



#### **SJHRA LATE SUMMER NEWSLETTER**

Hi Neighbours;

Welcome to our late summer newsletter. This Newsletter is full of information about what has happened and what is going to happen in our neighbourhood.

The board would like to take this opportunity to thank our members for their support over the years. There will be plenty of activity in the fall. Our Annual AGM will be held in October. In addition, the board members will participate in our annual membership drive once again. So lookout for us visiting your homes and collecting the membership fee for 2016/2017 year. Below you will find a summary of what to expect over the next couple of months and other activities that have or will take place.

Thank you for your continuing support.

Kaila Sugeng

Webmaster and Editor, SJHRA

#### **EARTH DAY- APRIL 23rd**

Residents of Sir John's Homestead,

Our annual earth day was another success this year! On April 23<sup>rd</sup>, thirteen volunteers including myself, met up on a beautiful Saturday morning to walk the neighbourhood and collect garbage. The total waste that was collected was eleven bags of garbage. The garbage in our neighbourhood has declined over the last few years, due to your hard work and time. Our Garbage day pick up does not go unnoticed.

Give yourselves a big pat on the back for your dedication and in taking pride in your neighbourhood. We hope to see you out next Spring!!



Kaila Sugeng

### GARDENING DAY- MAY 28rd

On Saturday May 28, 2015, over a dozen neighbours came out to carry out the annual clean up. This year the effort was made to "tune up" the front entrance gardens along Dundas as Redstart and Sir John's Homestead.

The weather was good and much was accomplished. In addition to the weeding and pruning, the City of Mississauga delivered plants and mulch. After a few hours of work, the gardens all looked great! As always, the work is easier with many hands.





A huge thank you to:

The City of Mississauga for the plants and loads of mulch that enhance the area.

Those who came out to dig the weeds out, prune the shrubs back as well as relocating existing plants and place the mulch;

The annual continuation of hot, right out of the oven muffins, baked by Anita. (Better than ever!!)

And of a big THANK YOU to Izabela, who this year, put a garden plan together for the three locations and aimed people in the right direction to make the work go smoothly. Very much appreciated!

Submitted by,

Keith Salt, President

### **AGM- TUESDAY OCTOBER 4th**

All members are invited to our Annual General Meeting, to be held at the Grange on October 4, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. We will be covering many issues concerning our Community. We have invited our Councillor – Matt Mahoney to attend and take a few questions from those in attendance.

Although we have not established who will accompany Matt Mahoney, we anticipate that others from the City of Mississauga will be in attendance to answer questions related to our neighbourhood.

All are encouraged to attend, as we feel that the meeting will provide all of us with precise information concerning the many issues that arise in our neighbourhood and the potential effect on our Community.

### **STATE OF AFFAIRS IN OUR NEIGHBOURHOOD**

We, the Board, are continually watching home sales in our neighbourhood and noting any changes that may indicate a lodging house. We have been in constant communication with Matt Mahoney, the City of Mississauga councilor for Ward 8 and making him aware of our observations. It is important to note that visits have been made by by-law officers and the fire department to homes in our neighbourhood that indicate rental status. Presently, discussions are on-going with the City.

If you have good information that there is an Unlicensed Lodging House operating in our area you should:

- 1: Document all the information you have obtained - time, date, place, who you spoke to, etc.
- 2: Do not confront the owner of the property.
- 3: Call 311 at the City of Mississauga and ask to speak to Bylaw Enforcement. They will take your contact information and any details you may have concerning the property.
- 4: You will be given a case or file number. Keep it and you will be able to get updates on any action taken by the City.
- 5: Inform the Ratepayer Association of the case/file number. We will follow-up from time to time.
- 6: Note that the Sir John's Homestead Ratepayer Association does not call 311 to lodge complaints. It is the responsibility of the person involved, who has firsthand information to make the City aware of any Bylaw Issues.

### **BIENNIAL GARAGE SALE**

On Saturday, June 4th, Sir John's Homestead held its biennial community garage sale. Quite a number of residents participated in the sale this year. My daughter brought a lot of things from her house to sell along with our things. She took care of everything, so that this year, I could sit back and watch. Of course, it helped that I told her that she could have all of the proceeds. I've participated in a lot of garage sales, and I think that this one had the best attendance. We sold a lot of stuff. And the weather was absolutely perfect. See you in two years

Tom Zakrzewski, Vice President

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