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MARKHAM SENIORS ACTIVITY CENTRE 22 WATER STREET, MARKHAM, ON

PRESIDENT'S REPORT... Mark Barrett



Hello everyone. As we prepare to welcome spring, it's time to start dusting off those golf clubs and your other fair-weather paraphernalia.

I'm delighted to let you know our volunteer appreciation luncheon will take place at noon on Wednesday, April 17th at the Mandarin restaurant in Box Grove. I look forward to welcoming all our deserving volunteers. My thanks go out to the Board members involved in the selection process with a special thanks to Helena Miscampbell for coordinating this popular event for us.

As I mentioned in the March newsletter, elections for your 2024 Board of Directors will take place in May. There are six positions to be filled. President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and two Directors at Large. The notice of voting, call for nominations and a nomination form are included in this newsletter. Note: A candidate for President must have served at least one full year on the Board of Directors in any capacity.

The members of the Nomination Committee if you have questions are Mary Lou Busato, Gloria Smith & Ken Budarick. Nominations forms are available at the front desk. Completed forms should be deposited in the nominations box at the front desk beginning Monday, April 8th up to and including Monday April 29th at 1:00 pm. Voting will take place the week of May 13th thru 17th.

These Board positions are very important for the ongoing success of our Club. I ask that you reflect on how much enjoyment you derive from the Club and seriously consider giving back by accepting a nomination for a board position. I recognize it takes some time, dedication, and commitment to carry out the duties, but your reward will be in knowing you helped to make a positive difference at the Club.

Enjoy your Club, wear a smile and don't forget to thank the volunteers who run your favourite activities. Your offer to help them with setup and cleanup is always welcome.

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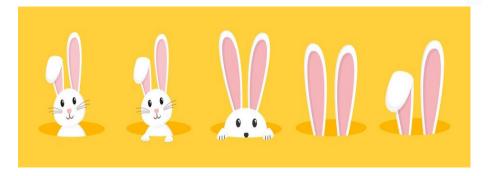
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MARKHAM SENIORS ACTIVITY CENTRE 2024 BUILDING CLOSURE DATES

DATE	HOLIDAY/REASON FOR CLOSURE
Monday, February 19 th	Family Day
Friday, March 29th	Good Friday
Monday, April 1st	Easter Monday
Monday, May 20 th	Victoria Day
Monday, July 1*	Canada Day
Monday, August 5 th	Civic Holiday
Friday, August 16th @ 5pm to Sunday, September 1st , 2024	Annual Building Maintenance
Monday, September 2 nd	Labour Day
Monday, October 14 th	Thanksgiving
Friday, December 20th	CLOSES AT 5:00pm
Saturday, December 21st to Wednesday, January 1st	Closed for the Holidays



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MOTHER'S DAY LUNCH

FRIDAY—MAY 10TH

12:00—2.00 pm

Cost \$20.00

Menu:

Lemon Chicken
Roast Potatoes
Vegetables
Desert, Tea and

Coffee.



Ticket Sales start:

Monday, April 8th for Members

Monday, April 29th for Non Members

Purchase tickets at the Front Desk

TRAVEL DESK

We are only days away from our first trip of the year. On Thursday, April 4th, we are going to see the ever popular musical "Jersey Boys" which is the story of Frankie Vailli and the Four Seasons. We are going to the Kitchener/Waterloo area for a delicious lunch at the Golf's Steakhouse and then proceed to The Hamilton Theatre in Cambridge for our live performance.

Our second trip is now on sale and doing very well to sell out. This trip is on Thursday May 9th. Once again we will travel west to Waterloo. Firstly, we will enjoy a delicious lunch of your choice (5) at the Golf's Steakhouse. We will enjoy a live performance of "Sentimental Journey 2" at the WMB Church in Waterloo. This is the second show we will see produced by the same company who produced the Christmas, 2024 show that was such a hit with all who attended the show, In the first two weeks this trip was on sale, we have sold over 30 of the 56 seats. If you are interested, please do not hesitate to sign up to avoid disappointment. If you find out the trip is sold out, put your name and phone number on the wait list. It is very rare that we do not have to utilize the wait list.

We have made a recent change for anyone wanting to go on any of our trips.

Effectively immediately, any member and/or member and a guest can sign up for any one of our trips for the first two weeks; thereafter, we welcome any non members to sign up.

We will put our third trip on sale shortly. It will be on Thursday, June 13th. We will travel to The Niagara area with time for shopping at Niagara-on-the-Lake. It includes a buffet lunch at the Prince of Wales Hotel. Afterwards, we will visit the Niagara College Winery, to see the operation and have some wine tastings. We will also visit Picard peanuts and FX chocolates. Watch for flyers available shortly at the Travel Desk.

Please feel free to stop by the desk and see more trips planned throughout the coming year.

We have lost some of our floaterspeople that could cover for one of our TEAM members when they are not available for their shift. If you could spend two hours from 10:00am to 12:00 pm or 12:00pm to 2:00pm, please visit the desk and let one of our Team know that you are willing to help.

Special Thanks to our Team and all those who travel with us.

Mary Lou Busato......Convenor



LUNCH AND LEARN APRIL 8TH

Well we learned something new about the library last month and it's now time to celebrate Spring which will soon be here. Come and listen to music, sing along at times, dance and try out a couple of new line dances with Becky Wicks as our pianist. It's sure to be a great time and all for just \$2. It just can't be beat.

Donna Jacobs—Convenor Catherine Matias—Co-Conven



KNITTING

Happy Spring everyone, it has finally come even though it wasn't too bad a Winter.

I am away right now but Gloria Smith will look after any of your needs. She is keeping me posted of any changes in the club.

We have had a great year for sales so far and we would like to thank everyone who has bought items or contributed materials to allow us to continue making our products.

Finally we wish everyone a Happy Easter. Enjoy the day and the chocolate and the family dinner. We can start that diet the next day.





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 Robin Bryan
Convenor Co-Convenor



LUNCH AND LEARN

Jackie Lee from the **Markham Community Library** came to **Lunch and Learn** in March to speak about the new resources available at the library and teach people how to download ebooks, audiobooks and magazines. I, for one, learned a good deal.

Did you know?

- If you go to a Library in **Vaughan or Richmond Hill**, you can get a Library card for both Libraries. You must go in person.
- The Library has a small device that will fit in your pocket for listening to audio books while working around the house or walking etc. It's called a **Playaway**.
- You can download both e-books and audiobooks on the Library App.
- You can also access e-magazines, and newspapers in through Press Reader.
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- access Mango through the library
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- If you go through the Lendery Library and click the Explore tab you can access the
 Library's SPECIAL COLLECTIONS which includes toys, sports equipment (bikes and
 e-bikes helmets, children's bike trailers etc), cameras and video equipment, tools,
 musical instruments excluding woodwind instruments etc.
- Under **Explore Community**, you can access areas of interest to older adults which includes chair yoga, scam workshops, help with your taxes etc.

It's worth **browsing the website** and exploring all the new things that the Library of today has to offer the community. I think we all were impressed.

Donna Jacobs— Convenor



We meet from 1PM—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......
905-294-5111, Keith Shopman

TAI CHI

The new class under the baton of our new instructor, commenced on March 6th and will end on April 24th. A new session will commence on May 1st, details of which will be announced at a later date. A sign-up sheet will be at the front desk for your convenience.

"Tai Chi as we all know, is excellent for our minds and bodies. So, why not get enrolled for the next session commencing May 1st. Classes are every Wednesday from 10.30 am to 11:30 am in the Auditorium. Hope to see your there"





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In the craft room.

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Casual Bridge 9:00am - 11:30 am

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

Margaret Crowley - Convenor



BIG CRAFT SALE

Friday May 10th
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Wendy Wise





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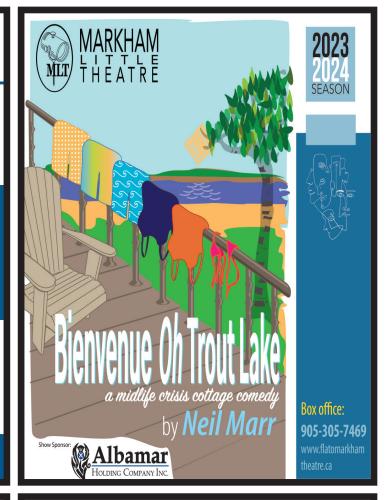
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Elderly lady: "No sir, I was doing the speed limit exactly... 22 miles an hour!"

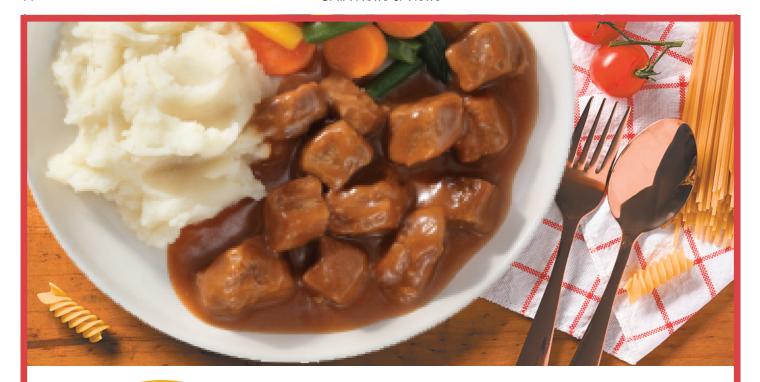
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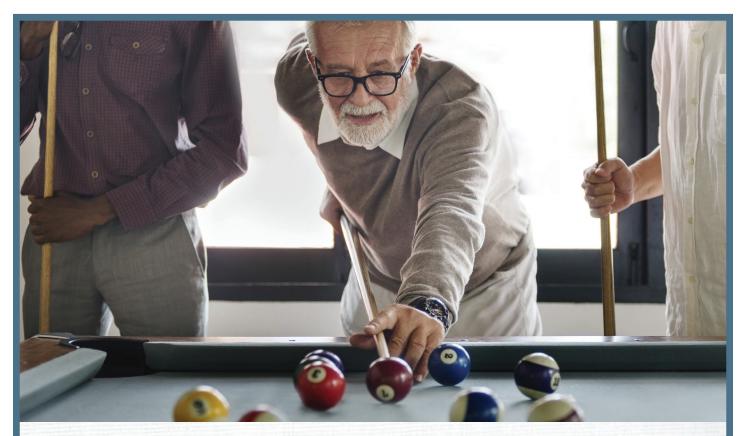
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2024 Notice of Election

VOTING DAYS

Monday, May 13th to Friday, May 17th

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VOTING REQUIREMENTS

To vote you must be a current member in good standing. Please have your membership card available for presentation.

Nomination Committee

Chair - Mary Lou Busato

Gloria Smith

Ken Budarick

O.A.I.A. ELECTIONS 2024

Call for Nominations

Nominations may be submitted to the Nomination Committee via the nomination box at the Front Desk beginning Monday, April 8th until 1:00 p.m. Monday, April 29^{th.}

Nomination forms can be obtained from the Front Desk. The Board positions to be filled are:

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>TERM</u>
PRESIDENT	2 YEARS
VICE PRESIDENT	1 YEAR
SECRETARY	2 YEARS
TREASURER	2 YEARS
2 - DIRECTORS AT LARGE	2 YEARS

Polling stations will be open from **10:00 a.m. till 3:00 p.m.** Monday, **May 13**th thru Thursday **May 16**th and from **10:00 a.m. till 2:00 p.m.** Friday, **May 17**th.

Nomination Committee

Mary Lou Busato, Gloria Smith, Ken Budarick

NOMINATION FORM - 2024

for the position of _	for a period of year(s).
I hereby certify that I a nomination.	am a paid-up member of the O.A.I.A. and that I am entitled to make this
Date	Signature of Nominee
	CONSENT OF NOMINEE
I am the person nomi	nated above. I certify that I am a paid-up member of the O.A.I.A.
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