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WARD 41 E-NEWS REPORT



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Dear Neighbour & Friend:

Ahead of the Canada Day long weekend, I would like to wish everyone

Happy Canada & Ontario 150!

In this special edition of my E-news, you will find events and activities taking place this Canada Day long weekend across the City to celebrate Canada's sesquicentennial. Join us in this nation-wide celebration as we revel in the beauty of our great country, province, city and our diversity that strengthens us. Happy Birthday Canada!

Please follow my **website** - <https://chinlee41.wordpress.com/> and other social media outlets **Twitter** and **Facebook** to stay in touch.

Yours truly,

Chin Lee
Your Ward Councillor

FEATURED THIS MONTH:

• **Around the Ward**

- Canada 150 Celebration, Scarborough & City-Wide
- Newcomer Settlement Program
- Family Fishing
- 7th Annual StArt Youth Presenting Art Festival

• **Inside City of Toronto**

- Garden Contest 2017 – Nomination opens until July 15
- Administrative Penalty System (APS) for Parking Violations

• **Events**

CANADA 150 CELEBRATION, SCARBOROUGH & CITY-WIDE

This coming weekend, Canada will be celebrating its sesquicentennial or 150th birthday. The City of Toronto is hosting a very special party this year that will encompass a one day festival at Civic Centres in Etobicoke, North York and Scarborough with a four day celebration at Nathan Phillips Square. There are many celebrations around the city and it is impossible to list them all, so the list below is Scarborough-centric.

Scarborites, let's go celebrate!

Scarborough will be a party destination site unlike the others because of the unique demographic and list of coordinated events to include all day kid-friendly events at Thomson Memorial Park starting at 10am, a Canada Day parade down Brimley Road celebrating its 50th year from 4pm to 6pm, and a multicultural and youth focused extravaganza at Albert Campbell Square. Enjoy amazing firework displays at Albert Campbell Square finale at 10:55pm or pack a picnic for the annual fireworks show at Milliken District Park at 10pm in **Ward 41**.

TO Canada with Love is the City of Toronto's year-long program of celebrations, commemorations and exhibitions honouring Canada's 150th birthday. Performances are lined up at four hubs across the City of Toronto at Nathan Phillips Square, Scarborough Civic Centre, Humber Bay Park West, and Mel Lastman Square. More information on the programming, please visit <https://tinyurl.com/yc8j2z6u>.

Plan ahead for your trip to these events and note the following road closure in Scarborough:

- Borough Dr. between Borough Approach East and Borough Approach West will be closed from June 29th at 8am to July 2nd at 8am;
- Brimley Rd. from Progress Ave. to Ellesmere Rd. will be closed for Canada Day festivities from 11am to 7pm on July 1st.
- Brimley Rd. from Ellesmere Rd. to Lawrence Ave. E. will be closed for Canada Day festivities from 4pm to 7pm on July 1st.

For more information on accessibility and access during the Canada Day long weekend, please visit <https://tinyurl.com/ycaswoh4>.

NEWCOMER SETTLEMENT PROGRAM

The provincial government recently announced new funding opportunities to enhance services for refugees and vulnerable newcomers and is now accepting applications from organizations that would like to apply for funding to provide these service with a deadline of July 18th, 2017.

To apply, visit <https://tinyurl.com/yb53zxga>.

FAMILY FISHING

Canadian residents can fish in Ontario without buying a fishing licensing during:

- Family Fishing Week in July (July 1st to 9th, 2017)

To find a Family Fishing event near you, visit <http://www.ontariofamilyfishing.com/events/>.

While we enjoy the license-free periods, we need to be mindful of the value of Ontario's recreational fishery and the importance of keeping it healthy and sustainable for future generations. Please follow conservation license catch limits, obey size limits and sanctuaries, and follow the fishing regulations. Please visit [Ontario Fishing Regulations Summary](#) for more information.

For more information on Family Fishing, please visit <https://tinyurl.com/y72aecf3>.

7TH ANNUAL START YOUTH PRESENTING ART FESTIVAL

The 7th Annual StArt Youth Presenting Art Festival will be held from August 14th to 19th, 2017, and they are looking for artists that represent the dynamic communities of Scarborough. Please visit <http://www.startypa.org/> for more information of the festival.

Call for Artists! If you are or know any actors, singers, dancers, musicians, photographers, spoken word artists, fine artists, sculptors, jewellery artists, short film and video artists between 13 – 29 years, this is a great chance to showcase your talents at the festival. Please submit your work to info@startypa.org. Auditions/Interviews will be held on Saturday, July 15th, from 12noon to 3pm at Christ Church, 155 Markham Rd., Scarborough.

Save the Date: Breaking Bread Reception. The second annual Breaking Bread Reception will be held on Friday, August 18th, 2017 from 7pm to 9:30pm at Scarborough Village Community Recreation Centre and Theatre, 3600 Kingston Rd. Breads from six ethnic culture that represent the diverse culture of the Scarborough community will be served. Poster Attached.

GARDEN CONTEST 2017 – NOMINATION OPENS UNTIL JULY 15

The City of Toronto would like to recognize our green-thumbed residents and business owners for beautifying the city! Nominate your garden, a neighbour's garden or any garden within Toronto that fit the criteria outlined in the attached brochure. To nominate a garden, please visit www.toronto.ca/gardens or pick up entry forms from your local community centre, garden centre or civic centre, or download the attached form. The deadline for submit entries is July 15th, 2017. For more information, please visit www.toronto.ca/gardens or email patricia.lantry@toronto.ca.

ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTY SYSTEM (APS) FOR PARKING VIOLATIONS

Paying and disputing your parking violations will become easier this summer. Beginning August 28th, 2017, disputes will be handled by the City of Toronto instead of through the court, providing faster resolutions and a more efficient process. You will be able to request an online review of your penalty, meaning the entire process can be completed without having to leave your home. In-person review can also be requested. If you are not satisfied with the decision, a second independent review of your penalty can also be requested which will be final. More information is available at www.toronto.ca/aps.

EVENTS

Celebrating Canada's 150th Birthday

Date: Saturday, July 1st, 2017

Location: Scarborough Civic Centre, Thomson Memorial Park

Details: Get ready for Canada's sesquicentennial birthday in Scarborough with celebration activities at both the Scarborough Civic Centre and Thomson Memorial Park. City of Toronto is leading the celebration with activities and performances at both locations. Rotary club will be hosting a citizenship ceremony on this special day inside the Council Chamber at Scarborough Civic Centre. Scarborough Civic Centre & Albert Campbell Square will also be one of the locations for Canada 150 Atlantic to Pacific Celebration, a nation-wide simultaneous drumming celebration that will attempt to set a new Guinness Record for "Most Nationalities in a Drum Circle" – more information at <http://www.canada150drumming.com/>. Join us to witness this powerful moment for new Canadians as well as enjoy family-friendly multicultural performances and activities.

50th Anniversary of Scarborough's Canada Day Parade

Date: Saturday, July 1st, 2017

Location: Brimley Road, from Triton Road to Lawrence Ave. E.

Time: Beginning at 4:00pm at Brimley and Triton Roads and ending at 6:00pm at Lawrence Ave E

Details: Come and join in on the fun – Scarborough's Parade is 50 years young, and bigger and better than ever. Bring your family and friends and celebrate with us.

Arts in the Park – The Spirit of Our Park II

Date: June 25, July 2, 8-14, 15, 2017

Time: June 25 – 11am; July 2 – 11am; July 8 – 10am; July 9-14 – 11am; July 15 – 3pm

Location: Alexmuir Park, 205 Alexmuir Blvd, Scarb.

Details: Shadowland Theater is returning to Alexmuir Park this summer for the second annual Arts in the Park! Performances, workshops and a parade based on the history and stories of the local community will take place and all ages are welcome to take part in this free event! For more information, please contact Shadowland Theatre at shadow@shadowlandtheatre.ca or (416)898-0946. Visit www.shadowlandtheatre.ca.

Scarborough Summerfest 2017

Date: July 7 – 9, 2017

Time: July 7: 7pm – 9pm; July 8: 11am – 5pm; July 9: 11am – 6pm

Location: Chinese Cultural Centre of Greater Toronto, 5183 Sheppard Ave. E., Scarb.

Details: The Scarborough Summerfest organized by the Chinese Cultural Centre of Greater Toronto is a 3-day summer extravaganza featuring variety shows, the Hakka Festival and TO Food Fest. Please refer to the attached poster for more information.

15th Annual Summerlicious

Date: July 7 – 23, 2017

Details: Summerlicious is back and tastier than ever! Now in its 15th year, Summerlicious continues to offer incredible dining opportunities for exceptional value. Reservations are open now. For more information, please visit www.toronto.ca/summerlicious.

Super Fun Fun Fun Grandparents

Date: Saturday, July 15, 2017

Time: 9:30am – 2:00pm

Location: Agincourt Park, 27 Glen Watford Dr., Scarb.

Details: A free event hosted by Yee Hong Centre for Geriatric Care to honour the seniors and foster family connections with grandparents. The Yee Hong Centre for Geriatric Care offers day programs to seniors and individuals living with dementia, Parkinson's and other chronic illness, as well as offers public education to raise awareness of aging, quality of life and caring for caregivers. Please see the attached flyer in English and Chinese for more information.

North American Indigenous Games 2017

Date: July 16 – 23, 2017

Details: The North American Indigenous Games is the largest continental sporting and cultural gathering of Indigenous people, welcoming more than 5,000 athletes, 2,000 volunteers and a number of spectators and dignitaries from across North America. From July 16 – 23, 2017, the City of Toronto will be the proud Host City to the 2017 North American Indigenous Games. For more information, visit <http://naig2017.to/en/>.

City Hall Live

Date: July 19 – August 30, 2017 (Wednesdays, during lunch time)

Time: 12:30pm – 1:30pm

Location: Nathan Phillips Square

Details: More information available at <http://www.toronto.ca/music>.

Councillor Lee's Community Movie Night

Date: Friday, September 1st, 2017 (*Tentative*)

Time: 8:30pm – 10:30pm

Location: Milliken District Park, 4325 McCowan Rd., Scarb.

Details: A **free** community movie night to get together with family and friends under the stars to enjoy a highly acclaimed, family-friendly film at your neighbourhood park. Bring a lawn chair, a blanket to keep you warm and a non-alcoholic beverage. Popcorn will be provided for **free**! I look forward to seeing you there!

[Upcoming Events](#)
