

Views from the Terrace

DEAR RESIDENTS of the TERRACE:

Have you ever stopped to think that each one of us is an incredibly unique human being? The world's population today is estimated to be 7.8 billion people, and in that total number there are no two individuals who have exactly the same personalities, not even identical twins. Nor is there a person who is exactly like you anywhere on the planet earth now, or at any time in the past.

Let us not forget that our Lord already knew us before we were conceived in our mother's womb, and that He had a personal plan for each one of us, to bring glory to His name in adoration and praise.

In **Ephesians 2:10** (NIV), we read:

For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus, to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

That means that our Lord not only determined the place where we should live and the span of our years, but He also assigned tasks especially designed for each one of us. He promises to equip us for those purposes.

God has a reason for us being at Evergreen Terrace. He is not through with us, even at our age! We are not here for more fame and fortune, but to fulfill His purpose in our lives. He wants us to become more like Christ in what we think, say, and do. **Romans 8:29** (NIV) says:

... to be conformed to the image of his Son ...

Think about what a divine challenge that is for us in our daily living, and for how we relate to other people. Imagine that the only Christ some people will ever meet is the one they see in us. Even at our age, He still gives us many reasons for living. We can offer a helping hand where needed, or show empathy to those who mourn the loss of a loved one. We can give a word of encouragement, or share an uplifting thought with those who struggle with a heavy burden all by themselves.

We want to continue to be that *caring community* which Evergreen claims to be. What a privilege that each of us can still do our humble part.

We wish you all a relaxing summer, and trust that our social activities and programs can resume in September, Deo volente (God willing), and as we are able.

- BL

LAUGHTER

"A merry heart doeth good like a medicine."

- A kindergarten teacher was observing her classroom of children while they were drawing. She would occasionally walk around to see each child's work.

As she got to one little girl who was working diligently, she asked what the drawing was.

The girl replied, "I'm drawing God."

The teacher paused and said, "But no one knows what God looks like."

Without missing a beat, or looking up from her drawing, the girl replied, "They will in a minute."

WORDS of WISDOM



**Notes from the desk of the
PROPERTY MANAGER:**

COVID-19

New updates on the reopening of Ontario can be found on this same page of this newsletter. Check it out and stay informed as to the regulations that are in place.

Spring Cleaning

The annual spring cleaning of the furnaces and general check in each apartment continues. We are getting close to completing this task.

Parking Garage

I am pretty sure that everyone is aware of a couple of rules to follow in the basement parking garage. There are signs that post the speed limit, which needs to be followed for everyone's safety. Another rule is that the south garage door should be used as an *entrance only* and the north garage door is an *exit only*. Please follow these two rules, to ensure the safety of all who use the parking garage.

- JV

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

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| 1 | Dick Vermeer | De Lier, ZH, NL | 505 |
| 5 | Murray Alexander | Prince Edward Co., ON | 519 |
| 6 | Ann DeBoer | Oegstgeest, ZH, NL | 407 |
| 8 | Maria Kiss | HUNGARY | 206 |
| 10 | Yul Krikke | De Krim, OV, NL | 514 |
| 20 | Kinsey Smith | Middlesex, UK | 515 |
| 21 | Anne DeBruyne | Groningen, GR, NL | 401 |

Happy Birthday!!

ON THE MOVE

Two of our neighbours have recently moved:

Rita Klomps

- from Evergreen #319 to Shalom Gardens – May 14th
(Rita can be reached at xxx-xxx-xxxx)

Lammie Rumph

- from Evergreen #220 to Shalom Manor – May 19th

You will be missed!

From the LADIES GUILD:

Lately I have received items outside my door. These are clearly gently used items. Please note that our policy is not to store or pass on such items as donations. If you wish to donate these items, please do so yourself. We do appreciate unused thread/yarn for crafting. Thanks! - MS



Orders from the Province of Ontario:

May 20, 2021

Roadmap to Reopen

Effective May 22, 2021, **outdoor limits** for social gatherings and organized public events will be expanded to **five people**, including with members of different households.

Roadmap to Reopen is a cautious **three-step plan** that will guide a safe and gradual reopening of the province and the lifting of public health measures based on the province-wide vaccination rate and improvements in key public health indicators.

The government expects to enter Step One of the Roadmap the week of June 14, 2021.

The province will remain in each of the three steps for at least 21 days.

Public health and workplace safety measures would continue to apply across all steps, including maintaining physical distance, capacity limits and wearing face coverings in indoor spaces and wherever physical distancing is a challenge.

Stay at least 2 metres away from anyone you do not live with.

Face Coverings:

Everyone must wear a mask or face covering that covers their mouth, nose, and chin in indoor public places and whenever physical distancing of at least two metres is not possible.

Exceptions:

You do not need to wear a face covering if you:

- have a medical condition that inhibits your ability to wear a face covering
- are unable to put on or remove your face covering without help from someone else
- are receiving accommodations according to the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005* or the *Human Rights Code*.

STAY WELL. STAY SAFE.

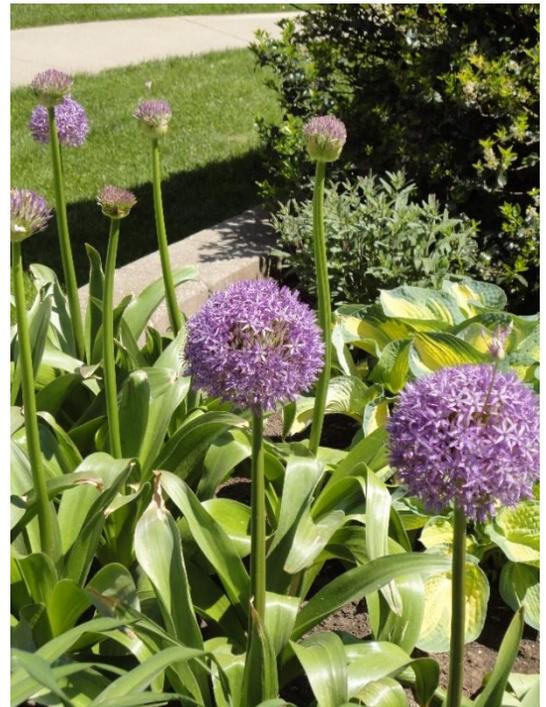
NOTE: The above information is from the Province of Ontario, presented by the Residents' Council of Evergreen Terrace.

From RESIDENTS' COUNCIL:

A well-earned “thank you” to the hard-working men and women who did a fantastic job in creating beautiful flower gardens around our Evergreen building!
Thanks for a job well done! -JA



Alongside the many existing shrubs, trees, and perennials, approximately **1,600** plants were planted in the gardens at Evergreen in May! Wow!!



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