

Alert!

Summer BBQ



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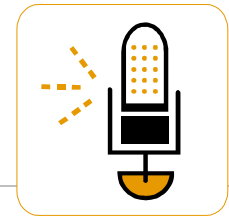
12 noon to 2 pm

At the Gazebo

Another great opportunity to come out and meet your neighbours and enjoy refreshments too!!

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Toronto Garbage Crisis & The Essex

We are part of Toronto's garbage disposal problem. Every week at Essex Phase 1, the City of Toronto picks up 10 large bins of un-separated garbage, in addition to 7 recycling bins of separated bottles and recyclable containers, plus 14 recycling bins of paper products.

Unless we can do a better job of separating our recyclable versus other garbage, City inspectors recently indicated they will be setting an Essex Phase 1 quota of just 4 bins of un-separated garbage, with the other six each being subject to a penalty fee as high as \$200. At this rate, The Essex Phase 1 could be charged up to \$1,200 per week, a \$62,400 annual increase in maintenance fees.

Essex Phase 2 will face similar quota conditions.

In simple terms, the City is pushing the cost of separating garbage into recyclable and other categories to homeowners.

Ultimately, the City will also require condominiums to implement a green bin (organics) program in addition to the current grey and blue bin recycling program.

So doing nothing is not an option.

Since we are all in this together, we all need to do our part, or together we will pay the consequences.

- First, the corporation is arranging for a recycling bag (provided by the City) be made available to each suite for transporting your recyclable materials to the recycling room on P1.
- Second, it needs to be crystal clear that what comes down the garbage chute is only well wrapped small kitchen and other household waste, and NOTHING ELSE.
- Third, we have developed signage for the chute and the recycling room that is as clear as we can design it so there is no doubt about what goes where.
- Fourth, we are in process of revising procedures in the recycling room to be as helpful to residents as possible.
- Fifth, we are arranging recycling seminars with the City of Toronto in the Party Room to explain the garbage crisis in more detail and also answer questions and hear suggestions about further efforts we need to undertake. You will hear more about these shortly.

Essex Concierge Team adds Patrol Guard

Effective May 2, 2005 a new Patrol Guard shift was added to the Essex Site Concierge Team.

Now in the evening hours seven days a week, an additional security guard is patrolling the site, with particular emphasis on the Essex 1 and Essex 2 underground garages and the Essex site surface grounds.

New Patrol Guard – Car-to-Suite accompaniment service:

Now, Essex residents coming home late at night can ask to be accompanied from their car to their suite door for that extra feeling of safety.

Just check in with your building Concierge at the

ramp intercom and ask for the Car-to-Suite Accompaniment Service.

The Patrol Guard will be dispatched to your parking spot and escort you to your suite.

Essex Garage Traffic

With the opening of the Essex 2 garage sections, the installation of additional signage and mirrors has been requested and is underway by Tridel to respond to expressed concerns about the need to ensure safe traffic movement.

The watchword is: Always drive slowly and be vigilant.

Residents may **enter and exit** through the rear Essex 2 P1 level garage door in the same manner as the Dundas Street ramp - the doors open automatically for exit and are FOB controlled for access.

Residents of both buildings will use the same single ramp to get to and from parking spots on Resident levels P2 through P4.

Visitors may **enter only** through the Dundas Street ramp and park in either the

Essex 1 or new Essex 2 **short-term Visitor** parking areas on P1.

Visitors may **exit** at the Dundas Street ramp or P1 Essex 2 rear door.

Additional **long-term Visitor** parking is available in the Essex 2 Resident parking level P2 (accessible only AFTER registration by an adult sponsoring Resident with either Concierge and issuance of a temporary FOB for garage access only.)

Spring Fling

**Fun
and
great prizes!!**



Cheers to the Social Committee organizers!!

Access Fob Alarms

The **RED** button 3-second-delay feature on the resident access fobs was implemented on May 16, 2005.

Since then we have been quite pleased that the inadvertent false

alarm frequency has been reduced significantly, while still providing the safety assurance that the system was designed to provide.

Remember, the **RED** button is for personal emergencies ONLY.

Neighbourhood Tips

Let's Shop

For natural and organic products in our neighbourhood, **Alda Right Food** has a large assortment of healthy groceries, prepared foods, body products and more.

Alda Right Food
5359 Dundas Street W.

(416) 236-5166
Open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday 9:30 am to 7:00pm, and Thursday and Friday 9:30 am to 8:00 pm.

The Butcher Shoppe
Is a wholesale meat supplier just round the corner, selling top quality meat that is cut daily.

You will find a great BBQ season selection of beef, fresh farm chickens and turkeys and a full selection of boxed frozen foods.

Open Monday to Friday 6:00 am to 8:00 pm.

The Butcher Shoppe
121 Shorncliffe Road
(416) 234-2290

Good Neighbour Tips

BALCONIES

It will be great to enjoy our balconies in the summer weeks ahead.

Let's be careful that nothing, especially something dangerous like a hot cigarette butt or a bottle is tossed from a balcony to land where it can cause personal injury or property damage.

The exterior appearance of our building provides a first impression to all who pass by. Let's keep it beautiful! Please remember that we may only place seasonal furniture and planter

boxes on our balconies and that balconies may not be used for any storage purposes. Your boxes, pails, and bikes will all be more safely stored indoors. (And no, your 3-iron that still holds remnants of that divot from your last game does not qualify your golf bag as a planter!)

Hanging items can fall and hurt someone, so for everyone's safety we are not to hang or place any items from the balcony ceiling, walls, or railings.

To conform to a standard appearance, please refrain from decorating or painting your balcony or

altering its appearance in any way without obtaining the prior written approval of our board.

Balconies are "common elements," so in the fun and joy of summer, we must be courteous to avoid excessive noise and activities that could disturb our neighbours' comfort and quiet enjoyment of their own units.

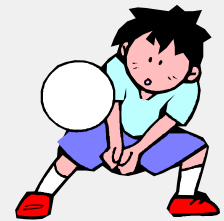
And be careful! Please don't feed birds. They quickly can become pests.

By all means, DO relax and enjoy!

Have a safe summer



Enjoy the season, but please remind your children to use public parks



All ball games and skateboarding etc. are NOT allowed anywhere on the Essex grounds and NO jumping, or diving in the pool and NO boisterous play anywhere.

Important day-to-day facts about the Essex



Phase 1 Concierge: 416 239-0685 (24 hours a day)

Phase 2 Concierge: 416 239-2286 (24 hours a day)

Property Manager: 416 239-9786 Mon. – Fri. 9 am to 5 pm

Move/Delivery Hours: Monday to Saturday – 8 am to 8 pm

Book **Moves/Deliveries** via the Concierge in your building

Essex Club Recreation Centre Hours: 6 am to 11 pm

Pool (look for revised schedules soon)

Book **Party Room, Guest Suites & Board/Meeting Rooms** through the Property Manager

Book **Virtual Golf, Billiards Room & BBQs** through Phase 1 Concierge

NEW Essex Website

www.theessex.ca

The Essex Board has approved the establishment of a new Essex Website designed, constructed and maintained by the Essex Communications Committee.

This new website: <http://www.theessex.ca> provides another vehicle for Essex residents to access information about the Essex.

The website will include only information about the Essex that the board feels is proper for publication in a vehicle as public as the Internet.

Check out your new Essex website and try out the feedback mechanism to give the Essex Communications Committee your reaction and suggestions.

More About Phase 2

New Management Office

The Essex site Management Office is now located at the western end of the Essex Club Recreation Centre Concourse.

New Board Room

There is a new Board Room for Corporation use. It will also be available for booking by residents for business meetings.

Find it where the management office was temporarily located.

New Aerobics/Exercise Room

There is a new aerobics/exercise room open to all residents, with two treadmills and exercise pads to supplement the equipment in the existing room.

New Billiards Room

A new wood-paneled Billiards Room can be booked for use by all residents.

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