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HALLOWEEN PARADE + PARTY THE MUST-ATTEND NEIGHBOURHOOD EVENT

It's back! The FAMOUS Halloween Parade + Party is once again hitting the streets of Thompson Orchard. This highly anticipated event is going to be the best yet with **live, magical entertainment, music, a silent auction** and more. Email updates from TOCA coming soon.

Date: **Saturday, October 28th**
Rain Date: **Sunday, October 29th**
Time: **3.00 pm**
Start Location: **Corner of Meadowvale + Thompson**

SILENT AUCTION ITEMS INCLUDING



Additional silent auction donations are appreciated.
Please email thompsonorchards@gmail.com.
All proceeds will be used to cover TOCA operating costs.

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS

We need volunteers to help with the silent auction, set up and tear down and more. Great opportunity for highschool volunteer hours too!
email thompsonorchards@gmail.com



BOARD MEMBERS WANTED

The Thompson Orchard Community Association (TOCA) needs 3-6 volunteers to join the Board of Directors, in order to continue full operations. Open positions include Chair, and Social and Communications Committees. Without additional volunteers stepping forward, it is likely that TOCA will need to suspend activities for the coming year.

Please consider joining so we can continue our strong tradition of fostering community engagement, social connection, and harmony in our special neighbourhood.



CHEMICAL SPILL MIMICO CREEK

An August 11th industrial fire at the Brenntag Canada facility in North Etobicoke resulted in a disastrous petroleum-based chemical spill into Mimico Creek and the Humber River, causing significant damage to the local wildlife and environment. According to Ontario's Ministry Of Environment, Conservation, and Parks, crews are expected to remain on site until October. For the most up-to-date information on the cleanup, contact the ministry's Toronto District Office Duty Line at 416-326-3381 during business hours; or after-hours call the ministry's Pollution Hotline at 1-866-663-8477. If you spot affected wildlife, contact the Toronto Wildlife Centre at 416-631-0662.

Members of TOCA have contacted both the Ontario Minister of Environment, David Piccini David.Piccini@pc.ola.org as well as Councillor Morley to express our concern about this situation and to ask for improved updates and communication. We encourage all residents who share concerns, to do the same.



Images of Mimico Creek taken by local resident after spill

SIGN UP FOR OUR E-NEWSLETTER

Stay up to date with important neighbourhood news by signing up for our e-newsletter at www.thompsonorchard.ca. Follow us on Facebook as well @ThompsonOrchard.

VAN DUSEN BRIDGE

After extensive follow-up and involvement from Thompson Orchard and Lora Hill community members over safety concerns regarding the use of the bridge by motorized vehicles, the City has begun a landscape project on both sides of the bridge.

The intention of the landscaping is to ensure that the bridge does not look like a continuation of the road thus deterring fast-moving motorized vehicles from using it.

We thank everyone who helped to push for this change.

Thank you.



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

SAVE THE DATE: NOVEMBER 2 @ 8 PM

Please join us for TOCA's Annual General Meeting

Date: Thursday, November 2, 2023

Time: 8:00 - 9:00 PM

This will be a virtual meeting so please email thomponorchards@gmail.com for further information.

Agenda items include:

- Key TOCA accomplishments in 2022/23
- **The Future of TOCA (Board members are needed including Chair, communications and social committee)**
- Open forum for discussion

We hope you will be able to attend.