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**Summer
2009**

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

The Organization is committed to providing nutritious, balanced meals at a reasonable cost to East York residents who, because of ill health, physical disability or aging, find it difficult to prepare food for themselves.

Enjoy the summer weather!!



Can You Help?

- We need board members with special skills – is that you???
- Interested in running the raffle?

FROM THE PRESIDENT...

While getting ready for the Annual General Meeting, I realized what a difference the staff and volunteers make to our community. I am truly proud to be part of such a dedicated grassroots organization, and the contributions made by everyone.

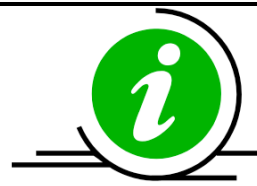
The upcoming year promises to be another busy one. With your help, we will continue moving forward, which will benefit clients, volunteers and stakeholders. Thank you for your efforts!

Christine Dingemans

NOTES FOR VOLUNTEERS

We appreciate all who attended the Annual General Meeting and Volunteer Recognition on June 12th. It was a successful event!

AGM minutes will be available on the website. See the 'What's New' section for details on the Volunteer Recognition portion of the meeting.



Upcoming Events

September: Crescent Town Fair

PROFILE



Margaret Wendover

Margaret has volunteered at the agency for almost a quarter of her life. Pretty amazing, considering that she has seen 8 decades already!

Margaret started delivering meals weekly in the Parkview Hills area with her husband Charles 23 years ago. The couple was first in helping out with the Grocery Shopping Program. Margaret is pleased to see how successful the program has become.

It was meeting the clients and providing a daily check to ensure that the client was okay that satisfied Margaret in her delivery duties. One time, a client did not answer the door, due to Margaret's concerns, the police broke in and found the client unable to get out of a chair.

It has been a challenging year, her husband of 63 years, Charles, passed away from cancer this January. A major storm this spring damaged Margaret's house, and projects that should be simple, like a shed replacement, aren't!

A long overdue vacation to visit friends in California has been booked this fall, but Margaret has to be back in October to prepare her famous pastries for the Victoria Park United Church fair.

What's new?

VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION

An amazing 7,920 hours were donated in the past year by delivery, office and board volunteers. This represents a value of thousands of dollars that allows us to spend money on the clients.

A moment of remembrance was held for long time volunteer Charles Wendover who passed away January 2009.

Certificates from Maria Minna, MP were given to those volunteers who have served for 20 years or more: Eleanor Stephen 20 years; Agnes Daniels 23 years; Margaret Wendover 23 years; Joan Ridout 23 years; Bill Hance 29 years; Barbara Ortiz 32 years; Pearl Ingham 36 years.

Congratulations to those volunteers who are 80 years young and up: Bill Hance; Josephine Keenan; Bob Linton; Shoji Nishikawa; Barbara Ortiz; Joan Ridout; Margaret Wendover.

Michael Prue, MPP recognized retiring volunteers Audrey and Fred Norton with special certificates. Pearl Ingham, a founding member is also retiring. Councillor Janet Davis presented certificates to all new volunteers.

A warm thank you to dedicated board members for their past service: Butch Windsor; Ian Forbes; Bob Linton; Eileen Ryan; and Nahid Sharif.

Congratulations to our door prize winners: Lurline Barracks; Joyce Ford; and Anna Klukowicz. Everyone was given a heart shaped fridge magnet as a token of thanks.



BY THE NUMBERS APRIL-JUNE 09

169 clients

63 volunteers

6,792 meals delivered

17,836 website hits