

AJAX SENIORS' CLUB

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- An important job for the Ajax Senior Club executive is think and plan for the club's future. Something to consider for our future is an increase in town involvement, which is very likely to come very soon. We need your input and ideas.

What do you think the club needs as far as involvement from the town? Please put your ideas down on paper and submit to Fraser, Jan or any other member of the executive.

- FYI, Rocco Rossi will be taking over as the Website Manager. We will transition over as Rocco becomes familiar with it. You should notice very little difference with some time.

I've learned that life is like a roll of toilet paper. The closer it gets to the end, the faster it goes.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- March 9th Daylight Savings Time – move ahead 1 hour.
- March 11th Lunch and Learn – 11am to 1:15 pm. Managing Diabetes
- March 17th St. Patrick's Day
- March 18th Lunch and Learn – 11am to 1:15 pm. Managing Taxable Income
- March 20th First Day of Spring. Hoorah!

CLUB INFO

- The Lunch and Learn series start again this month. Check the website Events page or the Bulletin boards at either centre for details and any future Lunch & Learn events.
- ART WITH MERLIN at the Village also returns. PEN and INK DRAWING. Every Friday morning from February 28th to April 11th. Sign up at either centre or call Jan 905-903-3537.
- The libraries at St. Andrew's and the Village Centres look inviting! The shelves are full of intrigue, romance, suspense and mystery. Thank you to Ann and Nancy for being so diligent, spending a great deal of time sorting and organizing the shelves. We appreciate the books donated by the members. The books you have read for pleasure can be enjoyed by others. If you have reading material that would be of no interest to our members and no longer needed by you, a home such as Value Village, would be a good alternative.

MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

- Hi, everyone, I hope you are trying to stay warm. The last few days have seen an abundance of snow. Shoveling can be a real issue for most of us over the age of 55.
- Jennifer, Dan and Dale have worked hard to clean off the walkways to the centre here at St Andrew's. C.J. who works at the Village, also does keep the front door clear of snow.
- During this time, I'd like to remind everyone to wipe your feet at the front door on the mat before entering the main building. This does help keep the floor dry. Some members do bring a change of shoes. Please use the chairs in the hallway. It is easier if you sit while doing this.
- I do want to speak about the issue of the phone calls coming into the centre here at St Andrews. We do not have an answering message on the phone as this is the town line. However, when the custodian is there, they do answer the calls. We are getting calls asking if the centre is open? How can new members join? Also calls in general about the Seniors Club. Please, when you are there, if you hear the phone ringing and you know there is NO custodian on duty, it is up to the Coordinator to answer the calls or ask a member to do so. This again is one of the reasons we are in conversations with the Town to help us in the running of the club.
- We have had meetings with our Town representatives regarding what they can offer us in ways that make the day to day running of both facilities continue to offer activities for the seniors of Ajax. We have spoken about the membership that is required each year to see if there is an easier way to have it done other than the time-consuming manual process, we are doing at the moment.
- The Meeting for Transportation of Ajax Seniors is one more way to be heard! If you can make the meeting. Great. If not, sign the petition. It all helps. The information is posted at both facilities.
- If I get any information about any upcoming Town Council meeting that involves the Seniors, I will pass it on so we can attend and show support to any improvements suggested. Please keep in mind we (the Board of Directors) work on your behalf to continue to offer a comfortable, welcoming environment in which seniors can enjoy the fellowship of other seniors. I will leave you with these words.

Everyone deserves a safe environment.

We have zero tolerance for aggressive or violent behaviour

FRASER GRANT (289) 200-4800

2 women were at lunch when one of them pointed to 2 old ladies across the room and said, "That will be us in 10 years." The other one said, "That's a mirror."

It's not my age that bothers me; it's the side effects.

- Valentine Tea** The day, Saturday, February 15th, started out well! My helpers, all gathered anxiously at St. Andrew's to dress tables, prepare sandwich and dessert plates and serve with a smile! We had 19 tables to accommodate about 120 people. We were so well prepared, that there was time to sit and relax in the solarium. Then the phone calls started! People were concerned about the incoming storm. Another phone call - our entertainment cancelled because of the weather. That was ok because Rod Stewart was going to serenade us from his American songbook! NO! WAIT! When Fraser set the CD player up and pushed the play button, it went too far! No music! And then, the snow came!

Despite all that, a lot of you still came out! When they arrived, people enjoyed the punch. There was plenty to eat. Tea sandwiches of egg, salmon, and ham relish were devoured. Pastries donated by Chartwell and catered by Sean Taylor (The Melting Pot) were delicious. Prizes of 4 gift baskets which included wine for that romantic Valentine dinner were scooped up as well as two healthy 50/50 prizes and two gift certificates from Dean Gibbons of Chartwell.

Thank you so much to Gail Ernst who created the gift baskets. Thanks to a hard-working group of ladies who are a pleasure to work with, Anne Marie, Trinda, Gail, Kat and Ann.

Jan Herbert (905) 903-3537

[INFORMATION FROM THE TOWN OF AJAX](#)

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

Moninder Nahar-Arjun,

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

[AJAX LIBRARY PROGRAMS](#)

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

Julia Campbell,

Adult Services Librarian

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Hard to believe I once had a phone attached to a wall, and when it rang, I picked it up without knowing who was calling.

God promised men that good and obedient wives would be found in all corners of the world. Then he made the earth round. . . and laughed and laughed and laughed.

Birthdays for the Month of March

<u>No.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>HN</u>	<u>BIRTHDAY</u>
505	FLO VANDERBURG	HN	1-Mar
	GREGORY CRESSWELL		1-Mar
	RICHARD NADEAU		1-Mar
583	LINDA TURCOTTE		3-Mar
	GUAMBING SHI	HN	4-Mar
419	KATHY BURGESS		4-Mar
	MALCOLM LUND		4-Mar
	HELEN KOCOJ		5-Mar
	CATHY MULLEN		6-Mar
50	SUZANNE DESROSIERS		6-Mar
89	BEA UFNAL		7-Mar
313	CINDY BLONDIN		7-Mar
	FILEMON BASA		8-Mar
65	GARY CREASE		8-Mar
621	GLORIA ROBERTSON		8-Mar
429	ANNE-MARIE DENNIS		9-Mar
684	YI TANG		9-Mar
	JIAN SHENG ZHANG		10-Mar
406	MAURICE LEWIS		10-Mar
670	ZHITONG ZHAO		10-Mar
573	LINDA CONNOR		11-Mar
364	MARIE MILLER		11-Mar
	CORA MANUEL		12-Mar
68	JULIE MATHEWSON		12-Mar
54	TOM COLLIER		12-Mar
	POPATLAL PAREKH		14-Mar
	STEVE STUART		14-Mar
485	ANOWARA KHAN		15-Mar
47	DEEPAK DEY		16-Mar
464	EVA DONNELLY		16-Mar
261	FRED ARNOLD		16-Mar
	LIPING WANG		16-Mar
77	BRADLEY McMULLEN		17-Mar
62	DEBBIE CASQUENETTE		17-Mar
	FRANK GRETO		17-Mar
42	LLOYD CRESSWELL		17-Mar
325	STAFFORD D'SOUZA		17-Mar
	MARLENE RAE		18-Mar
	PEI PEI TENG		18-Mar

<u>No.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>HN</u>	<u>BIRTHDAY</u>
57	BRIAN BEHAGG		19-Mar
462	MARLIEN MARTIN		19-Mar
704	SANDRA GOODWIN		19-Mar
	CHRISTINE IGNAGNI		20-Mar
339	GABRIELLE CAMPBELL		20-Mar
384	GLORIA SHARPLES		20-Mar
566	JODI LA FLEUR		20-Mar
20	REGINA CHARD		20-Mar
	GAIL MOFFATT		21-Mar
320	JACQUELINE MOLLARET		21-Mar
308	LINDA CRESSWELL		21-Mar
126	SHARON GALNA		21-Mar
	DARLENE SCHOLTISSEK		22-Mar
	MARIE SCHAAF		22-Mar
463	ROLAND MARTIN		22-Mar
440	ANN VANDENBOS	HN	23-Mar
64	NANCY HOBART		23-Mar
569	ANGELINE LAVIGNE		24-Mar
293	LYNDA BRISBANE		24-Mar
	TERESA CUKE		24-Mar
631	THOMAS HEATH		24-Mar
12	TOM McARDLE		24-Mar
	VIOLET AZAVEDO		25-Mar
331	FRANCIS KWAN		26-Mar
623	INGE RUST		26-Mar
563	TRUDY ADAMEK		26-Mar
696	SUZANNE RINTAMAKI		27-Mar
112	CATHERINE ANNSTER		28-Mar
350	FRANCES McMANUS		28-Mar
669	YVONNE DE ZILWA		28-Mar
	KEN CALVERLEY	HN	29-Mar
	LIONEL MASCRENHAS		29-Mar
637	PETER WOUK		29-Mar
274	IRIS GILES		30-Mar
395	PETER SCHEFFEL		30-Mar
712	RAJI SAJU		30-Mar
713	TOM AITKENHEAD		30-Mar
	ANNA DOSSEVA		31-Mar
277	RITA ROBERTS		31-Mar