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MARKHAM SENIORS ACTIVITY CENTRE 22 WATER STREET, MARKHAM, ON

PRESIDENT'S REPORT... Mark Barrett



Hello everyone.

September was busy with fall programs starting up coupled with membership processing. Regarding membership processing, City of Markham staff were on site when we conducted the annual membership drive during the first two weeks of September to process payments and issue temporary ID cards. Our OAIA volunteers did the initial screening and I have to say the process went smoothly. I want to thank both the City of Markham staff and all our wonderful volunteers who conducted the renewal. A special thanks to Joan Green our Membership Director for organizing the drive.

A big thank you as well to our front desk volunteers who have now taken over the full task of membership processing. If you haven't renewed your membership yet, please do so as soon as possible. Remember, we no longer accept cash for membership payments. Membership payment options are either by cheque payable to **City of Markham** or by credit card. Convenors will be checking memberships when you enroll in programs. For those who have renewed, thank you and, don't forget to exchange your temporary ID card for your permanent one.

Our Annual General Meeting will take place this year on **Monday, October 23rd^h, 2023, beginning at 1:00 p.m.** Our Constitution requires a quorum of 10% of the membership in attendance to vote. **I encourage you to mark the AGM date on your calendars now and make every effort to attend. Please sign up at the front desk. Only registered members will be admitted to the meeting so please have your ID card with you.** If you have any amendments or changes to our Constitution you wish to have voted on, they must be received by the Secretary on a formal Constitution and By-Laws Revision form no later than 14 days before the meeting to be considered. The form can be obtained from the front desk. The formal AGM notice is on page 3 of this newsletter and is also posted on the website and the club bulletin boards.

On Friday, October 27th we are offering a "Monster Bash" theme luncheon. The price is \$20.00 for a catered meal and prizes will be given out for the best costumes. Doors open at 11:45 with lunch beginning at 12 pm. Sign up and purchase your ticket at the front desk.

It is great to see those members who are returning after a prolonged absence. Welcome back. I want to extend a warm welcome as well to all our new members. Enjoy your club, wear a smile and offer to assist your Convenors whenever possible.

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MARKHAM SENIORS ACTIVITY CENTRE
2023 BUILDING CLOSURE DATES

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

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The OAIA Board of Directors advise that our Annual General Meeting will be held in the Markham Seniors Activity Centre Auditorium, 22 Water St. Markham on:

Monday, October 23rd, 2023

From 1:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M.

Per our Constitution, 10% of Club members must be in attendance to form a quorum. We ask you to indicate your intention to attend by signing up at the front desk so that we may order an adequate number of refreshments.

Only those holding a current O.A.I.A membership will be admitted. Please have your ID card with you. All other Club activities will cease for the duration of the meeting.

New business items you wish to raise must be submitted in writing to Mark Barrett, President, by Monday, October 2nd.

Pre-meeting material binders which members may borrow and return containing the agenda, the 2022 AGM Minutes and the 2022-23 fiscal year end Financials will be available October 9th.

REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED AFTER THE MEETING.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Welcome back everybody. The first two weeks were very busy renewing all our present members and processing new members. I would like to thank all the volunteers who helped this process run smoothly.

Mark Barrett

Nancy Kamanga

Joyce McDowell

Darlene Marcellus

Susan Flatt

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Justina Bird

Lyn Bryan

Robin Bryan

Norma Matus

Howard Elson

Zorena Yapp

Fatima Lawson

Keith Shopman

Jim Lyle

Donna Jacobs

Front Desk Volunteers

Please remember to bring/wear your badge upon arrival for your activities.

Joan Green

Membership Director





SPECIAL EVENT
THE MONSTER BASH FRIDAY,
OCTOBER 27, 2023 AT 12:00 NOON

THE MENU

Slimy Green Salad
Chicken Fingers
Penne with blood red sauce
Monster Cookies
for dessert Witches Brew (coffee and tea)

Cost \$20:00
Limited to 80 Tickets

Lots of prizes: including the best costumes and non costumes.

Tickets will go on sale Sept. 25th

Jeanne Colvin, Convenor



CURRENT EVENTS PLUS GROUP

The Group Gathers Every Wednesday
in the West Activity Room from 1:00 to 3:00 pm.

Come and join our "Group". The program consists of members getting to know each other through, sharing humour, discussing current local and world events, plus other subjects of interest. Pictures and videos related to the subjects of the day will be presented by a member and viewed on a large movie screen.

On entering, please sign in and deposit your \$0.50 in the
"Room Fee" basket.

Do come and enjoy each other's company.
See you all on Wednesday afternoons.

Carol McKnight
Convenor

Robyn Bryan
Co-Convenor

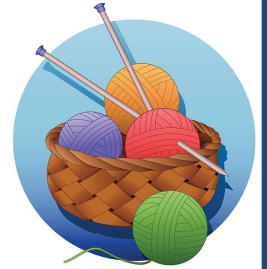


KNITTING CLUB

Welcome to Fall Everyone,

We have had an exceptional Summer and Fall is looking to be spectacular also.

Since the membership opened a few weeks ago the knitting group has expanded by four. Welcome! We should have plenty to sell over the Fall and into the Christmas season. Please keep an eye on the cabinet in the lobby or visit us Wednesday afternoons for some cozy winter gear or presents for others.



In the upcoming weeks if you are cleaning out please check to see if you have some yarn that you are not going to use and then think of us. We can always find a use for even the smallest piece that can be incorporated into a knitting project. Just bag it with my name and leave it at the front desk for pick up.

Get out and enjoy the weather before Winter moves in.

Joyce Bulgin
Convenor

BOOK CLUB 2

Second Wednesday of every month

We enjoyed a variety of books from the Library last year. This month's book is "Sing, Unburied, Sing" by Jesmyn Ward.

Donna Jacobs
Convenor



THE GARDEN

We have had a very successful summer in our gardens, with lots of rain and sun. Soon we will be collecting the last of our harvests. If you are interested in getting a plot next year, keep an eye on the newsletter in early spring.



Donna Jacobs
Convenor

MELODY MAKERS

Our next concert will be Monday
October 30th. 11.30 am. Cost \$2.
The band gives a great concert the last
Monday of every month. Bring your
lunch and sit and enjoy the music
Coffee, Tea and Cookies \$1.00.

Norma Matus



LUNCH AND LEARN

This program returns Oct 16th 12-1.30 pm.
Cost \$2.

Home Instead will be the program for this
session. Come and learn to continue living
where you want to be the most. Your Own
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where to get all the help you need.

From meals, home help, companionship, etc..

Bring your lunch and we will provide
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LINE DANCE

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We have openings

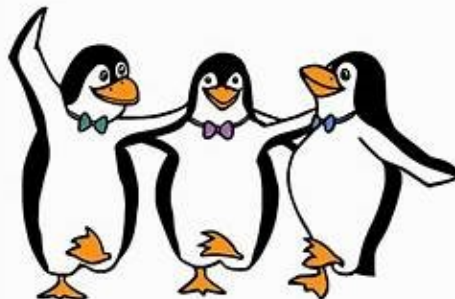
Monday 2.30 pm-4 pm and Wednesday 3.30pm-5pm

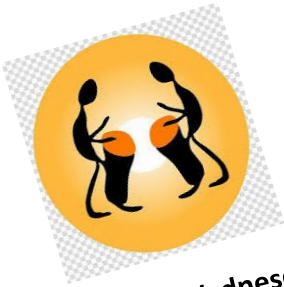
Dianne Sweeney convenor for Monday class

Carol Sparks convenor for Wednesday class

Come and try a class free before you commit....

See front desk for sign up book





Djembe Drumming

Wednesdays Noon – 1:00 p.m.
In the Craft Room

Sign up at the Front Desk

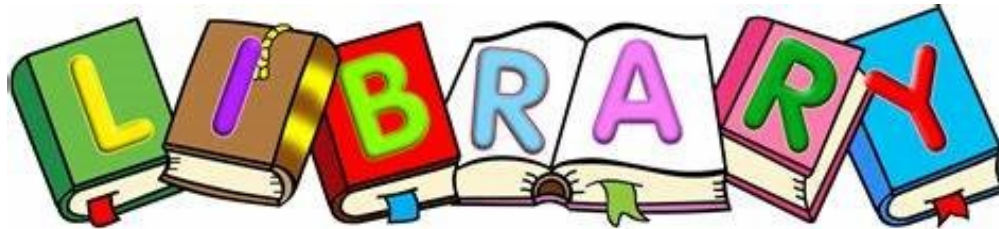
Starts Sept. 13th 2023

MONDAY MORNING BRIDGE

Casual Bridge 9:00am - 11:30 am

Come out and enjoy a game with your friends and neighbours.

Margaret Crowley
Convenor



Be sure to drop into the Library, located inside the coffee lounge. We have some new titles that may interest you. Many thanks to Susan Flatt, Mary Lou Busato, and others who kept the Library neat and tidy when I couldn't be there. We are using the honour system, so you are free to help yourself to a book or two. Please place your books in the return bin so we can keep track of usage.

Angela Stewart
Library 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
Convenor. Keith Shopman

FROM THE TRAVEL DESK

Unfortunately, we had to cancel our September Trip (Royal Botanical Gardens and White Heron Historical Home) due to lack of interest. We need a minimum number of People for Each trip which we were unable to achieve.

Our Fall Trip is doing very well. As at today's date, we have 13 seats left. This Trip is on Wednesday October 11TH. We are going East for this trip. Our first stop will be a coffee break at the Big Apple and then on to the Old Mill Alpaca Farm, Brighton, where you will get up close and have a personal experience with the Alpacas. You will also have an opportunity to purchase products made from the fleece such as blankets, scarves, mitts, sweaters, socks etc. Lunch will follow and then on to Campbell's Orchards, which is an orchard, Farmers' Market, Bakery and Vineyard. The cost for this Trip is \$140.00 for members and \$145.00 for non-members.

We have almost finalized Our Christmas Trip. We are awaiting the flyers. It will be on sale shortly. Please check the Travel Desk for Further Details.

Mary Lou BusatoConvenor

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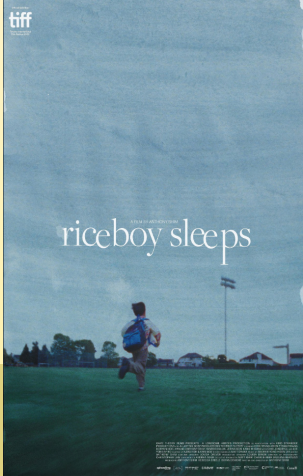
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ACROSS

3. Bush or Ferraro? (In 1984)
5. Halloween leftover
8. Juicy fruits
10. Essential winter attire
11. Nurse's credentials
12. Atmosphere
14. Holiday birds
17. Every
20. Organization responsible for space program
21. Has sound
23. They started Thanksgiving tradition
25. Thus
26. Thing to do on Nov. 22
27. Winnie the Pooh's creator, A.A. M----
28. Residential unit (abbrev.)
29. Describes Thanksgiving meal
31. Noah had one
33. Soldier's nickname
34. Malt beverage
35. What's left of the bird on Nov. 23
15. Make into one
16. Not late
17. Classified or display
18. Speech impediment
19. Valuables (colloq.)
22. We
23. German "oom-___" band
24. At home
28. Largest state (abbrev.)
30. Past
32. Referring to
34. If you want seconds, do this

DOWN

1. Turkey's destiny
2. Worry
4. ___ Man
5. Nov. 22, 1984
6. An opinionated composition
7. Turkey day (abbrev.)
8. Pumpkin or apple?
9. Horse's back yard
13. "A sandwich is a sandwich, but a Manwich..."

