

# Views from the Terrace

## DEAR RESIDENTS of the TERRACE:

On July 1<sup>st</sup> we will celebrate the 154<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Canadian confederation. On July 1<sup>st</sup>, 1867, the British North America Act was passed by the British Parliament, combining the colonies of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Ontario and Quebec into one federation, the Dominion of Canada. Originally called Dominion Day, the holiday was renamed Canada Day in 1982, and became a federal statutory holiday.

On one of our trips to the Netherlands, we visited the Canadian War Cemetery in Holten. When we found the section for the *Royal Hamilton Light Infantry*, it suddenly became very personal for me. I realized that the job that I had at Stelco in Hamilton, could have been done by any one of those brave soldiers, who made the ultimate sacrifice for our liberation. Likewise, many of us may not have had the job, the business, or the farm that we had, if those fallen soldiers had been able to return home.

For many of us who immigrated, we vividly remember the day when we humbly and gratefully became Canadian citizens. Whether we are citizens of Canada as immigrants or citizens by birth, on special days like Canada Day, we can all count our blessings and realize how privileged we are to live in this nation of freedom and opportunity.

I loved to tell our grandchildren how Moses was called to lead the children of Israel to the promised land of Canaan; but for us, *our* promised land was spelled just one letter different: Canada!

We read about social conditions and moral attitudes in other countries becoming more selfish and self-centered, and becoming more focused on me, instead of we. In such cultures, it can become difficult to govern effectively and to maintain democratic principles.

Therefore, on this Canada Day, we count our blessings, and recognize again how blessed we are to reside in Canada.

We are grateful for the assurance of Acts 17:26 (KJV)

And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation;

We wish you all a joyful, safe and happy Canada Day!

- BL



July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021

On July 1<sup>st</sup>, 1867 (154 years ago), Canada became a new federation, the **Dominion of Canada**.



## LAUGHTER

“A merry heart doeth good like a medicine.”

A Polish immigrant went to Service Ontario to apply for a driver’s license. First, of course, he had to take an eyesight test. The clerk showed him a card with the letters:

C Z W I X N O S T A C Z

“Can you read this?” the clerk asked.

“Read it?” the Polish man replied. “I know the guy.”

## WORDS of WISDOM

In the rush to return to normal, use this time to consider which parts of normal are worth rushing back to.

- Dave Hollis



## **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 the newsletter. Check it out and stay informed as to the regulations that are in place.

### Sales

As of June 14<sup>th</sup>, Units 107 and 319 were put on the market to be sold. On June 22<sup>nd</sup>, Dave Van Sickle came to the office with the information that Unit 107 had been sold.

### Building Security

I'm not sure if anyone remembers that we were having problems with opening the front door remotely from the units using the door security system that we have in place. That problem has since been repaired and there have been no further complaints about not being able to remotely open the front door.

However, some of our residents are unable to reach their telephone when it rings from the front vestibule, to let their caregivers into the building. That issue has now been resolved. We found that we can assign a 4-digit code (specifically for that unit) which can be entered at the call pad in the vestibule, which will open the front door, so that those caregivers can let themselves in. Contact the office for more information on how this may work for you.

-JV



Orders from the Province of Ontario:



## **Roadmap to Safely Reopen the Province**

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 province entered Step One on June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

### **Ontario enters Step Two, effective June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 12:01 am.**

Public health and workplace safety measures 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.

With safety measures and other restrictions still in place,

### **Step Two will include:**

- Outdoor gatherings up to 25 people;
- Indoor gatherings up to 5 people, with restrictions;
- Outdoor dining up to 6 people per table;
- Personal care services where face coverings can be worn at all times;
- Indoor religious services, rites or ceremony gatherings at 25 per cent capacity;

## **STAY WELL. STAY SAFE.**

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

**FUN FACTS**  
**about CANADA!**

1. **Canada has the longest coastline in the world.**  
Canada's coastline measures 243,042 km along the shores, including the mainland coast and the coasts of off-shore islands.
2. **Canada has the most lakes.**  
Canada has more lakes than the rest of the world combined. At last count, there are more than 2 million lakes, with 563 of them larger than 100 square kms. Canada has the largest source of freshwater in the world.
3. **Canada is the largest country in the western hemisphere and the second largest country in the world, after Russia.**
4. **Highest tides in the world.**  
The Bay of Fundi in eastern Canada has the highest tides in the world. The waves there are 13 meters / 42 feet high.
5. **Canada's longest river is the Mackenzie River.**  
Located in the northwest, the Mackenzie River is 4,241 km / 2,635 miles long.
6. **Highest mountain peak.**  
Mount Logan in the Yukon Territory is Canada's tallest mountain. It is 5,959 metres / 19,551 feet high and can be found in Kluane National Park and Reserve. The mountain is named after Sir William Edmond Logan, a Canadian geologist and founding member of the Geological Survey of Canada.
7. **Regina is at the center of North America.**  
Regina, the capital of Saskatchewan, is the closest to the center of the continent at a latitude of 50°27' N and a longitude of 104° 37' W.
8. **Six Canadian cities have more than 1 million residents.**  
Those cities are Toronto (over 6 million), Montreal (over 4 million), Vancouver, Calgary, Edmonton, and Ottawa.
9. **Canada has a total population of over 38 million.**  
Nine out of ten Canadians reside in the border region, which is the area up to 160 km / 99 miles from the US-Canada border.
10. **Largest and smallest provinces and territories.**  
Canada is divided into ten provinces and three territories. Quebec is the country's largest province with a total of 1.5 million square kms. Meanwhile, Prince Edward Island is the smallest at 5,600 square kms. Nunavut is the largest territory, at 2 million square kms, taking up one-fifth of Canada's total land area.



**From RESIDENTS COUNCIL:**

Do you enjoy decorating for the holidays? If so, please consider volunteering to assist the Decorating Committee, mainly at Thanksgiving and Christmas.

We are asking for a volunteer to administer the Memorial Fund, as Geraldine Kegel is stepping down from that role.

We also need a volunteer photographer for our photo directory and to handle the computer work for setting up and submitting photos to our printing company. Training will be provided if needed. We are grateful that Geraldine is willing to continue to manage the photo directories, by compiling new directories for new residents, and distributing updates to keep our directories up to date.

Thanks to Geraldine for all that she does for us!

Please let us know if you are willing to assist in any of these volunteer roles. Thank you for giving some consideration to helping us out!

- JA



**ON THE MOVE**

One of our neighbours has recently moved:  
John Rensen  
- from Evergreen #411 to Albright Manor – June 7<sup>th</sup>

*You will be missed!*



**JULY BIRTHDAYS**

17	Pearl Jager	Franeke, FR, NL	117
18	Allan Smedes	Hardegarijp, FR, NL	507
21	Jytte Jorgensen	Copenhagen, DENMARK	1
24	Ray Schroder	Medicine Hat, AB, CA	315
25	John Amama	Amsterdam, NH, NL	314
26	Ben Van Hoffen	Slikerveer, ZH, NL	312

**Happy Birthday!!**



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