

# Guildwood News & Views



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## Guild Inn Update Report

During the G.V.C.A Annual General Meeting on April 2, 1996, Association President Fred Bate gave a presentation on the future of the Guild Inn. The report was based on the work of the Guildwood Park Advisory Committee. This committee, of which Fred Bate and Association V.P. Mary Ellen Berwick are members, was created to provide direction to Metropolitan Toronto as to future of the Guild Inn. It is considering six options for the site:

**1) Continue As Is:** The existing buildings need approximately \$4 million in repairs and upgrades. With the funding this option permits the facilities to continue as is. Revenue projections indicate insufficient income for profit or repairs.

**2) Commercial Operation:** The same as above but with an additional investment of \$500,000 for cosmetic improvements to attract additional business. Revenue projections are as with previous option and insufficient for repairs.

**3) Seasonal Operation:** The period between May and September is the busiest part of the year, and this option sees the Inn closed during the winter months. The same repairs and improvements are required (\$4 million) but revenue is only realized during the summer. There are ongoing costs associated with security and minimal maintenance during the winter.

**4) Restaurant Only:** The Hotel Addition is demolished and the Inn is used for food and beverage service only. Repair costs are appropriately reduced but revenue is restricted. The financial projections do not project a profit.

**5) No Commercial Operation:** The most severe option. The Guild Inn and the Hotel Addition, and possibly the Studio are demolished. The recovered park land is improved with walking trails, gardens and artifact displays. There is no revenue to cover ongoing costs unless the Studio is kept.

**6) Conference Centre:** There is a demand for Meeting and Conference facilities in Metro. All repairs are carried out and a profit is projected after 5 years. Public access to the grounds remains.

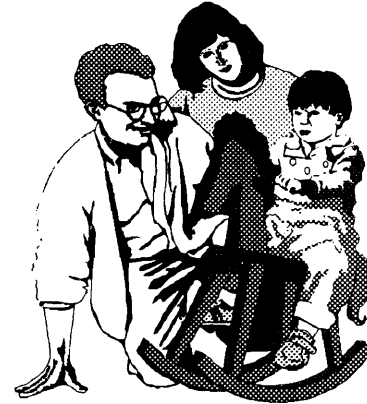
**All residents are encouraged to contribute their views as to future of the site.** There is a Suggestion Box at the library for your comments. You can also call the Hot Line at 410-2755.

During the Membership Drive, you will receive a survey that you can give back to your canvasser, drop off at the library or mail to the GVCA address listed on page 2 of the News and Views. Please take a few moments now and think about how important the Guild Inn is to you. **And contribute your suggestions!**

# ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

## SUPPORT YOUR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION SO THAT IT MAY CONTINUE TO SUPPORT YOU

Beginning Sunday May 12, dedicated volunteers will canvas Guildwood community for memberships in the Guildwood Village Community Association. Our community association serves us through its sponsorship of events such as Guildwood Day, Christmas Carolling, and annual Fall Dances. These events help us renew and keep our community vibrant for ourselves and our children. The G.V.C.A also performs an important function in keeping us informed of critical matters which affect us as residents. It's role with respect to the future of the Guild Inn and the land surrounding it is a good example of this. This helps us to exercise our rights and influence as residents of the neighbourhood in which we live.



So remember, support your association. So that it may support you.

Be sure to renew your membership when the volunteer comes to your door. And if you are not a member yet, please give serious consideration to becoming one!



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There is also the "On a Shoestring" series, with titles on Africa, South America, the Middle East, Scandinavia and Baltic Europe.

### SUMMER READING CLUB JULY - AUGUST 31

Come celebrate Two Hundred Summers of Reading - in honour of the Scarborough Bicentennial Celebrations. Get your Reading Club Activity Package at the Library. Children read books and report them by writing a book report or entering the title in their log book. After each report, children put a stamp and sticker in their log book and post an item on our display board.

This club is open to any child who can read. Book reports can be made during regular library hours.

#### Guildwood On-Line

Laurier students are planning to set up a Guildwood information Bulletin Board Service (BBS).  
More information to come later

### NEW BESTSELLERS YOU CAN RESERVE

Socey, Jean-Yves, with Annette, **FAMILY SECRETS**  
Cecile & Yvonne Dionne  
George, Elizabeth  
Kemelman, Harry  
Perry, Anne  
Spencer, Lavyrle  
Krantz, Judith

**IN THE PRESENCE OF THE ENEMY**  
**THAT DAY THE RABBI LEFT TOWN**  
**PENTECOST ALLEY**  
**THAT CAMDEN SUMMER**  
**SPRING COLLECTION**

### BORN AT SCARBOROUGH GENERAL HOSPITAL?

**A** re-union and community fair is being planned for all those who were born at Scarborough General Hospital. Family and friends are also invited to attend the event, which celebrates the hospital's 40th anniversary and recognizes the community members born at the hospital and former volunteers and employees who have had any involvement

with the hospital since 1956. The event takes place on **Saturday May 11, 1996** (the day before Mother's Day, so bring your mom's along and reminisce) from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., at the grounds and fields behind the hospital, 3050 Lawrence Avenue East. Entertainment, special guests, displays and activities will be provided, and barbeque food will be available at bargain prices. Call 421-8200 ext. 6402 to pre-register, or just join us with your family and friends on the day of the event, prepared for a fun time.

# Hear Ye, Hear Ye, Hear Ye The 39th Guildwood Day Will Be On Saturday June 1st!



**T**he tradition continues and the day will start with a Pancake Breakfast provided by the Presbyterian Church.

The theme for our Parade this year will reflect the celebration of the Scarborough Bi-Centennial (1796-1996). So dig out your period costumes and join the Parade! Bicycles can also be decorated in keeping with the 200 year celebration of Scarborough as a settlement. The organizers have a line up of vintage cars, penny farthing bicycles, local politicians (non-vintage, modern version), the 45th Highlanders Band, and all the usual participants to join the parade. All bicycle entrants will receive a participant ribbon to be worn in the parade. There will be no judging of bicycle entries.

The parade will start and end at the front of Laurier Collegiate. (A modified parade will occur in the event of rain).

This year's Guildwood Day activities will include something for everyone with ponies, a mini-circuit, an inflatable bouncer, children's games, a fish pond, dance demonstrations, clowns, jugglers, balloons, etc. There will be a special presentation by the Scarborough His-

torical Museum (anyone for an old fashioned ice cream?)

A special feature of this year will be the discovery of Guildwood's Official "Town Crier". Anyone over 18 can enter our Town Crier Contest. A hat, coat, and proclamation will be provided for all contestants. The winner will be invited to officially open the next general G.V.C.A. meeting!

There will be Guildwood Day activities both inside and outside Laurier Collegiate, and the Holy Trinity church will again be selling hamburgers and hot dogs. There will be children's races, specialty races in keeping with the Bi-Centennial theme, musical entertainment, our traditional tug of war contest, and a pie baking contest (pies should be approximately 9" and all entries should be at the Pie Contest table by no later than 6:30 p.m.).

Once again, we will have an interesting variety of vendor displays, and there will be a free prize draw ballot at the G.V.C.A. table.

The day will end with an evening B.B.Q. sponsored by the G.V.C.A. (free to all members), and the judging of the entries in the Pie Baking contest. The rain date for the B.B.Q. is June 3rd. Please refer to the enclosed Guildwood Day Flier for specific details of times and locations of the day's activities.

**Anyone interested in helping out with any of the activities may contact the G.V.C.A. hotline (410-2755)**

**By Norma Smyth.**

## **THE BIGGEST GARAGE SALE IN METROPOLITAN TORONTO**

**Saturday, May 11**

**Every Guildwood Resident  
is invited  
to set up their tables  
and sell more stuff than they can buy!**

**MARK THE DAY DOWN ON YOUR CALENDAR  
And start setting aside your sale items  
now!**