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A Christian Seniors Lifestyle Community

Warm Greetings

Wow! So much has happened and is happening at The Meadows of Aurora. We are very thankful that the first building is fully occupied and that residents are feeling at home in their new home and new community. We as a Board are hearing that residents find it wonderful to live in a modern, beautiful building surrounded by like-minded, caring Christian neighbours.

We are also very thankful that the second building is progressing so well. The construction is on time and on budget, and suites are selling very well. There will be 77 suites in Phase IB (same as in Phase IA) and there are only a few suites left for sale.

Planning for the Phase 2 building is well under way. This will be another exciting component to the Meadows, and will in many ways be the central hub for the entire complex – and will be connected to the Phase I buildings through an internal walkway. Please read more about this under the "Phase 2" section in this Newsletter:

With all that is going on at The Meadows, The Board of Directors has been re-organized to include several sub-committees. There is at least one Board member on each sub-committee, with additional volunteer members chosen for their expertise and dedication. This new arrangement allows each sub-committee to carefully manage its respective responsibility, rather than have all Board members involved in all facets of the entire project. There is much to manage!

Speaking of Board members... we are seeking nominations for 2 new Board members to be elected at the Annual General Meeting this fall. If you know someone who you feel would be a good Board member, please approach that person and ask him/her if he/she would like to stand for election. If so, please suggest that name to any current Board member (listed at the end of this Newsletter or forward by email to the attention of our Board Secretary, Wilma Drost at wdrost@themeadowsofaurora.com). The Board will then present a list of nominations to the membership.

As Chairman, I want to express my thanks to the current Board members for all the hard work put into this exciting new community. You, as well as our past Board members who have carried this project for many years before, are congratulated on a job very well done. We look forward to seeing God's continued blessings on this entire community.

Larry Dekkema

L-R: John Taylor — Regional Councillor, Kyle Peterson MP Newmarket/Aurora; Geoffrey Dawe — Mayor Town of Aurora; John Kalsbeek - Past President YRCSHI; Chris Ballard MPP Newmarket/Aurora; Milena Belomorska — Partner OCA Architects, Gino Bifolchi — President Lisgar Construction; John Bifolchi — Project Manager Lisgar Construction



Official Opening Ceremonies

On September 6, 2016, we celebrated the completion of Phase IA in a grand way. Our Official Opening Ceremonies included a ribbon cutting, presentation of recognition plaques, entertainment, a luncheon and much more. Thank you to all our guests who came out to help us recognize and celebrate this very special occasion.







Welcome to the Town of Aurora

IB Construction...

We are pleased to report that we are on budget and on schedule with the next phase construction. A roof-topping ceremony was held on March 24 and things continue to progress. We expect construction to be completed in Spring 2018 and following that look forward to welcoming many new residents to The Meadows community.

IA residents get to see the changes on a daily basis and we very much appreciate their cooperation with the inconveniences that come along with living next door to the IB construction site.

For anyone planning to drive by / view the site, please do so only on William Graham Drive. For safety and security reasons, only construction personnel are allowed access to the construction site. Thank you for your cooperation.



Residential / Property Management

We will start by saying that Nataliia Kosovskykh, our property manager from First Service Residential, has and continues to do a great job at The Meadows. Her position is the head of the complaints department, a difficult job at the best of times! John Kalsbeek and I meet with Nataliia on a regular basis and we can assure you that she acts on every written request as quickly as possible.

Our goal is to have any issues resolved in a speedy and efficient manner and to present The Meadows as a clean and uncluttered place in which to live. On an almost daily basis, Nataliia informs us of situations that have occurred and who she has contacted to resolve them. Her other activities include budgeting, contract negotiations and the safety of residents as well as keeping our facility clean and in a state of good repair at all times.

We have learned a lot over the past 10 months and we can assure you that we will continue to listen to and be attentive to requests in a timely manner. Nataliia currently has her office hours established as Tuesday and Friday from 10am to 2pm but is always available for emergency situations.

 $\textbf{Residential / Property Management Committee} \hspace{0.1cm} \mid \hspace{0.1cm} John \hspace{0.1cm} Kalsbeek, William \hspace{0.1cm} McTavish$

Respectfully submitted, William McTavish

Phase 2

The Board of Directors has been working diligently to prepare for Phase 2 of our development. A Market Analysis study has been completed to confirm that there is a need in our geographical area to warrant building some Assisted Living space with Memory Care units. The report confirms the need. We plan to have Assisted Living and Memory Care on the first two floors. The floors above will have Independent Living units as we currently have in Phase I.

Our architects, OCA, have created some very preliminary drawings which were presented to the Board of Directors in February. The drawings include Amenity areas. We hope to incorporate some office space, a dining area, a Great Hall, (which could be used for church services, gatherings, concerts, etc.) a café, activity rooms, laundry and kitchen areas.

This phase requires much research; we have consulted with organizations who are experts in Assisted Living / Memory Care dwellings.

A request has also gone to the Town of Aurora to re-zone the next phase to add "institutional uses" to the existing "residential zoning" to accommodate our changes.

We would caution that many changes could occur in our planning, we are very much still in the planning stage, but our goal remains to have some Assisted Living / Memory Care in the next phase. We are encouraged by the progress that has been made but always remember that this is in God's hands, we rely on His guidance for the future.

Respectfully submitted, Marg Mount

 $\textbf{Long Range Planning Committee} \hspace{0.1cm} | \hspace{0.1cm} \textbf{Simon Frankruyter}, \textbf{Marg Mount}, \textbf{Al Romkema}$



OCA Rendering

Sales Centre News

Over the course of the last couple of years, there have been lots of activities at The Meadows of Aurora. Our sales representatives, Edith Dewolde and Lynn Cappon, have done a fabulous job of presenting our beautiful facility to the purchasers in Phase I A and I B.

They have proven to be much more than sales people. They have taken care of many situations above and beyond their call of duty. Their pleasant disposition and knowledge has allowed them to become friends to the residents of The Meadows. They are always willing to lend a hand and resolve issues that occur from time to time; their efforts are truly appreciated.

As sales representatives, they have done a remarkable job. As of the date of writing this article we are pleased to report the following statistics:

- All the Phase IA units have been sold including the unit that our Sales Centre operates from; it will move into a Phase IB unit once construction has been completed.
- 75 of 77 units in Phase IB have sold.

At the current rate of sales, our entire inventory will be sold out in May. However, we do expect to have some resales become available in the very near future.

Congratulations Edith and Lynn for assisting residents to relocate to the beautiful, comfortable accommodations at The Meadows. A job well done!

Lynn and Edith are anxiously awaiting the go ahead to start selling units in Phase 2 which is currently on the drafting board. At this point in time, we do not have a definite date as to when these units will be available for purchase.

This is a very exciting project and we are all pleased to be a part of it. Please note that the current Sales Centre office hours are: Monday to Thursday from 10am - 5pm or by appointment.

Respectfully submitted William McTavish Sales Coordination Support

Canada 150

On July 1, 2017 Canada celebrates its 150th birthday and is preparing for the biggest birthday celebration our nation has ever seen!

To commemorate the sesquicentennial celebration, a special tulip, blooming in the colours of our Canadian flag, was created to honour Canada's 150th



birthday. The Canada 150 tulip, was created by the Netherlands as a symbol of gratitude and friendship between our two countries and will bring pride, joy and beauty to gardens and communities all across Canada.

A significant number of the Canada 150 bulbs were planted last fall in front of the Phase 1A building. We're very much looking forward to the burst of colour that will come up out of the ground this spring!

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