

Sherwood Forrest

neighbourhood news



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Sherwood Forrest
Residents Association

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Fun Day and Summer Social is Almost Here!

by Bruno Galle, SFRA President

Guess what? Sherwood Forrest's biggest event of the year (and the best community event in Mississauga!) is next month, so mark June 17th on your calendar NOW!

Fun Day festivities start with the parade, bagpiper, fire truck, police car, clowns and decorated bikes, heading out of Maid Marian Place at 10:30 am and continue in the park until 2:00 pm. The kids' all-you-can-play passport is still only \$10 and provides access to all the games, face painting and other activities. We'll also have a magic show, bingo, BBQ and tasty treats.

For the first time since 2019, the Summer Social (aka Fun Night) 19+ adults-only evening is back! Based on the feedback we received, we are going to provide

delicious catered hors d'oeuvres and snacks for \$25/ person with a DJ playing all the hits for dancing under the stars. There will also be an affordable cash bar.

Haven't come out for a few years? It's time to get reacquainted with all your new and old(er) neighbours! Due to the demand for this event, tickets will first go to residents who have paid their 2023 SFRA Membership fee. If you have not paid your \$20 fee, please include it when you buy your tickets using the form below.

We also need VOLUNTEERS to help with Fun Day and the Summer Social. It takes about 50 people to put on this event, so we welcome any help we can get! Please reach out to any SFRA executive member.

When: Saturday, June 17

- 10:30 am.....Parade starts at Maid Marian Place
- 11:00 am - 2:00 pm.....Games & Activities
- 12:00 - 12:30 pm.....Magician
- 12:00 - 2:00 pm.....BBQ
- 1:00 - 1:30 pm.....Bingo
- 7:30 pm - 11:30 pm.....Summer Social

Where: Sherwood Green Park

Summer Social! Saturday, June 17th 7:30 - 11:30 pm • Sherwood Green

**Don't Miss the Sherwood Forrest Social Event of the Year
Order your tickets today!**

Name: _____ Date: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Summer Social Ticket (# x \$25): _____

SFRA Membership Fee (minimum \$20): _____

I have already paid my membership: YES NO



Fun Day Pass (# x \$10): _____

Drop off your ticket form and cheque payable to Sherwood Forrest Residents Association (SFRA) at 1800 Sevenoaks Dr. Tickets will be delivered after June 10th. We look forward to seeing you there!

What's Shakin' in the HOOD

Residents Who Deliver

In addition to the dedicated team that writes, edits and designs the newsletter, we rely on intrepid volunteers to deliver each issue before the neighbourhood news. Thanks to Julie Caty, Ferzana Chase, Mona Chitalia, Kathy Crosier, Julia Halas, Angie Lau, Adam Masicotte and Julie Walcott for delivering the spring issue.



Slow Streets Returning

The Road Safety Unit is expected to re-deploy Slow Streets signage on Robin Drive and Hammond Road in May. Instead of barricades and barrels, bollards will be bolted to the roads to prevent incidents of vandalism.



Let us introduce you to Daisy Mae. This lovely lass has been a special member of the Alison Bittle-Fair and Steven Fair family for over 14 years! Besides Daisy Mae, the Fairs have two sons. They actually do call her their 'sister.'



Living her whole life as a resident of Sherwood Forrest, and specifically Sherwood Forrest Circle, you may have made her acquaintance during one of her walks. Daisy Mae loves her walks, especially when she sees her furry friends. At home though, her favourite toy is her mini tennis ball or her squeaky pig.

Daisy Mae is known to be adventurous, sometimes wandering off her property and following her nose. On one occasion her nose led her over to her neighbours, where she boldly invited herself to their barbeque! While she is almost always a sweet girl, Daisy Mae has made it clear on many occasions that she isn't fond the mailman/lady. We're not sure why... it's not like she's paying the bills!

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'Tis the Season for Travel!

by Cara Cross

Hola from beautiful Panama! The world has opened up again and there are so many places to go, things to see and food to try. We are in the heart of old Panama City and wanted to try Sancocho - the national dish of Panama. We discovered Diablicos, a fabulous quaint little restaurant just off Plaza Mayor, in the central square. They serve traditional Panamanian food, including of course, Sancocho.

Sancocho originated in southwest Panama on the Azuero Peninsula. The stew is considered the ultimate comfort food and is believed to be one of the best home remedies to cure everything from homesickness to hangovers.

Sancocho is a chicken broth, mildly spiced with sweet potatoes, chicken and a small cob of corn. It is generally served with a side of coconut milk rice. There are many variations, but the simplest ones are the best! You may have to improvise a bit for ingredients locally available in Ontario, but this delicious soup is worth trying.

Ingredients

- 1 chicken (about 4 lb/2 kg), cut into pieces
- 1 lb cassava, peeled and cut into pieces
- 3 lb yam (or sweet potato), peeled and cut into pieces
- 2 ears of corn, each cut in 3
- 1 small bunch culantro (or cilantro), chopped
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 1 green bell pepper, cut into small cubes
- 4 cloves garlic, chopped
- 2 tsp oregano
- Salt and pepper to taste

Instructions

1. Place the chicken in a pot and cover with water.
2. Cook over high heat for 5 minutes after boiling.
3. Reduce heat and add yams, corn, and cassava. Cook over low heat for 45 minutes.
4. Take out chicken pieces and remove skin and bones. Skim the foam that is floating over the top. Place chicken pieces back into pot.
5. Add the onion, bell pepper, cilantro, garlic, salt, and 1 teaspoon oregano.
6. Cook 15 minutes more.
7. Turn off the heat and add the remaining oregano. Cover and wait 10 minutes before serving.
8. Serve the sancocho with white rice.



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Investing in Our Neighbourhood

by Al Zizek

The official theme for Earth Day 2023 is “Invest In Our Planet.” With 1 billion people in more than 193 countries across the world participating in various events, it was nice to see Sherwood Forrest families come out to Sherwood Green to help do their part for Earth Day.

While we did say rain or shine, Mother Earth had other plans, so the event was held on Sunday, April 23rd. In addition to many bags of both garbage and recyclable litter, there were lots of bottles, cans and E-waste collected by the 1st Erindale Scout Group. They were very appreciative as the funds raised will help support an upcoming group camping event.



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Good Egg Hunting

by Al Zizek

Judging by the great turnout of more than 110 children and the beaming faces of all the happy hunters at Dean Henderson Park on Saturday, April 8th, the latest incarnation of the SFRA Easter Egg Hunt surpassed all egg expectations!

The sunny weather certainly helped, not to mention a special appearance from the Easter Bunny that made everyone's day. We even had to dip into to an emergency stash of candy due to the overwhelming demand!

Thank you to everyone who took part and a special thank you to Brian Edwards for putting us in touch with Peter Rabbit.



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Like It or Not

Like It...

I love how Sherwood Forrest lives up to its name. It feels like a forest when I see all of the wild animals in person or on the Sherwood Facebook page. It is so exciting to see coyotes, foxes, the occasional raccoon, deer and even a possum. And then to hear the water gushing through the culvert after a heavy rain... we're so lucky to live here!

Like It (& Not)...

I really appreciate that the city plows so many of our sidewalks during the winter. But I'm not crazy about the damage they do to the lawns. (I know it must be challenging to "see" where the sidewalks end and the lawns begin.)

Like It...

Having the pleasure of attending both the recent Easter Egg Hunt and Earth Day events, it's so awesome that there are people in the neighbourhood who volunteer their time to try and make Sherwood Forrest a better place. I used to live in Toronto and we didn't have this kind of thing.

Not...

I'm not sure that people know that their garbage cans, blue boxes and green bins are supposed to be stored in their backyard/sideyard or garage when they are not out for pickup.

Like It...

I never tire of seeing all the birds and flowers and blossoming trees that come back to brighten Sherwood Forrest every spring. It's a beautiful thing!

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Spongy Moth Expectations Not So Bubbly

by Al Zizek

Last year's Aerial Spray Program was successful in lowering Spongy Moth (also known as *Lymantria dispar* or LDD Moth) population levels so the City has decided that an aerial spray is not required in 2023. Forestry staff will continue to monitor the City for localized pockets of high Spongy Moth population and target them with direct controls as needed.



Here's how you can continue to do your part:

- Remove caterpillars from tree trunks and soak them in soapy water
- Install burlap wrap around trees to catch caterpillars (then remove them and kill them)
- Search for egg masses to remove and destroy

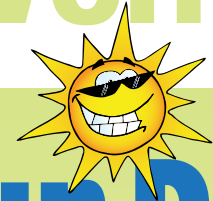
For more information, visit Mississauga.ca and search for "spongy moth".

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Contact the SFRA and get involved in your neighbourhood.

UPCOMING Events



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Saturday, June 17th

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