



# *A View from the Terrace*

### DEAR RESIDENTS OF THE TERRACE

It is safe to say that all of us enjoy our retirement very much. We appreciate the fact that we do not have to set the alarm clock every morning so that we can be at work or in the office on time. We do not have to keep that long list of the things that must be done today or the errands we must run ourselves. There were always some of our personal responsibilities which we could not delegate to those who worked with us. There were often certain things we had to address ourselves and which had to be solved immediately. It would be very interesting to learn more about the work environments or careers our E.T. neighbours worked in, where and with what activities each one of us spent 8 hours or more every day, five or more days each week and 50 or more weeks each year. In fact our own personal characters have to a large extent been influenced by the work we did, the daily challenges we faced and the responsibilities we had. We have always admired those who were nurses, as they were constantly focusing on the health of their patients and they had to respond immediately to any signs of possible problems. Many of those nurses had to work shifts, days, afternoons, nights and even weekend shifts. Several industries were continuous operations. In steel plants the blast furnaces, coke ovens and basic steelmaking furnaces run continuously, 24 hours each day, 7 days a week. They were operated by four teams, still mostly men, who each worked five 8 hour shifts, leaving one shift to be covered by volunteers. Just think about how shift work like that affects personal lives, family life and social life. Children had to be quiet, because dad came home from working nights, mothers who could not attend a church event because their husbands were working afternoons that week. How working rotating shifts also prevented those men from getting involved in social activities themselves. As a result many of those men often had no hobbies. Shift workers often dreaded to think about retirement, since they did not know how to spend their free time. How privileged we are here at E.T. where we have so many opportunities to help make this a caring community. We can do things for others, keep ourselves busy doing productive work, do fun things and not being bored because there are people to talk to and do things with. Thank you to the Founders for making this a Caring, Christian, Community. B.L.

### FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

5	Bep Batenburg	Serooskerke	410
5	Audrey Pieters	Halfweg	508
8	Jan Visser	Hamilton	502
14	Ernie Fels	Amsterdam	203
14	Francis Snippe	Westerbork	415
16	Agnes Bennink	Leeuwarden	215
17	Rita Klomps	Groningen	319
19	Bill Lensink	Borculo	416
20	Eric Stieva	Aalsmeer	409
22	Mina Pot	Diever	108
23	Ed Skursky	Crowland	219
25	Joanne Postma	Zwaagwesteinde	204
25	Jennie Antonides	Sleen (Dr)	521
28	Shirley Bergshoeff	De Lier	509

### Happy Birthday to you all

### E. T. BOARD AND MANAGEMENT REPORT

#### Welcome to Evergreen Terrace

A hearty welcome to John & Joanne DeBoer who have moved into Suite # 112. We wish you God's blessings in your new home, we hope you will soon feel at home here.

#### Fire Safety & Insurance

As we all know the fire alarms were triggered by an oven fire in a suite on the fourth floor the day before Christmas. Even though there was no open flame, a lot of smoke damage was done to the interior of the apartment. We thank God no one was injured. The Grimsby firefighters responded to the alarm in full force and with amazing speed. We thank them for that. The good news is the resident's contents insurance will be paying for complete repairs. Board & management are studying this incident seeing what we can learn from it and how can we prevent it from reoccurring. So far we have only the same advice we have given many times before: **Never leave your cooking or baking unattended.** ALWAYS HAVE YOUR MICROWAVE EXHAUST FAN ON when cooking, even when using countertop appliances. Do not use plastic dishes in your oven and keep your oven clean.

This incident reminds us to make sure that all our contents insurance is up to date and in force at all times.

It is time once again to update our files in the office. Please bring in a copy of your contents insurance paper so we can add them to our records. D.V.

### MEMORIAL FUND

The purpose of the Memorial Fund is to honor the memory of those residents, or their spouses, who have passed away while living at Evergreen Terrace. This honor is expressed by making a donation to a charity or worthwhile cause as chosen by the family of the deceased. An amount of \$100. per donation has been the standard amount made for each resident who has passed away at E.T.

Since our last collection we have given 1 donation to Shalom Manor, 1 to the Alzheimer Society of Niagara, 2 to McNally House, and 1 to the CRWRF.

Our funds are running low, so we will be coming around to ask for your donations again. We suggest \$5.00 per person, but do remember that it is completely on a voluntary basis. We hope to do this early in February. Should you have any questions please give one of us a call, Audrey Pieters, Coby Krikke, Secretary; or Geraldine Kegel, Administrator. G.K.

### GRIMSBY HISTORICAL SOCIETY - DUTCH PROJECT

The mandate of the Grimsby Historical Society is to collect, document and preserve the history of Grimsby.

We are inviting Dutch immigrants to participate in a new project designed to capture the story of the Dutch migration to Canada and particularly Grimsby. Each contribution will add unique information to the success of this venture.

Each story captured will be unique to the person's memories.

Some ideas one might wish to consider:

- Life in Holland during and after WWII
- What Province/ town did you call home?
- Your family, who emigrated?
- Coming to Canada, how did you travel here?
- What special things did you bring with you?
- Your first home
- Going to school or work, obstacles you had to deal with
- Raising a family in a new country

**For further information please attend afternoon coffee social on February 13<sup>th</sup>** where we will share more information and hopefully answer any questions you may have. You will also be invited to sign up for the project at a time that will suit you. Ev Page.

### LADIES GUILD

An invitation to all the new ladies in the building to come and help us create new toques and scarves, or hats and gloves, socks, etc. We meet every Thursday afternoon in the Willow room from 2 till 3:30. Come and join us. M.S.

# “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**

### LIBRARY NEWS

We have often wondered how many persons actually view the posted information at the library and pick out the new additions. Therefore we will, via the newsletter give you the titles of the latest additions, generously received from our residents. Thank you.

Non-Fiction Crew, Rob - Mandela

Fiction (English)

Hatcher, Robin L. *The Perfect Life*, and *Whispers from Yesterday*

Lewis, B. *The Prodigal* and *The Revelation*

Price, Eugenia, *Where Shadows Go*

Fiction (Dutch)

Overduin *Tragedie in Toulouse*

Van Rossum, Rie *Keer Terug mijn Dochter*

Vening, Wil *Een Meisje in de Oorlogwinter* B.V.H

### VISUAL ARTS REPORT

The visual arts committee will be showing the movie GIFTED HANDS. It is the story of Ben Carson, whose mother gave him the courage to persevere and whose faith in the Great Physician gave him the power to be a real blessing in the world of medicine. You will enjoy seeing this story on Friday, February 22, at 7:00 pm. P.D.

### FROM THE SPIRITUAL LIFE COMMITTEE

Most of us seniors are comfortable with routines. And if our routines have to be changed, we would appreciate a good explanation. Since 2003, we have had our Hymn sing on the fourth Tuesday of the month.

Our February Hymn-sing will not be on the 26<sup>th</sup> but on the 19<sup>th</sup> instead. This is at the request of George Prins, our pianist. He will be away on the fourth Tuesday. Please take note of this. B.L.

### CHANGE OF SUITE

Ben and Hilda DeVos have moved from 114 to 510. Now when their son Bernie comes home from “Anchor” to visit for the weekend, he has his own bedroom. So move their picture to the last page and change the suite number. A.D



**JAN & MARIAN  
VISSER**

**905 328 5768  
SUITE 502**

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**PROFILE, JAN AND MARIAN VISSER, 502**

Jan was born in Hamilton and Marian in Oakville. They got married on July 7, 1984 in Burlington.

They have three married children and five grandchildren. Jan worked for 45 years in the construction industry, as a supervisor, making windows, doors and stairs.

Jan is now semi-retired and works as a handyman, doing painting and repairs.

Marian works two and half days a week as a special needs teacher in an elementary school in Smithville.

She is also a member of the Grimsby West Lincoln Memorial Hospital Auxiliary, where she volunteers and leads tours on the maternity ward. They look forward to being a part of the Evergreen Terrace community.

Welcome to our home, Jan and Marian! A.D.

**RESIDENTS COUNCIL REPORT**

They met on Jan. 17. Status of the suites is: 205 is for sale, 114 is for rent. No decision on 407. The meeting was closed and the members went home early. A.P.



**JOHN & JOANNE  
DEBOER**

**905 957 3405  
SUITE 112**

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**PROFILE, JOHN AND JOANNE DEBOER, 112**

John and Joanne immigrated to Canada with their respective families back in 1949. They met and married in Smithville, settling down in the Caistor Centre area. John was a cattle dealer, known to many, and he can still entertain with stories about his two legged as well as his four legged clients. The Lord granted them six children and Joanne busied herself not just with them, but also proved herself an accomplished housekeeper and gardener, as well as helping John in field and barn. She still baled hay even when son Frank took over the business. When the kids grew older she spent many years as a Red Cross PSW providing help as needed.

With John becoming less mobile they made the transition to Evergreen Terrace where they love to extend their famous hospitality to all who stop in.

Welcome to our home, John and Joanne! A.D.



Our own Queen Omama, Mrs. Fytje Wielink turned 102 this past January the 11<sup>th</sup>.

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# FEBRUARY

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27	28	29	30	31	1 9:00am, 10:30am, 11:15am and 1:00pm Fitnes 4 All 2:30pm Bridge.	2
3	4 9:00am, 10:30am, 11:15am and 1:00pm Fitnes 4 All 2:30pm Bridge 7:00pm Games night.	5 9:30am Bible Study 9:45am Sobey's Bus 1:00pm Euchre.	6 9:00am, 10:30am, 11:15am and 1:00pm Fitnes 4 All 2:30pm Coffee Social. Audrey.	7 2:00pm Ladies Guild, Jenny. 6:45pm Prayer Meeting.	8 9:00am, 10:30am, 11:15am and 1:00pm Fitnes 4 All 2:30pm Bridge.	9
10	11 9:00am, 10:30am, 11:15am and 1:00pm Fitnes 4 All 2:30pm Bridge 7:00pm Games night.	12 9:45am Sobey's Bus 1:00pm Euchre.	13 9:00am, 10:30am, 11:15am and 1:00pm Fitnes 4 All 9:30 - 10:30am Banking at Shalom. 2:30pm Coffee Social Dini.	14 2:00pm Ladies Guild, Joka. 6:45pm Prayer Meeting.	15 9:00am, 10:30am, 11:15am and 1:00pm Fitnes 4 All 2:30pm Bridge 7:00pm Movie.	16
17	18 9:00am, 10:30am, 11:15am and 1:00pm Fitnes 4 All 2:30pm Bridge 7:00pm Games night.	19 Reports due to the editor. 9:30am Bible Study 9:45am Sobey's Bus 1:00pm Euchre. 7.00pm Hymn Sing.	20 9:00am, 10:30am, 11:15am and 1:00pm Fitnes 4 All 2:30pm Coffee Social Rita.	21 9:00am Resident Council Meeting. 2:00pm Ladies Guild Greta. 6.45pm Prayer Meeting.	22 9:00am, 10:30am, 11:15am and 1:00pm Fitnes 4 All 2:30pm Bridge.	23
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