



Essex 1 – TSCC #1577
Essex 2 – TSCC #1723
5229/5233 Dundas St. West
Etobicoke, Ontario
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www.theessex.ca

On
December 2, 2014,
residents of
Essex 1 and 2
celebrated their
10th Annual
Holiday Gathering.
Original residents
noted their tenure
here, reminiscing with
newer neighbours
about life at
The Essex.
Delicious
party tidbits were
enjoyed.
Spirits were ably
tended by David.

10th Annual Holiday Gathering



Bill conducted the
raffle for precious
prizes,
all donated by
vendors, who were
appreciative of
serving the Essex
community.
All organized by
Jennifer and Trish
and hosted by
Essex
Board Members.

Your
Newsletter Team:
Carol Goldman,
Cathy Kelly,
Bill McDougall,
Jennifer Plant,
Fred Reichl
To offer a suggestion:
Go to theessex.ca/Contact.htm



Many thanks to residents
for their generous
Daily Bread Food Bank
donations and
a whole variety of toys
distributed by Toronto
Fire Services.



New Morning & Evening GO Trains at Kipling Station

The Etobicoke Guardian reports that some Etobicoke GO Train riders will get extra train service in the new year.

GO Transit is adding a train to the morning and afternoon peak periods that will serve all nine stations on its Milton line, including Kipling.

It will add about 1,500 seats for customers.

“(This) announcement is great news for GO Transit users on the Milton line and will make transit more accessible, convenient and easier to use for residents of Etobicoke-Lakeshore who utilize the Kipling station,” Etobicoke-Lakeshore MPP Peter Milczyn said in a statement.

The new morning trip is scheduled to leave Kipling GO Station at 9:07

a.m. and arrive at Union Station at 9:30 a.m. The new evening trip will leave Union Station at 3:40 p.m. and arrive at Kipling at 3:56 p.m.

The added trips are intended to ease crowding on the Milton line, which, according to GO Transit, accommodates about 30,000 boardings each weekday.

Visit www.gotransit.com for full train schedules

Keeping Healthy In Our Fitness Centre

Fitness centres offer germs the ideal places to thrive - warm, moist places like **saunas, shower stalls, floors and locker rooms** are the most common breeding grounds.

Both the virus that causes plantar’s warts and the fungus causing athlete’s foot thrive in such warm, moist environments.

The Shared Facilities Committee under the direction of your Boards of Directors continue to work with our cleaning company and staff to make sure that we are maintaining the best standards and practices to keep everything clean and free of germs.

On a daily basis, our housekeeping staff dry sweep,

wash and disinfect change room floors.

All shower faucets, walls, floors, shelves, soap dispensers, shower heads, railings and handicap chair are also cleaned daily.

All change room and sauna benches are cleaned with disinfectant twice daily and more often if soiled with creams, etc.

However, to ensure complete hygienic conditions this is not enough!!

Notify the office if you see any mould, mildew, debris or damage to shower curtains, walls or floors.

We also play our part, by following sound personal hygiene practices while in the area at all times:

- *Wear flip flops or shower*



sandals to avoid walking around the change room barefoot.

- Place a towel before sitting on benches.
- Remove all your personal articles from the shower stalls.
- Do not leave any soap, dirty band-aids, diapers etc. in the shower stall or change room.
- Discard all dirty items in the garbage bin.
- Spread the curtain across the shower rod so the curtain can dry better.

Contractor Appreciation

Again this year, 14 of our Essex service contractors donated a total of 26 prizes that were raffled off to lucky residents at this year’s December Holiday Gathering.

We gratefully recognize the donors:

- DEL Property Management,
- Dino Simone – drywall and painting,

- G. Edick & Sons – landscaping and snow removal,
- G4S Security - Concierge,
- Inter-Global Mechanical - plumbing,
- Mercury Lighting – Light fixtures,
- Moore Park Landscapes – indoor plant maintenance,
- Oxford Glass & Aluminum – doors and locks,
- RockTech - electrician,

- Sani-Chute – compactor odour control,
- Service Master – carpet cleaning,
- Tyler Williams – elevator brass maintenance,
- Vinci Catering – special event catering,
- Wasteco – waste and recycling pickup.

Dundas Aukland - Community Consultation Meeting

The date and time for the Community Consultation Meeting for the mixed use (residential condo and retail) development across Viking Lane, has been set for:

**JANUARY 20
6:30 – 8:30 pm**

**St. Andrews Presbyterian
Church Gymnasium,
3819 Bloor Street West.**

As reported earlier, your Boards of Directors have been involved in a Working Group consultation process, originally hosted by former Councillor Peter Milczyn, until he moved on to provincial politics.

Several meetings were held over the past year with the developer, city planning staff and boards of directors' representatives from all five Essex community buildings.

Following the election of our new Councillor Justin Di Ciano, an Essex Board member met with him in his office at City Hall to understand his view of our unresolved concerns about the proposed development.

We found Councillor Di Ciano open to exploring a resolution of the concerns with the developer and city planners on:

Tower shape and placement:

The Councillor was willing to explore the possibility of additional design changes to add further distance from Essex 2 and further slenderizing the proposed

point tower.

It was noted that the developer has modified the size and placement of the tower from the initial proposal in response to concerns voiced at the Working Group sessions.

Our position with the Councillor was that it was in the financial and quality of life interests of all concerned, particularly of those owners directly facing the new development, to explore every possibility to achieve further positive changes, even if that necessitated a slightly taller building.

Although he was not able to promise further change, he did commit to posing the challenge.

He cautioned that the results of wind studies of the shape and size of the building might militate against some desired changes.

Car parking provisions:

Our concern has always been that inadequate parking spaces provided by the development will result in illegal parking on Viking Lane or spill over into Essex community visitor parking lots at the expense of Essex visitors.

The Councillor shared that view and promised to follow up with city planners to press for more sensible plans.

Condominium lobby entrance on Viking Lane:

The Councillor explained

that for practical reasons, the separation of the access points for customers of the retail component from those entering the condominium was a major reason for situating the main condominium lobby entrance on Viking Lane and the retail on Aukland and Dundas.

As we reported earlier, the developer has modified the design of the condominium pedestrian entrance and pickup/drop off vehicle layby to be both more attractive and more functional.

The Councillor stated that he is pressing for the exterior appearance to be as attractive as possible for those facing the development.

Pumping Station grounds:

The Councillor stated that he is following up to ensure the best possible "green space" to the south of the development is put in place. These features are paid for from the community benefits requirement of development approvals.

We look forward to seeing the "final" results of these commitments at the January 20 community meeting.

Hope to see you all there so you can make your own judgments about the acceptability of the development, particularly for those of us who live nearby.

AMENITY TIPS

**Overnight
guests need
a parking
pass**

(See your
Concierge)



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Early**

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or in person
at the
Management
Office)



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Events Calendar – Q1 2015

Date	Calendar Item	Time of Day	Considerations for residents
JANUARY - 2015			
Jan 1	Management Office	Closed	Check with Concierge or go to http://theessex.ca/contact.htm
Mondays	Zumba	7 pm to 8 pm	Open to all interested residents – fee applies
Tuesdays	Yoga	7 to 8 pm & 8 to 9 pm	Open to all interested residents – fee applies
Thursdays	Senior Pilates	9 am to 10 am	Open to all interested residents – fee applies
Thursdays	Morning Coffee	10 am to 11 am	Open to all interested residents
Jan 12	Monthly Fire Testing	9 am to 5 pm	Be aware of test alarms and elevator interruptions
Jan 14	Monthly Generator Testing	9 am to 12 pm	Be aware of test alarms and elevator interruptions
FEBRUARY - 2015			
Mondays	Zumba	7 pm to 8 pm	Open to all interested residents – fee applies
Tuesdays	Yoga	7 to 8 pm & 8 to 9 pm	Open to all interested residents – fee applies
Thursdays	Senior Pilates	9 am to 10 am	Open to all interested residents – fee applies
Thursdays	Morning Coffee	10 am to 11 am	Open to all interested residents
Feb 10	Monthly Fire Testing	9 am to 5 pm	Be aware of test alarms and elevator interruptions
Feb 16	Management Office	Closed	Check with Concierge or go to http://theessex.ca/contact.htm
TBD	Annual Full Load Testing	9 am to 5 pm	Be aware of test alarms and elevator interruptions
TBD	Fan Coil Maintenance	9 am to 5 pm	Suite access with escort guard. Ensure fan coil units are obstruction free.
MARCH - 2015			
Mondays	Zumba	7 pm to 8 pm	Open to all interested residents – fee applies
Tuesdays	Yoga	7 to 8 pm & 8 to 9 pm	Open to all interested residents – fee applies
Thursdays	Senior Pilates	9 am to 10 am	Open to all interested residents – fee applies
Thursdays	Morning Coffee	10 am to 11 am	Open to all interested residents
Mar 10	Monthly Fire Testing	9 am to 5 pm	Be aware of test alarms and elevator interruptions
Mar 11	Monthly Generator Testing	9 am to 12 pm	Be aware of test alarms and elevator interruptions

About The Essex

Visit Our Website
www.theessex.ca

- Information on your corporation,
- Annual events calendar,
- Update resident data,
- Book amenities,
- Ask a question,
- Offer a suggestion.

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416 239-2286

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