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President's Message

By: Simon Levy
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Welcome to the Fall issue of our YMVA newsletter.

I hope that you had a good summer and were able to enjoy the wonderful weather

As you will see from the many updates that are contained herein, the YMVA continues to actively work on behalf of our community to preserve the special place where we all live.

New families move into the valley every year, having heard of our wonderfully embracing community. Even though life gets faster and busier, it comes down to a collaborative group of neighbours who each year volunteers its time in varying degrees to keep these projects and activities going.

We have and can continue to make a difference, but only with your help.

On this theme, I would like to thank Penny O'Rourke for her wonderful contributions to our neighbourhood. Penny has been an integral part of our community for many years, most recently providing updates on Crime and Safety in the valley. She has decided it is time to pass the mantle, and Ann Bedard has kindly agreed to take the role.

A heart felt thank you to Penny, from the entire community, for your many years of dedication and thank you, Ann, for stepping into the role of Community Safety and Crime Watch

Please do read the newsletter, and consider volunteering, even in a small capacity to help retain this special place.

Please also save the date for our AGM, Saturday December 3rd, at the Miller Tavern. It is a wonderful opportunity to meet neighbours, to hear updates on pressing issues and to contribute to discussions on what our focus for the coming year should be.

Enjoy the newsletter
Simon

Welcome Committee

By: *Perry Lupyrpa, Noreen Peroff and Jennifer Fortier*
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We give many thanks to Trudy Young for her years of service in leading the Hogg's Hollow Welcome Committee. She has played a critical role in welcoming and onboarding our new neighbours. Trudy will still be involved, but is stepping down from the driver's seat. It is taking an entire team to replace Trudy, and for 2016/17 we have gathered a Street Level Membership Committee. These vital volunteers are our street level eyes and ears of the YMVA and are responsible for welcoming new members; assisting with the annual YMVA membership drive; and act as a conduit between you and the YMVA board members. They may not have all the answers, but can help direct you where to go. We are very grateful for their efforts and support.

We thank them for their effort and energy. And when they come calling hope that you too will thank them.

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Plymbridge Crescent - (would YOU like to volunteer?)

Plymbridge Road - Annie Katsiris and Louise Sugar
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Scotch Elmway - volunteer spot available

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Yonge Street (8 homes) - volunteer spot available

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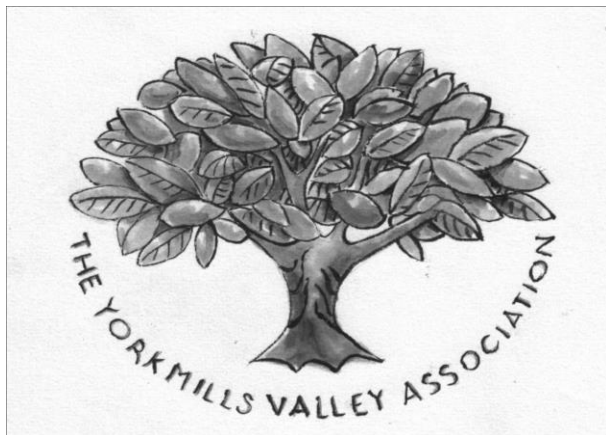
Communications Update

By: *Jennifer Fortier and Perry Lupyrpa*
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Work began over the summer to update the YMVA Website. Toronto Web Developer and Web Design Instructor at Humber College, Chris

Maissan of Maissan Inc, has been working to refresh the Valley website and to add much needed back-end functionality, so we can merge our membership directory and email lists and have only one database for multiple YMVA needs. The website is being launched in phases. Phase I was launched concurrent with the Fall membership drive. We expect over the next several weeks to have the fully functioning website on line. It will include information on Development, Beautification, Hogg's Hollow History, an event listing which is easy to update and more. We will continue to review and assess our website regularly.

As part of the Website project, our Valley Artist Andrea Von Konigslow has refreshed our Hogg's Hollow Logo. When the full website is on line, Andrea's artwork will be featured as our refreshed logo. Andrea has promised that she will create Seasonal Valley Logos – so keep watching to see what she will have created for us. Many thanks Andrea – we are very fortunate indeed to have such a talented and generous member of our community. Here is a sneak peak of her work:



As well as the website we currently have two poster boards, one at the corner of Mill Street and Old Yonge Street and the 2nd at Doncliffe Place and Doncliffe Drive; thank you to Linne Dobbin, Cynthia Goodchild and their families for taking on the role of making up our community posters. It is a great way to remind everyone of all the wonderful events we have in

our neighbourhood. And thank you to Leslie Gage our previous poster maker; for your dedication in keeping the spirit of the neighbourhood alive with your talented posters.

The YMVA Newsletter that arrives in your mailbox a few times a year will continue. Thank you to Paula Dhillon and her team for delivering rain or shine, snow or sleet!

York Mills Valley Association also sends emails to remind our neighbourhood of events, meetings and occasionally time sensitive community issues. The YMVA does not sell or share your email information with anyone else. Hogg's Hollow residents who currently do not get the emails can contact Jennifer Fortier

Membership Update

*By: Perry Lupyrypa
plupyrypa@gmail.com*

The 2016 membership drive for the York Mills Valley Rate Payers Association (YMVA) was launched September 19th and will run until October 20th. We look for your ongoing support to maintain our strong presence within the community.

**We have made it easy to renew or become a member by registering on line at our YMVA website
www.hoggshollow.net**

The mandate of the YMVA is to represent our resident's interests to the City. Our rate payers' association has been in place for over 75 years and has developed many strong relationships that we continue to leverage in our attempts to preserve the uniqueness of this community. The YMVA ensures regular communication of neighbourhood news through

- our Annual General Meeting (AGM)
- regular newsletters
- blast emails
- the YMVA website.

The Board also prepares and distributes the annual Valley Directory, along with the Neighbourhood Activities Group (NAG) welcomes new neighbours and is, MOST IMPORTANTLY, the key contact with the O.M.B, Counsellors, and many other City departments.

The benefits of YMVA Membership include:

- The right to vote at the AGM. Members will receive the meeting information package ahead of time.
- Covers costs that arise when dealing with Stormwater Management and Road Improvements
- Helps other Rate Payer Associations fight development issues with the O.M.B
- Subsidizes neighbourhood activities, such as The Valley Fair
- Covers operating costs of the YMVA
- Staying actively involved with pursuing the communities' beautification plans

Membership = Community

New for this year, we are updating our website to help improve communications and facilitate membership. Part of this update will allow for easy on-line membership sign-ups via STRIPE, a safe, secure and user-friendly service provider. As always, The YMVA will continue to keep all email information confidential and your home address and contact information will only be published in the Valley Directory with your permission. The annual membership fee is \$50. Despite increasing expenses, for over 14 years, we have avoided increasing the membership dues. To continue to avoid raising fees, we need to maximize participation.

To renew or become a member please visit www.hogshollow.net

Please note – we are encouraging all YMVA members to register on line.

If you are not able to register on-line you are more than welcome to drop your cheque with name, address, phone number and email to Karen Trimmer - 17 Knightswood Road.

**Stormwater Management/
Roads Update**

By: Louise Sugar
lsugar@sympatico.ca

The storm sewer and water main work has been finished on Plymbridge Road and Plymbridge Crescent. The road has been reconstructed on Plymbridge Road and the asphalt base has been poured from the Don River Bridge to the east limit of the project.

The project will be finished by the end of September, with driveway replacement and landscaping restoration to be completed by the 2nd week of October.

The City will be working with individual homeowners to ensure that landscaping and driveway replacements match existing materials. Kindly direct any specific questions to City Engineer and project lead, Javier (Xavier) Saborio at (416) 392-8243.

Many thanks go out to City Staff, who worked very diligently throughout the summer months, ensuring that traffic, both in and out of the valley was disturbed only minimally. In particular, the school bussing project, conducted by the City, ensured the safe transportation of Hillcrest School students, while significantly reducing traffic volume at peak times. Special thanks to project leads, Javier Saborio, and Raffi Bedrosyan, from City Engineering and Construction Services, for your ongoing support and leadership in this project.

The final phase of road construction will commence in June / July of 2017.

Community Safety/ Crime Watch

By: Ann Bedard 416-440-0801
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Over the summer, there have been a number of break-ins to cars that were left unlocked. Several of these have been during the day, some close to busy construction sites. There was also at least one day-time break in of a home in the valley. Right now, there is a lot of traffic throughout Hogg's Hollow, and it is important to remember to remove any valuables from our cars and to keep the doors of our homes and vehicles locked.

As the days are getting shorter and the roads are getting busier, please remember to drive with care and watch for people and dogs, especially when driving at night.

Please report any unusual activity to the police and let me know of any incidents in the neighbourhood.

N.A.G. Update

(Neighbourhood Activities Group)
By: Annie Katsiris 416-402-6464
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2016/2017 Valley Events

Welcome to a new year of our Hogg's Hollow Social Events! A big thank you to everyone who attended our first meeting held on September 20th. It was lovely to see so many familiar faces and meet a few new ones – all enthusiastic about helping organize the Groups and Events that make our community so wonderful.

If you were unable to attend the meeting, but would like to volunteer your time or ideas, it is never too late to join in the fun. Please contact Annie Katsiris or if you would like to volunteer

for a specific event, please note the contact person for that event.

New Neighbours Welcome

We would like to welcome all new neighbours to our enchanted Valley. If somehow your move into the hood has escaped our attention please don't be shy to introduce yourselves. To celebrate your arrival into our community we invite all new neighbours, over the past several years to join an elegant evening of wine and appetizers.

For more details contact: Perry Lupyrypa
plupyrypa@gmail.com or 416-433-3871

Halloween Parade



Calling all Mummies, Daddies and Kiddies!
We have a wonderfully ghoulish idea brewing...
join us if you dare for a
Halloween Fright and Costume Parade.
Eats & Drinks & Mischief are in the plans.
Teens would be a welcome Scare!

Sunday, October 30th, 4:00 pm
20 Green Valley Road
Host: Jennifer Fortier, Frank Cianciotta and
many helping hands from the neighbourhood ☺

The number of families offering to help has been extremely encouraging, more help is welcome. We will nail down the food and activity details over the coming weeks. Thank you.

Coordinator: Jennifer Fortier
jennifer.fortier@rogers.com

Valley Walking Group

Friday mornings at 9:00 am
Meeting Spot: Millstone Parkette
(corner of Donwoods and Plymbridge)

This is a drop in group, you are welcome to come when you can; every week or once during the year! No need to RSVP

*Coordinator: Paula Dhillon
dhillon@rogers.com*

Mommy Connections

Wednesday, October 19th, 10:00 am
20 Green Valley Road
Host: Jennifer Fortier

It's great to be connected with other moms for walks, playdates or to meet at the park! This is a call out to all moms in our neighbourhood looking to connect with each other. Join us for an initial get together on October 19th for coffee, tea or juice. Babies and preschoolers are welcome, of course!

*Coordinators: Morgan Donaldson and Livia Grujich
donaldson.morgan@gmail.com;
livia@onqcommunications.ca*

Cookie Exchange

Wednesday, December 7th, 8pm
77 Plymbridge Road
Host: Vanessa Torokvei

Get the cookie trays out and have some fun! Bake up as little as 3 or as much as 9 dozen of the same cookie or bar...you take home what you bring. This is a wonderful event to bring home festive holiday treats that make for an eye catching holiday platter or can be nibbled on with your hot beverage by the fire. Everyone is welcome and there is good cheer to go around. Remember non-bakers are welcome too!

*Coordinator: Leslie Gage
lvgage@rogers.com*

Holiday Caroling

Tuesday, December 13th, 7:00 pm
Mill Stone Parkette (Plymbridge & Donwoods)

The Salvation Army band will lead our voices while we sing our treasured Christmas songs. Enjoy a hot chocolate and other treats with friends and families. If we sing loud and clear, we may summon a special guest from afar!

*Coordinator: Brett Lagamba
brettlagamba@gmail.com*

Pot Luck Luncheon

Wednesday, January 18th, 2017 at 12 noon
10 Cole Millway
Host: Heather Ferguson

Please bring your favorite dish - main, salad, side or desserts to share with all. This is a perfect opportunity after the hectic Holiday Season to reconnect with friends and neighbors, as well as to meet our newest residents over a relaxing luncheon. New neighbors please don't be shy as we look forward to welcoming you and tasting your favorite dish!

*Coordinator: Simone Carlier
simonecarlier007@gmail.com*

Book Group

Thursday, October 27th, 9:30 am
1 Knightswood Drive
Host: Perry Lupyrypa

Book: The Girl On The Train

Most of us come to book club to enjoy the company of one another. If somebody didn't have time to finish reading the book, that's okay. It's perfectly acceptable to sip your tea or coffee while listening to the opinions of the group. Many times the discussion is so far reaching everyone has something to say.

*Coordinator: Jennifer Fortier
jennifer.fortier@rogers.com*

Valley Fair Wrap-up

Thank you so much for everyone who attended and enjoyed our June Fun Fair. Once again, Mother Nature was on our side and gave us a gorgeous day to enjoy our park and festivities.

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Your support is truly recognized and appreciated by our neighbourhood.

Of course, we could not organize our Valley Fair without our amazing volunteers. We could not hold this event without you. Whether you volunteered an hour of your time or helped

coordinate an activity, you made the day a success! Please give yourself a well-deserved pat on the back!

We hope to see everyone again on Saturday, June 3rd 2017!

Valley Dinner Club

All newcomers to the neighbourhood, this is your opportunity to meet new couples in the valley. We had a very successful year of dinner parties again last season. All is very simple, and you don't need to be a "gourmet" cook to enjoy the company of others and have fun.

Format:

4 couples get together every 2nd month starting in November or December and alternate dinners at each other's homes.

The host couple supplies the main course.

Other couples take turns bring Hors D'Oeuvres, First Course and Dessert.

All couples bring a bottle of wine.

This is a great way to meet new neighbours and become more acquainted with longtime residents, and did we mention it's a lot of fun!

Suggested Dinner Months: *November, January, March, May*

This is a Fun event in the Valley!

----- cut and drop off by October 31st, 2016 -----

Trudy Young

97 Donwoods Drive

Email: jtyoung@rogers.com or fax: 416-481-7564

Name: _____

E-mail address: _____
(please print in capital letters)

Phone # _____

Address: _____

Preferred nights _____

Special requests _____

Please identify food allergies or religious restrictions _____

