

Fifty-Five Plus News

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BREAKING NEWS

CONTACTS:

Welcome to August! Hopefully we're that much closer to seeing the Club open! We're all missing our friends!

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Please let your friends know that **membership** in the 55+ Club is FREE until October! They'll receive all the communications that go out to the registered membership.

Reception Desk

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Summer

Hours:
Closed
until
further
notice.

FROM THE 55+ STAFF WORKING GROUP

A meeting of the 55+ Club Staff Working Group was held on July 26, 2021. We met Ginger Derochie. Membership fees and drop-in fees for 2022 will be determined by Council in the fall. Numbers are looking good but we still have no confirmation as to when the Club could open. That will be determined by provincial guidelines.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

There have been some changes to our list of volunteers over the past year and a half. People move, people get involved with alternate activities, things happen health-wise. Indoor activities are still some months away but we're getting there! Even at this point, we need volunteers to suggest activities. Perhaps something new? We will be looking to re-establish our body of volunteers and we're hoping to add some new ones. If you can help to make things more fun at the Club, if there's something you'd like to see happening, please contact Jen. We plan to come back bigger and better than ever!



IDEAS PLEASE!

You will be seeing a survey shortly asking what activities you would like to see at the Club when it re-opens. Are there things you enjoy that weren't previously offered? Sewing? Crocheting? Crafts? Other card games such as Texas Hold 'Em? Other forms of painting? Pilates? Gentle Fit? Tap dancing? Drumming? Music appreciation? All ideas welcome! Please send to Jen (jen.mceachen@townofws.ca).

SMILES



Someone put up this advertisement: "Mercedes for Sale \$1." No one believed it could be true but an old man responded and went to see the car.

The lady actually sold him a Mercedes, which had done just 12,000 kms, for \$1. She handed him the papers and the car keys. Deal done.

As the old man was leaving, he said, "I will die of suspense if you don't tell me why this car was sold so cheap?"

The lady replied, "I am just fulfilling the will of my deceased husband, where it's written that the money received from the sale of his Mercedes would go to his Secretary..."



BIRTHDAY PEOPLE

Jane Hachey, Rochelle D'Souza, Rod Hooper, Teresa Kusatz, Roshan Doctor, Shirley Price, Gail Richards, Gerhild Somann, Eileen Belgue, Joe Boll, Pauline Cengarle, Victor Goldman, Joan Gomes, Angela Graham, David Jones, Zorina Kir, Doreen Knapman, Shirley Longo, Jean McLeod, Hana Strom, Yogeswary Bala, Cathy Barnett, Carol Baston, Joan Bell, Robert Daly, Maureen Fretz, Thilakeswary Jaganathan, Puvaneswari Kanagasabai, Eveline Kedey, Hugh Kedey, Herman Lane, Gord MacRae, Mary Louise Matthews, Deannie Newhouse, Melodie Newmarch, Adam Panchyshyn, Peter Parry, Donald Petrie, Ann Raymer, Dennis Seeley, Doris Skinner, Janet Stover, Hugh Wallis, Alexandria Weatherup-Leach. Celebrate!



CIVIC HOLIDAY

In Ontario, the first Monday of August is technically a municipal holiday, as it is not designated as an official statutory holiday by the provincial government. The holiday takes on different names and celebrates different subjects according to municipality.

In 2008, the Ontario Legislature passed a law identifying the first of August as “Emancipation Day” as the British Parliament abolished slavery in the British Empire as of August 1, 18334. The Caribbean Cultural Festival, formerly known as Caribana, is held this holiday weekend.

The Civic Holiday is known as “Founder’s Day” in Brantford, “Joseph Brant Day” in Burlington, and “James Cockburn Day” in Cobourg. It is known as “John Galt Day” in Guelph and “George Hamilton Day” in Hamilton.

In Oshawa, it’s “McLaughlin Day” and in Ottawa it’s “Colonel By Day.” Peterborough celebrates “Peter Robinson Day” and Sarnia celebrates “Alexander Mackenzie Day.”

In Toronto, the day is known as “Simcoe Day”, named as such in 1969 in honour of John Graves Simcoe, the first Lieutenant-Governor of Upper Canada who established York (now Toronto) as the capitol of Ontario. A motion to extend the name change across Ontario failed. According to a 2005 proclamation, this name continues to apply in Toronto.

FOR CAT LOVERS



"Can't you wait until after she's fed me?"

**THE OLDER I GET ...
THE MORE I FIND
MYSELF LOOKING AT
PEOPLE LIKE THIS ...**



55+ CLUB LINE DANCERS

