

Views from the Terrace

DEAR RESIDENTS of the TERRACE:

I am sure that all of us can agree that we came to live at Evergreen Terrace at exactly the right time in our lives. My wife Jane used to say that we had cut enough grass over the years on our 100 x 620 foot property on Strabane Road near Freelton. We moved to Grimsby on November 1st, 2002. We find it hard to grasp that that was almost 21 years ago.

How time flies for us as seniors! That is no wonder, really. When we were young people, at age 20, a year was 1/20 of our life. But at age 80, a year is only 1/80 of our life.

We also know for certain that it was not only by our own personal choice that we moved here. The apostle Paul stated God's plan for each one of us in **Acts 17:26-27** (NKJV):

- ²⁶ And He has made from one blood every nation of men to dwell on all the face of the earth, and has determined their preappointed times and the boundaries of their dwellings,
- ²⁷ so that they should seek the Lord, in the hope that they might grope for Him and find Him, though He is not far from each one of us;

That is why it is so significant that Evergreen Terrace is called: **A Christian Lifestyle Community**. Here we may experience the truth of the acronym for **JOY**, when we place **J**esus first, **O**thers second, and **Y**ourself last. We all have so many opportunities to offer a helping hand where needed, to share an encouraging thought to uplift someone who may be inclined to worry about his/her situation in life.

It is indeed reassuring that the "buddy" system works so well here for those of us who live alone. Many of us use this system, whereby we signal to our "buddy" neighbour each morning that all is well. If the signal is absent, then they would be contacted by their concerned "buddy" neighbour.

Our younger son asked me recently: "Who is your neighbour, so we can contact him or her if we cannot get in touch with you?" We would encourage everyone to make sure that your "buddy" neighbour and the Evergreen office has the phone numbers of your children or contact person(s). In these days of cell phones, our children and grandchildren almost always have their cell phones with them. Some of us still have a telephone that is plugged into a wall receptacle. To each his own.

- B.L.

LABOUR DAY

Monday, September 4th, 2023

FIRST DAY of FALL

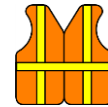
Saturday, September 23rd, 2023
at 2:50 am EDT



SAFETY Committee:

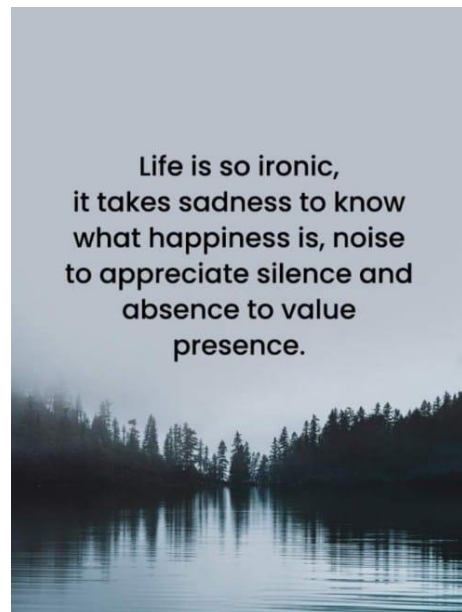
There will be a meeting of the Safety Committee on Thursday September 14th at 10:00 am in the Willow Room. Please let Gertie or Tina know if you are unable to attend.

- G.d.R.



WORDS of WISDOM

Life is so ironic,
it takes sadness to know
what happiness is, noise
to appreciate silence and
absence to value
presence.



LADIES' GUILD:

The Ladies' Guild is extending their summer break, and will resume weekly Thursday afternoon meetings, starting on Thursday October 5th at 2:00 pm. Yarn is available for anyone who wants to make items for donation to charity. Please see Maria Smedes or Grace Stieva, to obtain yarn from the yarn closet.

- L.T.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES Committee:

What happened to the summer??
It just flew by...

We want to inform you that the coffee socials will start again on Wednesday, September 6th!

For those of you who have recently moved in, these weekly get-togethers in the Willow Room are fun opportunities to meet your neighbours and visit with your fellow residents.

Hope to see you all on Wednesday, September 6th at 2:30 pm in the Willow Room!

- A.P.



VISITOR!

This feathered friend stopped by to look in at the 4th floor. Thanks to Alan and Maria Smedes for capturing this moment and for sharing this photo with us.

- L.T.



LAUGHTER

"A merry heart doeth good like a medicine."

You only need
two tools in life...
WD-40 and duct tape.
If it doesn't move and should,
use WD-40.
If it moves and shouldn't,
use duct tape.



MOVIE NIGHT:

You are invited to "an evening out" later this month!

A good movie has been chosen to be shown on Friday September 29th at 7:00 pm in the Willow Room. Hope to see you there!

- B.VH.

LIBRARY Committee:

The library has a fresh new look now that all the Dutch books have been removed. A sincere "thank you" to the individuals who took the discarded books from the tables in the foyer when we gave Evergreen residents the opportunity to add to their own personal libraries, at no cost!

The library shelves are now able to receive a few more books. You are encouraged to donate books you have read, at any time. Just leave them inside the corner cupboard for labelling. Thank you for your help and your continued use of our library.

- B.VH.

PHOTO DIRECTORY:

Thanks to Herb Vissers for stepping into the role as photographer for our Evergreen Photo Directory. To get our Photo Directories up to date, Herb will soon be taking photos of our new residents who moved in over the summer. Thanks so much, Herb!

- L.T.

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

New Residents

Giulia Fratarcangeli moved into Suite 401 on June 28th, 2023.

Jerry and Douwina (Winnie) Hoytema moved into Suite 219 on July 17th, 2023.

Wayne and Trudy Schoeman moved into Suite 204 on August 1st, 2023.

Theo and Betty Posthumus moved into Suite 212 on August 18th, 2023.

Gwen Cochrane moved out on May 26th to live with her daughter in Beamsville.

Brian Biesheuvel and Barbara Allen moved out of Suite 220 (which they rented from Art and Irene Dryer) on August 18th. They moved into their new home which they had built in Niagara-on-the-Lake.

Gary Dean (and his wife Karen) moved out on August 25th to live out his dream of a condo on a lake up north.

We welcome those new residents and hope you will feel at home soon.

We say farewell to those leaving and wish you all God's blessing in your new places of residence.

Parking Lot

The parking lot was repaired and sealed, with new lines and signs painted. I think it looks great and hope the inconvenience it may have caused was worth it.

Mail Slots

Receiving "mail" from within the building was a topic that was discussed by the Safety Committee. It was felt that it was unsafe for many residents to be bending down to pick up items that were slid under the door. This could increase the fall risk for some residents. It was decided to look into a way to deliver mail in a way that no one would have to bend over to pick up mail off the floor.

A very inconspicuous mail slot was thought up, which is integrated into the door window. This slot is barely noticeable, still allows you to put some of your small trinkets in the window, and accepts the newsletters, cards and such that are delivered on a regular basis. A mail slot will be installed on every apartment door in the building to allow for the safe receiving of internal mail, and also to keep uniformity in the building.

Painting

The painting of the doorways, doors, and stair rails has been completed. All now looks fresh and uniform.

Wishing you all God's blessing as part of the Evergreen Terrace community.

- J.V.

ON THE MOVE

In May:

Gwen Cochrane

- from Evergreen #212 to Beamsville, ON

In July:

Richard and Sara Blomberg

- from Evergreen #419 to Stoney Creek, ON

In August:

Brian Biesheuvel and Barbara Allen

- from Evergreen #220 to Niagara-on-the-Lake, ON

Gary (and Karen) Dean

- from Evergreen #511 to Orillia, ON

You will all be missed!

NEW NEIGHBOURS!

In June:

Giulia Fratarcangeli – Suite 401

(H) xxx-xxx-xxxx

In July:

Jerry and Douwina (Winnie) Hoytema – Suite 219

(C) xxx-xxx-xxxx (Jerry)

In August:

Wayne and Trudy Schoeman – Suite 204

(H) xxx-xxx-xxxx

Theo and Betty Posthumus – Suite 212

(H) xxx-xxx-xxxx

We welcome you all into our midst!



IN REMEMBRANCE

Ron (Ronald) Wall

March 30th, 1937 - July 8th, 2023

Gone from sight, but not forgotten.



TRASH TALK

(recycling guide)

GREY BIN (paper and cardboard):

- paper, envelopes, newspapers, magazines, catalogues
- cereal boxes, cracker boxes, tissue boxes
- corrugated cardboard, clean pizza boxes, paper towel rolls and toilet paper rolls
- **plastic bags and stretchy wrap - all stuffed into one plastic bag, and tied closed**
- shredded paper – in a clear plastic bag, and tied closed

BLUE BIN (containers and rigid plastic packaging – **all containers must be rinsed**):

- glass jars and bottles (remove lids)
- beverage cartons and drink boxes
- metal food and beverage cans
- plastic bottles and jugs
- plastic containers and lids
- foil containers
- empty aerosol cans
- plastic flower pots

GREEN BIN (food and organic material – **all in a certified compostable bag**):

- coffee grounds, coffee filters, tea bags
- food waste (including bread, muffins, cake, cookies, pizza, pies, dough, eggs and egg shells, fruit and fruit peels, nuts and nut shells, pasta, rice, potatoes, flour and grains, vegetables and vegetable peelings
- meat, chicken, fish, shellfish (including bones)
- flower cuttings
- tissue paper, popsicle sticks, toothpicks
- **paper napkins, paper plates, facial tissues, paper towels, brown paper bags**

GARBAGE:

- greeting cards, wrapping paper
- chip bags, cookie bags, candy bar wrappers
- paper coffee cups
- ceramics (dishes, plates, tea pots)
- woven onion bags, bubble wrap
- disposable dryer sheets
- **insulin pens**

For a complete list, refer to the posters on the wall by the recycling bins.



TRANSPORTATION Committee:



Our volunteer drivers provide rides for our residents at the following rates: (a) \$6 in town, (b) 40 cents per km out of town, (c) parking charges extra.

To make arrangements for a ride, contact Henk Heersink at xxx-xxx-xxxx *as much in advance as possible*.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1	Dirkje Koster	Zuidhorn, GR, NL	516
5	Bill Vermeer	De Lier, ZH, NL	504
12	Dave VanAmerongen	Den Haag, ZH, NL	408
15	Arie (Art) Bijl	Zeist, UT, NL	208
17	Geoffrey Ellis	Grimsby, ON, CA	303
20	Betty Luchies	Toronto, ON, CA	201
20	Ina Spekkers	Amsterdam, NH, NL	306
22	Jack DeRoos	Haula, FR, NL	216
24	Lois Whewell	Hamilton, ON, CA	403
26	Mary Alkema	Rotterdam, ZH, NL	209
28	(Joka VanAmerongen)	Scheveningen, ZH, NL	408
29	Tinie DeJager	Sneek, FR, NL	205
29	Kit Rustenburg	Arnhem, GE, NL	311
29	Greta Vandermeulen	Oegstgeest, ZH, NL	316

Happy Birthday!!

NOTE from the EDITOR:

Many thanks to all those who help to make this newsletter happen - you know who you are! And you are appreciated!

- L.T.



Happy autumn!



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