



Neighbourhood News

VAN DUSEN BRIDGE

JOIN THE RE-OPENING CELEBRATION

It is with great excitement that we are able to officially announce the Van Dusen Bridge Re-Opening Celebration. Join the entire neighbourhood, and Councillor Grimes, music from Dave Orrett (Orrett Music Academy) for a ribbon-cutting, refreshments, and more.

Date: **Saturday, May 28th**

Time: **10 am**

Location: **Van Dusen
(at the bridge)**



GET YOUR GARDEN READY VEGGIES + HERBS

ETOBIGROW + TOCA FUNDRAISER

Jump-start your summer veggie and herb garden with our 1st annual TOCA Plant Drive. We teamed up with local business Etobigrow to offer community members the chance to purchase their veggie and herb plants with a portion of proceeds supporting TOCA neighbourhood events + initiatives.

**Plant pick up is June 4th, 10 am to 3 pm
at the Montgomery Inn.** Order your plants
TODAY at www.etobigrow.ca/TOCA



ONTARIO ELECTIONS 2022 MPP ALL CANDIDATES VIRTUAL TOWN HALL

Tuesday May 17th at 7pm | ZOOM

Interested to join a virtual all candidates meeting on Tuesday, May 17th at 7pm? Register at <http://bit.ly/etoblakedebate> or scan QR code below.

In preparation for the Ontario election all Lakeshore-Etobicoke candidates have been invited to present their views on key election topics including the climate crisis, social justice issues and the economy.

During this moderated session, each candidate will share a short opening statement and answer 4-5 prepared questions.

If time permits, vetted audience questions will be allowed.



SCAN ME

SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENT CHANGES PROPOSED FOR TORONTO

JOIN OUR INFORMATION SESSION | WEDNESDAY MAY 25TH @ 8PM

TOCA is hosting an online information session on Wednesday, May 25th at 8pm on Zoom, to review a significant new planning policy change in Toronto known as "Expanding Housing Options in Neighbourhoods" (EHON). This initiative will facilitate more low-rise housing in residential neighbourhoods and will allow multi-plexes (ie. duplexes, triplexes, or fourplexes), as well as small-scale retail, service, and office spaces *WITHIN* neighbourhoods.

If you wish to join the TOCA information session, please email thompsonorchards@gmail.com and we will share a Zoom link - or you can learn more on Facebook @ThompsonOrchard.

Feedback is due to the City by May 31st. To share feedback directly email ehon@toronto.ca. The City's final report with recommendations will be issued July 5th.

BUTTERFLYWAY PROJECT

Our community is taking part in the David Suzuki Butterflyway Project, working to create new pollinator gardens of native plants that will contribute to the butterfly highway stretching across Canada. If you would like to take part, and commit to **adding three (3) native plants** to your yard/garden, email our Butterfly Ranger, Sarah Joy (sarahjoybennett@gmail.com) to receive instructions on how to create a beautiful and bountiful pollinator garden.



**The
Butterflyway
Project**

CALLING ALL PHOTOGRAPHERS



We want to see your best shots of our beautiful neighbourhood. Whether you are a budding photographer, professional or hobbyist, TOCA wants to share the beauty of Thompson Orchard on our website and Facebook page (with credit). Please send your submissions to thompsonorchards@gmail.com.

TOCA GARDEN TOURS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Members of our community have expressed interest in participating in or hosting garden tours. In order to bring this wonderful idea to life, TOCA is looking to assemble a group of dedicated and passionate local gardeners to either organize or open their garden gates for tours.

If you are interested, please email thompsonorchards@gmail.com.

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