



October 2008 Newsletter



Annual General Meeting

Keep your calendar open for the Gordon Woods Homeowners Association Annual General Meeting *tentatively* scheduled for December 1 in the Noel Ryan Auditorium in the Central Library. The date is subject to a potential conflict with a public meeting by City Hall on the same day (see below).



Development Update

Win-Win for Grange/Harborn/Premium Way
Remember the 21-unit townhouse proposal that Berkley Homes was proposing for Grange Drive, Harborn Road and Premium Way? Well, over the summer thanks to the hard work and constructive comments given by a group of Gordon Woods' residents, it is now an 18-unit proposal that includes a mix of singles and townhouses. The current proposal for Harborn Road has 4 singles. On Grange the proposal is for 7 units. Six of these are semi-detached that look like singles and the seventh is a single. For Premium Way the proposal remains as 7 townhouse units. Given that the site is in the Hurontario intensification zone and portions either about the Rabba plaza or face a major highway intersection, we feel that this is a win-win compromise that provides a suitable transition from the Hurontario corridor to Gordon Woods. Berkley Homes plans to construct the most westerly home on Harborn Road next Spring and use that as a model home and sales office for the entire development. This means no portable sales trailer! However, the construction of the model home requires a minor variance from the Committee of Adjustment that should be heard in late fall. In addition, the entire development is to be reviewed at a public meeting at Planning Committee. More information on this meeting will follow.

Proposed Subdivision - 2167 Gordon Drive

The remaining issue with this proposal that will see four additional homes constructed at 2167 Gordon Drive on a private roadway is to determine whether natural drainage can be used instead of a storm sewer. This would result in less tree loss and be more compatible with the 'rural-like' character of Gordon Woods. Some engineering studies have been conducted and are now being analyzed. The second public meeting will likely take place early in the new year.



Gypsy Moths

There was definite evidence of increased Gypsy Moth activity in Gordon Woods this past summer. To help reduce next year's population, please inspect your property for egg masses. A great time to find, remove and destroy them is while doing your fall clean-up. The masses can be the size of a quarter to a loonie, are light brown in colour (see photo below) and may be found on **any** surface. A single egg mass can hold up to 1,000 eggs. Scrape them off into a container of soapy water and discard after a week or two. If left to overwinter, caterpillars will hatch out in spring. For more info, contact Shelly Byman at 905-272-3484 or visit www.mississauga.ca/pestmanagement.





Be a Good Neighbor!

Barking Dogs continue to be a problem and disturb your neighbours. Please make sure that your dog isn't part of the problem.

Lawn Care Contractors often put bags of garden refuse at the curb for a week or more before it is collected. Ask your contractor to store the refuse in an out-of-sight location.

Vandalism and Theft occurred far too often in our neighborhood this past summer and has continued into the fall. Keep your eyes open and call 911 to report any suspicious activity.



Cats Needing Homes

Our neighbourhood is currently experiencing a small explosion in the stray cat population, especially near the Breezy Pines ravine. They are beautiful young cats deriving from one strayed or lost cat (with collar, no ID). Nobody wants to see them destroyed. Can any families take in 1 or 2? They are young, attractive, well-groomed cats, consisting of tabby (black and grey striped), Siamese and some light grey and white. At the moment they are stroke-able but not yet at ease with being picked up. If you can provide a home, contact Kumiko Kuhnert at 2149 Parker Drive (905 275 5465) or Marge Halladay at 2159 Parker Drive (905 279 7056).



Contact Us

Send an e-mail to gordonwoods@rogers.com about these or any other issues.

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