

### **AJAX SENIORS' CLUB**

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#### **Newsletter for April 2024**

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**Birthdays** 

- My sincere apologies for missing the March Newsletter. The last few weeks have been hectic but there's no real excuse except that I've been having an extended senior's moment. All of the info is in this issue and includes both the March and April Birthday lists.
- It's the end of the winter and the excitement of spring is already starting to sparkle. It seems that Spring will be early this year.
- If you are no longer receiving emails from me, please let me know and I'll put you back on the list.
- FYI, the website address is ajaxseniorsclub.ca. Also, our new logo is added to the top of the Newsletter.

They say 40 is the new 30 and 50 is the new 40. All I know is, the older I get, the more 9 o'clock is the new midnight.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

• March 29<sup>th</sup> Good Friday

• March 31st Easter Sunday

• April 1st April Fool's Day

• <u>April 16th</u> Lunch & Learn – <u>Downsizing</u>. See below for details.

• April 23rd Lunch & Learn – Living with Parkinson's. See below for details.

### **CLUB INFO**

- John Evenden is participating in The Walk for Alzheimer's in late May and is looking for sponsors. Those of you who are interested, please contact John at jevenden40@gmail.com.
- The Lunch and Learn is Tuesday, April 16th at the Village Centre 11:15-1:15. Topic is DOWNSIZING. Look for the sign-up sheets at both St. Andrew's and Pickering Village.
- Tuesday April 23rd 11:00-1:15. LIVING WITH PARKINSON'S at the Village Centre. Neurologist Dr. Kalia is presenting. There is limited space. Sign up sheets at both centres.
- Friday Night Euchre will return in April. First night back will be April 5th.

I said I was good at making decisions. I didn't say that the decisions I made were good.

## MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT & VICE PRESIDENT

Hello everyone, hopefully the snow is now behind us and it is springtime!!

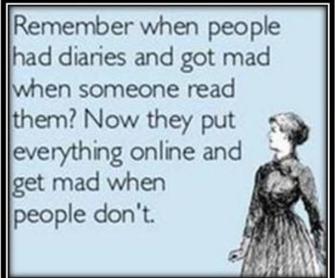
- Your newly elected Board of Directors are working hard on your behalf to make sure that both facilities are running well. We are answering your questions and comments when they come up either on the web or direct.
- Both Activity Managers are working on the Activity Attendance sheets so that everyone has the correct info re their names and membership numbers. I have also asked them to speak to the Coordinators re the arranging of tables and chairs that are required for their activity. As new people come to the activity, we may need to add tables and rearrange the room. It makes it easier for the custodian if they have the correct information. As I am sure you all understand, taking the tables down every day and then putting them back up can not only be time consuming but if it can be avoided, it would be appreciated.
- Rosita, the Event Director, is collaborating with a committee on arranging events for all to enjoy. The next big event is the B.B.Q. & Horse Racing Day that is planned for July 13<sup>th</sup>.
- Yes, it's been a long time coming, and we are all eager to have a great turn out. There will be more information after the Board meeting this month as the details are still being worked out. I will remind everyone this is for Members only as we can only safely allow so many people in the centre.
- I should mention a few points about the new parking lot. Both the north and south lots have spaces for Handicap parking. I have asked for more to be changed in the north lot but for the time being please display your sticker if using these the spaces.
- I would also like to remind everyone when driving from the north to the south lot, be aware of your speed. People do walk across the parking lot to get into the building.
- The event board that is being used in St Andrews is well signed so please do take the time to read the notices as they are put up on no specific day or time. The same information is also put up at the Village centre for sign up of events. Remember, only sign up once. We need to know how many members are coming if food is required to be purchased.
- Since there was not a March newsletter there are quite a few topics to cover, please remember if you have any questions or comments you should try to speak to the Activity Managers. They are able to pass on any questions to the full board for a quick reply if they can't give you a response.
- We now have logo plaques to be mounted in our main hall at both Ajax senior centres. The Village has theirs on the main hall now. The ones for St Andrews will soon be installed. The logo represents all seniors coming together in friendship and harmony.
- Have you seen our full-page ad in the Money Saver? It looks great! It came to your mailbox in March. Another will be arriving in July and a third in December! Thank you to Director Rocco Rossi for initiating this!

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### **INFORMATION FROM THE TOWN OF AJAX**

All the details (registration links and program descriptions) for upcoming events are available under <a href="http://ajax.ca/55plus">http://ajax.ca/55plus</a> on the internet or contact.

Moninder Nahar-Arjun,

Town of Ajax, at 905-619-2529 ext. 7243.

### Murphy's Other Laws

- 1. Light travels faster than sound. This is why some people appear bright until you hear them speak.
- 2. A fine is a tax for doing wrong. A tax is a fine for doing well.
- 3. He who laughs last, thinks slowest.
- 4. A Day without sunshine is like, well, night.
- 5. Change is inevitable, except from a vending machine.
- 6. Those who live by the sword get shot by those who don't.
- 8. The 50-50-90 rule: Anytime you have a 50-50 chance of getting something right, there's a 90% probability you'll get it wrong.
- 9. It is said that if you line up all the cars in the world end-to-end, someone from Florida would be stupid enough to try to pass them.
- 10. If the shoe fits, get another one just like it.
- 11. The things that come to those who wait, may be the things left by those who got there first.
- 12. Give a man a fish and he will eat for a day. Teach a man to fish and he will sit in a boat all day drinking beer.
- 13. Flashlight: A case for holding dead batteries.
- 14. God gave you toes as a device for finding furniture in the dark.
- 15. When you go into court, you are putting yourself in the hands of twelve people, who weren't smart enough to get out of jury duty.

#### AJAX LIBRARY PROGRAMS

#### How Ajax Got Started – April 3 | 10:00AM – 11:30AM (Main Branch)

Celebrate Ontario Archives Awareness Week with the Archives Services Librarian. Discover how the Ajax area went from being farms in Pickering Township to a munitions plant, a university, a displaced persons camp, and finally a town. Light refreshments provided. To register, visit: https://ajaxlibrary.ca/node/2092

#### Ontario's Credits, Benefits, and Supports for Lower Income Seniors – April 9 | 2:00PM – 3:30 PM (Main Branch)

Many people miss out on valuable credits and benefits because they don't know about them or are unsure how to apply. A speaker from the Ministry of Finance will help you learn about tax credits, benefits, and other programs available to support lower-income seniors in Ontario. This talk is specifically designed to provide helpful information to lower-income seniors and the caregivers, advocates, and community organizations who support them. To register, visit: https://ajaxlibrary.ca/node/2075

#### National Canadian Film Day – April 12 | 1:30PM – 3:30PM (Main Branch) (Drop-In)

National Canadian Film Day (April 17) is a one-day celebration of Canadian cinema. Join us to view Being Canadian, a humorous documentary featuring interviews with a who's who of famous media-related Canadians.

### Vertical Vegetables with Ken Brown – April 23 | 1:30PM – 3:00 PM (Audley Branch)

Master Gardener, Ken Brown, returns for a session on incorporating vertical vegetables into our own growing spaces, no matter how big or small. Discover innovative, yet simple and inexpensive ways to use the vertical space above your garden to multiply the quantity and range of food you can grow, as well as boosting your garden's aesthetic appeal. To register, visit: https://ajaxlibrary.ca/node/2069

For a full list of Library Programs, please visit: https://ajaxlibrary.ca/whatson.

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We all know mirrors don't lie...

I'm just grateful that they don't laugh.



trust issues

Pre internet chat room using An old version of windows...



# **Birthdays for the Month of March**

| No. | NAME               | HN | BIRTHDAY |
|-----|--------------------|----|----------|
| 341 | FLO VANDERBURG     | HN | 1-Mar    |
| 14  | GERMAINE GUPPY     |    | 1-Mar    |
| 555 | GUAMBING SHI       |    | 4-Mar    |
| 39  | KATHY BURGESS      |    | 4-Mar    |
| 500 | HELEN KOCOJ        |    | 5-Mar    |
| 82  | LINDA KENNEDY      |    | 5-Mar    |
| 5   | SUZANNE DESROSIERS |    | 6-Mar    |
| 443 | CATHY MULLEN       |    | 6-Mar    |
| 193 | CINDY BLONDIN      |    | 7-Mar    |
| 481 | GLORIA ROBERTSON   |    | 8-Mar    |
| 132 | GARY CREASE        |    | 8-Mar    |
| 203 | ANNE-MARIE DENNIS  |    | 9-Mar    |
| 556 | YI TANG            |    | 9-Mar    |
| 214 | MAURICE LEWIS      |    | 10-Mar   |
| 565 | JIAN SHENG ZHANG   |    | 10-Mar   |
| 603 | LINDA CONNOR       |    | 11-Mar   |
| 390 | MARIE MILLER       |    | 11-Mar   |
| 408 | TOM COLLIER        |    | 12-Mar   |
| 502 | CORA MANUEL        |    | 12-Mar   |
| 86  | JULIE MATHEWSON    |    | 12-Mar   |
| 291 | STEVE STUART       |    | 14-Mar   |
| 170 | FRED ARNOLD        |    | 16-Mar   |
| 75  | EVA DONNELLY       |    | 16-Mar   |
| 566 | LIPING WANG        |    | 16-Mar   |
| 404 | LLOYD CRESSWELL    |    | 17-Mar   |
| 540 | FRANK GRETO        |    | 17-Mar   |
| 117 | DEBBIE CASQUENETTE |    | 17-Mar   |
| 471 | STAFFORD D'SOUZA   |    | 17-Mar   |

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| No.  | NAME                | HN   | BIRTHDAY  |
| 136  | MARLENE RAE         |      | 18-Mar    |
| 557  | PEI PEI TENG        |      | 18-Mar    |
| 257  | MARLIEN MARTIN      |      | 19-Mar    |
| 231  | TAD STAWSKI         |      | 20-Mar    |
| 49   | REGINA CHARD        |      | 20-Mar    |
| 507  | GLORIA SHARPLES     |      | 20-Mar    |
| 468  | JODI LA FLEUR       |      | 20-Mar    |
| 264  | GABRIELLE CAMPBELL  |      | 20-Mar    |
| 106  | JACQUELINE MOLLARET |      | 21-Mar    |
| 282  | GAIL MOFFATT        |      | 21-Mar    |
| 127  | SHARON GALNA        |      | 21-Mar    |
| 256  | ROLAND MARTIN       |      | 22-Mar    |
| 176  | ANN VANDENBOS       | HN   | 23-Mar    |
| 88   | NANCY HOBART        |      | 23-Mar    |
| 13   | TOM McARDLE         |      | 24-Mar    |
| 448  | ANGELINE LAVIGNE    |      | 24-Mar    |
| 166  | LYNDA BRISBANE      |      | 24-Mar    |
| 442  | TERESA CUKE         |      | 24-Mar    |
| 289  | VIOLET AZAVEDO      |      | 25-Mar    |
| 522  | INGE RUST           |      | 26-Mar    |
| 321  | FRANCIS KWAN        |      | 26-Mar    |
| 331  | SUZANNE RINTAMAKI   |      | 27-Mar    |
| 360  | YVONNE DE ZILWA     |      | 28-Mar    |
| 229  | PETER WOUK          |      | 29-Mar    |
| 261  | IRIS GILES          |      | 30-Mar    |
| 209  | PETER SCHEFFEL      |      | 30-Mar    |
| 359  | RITA ROBERTS        |      | 31-Mar    |
| 230  | ANNA DOSSEVA        |      | 31-Mar    |



## **Birthdays for the Month of April**

| No. | NAME             | HN | BIRTHDAY |
|-----|------------------|----|----------|
| 342 | JACKIE BUTLER    |    | 1-Apr    |
| 374 | KARL PLOOARD     |    | 3-Apr    |
| 110 | SYBIL TICHANOVS  | HN | 4-Apr    |
| 197 | MARLENE BROWN    |    | 4-Apr    |
| 465 | RET HARRISON     |    | 4-Apr    |
| 414 | ANNE HOOPER      |    | 5-Apr    |
| 428 | GEORGETTE KFOURY |    | 7-Apr    |
| 531 | CLAUDINE PADMORE |    | 10-Apr   |
| 626 | LOLA McDEVITT    |    | 10-Apr   |
| 30  | BRIGITTE ZINDEL  |    | 11-Apr   |
| 98  | PAUL ALLEN       |    | 11-Apr   |
| 493 | ADELE CARR       |    | 12-Apr   |
| 491 | NORA STEPHENS    |    | 13-Apr   |
| 152 | PEGGY VOKINS     |    | 13-Apr   |
| 184 | YI JI ZHOU       |    | 13-Apr   |
| 138 | KEVIN PORTENER   |    | 13-Apr   |
| 490 | LYNETTE DRAGA    |    | 15-Apr   |
| 411 | VALARE BROMLEY   |    | 16-Apr   |
| 131 | JANET IRWIN      | HN | 17-Apr   |
| 550 | GUAN JUN LIU     |    | 18-Apr   |
| 239 | DONNA DIZIG      |    | 18-Apr   |
| 461 | WALTER LOW       |    | 19-Apr   |

| No. | NAME             | HN | BIRTHDAY |
|-----|------------------|----|----------|
| 262 | ROBERTA MIRON    |    | 20-Apr   |
| 242 | MERRYL CHIN      |    | 20-Apr   |
| 601 | GEORGE ABBOUD    |    | 21-Apr   |
| 254 | SANDRA DALRYMPLE |    | 21-Apr   |
| 63  | ALAN DRYDEN      |    | 21-Apr   |
| 33  | MAUREEN GRAVES   |    | 21-Apr   |
| 337 | PAUL TSCHUMI     |    | 22-Apr   |
| 90  | BRIDGET PORTER   | HN | 23-Apr   |
| 153 | LINDA HEARNS     |    | 23-Apr   |
| 44  | ANDREA SPARKS    |    | 23-Apr   |
| 67  | BERNIE CONDON    | HN | 24-Apr   |
| 485 | ESTHER BODROGI   |    | 25-Apr   |
| 570 | YIN LI WANG      |    | 26-Apr   |
| 168 | EILEEN HANNA     |    | 27-Apr   |
| 526 | MARIE HARDING    |    | 28-Apr   |
| 269 | SHARON GONSALVEZ |    | 28-Apr   |
| 538 | EVELYN McNABNEY  |    | 28-Apr   |
| 217 | ELAINE CLARK     |    | 28-Apr   |
| 511 | RITA VAZ         |    | 29-Apr   |
| 312 | GEORGE NEARING   |    | 30-Apr   |
| 139 | DONNA PORTENER   |    | 30-Apr   |
|     |                  |    |          |

#### OLD FART PRIDE

- I'm passing this on as I did not want to be the only old fart receiving it. Actually, it's not a bad thing to be called, as you will see.
- Old Farts are easy to spot at sporting events; during the playing of the National Anthem, Old Farts remove their caps, stand at attention, and sing without embarrassment. They know the words and believe in them.
- Old Farts hold the door for the next person and always, when walking, make certain the lady is on the inside for protection.
- Old Farts get embarrassed if someone curses in front of women and children and they don't like any filth or dirty language on TV or in movies.
- Old Farts have moral courage and personal integrity. They seldom brag unless it's about their children or grandchildren.
- It's the Old Farts who know our great country is protected, not by politicians, but by the young men and women in the military serving their country.
- We need them now more than ever. Thank God for Old Farts!