

On MAY 25th YOU can oppose Forest Park Development

Forest Park Developments will formally submit their plan for 2 new buildings to the Mississauga Planning Committee on May 25th. This meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall and will be open to all residents to attend.

Both the PDOC and the RHA plan to make oral depositions to council which will speak to all of the issues raised in the course of the community meetings.

The agenda for the meeting will be accessible on the City website www.mississauga.ca by May 15 and will be sent by e-mail to RHA subscribers and also posted on our website www.rockwoodvillage.ca.

Details of the process and our plan of action will be discussed at our AGM on May 20th. If the Forest Park Development is successful, it will have significant impact on our community from traffic to infrastructure and beyond. Please come and learn how you can support us in our efforts to deny Forest Park moving forward on this proposed plan.



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SIMI KAPUR AND CHRIS FONSECA

The Annual General Meeting for The Rockwood Homeowners Association will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 20, in the Knights of Columbus Hall, just next to the entrance to Sts. Martha and Mary Church, 1870 Burnhamthorpe Rd. E.

Speakers include our Councillor, Chris Fonseca, Trevor Barton from Peel Region will speak on the bi-weekly cart program and Gino Piscelli will speak on the Fusion Garden program. We urge community residents to attend to discuss some serious topics such as the status of the Forest Park and Audubon developments, changes to the waste management programs, and the anticipated impact on our community from the Pan Am Games.

Elections for new RHA Board Directors

will also be held on this date.

After years of stellar service and commitment to Rockwood Village, our President, Simi Kapur, is stepping down. Therefore, we are actively seeking a candidate who is willing to take over Simi's responsibilities as head of our Board of Directors and representing our community interests at the municipal level. We also have a few vacant spots for Directors.

If you are interested in joining the RHA Board, please attend the AGM or contact us via our website at www.rockwoodvillage.ca. Only a genuine interest in maintaining the status of Rockwood Village as the best neighbourhood in Mississauga is required!

The AGM is your opportunity to learn what is happening in your community and have your say. We look forward to seeing you. *RW*

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Simi Kapur

Hello Rockwood Residents...

Spring is here and brings with it rain showers and construction! If you've been driving around the Dixie Rd. / Rathburn Rd.

intersection, you'll notice large cranes, part of the Hanlan Water Project. During this phase of construction, the Region of Peel is installing the Hanlan Feedermain by open-cut on Dixie Road between Burnhamthorpe Rd. and Rathburn Rd. Starting April 20 for eight weeks, please note the following traffic changes:



- Rathburn Road: down to one lane
- Dixie Road: two lanes
- No left turns in any direction. No U-turns!
- Right turns permitted in all directions
- Rockwood Mall Food Basics entrance unaffected.

At the City of Mississauga's Committee of Adjustment (COA) mid May, Morguard REIT submitted a variance application for 1891 Rathburn Rd. E. (Kingsbury Plaza) requesting the Committee authorize a minor variance to permit the construction of an addition to the existing building, resulting in a reduction of 15 parking spaces. At the time of the meeting, Site Plan or Building Permit applications had not been submitted;

however, a Parking Utilization study was prepared in mid January. COA approved the requested variance commenting that the study satisfied the reduction in parking spaces.

Mark your calendars for May 25, 2015 for the City of Mississauga's Planning and Development meeting. On the agenda is the application (File OZ12/009 W3) submitted for the development proposal at 1850 Rathburn Rd. E. and 4100 Ponytrail Dr. Deputations to the Committee will be made by RHA and PDOC opposing the development.

RHA's Annual General Meeting will be held May 20 at the Knights of Columbus JFK Hall, adjacent to the Sts. Martha and Mary Parish. The entrance faces Burnhamthorpe Road. Listen to speakers from the Region of Peel and from the upcoming Pan Am Games. Here's your opportunity to speak with Councillor Fonseca and be informed of what's happening in your neighbourhood. Light refreshments will be served!

We will conduct our Election of the Board at our AGM and invite you to join us! For reasons to join, see Director Gord Crymble's article on why you should become a member of the RHA. Gord stepped down from the RHA Board this year, as he has moved to the Netherlands for a few years. On behalf of the Board, I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to Gord for his many years of service with the RHA!

This year will be my last year as President of the RHA. I thank the Board and the membership for allowing me to serve them and the community. It has been a pleasure working with you, the community and external stakeholders. *RW*

Please plan to attend on MAY 25th...Express your concern! Planning and Development Meeting City of Mississauga Council Chambers Monday, May 25, 2015, 7pm

File OZ 12/009 W3 - 1850 Rathburn Rd. E. and 4100 Ponytrail Dr.

An application has been submitted to the Planning and Development committee on the above property. **For further details, please contact City Planner Aiden Stanley at 905-615-3200, ext. 3897 or aiden.stanley@mississauga.ca**

The RHA and PDOC (Ponytrail Development Opposition Committee) will be making deputations to the Council.

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Garbage Gaff

Changes in the Region of Peel, waste management program, have created confusion and frustration for many residents.

The original notice sent to every household indicated that homeowners could choose a small, medium or large bin and were given the website where they could place their order. However, there was no mention of actual sizes or how much refuse each would hold.

For those who wanted more information, there was no phone number shown on the notice, only an internet address. Unfortunately, not every homeowner has access to a computer.

If you did not order a cart on line, you will receive what is deemed appropriate for the size of your home. Since most of the homes in our area are large, most will receive the biggest cart. For empty nester's and seniors, this could also be a problem. The carts are large and have to be carted to the street.

There will be a program for seniors to bring the cart to the street, however, it must be located in front of the garage or in the driveway.

Garbage Carts

- A small cart will hold 2 – 3 bags
- A medium cart will hold 3 – 4 bags
- A large cart will hold 4 – 5 bags

Recycling Carts

- A small cart will hold 2 blue boxes
- A medium cart will hold 4 blue boxes
- A large cart will hold 6 blue boxes

If you are looking for answers to your questions on the new program, bring them to the RHA Annual General Meeting on May 20th. We will have a representative from The Region of Peel at the meeting who can provide answers. *RW*



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Toronto 2015 is literally just around the corner. Local venues for the Pan Am Games include Centennial Park, Planet Bowl, and The Mississauga Sports Centre (aka The Hershey Centre). The Pan Am Games will run from July 20 to 26, and the Para Pan Am Games from August 7 to 15.

Centennial Park will be the venue for BMX cycling, and Planet Bowl will host the bowling events. The busiest venue will be The Mississauga Sport Centre where Karate, Judo, Taekwondo, Wrestling, Wheelchair Rugby and Power Lifting competitions will be held. This venue will host events every day of both the Pan Am and Para Pan Am Games.

The Toronto 2015 organizers are doing their best to promote transit to get to the games. Free transit is included in every ticket. You can purchase a ticket and get a trip planner on their website.



The Mississauga Sports Centre

If you are going to a local venue, consider taking your bike or walking. There will be lots of bike racks close to the events. For venues out of the city, car-pooling and transit from designated transit hubs are recommended. There will be dedicated lanes on some highways for ticket holders; however, parking will be limited. If you require accessible parking, this must be booked in advance.

Expect traffic delays as there will be road closures in the areas around the events. The best advice is find alternate routes around all the venues during the games. **RW**

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For further information please contact **S. Abdullah** at the Canadian Cancer Society, 2227 South Millway, Suite 202 Mississauga, ON. L5L 3R6 (905) 608-8411



Hi, Joe,

We have just moved into Rockwood and are starting to notice a lot of plants coming up in the garden. We would like to plant our garden with perennials but have no idea as to what is coming up and what to do with it.

John



Hi, John,

This is a common issue when you purchase a home in the fall or winter after all the perennials are dormant.

Your best-case scenario would be to let the growth come up and bloom over the summer. Take lots of pictures of what comes up and record where things are. I would even put markers or sticks in the ground at the base of plants to indicate the name and colour.

Next spring, after the ground thaws, put on your gardening gloves and knee pads, grab your favorite tools, and then take out those pictures. You are now ready to move those plants and create your new garden.

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Joe

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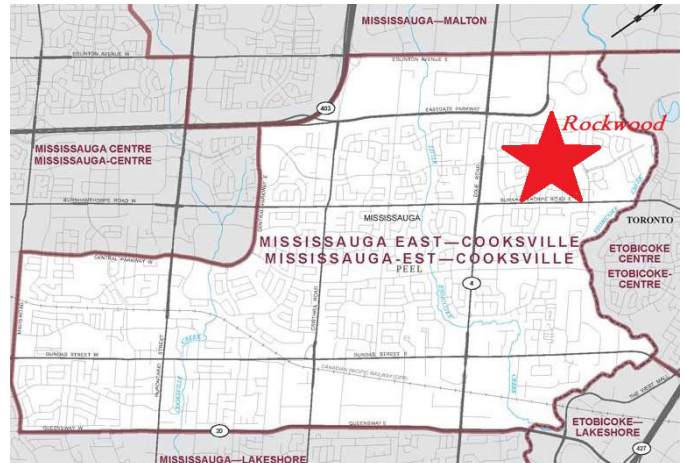
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Voting Boundary Changed



In 2004 Rockwood Village became part of Brampton. Or at least that is where we were included as far as Elections Canada was concerned. Demographically this was a misfit for local residents who felt that we should never have been severed from the Mississauga East riding where we voted from 1988 to 2004. In 2013 the Electoral Ridings were changed based on population growth. This order increased the size of our riding and redistributed various boundaries in the country as well as increasing the overall number of seats from 308 to 338. The electoral riding that contains Rockwood Village is now part of the Mississauga East-Cooksville riding. This change will be in effect for the next Federal Election anticipated for October 19, 2015. Congratulations to all voters - we are back home in Mississauga! *Steve Pascoe*

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Why join the RHA?

Gord Crymble

The primary reason you should join the Rockwood Homeowners Association is because you care about where you live. The RHA is comprised of residents who volunteer a few hours a month to preserve and even enhance the area they call home. People are paying almost a million dollars to live in your neighbourhood so there must be something good going on here.

By supporting the RHA with your \$10 you help fund this newsletter, the web site, email blasts about important issues, the AGM and various initiatives such as the "Welcome to Rockwood" signs.

Now, as much as the contributions are necessary and appreciated, what can really make a difference is getting involved with the Board of Directors.




By becoming a member of the Board, you can be involved in helping to shape the future of the Rockwood community.

The RHA has a very good relationship with the city and is given a heads up, well before the public in general, on many projects or issues such as proposed developments. This allows us to consider a course of action or response in the infancy stage to potentially stop it or at least get a more favourable resolution.

Do you like the environment in Rockwood? Do you want to maintain or even improve it? Are you dissatisfied with what may or may not be being done? This is your chance. The only qualification is that where you live matters to you. Get to know what is going on and what makes your neighborhood so great. Stand up and make a difference, get involved. Do not always count on someone else to take care of things for you. Try it, you just might like it! *RW*



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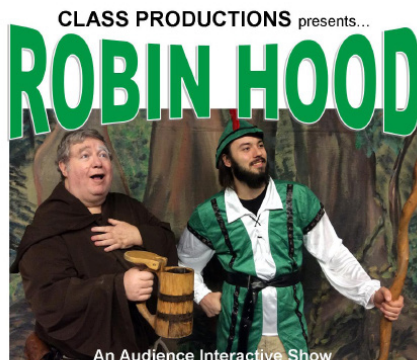
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