

## WHAT'S HAPPENING?

A Monthly Update from the  
Board, Management & Committees of  
YCC323



*The Board*

### **Balcony Doors** ~

The new Balcony Doors have been installed in 10 test units and we will discuss the findings with the contractor on January the 6th.

In the meantime the door replacement for the 03, 04, 05 and 06 units from the 25th floor on down will start on January the 5th. Notices have been distributed to the affected units.

Please remember that while the construction is ongoing your unit is a construction site. For insurance and liability reasons, you should not be in your unit for the duration of the work.



*Property Management*

### **Green Garbage** ~

Some time after January 1, 2015, the City of Toronto will start green garbage collection west of Yonge Street, to save thousands of tonnes of organic material from going to landfill. Almost 50% (by weight) of your household garbage is organic material – material that can be processed into compost for use on parklands and gardens instead of being sent to landfill.

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When this initiative is rolled out in our building, each unit will receive a green garbage container. City of Toronto Waste Management will organize a meeting regarding this matter.

What goes in the Green Bin?

### YES

- Meat, poultry, fish products
- Pasta, bread, cereals, rice
- Dairy products, eggs and shells
- Coffee grounds/filters, tea bags
- Cake, cookies, candy
- Diapers, sanitary products
- Animal waste, bedding, cat litter
- House plants, including soil
- Paper – soiled
- Food packaging, ice cream containers, popcorn, flour and sugar bags
- Tissues, napkins, paper towels (not soiled with chemicals such as cleaning products)

### NO

- Plastic or foil bags/wrap/trays
- Outer packaging
- Foam polystyrene meat trays and liners
- Plastic food containers, glass jars, pop cans
- Hot drink cups, lids, sleeves

### GENERAL GARBAGE

- Dryer sheets, baby wipes, make-up pads, cotton tipped swabs, dental floss
- Hair, pet fur, feathers, wax, wood pieces, cigarette butts, wine corks, vacuum bags/contents, fireplace and BBQ ashes

(from City of Toronto website)

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### Annual Planning Guide Items ~

The following action items are scheduled for January: roof anchor inspection, check riser valves, exercise room maintenance.



*The Committees*

### Common Area Redesign Committee ~

The Project Team has been continuing its work on the lobby renovations. Some issues in working with an external Project Manager have been addressed and the group is now in a position to move forward. A contractor will be chosen from among a short list already compiled. Arrangements are being made to provide an opportunity for residents to view the plans and have input on seating and lighting options.

### Health & Safety Committee ~

For the past six months, a small but dedicated group of seniors has been meeting on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons to participate in the Group Seniors Fitness Classes sponsored by ESS. Following a short break over the holidays, the classes will resume on Thursday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. in the Meeting Room. Please note that there will not be any more Wednesday afternoon classes. There is still room for more participants in the Thursday classes. For further information or to register, please call 416-243-0127.

A resident has raised several issues around building security. One concerned people entering the building behind residents using the automatic inner door. The automatic inner door is programmed to allow residents with mobility issues or large parcels to pass through it without having to hold the door open, but this also allows “tailgating”. If you do not need to use the automatic door, please use the manual one as it closes quicker than the other door.

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Another concern was seeing people sitting in the lobby area late at night, and not recognizing them as ones who live in the building. If you ever feel uncomfortable with this scenario, please let the superintendent on duty know (reachable via the after-hours number, 416-888-3276) as soon as possible. He can check out the situation, or review tapes from the lobby security camera to identify individuals.

Please note that there is an Information Sheet, available in hard copy in the Meeting Room or on the website, entitled "Security and Safety", which was compiled by the Committee in conjunction with the Toronto Police Services to address these types of issues.

Residents are invited to attend Health & Safety Committee meetings, to contribute ideas and/or concerns related to health and safety issues within the building. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, Jan. 13<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00 a.m. in the Meeting Room.

### Neighbours Committee ~

The Neighbours Committee is pleased to host an afternoon tea and talk on Monday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, from 2:30 to 4:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room. John Hardie, a Park Watch volunteer, will make a short presentation on "A Personal History of High Park". All residents are invited to come and enjoy the tea, the goodies, the talk and the company.