



November 2012 Newsletter



AGM - November 20, 2012

The Annual General Meeting will take place on **Tuesday November 20th**, at the Central Library, 2nd Floor, Classroom 3, at 7:00 p.m. Your attendance and participation will help strengthen Gordon Woods. **We would love to welcome our newest residents.** See over for agenda.



Expanding our Boundaries

Our neighbours on Dickson Road and Dickson Park Crescent are interested in joining the GWhA. We are looking to expand our reach and strengthen our voice. A presentation regarding new membership will be made at the AGM. Dickson Residents will be welcome to attend a portion of our AGM, as we discuss the amendment to our bylaws.



Elections

We are always looking for individuals interested in leading in the community. A number of positions will be up for election at the AGM and we encourage you to volunteer.



Leaf Pickup

The City of Mississauga's Transportation and Works Department provides curb/ditch Vacuum Leaf Pickup in the Gordon Woods area during the two weeks from October 29th to November 2nd, then again during the two weeks from November 19th to November 23rd. The Vacuum Leaf Pickup service is available to residents in heavily treed areas that are more than 30 years old. Timing may vary depending on weather conditions and quantity of leaves. This service helps to clear roadway drainage ditches and storm drains, reducing the potential for flooding. Residents are encouraged to bag or mulch their own leaves and are advised to remove vehicles from the street during leaf collection times.



Development

2167 Gordon Dr – The present owner of the property has submitted a rezoning application to the City to permit eight detached dwellings on a condominium road. In March 2012 the GWhA executive reviewed a preliminary plan of the development and submitted to the City an opposition response to the proposed development. We understand that to-date there have been a number of discussions between the developer, City Planning and other involved groups including the CVCA. We do not know when the formal public meeting, as required by the official City planning process, will take place.

Grange/Hurontario – The Development Subcommittee has met with both the City and the Developer in October to reiterate our position expressed at the public meeting back in June. The applicant needs to provide the City with additional information and details for the purposes of ironing out the proposal for an Information Report and Public Meeting. A Public Planning & Development Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for November 19th in which the City will present its Information Report. A full review of the process will be presented at the AGM.



Parking Concerns

Parking at the corner of Harborn & Premium Way is a growing problem. We are asking all residents for a CALL TO ACTION; our unified voice is being ignored by the City. Residents are encouraged to call 311 every day to file a complaint about the parking situation. Mention the tow trucks parked on the grass, the blocking of the intersection, the running of the stop sign, and the damage to the corner in general. We are hoping that many calls will persuade the City to do something about this frustrating situation.



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Tree By-law Review

The City of Mississauga is working towards establishing a sustainable tree canopy by introducing proposed changes to the Tree Permit By-law that will protect Mississauga's existing tree canopy while respecting a property owner's right to develop their land. Proposed staff recommendations include the introduction of a single-tree removal permit for trees over 30 cm, changes to the permit fee structure, increased fines for non-compliance and changes to the replacement tree requirements.

The final set of recommendations is expected to be presented to Council sometime this Fall.



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Our website is in full swing with over 3,300 visitors since its inception this year. As with all things, we are hoping to go completely digital and eliminate paper newsletters. Become a member and provide your email so we can keep you informed electronically and save our trees!



Membership Dues

Our fiscal year begins November 1st. The 2013 dues campaign is now underway. Membership statements will be delivered to residents in November, reflecting dues paid for each of the past three membership years.

For a mere \$25 per year per household, the GWHA can continue our good work to protect the heart and soul of our neighbourhood. Our mandate is to promote, safeguard and preserve the unique rural character of Gordon Woods; its majestic trees, ecosystem, wildlife and large residential lots. Your annual dues represent your vote of confidence in the Association to uphold our exceptional community.



Contact Us

Send an e-mail to executive@gordonwoods.ca about these or any other issues.

GWHA Executive Committee

Gordon Woods Homeowners' Association ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Date: **Tuesday November 20, 2012**
Time: 7:00 pm sharp
Location: Central Library, 301 Burnhamthorpe Rd W,
2nd Floor, Classroom 3

Agenda:

- Welcome
- Approval of Last Year's AGM Minutes
- Expanding our Boundaries
- Financial Report
- Guest Speaker – Councilor Iannicca
- Nominations
- Year in Review
 - Local Developments/Issues
 - Garden Party
- New Business

