to the Gardens, unit 410 soon. His daughter has promised to bring all his birthday cards to his new home. All the best, Cor.