

Toronto City Councillor

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WARD 41 E-NEWS REPORT



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Dear Neighbour:

My office has received many calls regarding this year's snow removal service. Majority of the concerns relates to the lack of snow plow on local streets. My office has contacted Transportation Services and was assured that snow accumulation is constantly monitored. Streets will be salted to ensure they are safe and passable. If you have any questions, please let me know by contacting my office.

If you are looking for volunteering opportunities within the ward, please be on the lookout for the annual Clean Toronto Together 2016 on **Saturday, April 23rd**. Last year, my office, along with students from Agincourt CI and Albert Campbell CI cleaned up the Hydro Corridor south of McNicoll. We had a great turnout and it was a proud moment to see so many high school students highly engaged in the process. This year, I call upon your participation once again in this wonderful effort to clean and beautiful our neighbourhood.

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The SCRO launched, Scarborough Champions are excited

SCRO (Scarborough Community Renewal Organization) is the community led entity that will take the reins from the combined Rotary Clubs of Scarborough. On Tuesday, February 23rd well over 150 local residents and community leaders came out to witness the start of something wonderful and invigorating in Scarborough. Under SCRO, various Committees will target areas of interest, something for everyone. The catch is, we need all residents from all parts of Scarborough to get involved and engaged. For more information about the event click on the link <http://www.insidetoronto.com/news-story/6341848--champions-sought-as-scarborough-community-renewal-organization-hosts-inaugural-meeting/>. For more information on getting involved, please visit <http://renewscarborough.ca>.

Registration for the City's spring and summer recreation program starting soon

Please note that registration for spring and some summer City of Toronto recreation programs, including camps is starting soon:

- Etobicoke York, March 5th at 7am
- **Scarborough, March 6th at 7am**
- North York, March 8th at 7am
- East York, March 9th at 7am

You can visit <http://www.toronto.ca/torontofun> or pick up a FUN Guide at City Hall, civic centres, community centres and libraries to explore recreation program options.

Be aware of the registration dates, how to register and the payment options ahead of time. You will need a family number and a client number for each member of the family, which can be obtained by calling 416-338-4386 or speaking with staff at a City community centre.

For more information, please visit <http://www.toronto.ca/parks/registration>. Register early as programs fill up quickly!

Call for participation at Clean Toronto Together – Community Clean-up Day

The City of Toronto's annual community clean-up campaign – Clean Toronto Together returns on April 23rd. Are you up for the challenge again this year?

We are calling upon student and community champions to take part in this year's clean-up day.

If you are a high school student, my office can process your volunteering hours. Please contact my office if you are interested.

Live from City Hall – A New Musical Initiative

Live from City Hall (see the attached poster) is a series of free public event featuring local artists that continues throughout 2016, showcasing musicians across multiple genres from around Toronto. The event runs every Thursday at City Hall's rotunda at 5pm.

If you or someone you know are interested in applying to perform, please visit <http://tinyurl.com/qeq48sn>.

New tool to view your water use online & what can you do when the transmitter malfunctions

The City of Toronto has recently launched MyWaterToronto, an online tool that allows residents and businesses to view their water use information anytime, anywhere, from their computer or mobile device. Customers can log-on at www.toronto.ca/mywatertoronto, and view their total and average water use by day, week, month or year in an easy-to-read graph or chart format. MyWaterToronto will help customers identify potential leaks and become more aware of their water use habits, helping to encourage water conservation.

According to City staff, the number of failed transmitters are under 0.10%. Although the number is quite low, we've received calls where residents were billed based on an estimate of the water consumption. When this happens, City will attempt to contact the homeowner and have the situation rectified. We advise residents to keep a close eye on your Utility Bill and notify either our office or the Water department of any anomalies.

Formation of TPSB Transformation Task Force

The Toronto Police Service Board announced the formation of a Transformation Task Force, comprised of six civilians and six officers from across the service. The mandate for the task force is to examine the delivery of policing in Toronto. The task force will deliver an interim report in June, and a final report in December that focuses on cost containment, modernizing operations, producing real and sustainable reductions to the police budget and building public trust.

EVENT LISTING:

Black History Month city events:

<http://ow.ly/XBRpx>

Enterprise Toronto Seminars and Events:

<http://tinyurl.com/p8utmaa>

Scarborough Sunday Concert Series:

<http://tinyurl.com/ljx9mdm>

Coordinated Transit Discussion

Saturday February 27th, 2016

9:30 am to 11:30 am

Scarborough Civic Centre

150 Borough Drive

Teddy Bear Clinic – Rouge Valley Hospitals

Who: For children between ages of 3 and 12

Tuesday, March 15

10am and 1pm

Rouge Valley Centenary, Cafeteria (3rd floor)

2867 Ellesmere Road, Scarborough

Space is limited. Register online at www.rougevalley.ca/teddybearclinic. You may also contact Alexandra Frankel at 416-284-8131 ext. 4091 or at afrankel@rougevalley.ca.

See the attached flyer for more information.

Clean Toronto TOgether 2016

Saturday, April 23, 2016

Details TBD

Doors Open Toronto

Saturday, May 28 – Sunday, May 29, 2016

<http://www.toronto.ca/doorsopen>

Councillor Lee's Environment Day

Saturday, July 9, 2016

10am – 2pm

Nashdene Yard

70 Nashdene Road, Scarborough