

Views from the Terrace

From the EDITOR to my dear neighbours

This year, the first day of summer is on June 21st, and we welcome longer days of more daylight and more sunshine during the summer season!

We heartily applaud the hard work of all our gardeners who laboured on the hottest days of the spring season, to do all the spring planting! It is said that many hands make light work. Even with many hands, this was not light work!

Thank you! We appreciate you all!



Proverbs 16:3 (ESV)

³ Commit your work to the Lord,
and your plans will be established.

Do everything for the glory of God.

– Linda T.

SPIRITUAL LIFE Committee

Here's the schedule for Bible Studies in June:

Tuesday June 2nd – 9:30 am
Reverend Erick Schuringa
(Mountainview CRC)

Tuesday June 16th – 9:30 am
Reverend Dick Wynia
(Vineyard Canadian Reformed Church)



- L.T.

Course Correction

Job 5:17 (NKJV)

¹⁷ “Behold, happy is the man whom God corrects;
Therefore do not despise the chastening of the Almighty.”

But he is not happy at that moment in time! No one enjoys having troubles, sufferings, sorrow. Therefore this verse appears very strange to some people. They cannot understand it. It is contrary to all their thoughts of happiness. Of course, the word “happy” is not used here in the world’s sense. In the world’s estimation, happiness is the pleasure that comes from the things that happen. It depends on personal comfort, on prosperous circumstances, on kindly and congenial conditions. When these are taken away, happiness is destroyed.

But the word here means “blessed”; and the statement is that blessings come to him who receives God’s correction. To correct is to set right that which has been wrong. Surely, if a man is going in the wrong way, and God turns his feet back and sets him in the right way, a blessing has come to him. Afflictions are God’s corrections. They come with a purpose of love in them. They are hard to accept, but afterward the blessing is revealed.

Hebrews 12:11 (ESV)

¹¹ For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.

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WORDS OF WISDOM

Whatever I’m not changing,
I’m choosing.

Love the difficult people.
You are one of them.

The world is full of good people.
If you can’t find one,
be one.

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

We did not break with tradition, and the gardens at Evergreen Terrace were planted on the Victoria Day long weekend. Thumbs up to the Gardening Committee and all those who did all the work to put the plants in. Now we pray for God's blessings on this work so that we may again enjoy the beauty of what was planted.

This past month, we welcomed John and Lynne Elgersma to Evergreen Terrace. They moved into Suite 214 on May 12th. Bert and Anky Stulp also arrived and moved into Suite 516 on May 13th. We do wish them God's blessing as they settle into Evergreen Terrace. May you all soon feel at home among us.

This month, we also had to say good-bye to a few residents. On Tuesday May 19th, Shirley Bergshoeff moved to Shalom Manor, and on Thursday May 21st, Trudy Hofland moved to Albright Manor. We wish them both all that they need in their new surroundings.

The new generator is now operational and can operate the lights and outlets in the hallways, stairwells, and common areas during power outages. Work still needs to be done for the generator to also run the two main elevators, whenever there is a power outage.

We wish you all God's continued blessings throughout the month of June.

-J.V.

FIRST DAY OF SUMMER

Sunday, June 21st 2026
at 3:24 am



FUN FACTS

about the SUMMER SOLSTICE

The first day of summer, known as the summer solstice, occurs around June 20-21 in the Northern Hemisphere and December 21-22 in the Southern Hemisphere, marking the **longest day of the year**, with the most daylight hours. This happens because the Earth is tilted closest to the sun, giving more direct sunlight and warmth. When it's summer in one hemisphere, it's winter in the other.

**This year, our summer solstice occurs on June 21st.
Enjoy more daylight and sunshine!**

**YOU ARE INVITED
to
EVERGREEN ANNUAL BBQ!**

Where? Evergreen Terrace – gazebo

When? **Thursday June 18th, 2026**

11:00 am – Coffee and cookies!

Noon – **HAMBURGERS!**

Followed by dessert!

How? Sponsored by our Board.

Hosted by our Social Activities Committee.

The food will be served from the Willow Room, but if you need assistance, we will have a number of friendly servers who will take your order, and deliver your order to where you are seated. For all others, it will be announced (by floor) when it is your turn to go to the Willow Room to get your delicious BBQ lunch!

In order for this all to go well, the Social Activities Committee **will need some extra hands to help out**. If you are willing and able to assist us, please let Audrey Pieters (508) or Dini Post (105) know that you can help.

If you are unable to attend, please mark your suite number on the sheet that will be posted on the bulletin board, so that we can deliver a hamburger to your apartment.

Seating in the gazebo is limited, so **please bring a lawn chair**.

We thank the Board for their generosity and assistance, which is very much appreciated.

Hope to see you all on
Thursday June 18th at 11:00 am.

- L.T.



911 EMERGENCY

When calling 911:

**Remember that these emergency services
(fire and ambulance)**

**have access to a *master key*
which will *open any door* in the building.**



ONTARIO HIGHWAY TRAFFIC ACT

R.R.O. 1990, Regulation 581:
ACCESSIBLE PARKING

FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

(Under: Highway Traffic Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. H.8)

6. (2) An accessible parking permit issued to an individual is not valid when it is displayed on a vehicle if,

(a) the vehicle is not being used to pick up or transport the holder of the permit;



In other words, accessible parking spaces may only be used by persons who have an accessible parking permit.

You may not park in an accessible parking space unless:

- (i) you have a valid accessible parking permit, OR
- (ii) you are picking up or transporting a person who has a valid accessible parking permit.

Please remind your family of these regulations.

It's the law!

- R.C.

VISITOR PARKING

Just a friendly reminder to all residents, old and new, that the three parking places at the front of the building with accessible parking signs are intended for use by **VISITORS only**.

Every apartment has a reserved numbered parking space. **Please park in the numbered parking space assigned to your apartment** (unless you have made arrangements to rent another space).

In our parking lot, the un-numbered visitor parking spaces are for **VISITORS only**. Likewise, the three parking spaces at the front of the building with accessible parking signs are for use by **VISITORS only**. Even if you (as a resident) have an accessible parking permit, please do not park in those three designated parking places.

- R.C.

TRANSPORTATION and other services

If you are looking for more help with transportation for going to appointments, here are some suggestions. Of course, many of our neighbours are willing to help.

But another option is to contact:

Niagara Region Transit On Demand

at 1-833-678-5463.

They offer door-to-door service for a reasonable fee of \$3.00 for rides within Grimsby. The fee is more for out-of-town rides.

And there is another provider known as:

Happy In My Home

Community Support Services of Niagara.

They can be contacted by calling their local office in Beamsville at 905-563-9501. They provide many helpful services, including transportation, light housekeeping, laundry, and some meal preparation. Some of our residents are already taking advantage of their services.

We hope these services will be helpful for you.

Give them a call.

- R.C.



RESIDENTS' COUNCIL

We have been asked about residents parking their rollator walkers near the exit doors of Evergreen Terrace, when leaving the building and getting a ride in someone else's vehicle. However, we are **not** permitted to leave walkers parked near the exit doors (front door or east door).

Due to fire regulations, we are not allowed to clutter any pathways to the exit doors - that includes the front foyer and the basement recycling room.

If you need to use your rollator walker to get from your apartment to the exit door, then you would also benefit from using your walker wherever you are going. So take it along with you. Remember to remind your driver that you are using a walker which will come along with you on your outing.

- L.T.



SOCIAL ACTIVITIES Committee:

Here are some friendly reminders for the summer season:

- **NO SMOKING** anywhere on the property.
- **NO FISHING** or **FEEDING** the fish in the pond.
(The fish are well looked after.)
- **NO** leftover food or smelly packaging or papers left overnight in the garbage can in the gazebo. We do not want to attract rodents (rats) or raccoons to the gazebo.
- **PLEASE** dispose of the gazebo garbage by placing the bagged trash down the chute beside the elevators. There will be a clean garbage bag on the bottom of the garbage can in the gazebo.
- **PLEASE** cover the BBQ when it has cooled off.
- **PLEASE** make sure that all the outdoor chairs are back in the gazebo at night, to protect them from rain and wind.

Have a wonderful summer!

- A.P.



SAFETY Committee

Important reminders:

- To prevent setting off the smoke alarm when using your stove, toaster, or countertop oven, and to keep cooking odours within your apartment, always use your exhaust fan when doing any kind of cooking.
- Do NOT open the front door to strangers.
- After entering or exiting the parking garage, please wait to ensure that the entrance or exit door has closed behind you, before driving away.
- The basement parking garage allows for **one-way** traffic, with arrows pointing in the correct direction.



- Please keep your speed down when driving in the parking garage as well as on the outside driveways. Please obey the posted speed limit of **5 km/hr.**

And watch for pedestrians!



- T.R.

FOR THE GARDEN OF OUR DAILY LIVING:

PLANT THREE ROWS OF PEAS:

1. Peace of mind.
2. Peace of heart.
3. Peace of soul.

PLANT FOUR ROWS OF SQUASH:

1. Squash gossip.
2. Squash indifference.
3. Squash grumbling.
4. Squash selfishness.

PLANT FOUR ROWS OF LETTUCE:

1. Lettuce be faithful.
2. Lettuce be kind.
3. Lettuce be patient.
4. Lettuce love another.

NO GARDEN IS WITHOUT TURNIPS:

1. Turnip for meetings.
2. Turnip for service.
3. Turnip to help one another.

AND LASTLY, WE MUST HAVE THYME:

1. Thyme for each other.
2. Thyme for family.
3. Thyme for friends.

WATER FREELY WITH PATIENCE.

CULTIVATE WITH LOVE.

YOU REAP WHAT YOU SOW.

CAR WASH

Does your vehicle need to be washed?? Jack de Roos is willing to wash your vehicle on Wednesdays! A free will donation would be appreciated. All monies collected by Jack will be donated to McNally House Hospice.

Car washing includes: vacuuming and dusting the interior, washing and drying the exterior, cleaning exterior car windows, and cleaning tires!

Contact Jack de Roos (216) to make arrangements.

Thank you, Jack, for providing this service for us!

- L.T.



JUNE BIRTHDAYS

1	Jerry Hoytema	Smilde, DR, NL	219
1	Dick Vermeer	De Lier, ZH, NL	505
5	Wilf (Wilfred) Evans	Yorkshire, ENGLAND	215
5	Murray Alexander	Prince Edward Co., ON	519
6	Ann DeBoer	Oegstgeest, ZH, NL	407
8	Maria Kiss	HUNGARY	206
15	Bert Stulp	Groningen, GR, NL	516
17	Mike Fennema	Brantford, ON, CA	416
20	Kinsey Smith	Kent, UK	515
24	Bill Luchies	Zwartemeer, DR, NL	201
29	Betty Posthumus	Ede, GL, NL	212
29	Abraham Wiersma	Sneek, FR, NL	408

Happy Birthday to all!!



NEW NEIGHBOURS!

May 12th:

John and Lynne Elgersma – Suite 214
xxx-xxx-xxxx

May 13th:

Bert and Anky Stulp – Suite 516
xxx-xxx-xxxx

May 30th:

Jentina VanWely – Suite 510

We welcome you all into our midst!



- L.T.



Enjoy the slower pace of summer!

BBQ

If you want to use the BBQ in the gazebo, there is a signup list in the kitchen of the Willow Room. Enjoy!

- R.C.



ON THE MOVE

May 19th:

Shirley Bergshoeff

- moved from Evergreen #509
to Shalom Manor

May 21st:

Trudy Hofland

- moved from Evergreen #107
to Albright Manor

You will be missed!

- L.T.

RESIDENTS' COUNCIL

Attached to this newsletter is an updated list of all the Evergreen committees.

Please keep that list for your reference.

- L.T.

LAUGHTER

"A merry heart doeth good like a medicine."

I walk every day. If I miss a day, I add 30 minutes to the next day. It's been a game changer. Tomorrow, I'm supposed to walk for 3½ weeks.

**We are all on a journey,
with course corrections!**



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