

HILLSVIEW — NEWS FROM THE SENIORS CENTRES

You never know who you'll meet at the Georgetown Seniors Centre

FLORENCE RIEHL
Georgetown Seniors Centre

What a nice surprise I had at the Georgetown Seniors Centre! I not only met some new friends but a former student of mine. I'd rather not believe she is old enough to be a 55+ senior. Actually she had brought her mother to attend the foot clinic.

Which brings up another point? The Centre has a foot clinic the fourth Friday of every month. If you have some bunions, corns, or your toe nails need clipping make an appointment with Diane Renko at 905-877-2026.

A reminder that your Seniors' Centre, along with other locations in Town, collects old batteries. This is an opportunity to do something to help save this old planet of ours.

We are sorry to hear that Greg has resigned his position with the Centre and decided to move on to bigger and better things. We all wish you well in your new endeavours. The Centre will not seem quite the same without your warm greetings and hugs.

The call is out for some new volunteers for the lunch teams. It involves your time for a couple of hours about once every three months, setting tables, cleaning up, and serving from the buffet table. Your help is needed to carry on the lunch program.

There are some new programs to start in September. Keep your eyes peeled for the news. A "Toonie" movie afternoon is in the planning. Your toonie gets you in to see the movie, popcorn and a drink. How can you resist such a deal!

A great turnout for Tai Chi practice on Wednesdays throughout the summer. Tess will be proud of us when she comes back in September. We know she is not well and wish her only the best as she deals with her health issues.

Just an early reminder that the Centre will be closed Monday, August 4th for Civic Holiday.

The Centre has been anything but quiet these summer months. Drop in programs continue, construction continues, lots of new goings on. Why not drop in and see for yourself! Maybe I'll be there and we can have a coffee together.

Acton seniors stop by for Coffee and Chat

JULIE CONROY
Acton Seniors Centre

The numbers are diminishing! Only three people showed up for carpet bowling last Monday. Shirley Broostad was working on the desk, so she was persuaded to join them. She told me she hadn't played before, but by midway she was getting the hang of it. Sienna Ancker's Brown team beat Mary Walsma's Black team, 20 to 5. When only two people showed up for carpet bowling on July 14; it was decided that carpet bowling be suspended and resume in Sept.

The numbers are increasing for the Coffee and Chat on Tuesday mornings. There were seven people including one gentleman enjoying the coffee, cookies and company. It is a great way to spend a couple of hours on a hot day. It is nice and cool in the Centre and there is always someone to chat to. Stephanie, our new administrative assistant said she enjoyed meeting the ladies and putting faces to the names.

We have had a few people take advantage of the complimentary membership for July and August. In September we will be holding an Open House to acquaint people with the various programs offered.

There was a record number (16) for the Evening Euchre on Wednesday, July 16. The lone hands were held by Lydia, the high man was Henry Wedge, Mary was the high lady and the booby prize was won by May Laing. Fran tells me the next game will be on August 20.

Twelve ladies enjoyed the canasta on Thursday morning and eight were at Bid Euchre on Thursday afternoon. Everyone enjoyed the nice cool atmosphere, as it was a scorcher outside. Frances Hogenbirk had the only mooner. Our numbers may be few but we are friendly. The previous week, nine ladies enjoyed playing

bid euchre on Thursday. Frances Hogenbirk was playing well and had two mooners and Edna Nellis had one.

When we had the November dinner saluting our troops, someone lent me a picture of a soldier and on the top was written Vimy Ridge. If it was yours, you can pick it up at the front desk.

Some of our members will be busy practising their Line Dancing steps on Wednesday, July 23 and 30 at 9 a.m., ready for demonstration on stage during the Leathertown Festival on Sunday, August 10. If you would like to join us drop in for the Wednesday morning practices. The Acton Seniors Centre will also have a booth in our usual spot near Trinity Church, promoting events at the Centre. A great opportunity for anyone who is new to town to find out what we have to offer. Mary Walsma is looking for volunteers to help at the Festival. If you can spare some time, sign up on the sheet at the front desk.

Last Wednesday the Acton and Georgetown Seniors Centres had a combined coach trip to the Royal Alex to see Dirty Dancing. We had prime seats. Rows two and three, right in the front of the stage. I thought at one point I was going to have one of the dancers land in my lap. No such luck! A great show and everyone enjoyed the buffet lunch before the show at the Town and Country restaurant on Queen's Quay. The seating is unique as it is in several railway cabooses.

There were some new faces at the Friday afternoon bingo this week, and everyone enjoyed the once a month Mystery Lunch, which was delicious meatloaf, mashed potatoes and carrots followed by ice cream and fruit. Lennora and her crew did a great job as usual.

The weekly 50/50 on Friday (July 11) was won by Barb Weldon. The person's whose name was drawn last Friday for the 50/50 draw had not put their loonie in the box, so it should be worth almost \$140 this week.



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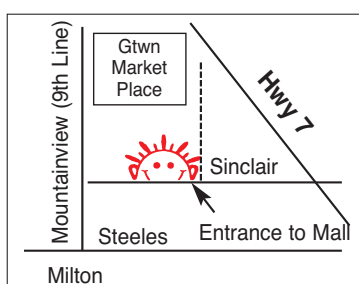
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