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## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT ... Mark Barrett**



Hello everyone. June is here and summer is just around the corner. This edition of the newsletter is the last one until September so I sincerely wish you all a safe and enjoyable summer.

On Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup> in honour of Mother's Day, an afternoon tea took place . Thanks to Gillian Scraggs and her team of volunteers. A recap of the event can be found on page 7.

I want to thank all the candidates for election in May along with the nomination committee Mary Lou Busato, Gloria Smith & Ken Buderick. A full election report can be found on page 3.

The City of Markham advises they will be moving to a new Registration and Membership Management system in September 2023. This will require changes to the Membership registration process. The key change will be that an email address will now be required to create an account. For anyone that does not currently have an active email address, you have the option of using an email address belonging to a family member or a friend. Please note however, that the new system will not allow more than one account to be created using the same email. The new Registration/Membership system requires that all members create accounts with the City of Markham, and it is mandatory for each account to be set up using an email address. This email address is not intended to be used for communication purposes, but instead will act as part of your log-in credentials for your City of Markham account.

Should any customers not have or are unwilling to provide their email address, a default email address can be used to create that individual's account. However, this can only be done by City of Markham staff and would not allow the customer to create and/or log into their new account online themselves. Any members who choose to create an account without an email will not have access to some features of the registration system including online program registration, online bookings, and will not receive communication regarding City of Markham programs. Without an email address, they will not be provided with log-in credentials so their account can only be managed in-person by City of Markham staff.

City of Markham staff are working on instructions to create a new City of Markham account, as well as a new email address (if needed). They will be at the club later in June to answer questions and to help anyone that needs further assistance with setting up an email address and/or a City of Markham account. Specific dates and times will be posted on the bulletin boards, website, and lobby monitor.

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**MARKHAM SENIORS ACTIVITY CENTRE**  
**2023 BUILDING CLOSURE DATES**

DATE	HOLIDAY/REASON FOR CLOSURE
Monday, February 20 <sup>th</sup>	Family Day
Friday, April 7 <sup>th</sup>	Good Friday
Monday, April 10 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Monday
Monday, May 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Victoria Day
Saturday, July 1 <sup>st</sup>	Canada Day
Monday, August 7 <sup>th</sup>	Civic Holiday
Friday, August 25 <sup>th</sup> @ 5pm to Sunday, September 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Annual Building Maintenance
Monday, September 4 <sup>th</sup>	Labour Day
Monday, October 9 <sup>th</sup>	Thanksgiving
Friday, December 22 <sup>nd</sup>	CLOSES AT 5:00pm
Sunday, December 24 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Eve
Monday, December 25 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Day
Tuesday, December 26 <sup>th</sup>	Boxing Day
Sunday, December 31 <sup>st</sup>	New Year's Eve
Monday, January 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2024	New Year's Day

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## O.A.I.A. ELECTION FOR 2023

We have just completed a week (May 15 - May 19 inclusive) of voting for the 2023 election.

The positions open this year were as follows:

Vice President  
Membership Director  
Assistant Treasurer  
Director at large 2 year term (2 required)

It looked at one point, that we may not need an election as some nominees went in acclaimed. The exception was we required one person for the Director at large 1 year term with three members nominated. The candidates were Donna Jacobs, Ken Shopman, and Carol Sparks. Their biographies were very impressive and we would have been fortunate to have any one of the talented nominees on the board. The City of Markham representatives (2) were on site, to count the ballots, at the close of voting on Friday, May 19th. Gloria Smith, from our committee, was also on site for the event.

Our newest Director at large 1 year term is **Keith Shopman**.

A special thank you to all the candidates who came forward to run for election.

We would like to thank all the members who took the time to exercise their right to vote. We were very pleased with the number of people who voted.

The final results for the 2023 election are as follows:

Vice President Les Miscampbell (acclaimed)  
Membership Director Joan Green (acclaimed)  
Assistant Treasurer Gladys Hamilton (acclaimed)  
Director at large 2 year term Susan Flatt (acclaimed)  
Director at large 2 year term Cha Pin Lee (acclaimed)  
Director at large 1 year term Keith Shopman (elected)

Congratulations to all our candidates

The Nominee Committee - Gloria Smith, Ken Budarick, Mary Lou Busato

## GOLD MEDAL WINNERS

Congratulations to Jeanne Lafond and Ken Budarick on winning the gold medal for cribbage at the 2023 York Region Senior Games. They competed against 12 teams in a four-hour tournament that featured ten games. Well done on your achievement!



## FRIDAY YOGA

### SUMMER SESSION

Starts June 2, 2023

5 week course

Time : 10:30 am

Cost: \$35.00

Instructor: Jeela Amin

Come and join us.



**BOOK CLUB**

There are openings in the 1st Wednesday of the month Book Club. We meet at 10:00 am. If you would like to join, please sign up at the front desk. We look forward to meeting you!

Dianne Vanderwal  
 Convenor



**Lunch and Linger**  
**Monday June 12. 12 -1.30**

Leanne Harris will lead you through the Garden

Where did flowers get their name?  
 Why did children get their names from flowers?

Tea coffee and dessert

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 Looking for a Convenor for this event starting back on Sept/Oct.

Norma Matus.



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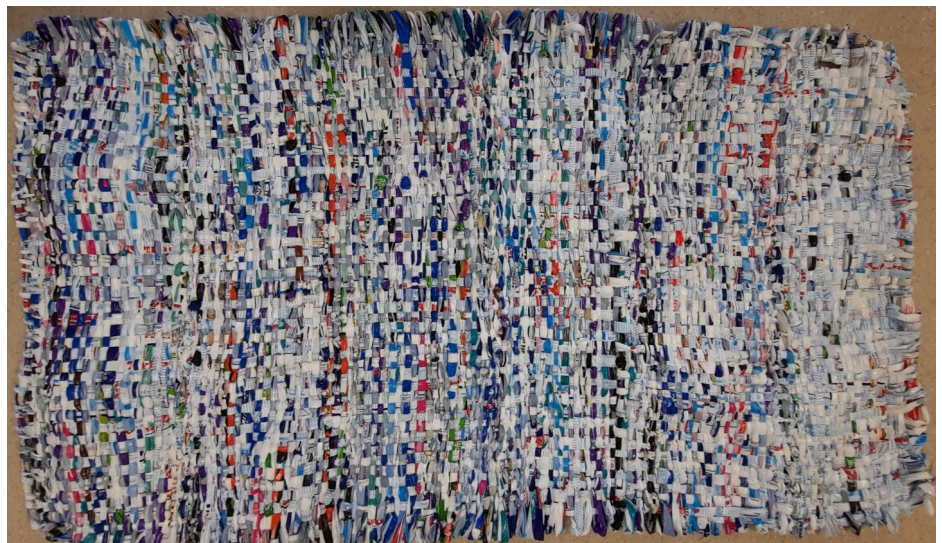
Choice of backing fabric and colour.

## **MILK BAG SLEEPING MAT PROJECT**

Please save and bring us the outer milk bags, thank you.

We have started our 3rd mat.

Barb Morrison  
Convenor





**Come and Join our Canasta Group**

**We meet from 1 PM to 4 PM every Thursday for a fun afternoon and camaraderie. If you are interested in learning a new card game, or wish to renew your skills.... contact the front desk ....**

**Front Desk 905-294-5111  
Keith Shopman - Convenor**

**KNITTING CLUB**

Hello to everyone,

Well this is the last issue before the Summer break. We would like to thank all who stopped by our cabinets over the year and also those who purchased something knitted. Over the course of the year we held two mini sales: Christmas and Easter. Both were well attended.

The knitting group continues during the Summer month so if you need anything in July or August we will try to accommodate your wishes.

We hope everyone has a great Summer, be careful and safe so that we see you back in September. Remember the sunscreen.

Joyce Bulgin  
Convenor

**MOTHER'S DAY TEA**

Everyone who attended enjoyed the lunch and each person took a beautiful potted plant home with them. The plants were donated by Valley View Gardens, The delicious desserts were donated by AMICA Unionville, Melanie Cramp. The sandwiches were ordered from Metro, Island Road, Scarborough. The selection was delicious. A letter of Thanks and Appreciation will be sent to all. . We were lucky to have 2 pianists to play music throughout the afternoon. Our thanks go to Les Miscampbell and Al Falcao. Great job guys!

My heartfelt thanks go to my helpers, Helena Miscampbell, Justina Bird, Joan Green and Maureen Ledgard. Without these ladies helping me before, during and after, this event wouldn't have been possible.

Gillian Scraggs  
Special Events



## From the Travel Desk

Our 2nd trip is coming up very quickly. On **Wednesday, May 31st**, we are going to The Shaw Festival Theatre at Niagara-on-the-Lake to see Gypsy, the story of Gypsy Rose Lee, famous strip tease artist. Lunch will be at the Queenston Heights Restaurant. We have a full bus, but we welcome anyone who would like to put their name on the wait list. No promises, but so far three people are on the trip and off the wait list.

On **Tuesday, June 27th**, we have a luncheon cruise on the Grand River. It includes a complimentary coffee and muffin upon arrival, with entertainment from the Blazing Fiddles. We then proceed to the dock and board our boat to enjoy a leisurely cruise and lunch. The lunch includes a three course meal of roast beef, dessert, tea and coffee. That trip is full, but you are welcome to put your name on the wait list.

Our final trip before September will be on **Tuesday, July 18th**. We have just launched this trip. We will start our trip with a visit to the St. Jacobs Market. St. Jacobs Market is a very popular destination. If you are thinking of purchasing any meats or foods that would spoil, please bring a cooler and ice packs. Put your name on your cooler because we put them in the lockers under the bus. We will have lunch at the St. Jacobs Grill on the main street of St. Jacobs. We should have time for some shopping or browsing in the shops on the street. We will proceed to the St. Jacobs Playhouse Theatre after lunch for a live production of "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat". **Members only deadline, May 23rd.**

**Please keep in mind that all trips are launched for members only for the first two weeks. After that time, we welcome non members.**

This is our last News and Views until September.

**September** - we are looking at a visit to the Royal Botanical Gardens and Whitehern House. Whitehern House had three generations of one family living there from 1852 to 1968. Among the last generation were six children who never married. In 1959, the remaining three children bequeathed the home to the city with all its original contents. Final details to follow.

**October** - We will travel east for this trip - Northumberland County where we will pick up our tour guide Peter Brotherhood, enjoy some fall colours and visit an Alpaca Farm. We will learn all about the amazing range of soft, warm, natural products they make from the fleece. These products will be for sale. Enjoy a delicious buffet lunch at the Timber Ridge Golf and Country Club. More details to follow.

**Please be respectful to your fellow travelers. Do not wear perfumes and wear a mask on the bus.**

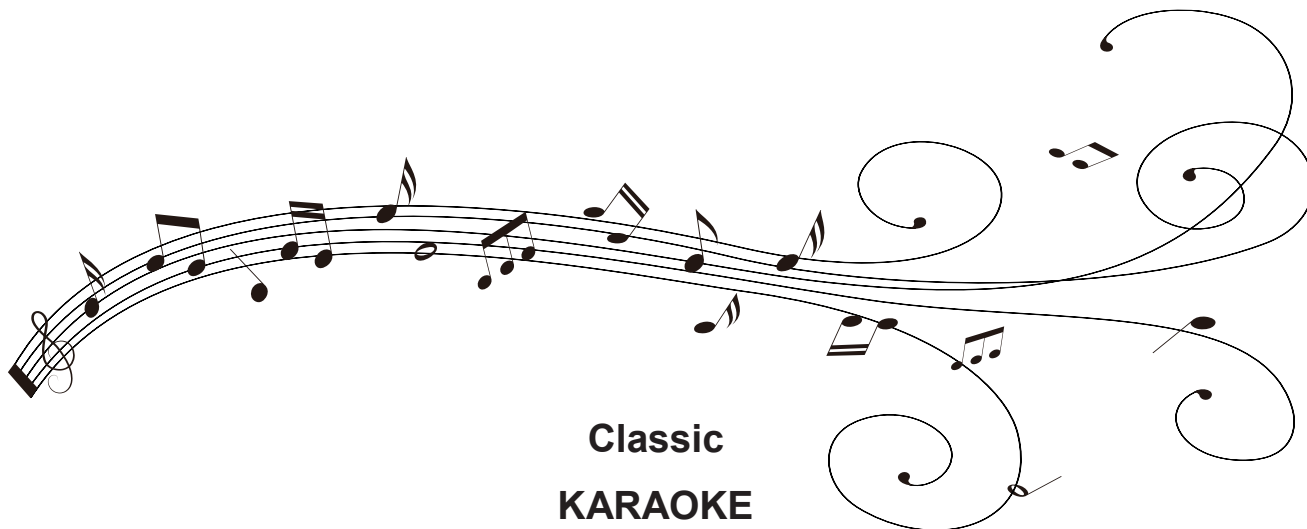
We are looking at closing the Travel Desk for a couple of weeks during the summer to give our Travel Team a well deserved rest. No decision as to when. Please check the desk for further details.

Enjoy your summer. Stay safe, stay well.

Mary Lou Busato, Convenor







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November 2023



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