

# Councillor Mark Grimes Ward 6 Etobicoke-lakeshore

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## **Mimico Go Station**

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I would like to thank the many community members and local residents who took the time to write to me and members of the City's Planning and Growth Management Committee to share their thoughts on the future of the Mimico GO Station. As many of you are aware, a motion was introduced at the Planning and Growth Management Committee by my colleague Councillor Peter Milczyn which asked City staff to undertake a study contemplating the relocation of the Mimico GO station to Park Lawn. Sadly, I was not consulted in advance of this motion nor were any community members.

I want to firmly state that I do not support moving the Mimico GO station from its current location. I have asked City staff to examine, in detail, the current transportation issues affecting the Humber Bay Shores community and have brought the TTC, Metrolinx, GO Transit and the Humber Bay Shores Condo Association into these discussions. I strongly support the addition of a second GO train station to more directly serve Humber Bay Shores but simply moving the Mimico GO station would only serve to shift the strain on our transportation infrastructure.

Sincerely, Mark Grimes

## **Toronto Casino**

This past Tuesday the issue of a Casino in downtown Toronto made its long awaited debut at City Council. I would again like to thank those of you who wrote to me to express your views in support or and in opposition to the OLG proposals.

Along with the majority of my colleagues I voted against the approval of a new gaming facility in downtown Toronto as it was not in the best interests of Torontonians. While the Provincial government has final say on the location of any gaming facility, they have stated that they would respect the wishes of local municipalities and I expect them to do so.

I did vote in favour of expanding the existing gaming facility at Woodbine race track but this was ultimately defeated at Council as well. I felt that, as a not for profit corporation, Woodbine Entertainment was an appropriate operator and that an expansion to the existing location would have little impact on the neighbouring community.

Sincerely, Mark Grimes

## Doors Open Toronto - May 25 and 26

## **Explore Toronto's Buildings**

The 14th annual Doors Open presented by Great Gulf offers residents and visitors an opportunity to take a peek behind the doors of over 150 architecturally, historically, culturally and socially significant buildings across the city on Saturday, May 25 and Sunday, May 26, 2013.

This year's theme is entitled 'Creators, Makers and Innovators' and features many older buildings that have been redesigned, re-invented and re-purposed into modern 21st century spaces that host collaborative teams of imaginative people who are creating new ways of thinking, making and doing.

Since its inception in 2000, Doors Open has attracted more than two million visits in nearly 600 unique locations across the city. It is Canada's largest Doors Open event and one of the three largest Doors Open events in the world. Doors Open is produced by the City of Toronto in partnership with the broader community.

Locally Humber College along with the Assembly Hall and 10 local interfaith communities will be participating. Take a look at Humber's interactive map at http://www.humber.ca/lakeshorecampus/events/opendoors.html or click here.



## Renewed Innovation: Histories of the

Lakeshore Campus highlights the evolution of the former Lakeshore Psychiatric Hospital to the present day Lakeshore campus of Humber Institute of Technology and Advanced Learning. For over 100 years the grounds have been a place of innovation, development, and growth in both mental health and education.

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Open 10am – 4pm Saturday, May 25<sup>th</sup> & Sunday, May 26<sup>th</sup>

## Spring Bird Festival this Saturday

#### Spring bird festival at Toronto's Colonel Samuel Smith Park on Saturday

City of Toronto staff in partnership with the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, Humber Arboretum, Citizens Concerned about the Future of the Etobicoke Waterfront (CCFEW) and Friends of Sam Smith (FOSS) will join other members of the community to celebrate the fourth annual Spring Bird Festival at Colonel Samuel Smith Park.

Date: Saturday, May 25 Time: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Location: Colonel Samuel Smith Park, 3145 Lake Shore Blvd. W.

The Spring Bird Festival aims to create awareness about the importance of bird habitats. Highlights of the festival include a live reptile and amphibian display, hourly guided bird walks starting at 9 a.m., childrens activities, bird-viewing stations and educational displays. Admission is free. Parking is limited and the festival is accessible by public transit.

Colonel Samuel Smith Park is a well-established bird stopover location for many species of birds along the Etobicoke waterfront.

## **Volunteers Wanted for Toronto International Film Festival**

Tiff is looking for volunteers to be part of the 38<sup>th</sup> annual Toronto International Film Festival running from September 5 to 15, 2013. Selected volunteers will provide assistance and support on a variety of tasks, welcoming thousands of Festival-goers from around the world that come to Toronto to celebrate the best in film. Over 2,200 volunteers helped out during the 2012 festival.

Interested participants can apply online at tiff.net/volunteer. Applicants must be at least 18 years old.

## **Emerald Ash Borer Training Workshop**

Learn how to identify ash trees and the signs of emerald ash borer (EAB), the most effective ways to share information with others, and what planting programs exist to help get new trees planted. Then help LEAF spread the word about this important issue!

Attend an EAB Training Workshop if you are interested in volunteering with us for door-to-door group canvassing efforts in select wards that need extra help, if you want to refresh your knowledge before renewing your EAB Ambassador efforts for 2013, or if you just want to gain knowledge and share what you learn in other ways.

Attend one of these upcoming workshops: West Toronto, Ward 13 - Sunday May 26, 2013, 12:00 PM - 4:30 PM Scarborough, Ward 43 - Saturday June 1, 2013, 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

## **Mimico Linear Park Phase 2 Grand Opening**

Join Waterfront Toronto, Toronto and Region Conservation and Councillor Grimes as we celebrate the official opening of the second and final phase of Mimico Waterfront Park in Etobicoke.

The second phase of the park provides an additional 500 metres of waterfront trail that builds on the existing phase one, which opened to acclaim in 2008.

Mimico Waterfront Park connects people to the lake in an area that historically lacked public access to the waterfront. The new park provides an east/west connection along the Etobicoke waterfront, establishing a strong link between existing and emerging waterfront communities and public spaces.

Event Details

Date: Friday, June 7, 2013

## This Month at the Assembly Hall

### Anne of Green Gables – The Musical: presented by Kids on Broadway

#### May 24 & 25 at 7 pm

Experience the magic of Anne of Green Gables - The Musical - an enduring family classic that will have you laughing, singing and even wiping away a tear. Tickets: \$25 – reserved seating. For more information or to purchase tickets, please call 416-237-9738 or e-mail diane.relyea@sympatico.ca.

#### Six Degrees of Freedom, Art Show Reception: presented by Six Degrees of Freedom

#### May 26, 11 am – 3 pm

This Six Degrees of Freedom exhibition will present a group of artists (Gail Backus, Biljana Baker, Gary Duncan, Doug Mays, Doreen Renner and Bill Schwarz) with very diverse backgrounds from Northern and Southern Ontario. Love of the natural environment, a desire for broadened horizons and joy in the limitless possibilities of creating with paint has brought them together to celebrate the freedom of expression. They have produced exciting and dramatic works including watercolour on paper, and acrylic or oil on stretched canvas, examples of which can be seen at sixdegreesoffreedom.ca

Show runs May 23 – June 20. Gallery hours: Mon - Fri: 12 - 5 pm & Sat: 10 am - 1 pm. For more information, please call 416-338-7255.

#### Doors Open Toronto: presented by City of Toronto

#### May 26, 10 am – 4 pm

The Assembly Hall will be participating in this year's Doors Open Toronto. Come by and be a part of it! Guided Tours: Discover the stories, history and contemporary uses of the Assembly Hall. Meet the Artists Gallery Reception: Come check out a fantastic art show and meet the artists behind the exhibit. Window Stencils: This is loads of fun for all ages and so easy to do. Chalkboard Mural: Participate in making a collaborative indoor mural. For more information, please call 416-338-7255 or e-mail assembly@toronto.ca

#### Easy Listenin': presented by Queensmen Male Chorus

#### May 28 at 7:30 pm

Join us for a feel-good evening of upbeat vocal favourites performed by the Queensmen Male Chorus and their guests, The Kingsway Conservatory of Music's children's choir. Tickets: \$18 in advance or \$20 at the door. Children under 12 are free. For more information or to purchase tickets, please call 416-239-1531 or e-mail thequeensmenmalechorus@gmail.com.

#### <u>Time of Our Lives: presented by The Kingsway Conservatory of Music's GLEE, Musical Theatre & Drama ensemble</u> May 30 at 8 pm

Join us for an original song, dance and drama production that follows the students of the fictional Chester Hill Collegiate as they prepare for their annual semi-formal. Come and see what drama ensues! Admission: \$7.50 per adult, \$5 per student/child. For more information or to purchase tickets, please call 416-234-0121 or visit kingswayconservatory.ca

## Happening Now at Lakeshore Arts

For a full listing of ongoing and upcoming events at Lakeshore arts, please visit their website at http://www.lakeshorearts.ca/

## This Month at Franklin Horner Community Centre

#### Great Lakes BBQ - Saturday May 25.

Held at Great Lakes Brewery (Queen Elizabeth Road, near Costco), this BBQ will be filled with food, drinks, and fun!!

Volunteers Needed! Please sign up in the office.

#### Franklin Horner's Golf Tournament – Monday May 27th

8th Annual Charity Golf Tournament 11:30 am BBQ Lunch, 1:00 pm Shot Gun, 6:30 pm Dinner First prize: set of handcrafted cedar muskoka chairs (each). \$150.00

Alderwood Community Showcase – Saturday June 15<sup>th</sup> 12:00 - 4:00 pm

Featuring free demonstrations, displays, activities, performances and cuisine by members of the Alderwood community.

Lunch and Learn Wednesday June 26th 12:00 – 2:00 pm

Strawberry Social – Thursday June 27<sup>th</sup> 12:00-2:00 pm

Enjoy tea sandwiches and strawberry shortcake. Guests are encouraged to wear pink or red.

## **Local Events**

#### Saturday May 25, 2013

#### **Spring Bird Festival**

**Time:** 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Location: Colonel Samuel Smith Park, 3145 Lake Shore Blvd. W.

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The Spring Bird Festival serves to inform residents and park users about the importance of bird habitat with live birds, reptiles and amphibians, hourly guided bird walks starting at 9 a.m., children's activities, a backyard habitat building workshop, bird-viewing stations and educational displays.

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Admission is free; parking is limited, accessible by public transit

#### Bellapalooza

James S. Bell Jr. Middle Sports & Wellness Academy is hosting its 6th annual Bellapalooza fun fair! Saturday, May 25th from 10am to 2pm. Rain or shine. 90 Thirty-First Street (Lakeshore Blvd. West/Thirty-First Street)

This year it's bigger, with MORE fun and games for the whole family. Come enjoy BBQ, bake sale, carnival games, dunk tank, bouncy castles, yard sale, vendors, silent auction, raffle, car wash, live music and more! Vendor tables are still available (phone 416-394-7680). This year we will kick off with the JSB Tiger 5K Race. Registration for the race begins at 8:30am.

#### Humber Bay Shores 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Community Clean Up

Mark the date on your calendar and join your neighbours and friends for our annual Waterfront Clean-Up! Arrive early to get your limited edition organic cotton t-shirt! Come prepared for rain or shine!

- ~ Clean-up supplies will be provided.
- ~ Wearing boots is always a good idea.
- ~ Children are welcome.
- Schedule

9:00 am Coffee & donuts, compliments of Steve's ESSO.

9:30 am Clean up the waterfront & park between Palace Place & Grand Harbour.

12:00 pm Lunch served at Mimico Cruising Club

Two start locations: Humber Bay Park West (near the Walking Bridge by the ESSO) & Palace Place.

#### May 25 and 26, 2013

#### **Doors Open Toronto**

Come explore the many hidden gems across the City and right here in Etobicoke Lake Shore as Toronto opens its doors to some of its most interesting landmarks and buildings.

#### Sunday May 26, 2013

#### Leashes on the Lake

Starting at 11 a.m. at Mimico square in Amos Waites Park.

Bring your four legged friends out in support of the Etobicoke Humane Society and hosted by the Mimico by the Lake Business Improvement Association. Enjoy free demos, raffles barbeque and more!

#### Thursday, May 30,2013

#### **Bowling for Baskets**

6 p.m to 9 p.m.

Bowlerama - 5429 Dundas St W. Etobicoke

We decided to switch up our Annual Gift Drive fundraiser "Bowling for Basket" and hold it on Thursday, May 30<sup>th</sup>. We are looking for Bowlers, cost \$50 per player and pledge sheets are available. You can also submit a team of 6 players. Lane sponsorship is also available for \$200 per lane which includes a sign with your logo which is hung over one of the lanes and if you have an item to donate to our silent auction table please contact me as well. Thank you again for your continued support and hope to see you on May 30.

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#### May 31st to June 2nd, 2013

#### Sunnyside Beach Juried Art Show

The sixth annual Sunnyside Beach Juried Art Show & Sale returns to the historic Sunnyside Pavilion from May 31 - June 2, 2013. Join us as we bring together over 70 emerging and established painters, sculptors, illustrators, photographers and installation artists. We are currently welcoming applications from all artists: juried art show applicants, as well as performing artists and those with art installation ideas. Application deadline: March 31, 2013 by 11:59 pm. More information online at http://www.artinitiatives.ca/sunnyside/home.html

#### Saturday, June 1, 2013

#### Skate the Shore

Registration at 8 a.m. (\$5 fee) Start at 9 a.m. Pancake Breakfast at 11 a.m. free for registrants. Hosted by the Mimico by the Lake BIA Dust off your rollerblades and skate the shore from Amos Waites Park to Sir Casimir Gzowski Park just west of Sunnyside. Casual skate - Family event - Demo-racing slalom, and freestyle - Environmntally friendly sport - Low carbon foot print -Free giveaways – Prizes - First aid onsite - Vendors

#### Mimico Children's Choir – 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring concert

Mimico Childrens Choir presents our 6th Annual Spring Concert Songs Bright and Beautiful featuring a variety of folk, classical, sacred and popular songs plus favourites from Oliver! Saturday, June 1st, 2013 11:00am Mimico Baptist Church, 80 Hillside Ave. Mary Bella and Jennifer Robinson, directors Free will offering. Join us for refreshments following the concert in the Church Hall. More info: mimicochildrenschoir@gmail.com | MimicoChildrensChoir.com

#### 2013 Humber Bay Shores Farmers Market

Drop by Humber Bay Park West every Saturday morning starting June 1<sup>st</sup>. The farmers market will run weekly though out the summer.

#### Lakeshore Lions Club Yard Sale

The Lakeshore Lions Club are holding a YARD SALE on June 1, 2013 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. across from the MasterCard Centre on Kipling Avenue (above Lakeshore Blvd. W.)

Our goal is to sell used items to raise money for our ongoing volunteer and charity work in the Etobicoke Lakeshore. Everyone is welcome and please "Help us help others." Buy generously!

#### David Hornell School Fun Fair

10 – 1 p.m. at David Hornell School, 32 Victoria St. Come out for arts, crafts, food and fun including bouncy castles, face painting and a play by the Sirius Theatrical Company

#### **Beginner Tai Chi**

RENOVATE YOUR MIND AND BODY. Learn the health benefits of Taoist Tai Chi at its Etobicoke Location, 35 Chauncey Ave., west off Islington and south of Bloor. Beginner class and open house will be held on Sat. June 1<sup>st</sup> from 10 am to noon. 416-236-0720 www.taoist.org

#### Horner Seniors Centre Annual Garage Sale and Barbeque

Sat June 1 2013 9-1pm annual Garage Sale and BBQ. Come find a treasure or just stay for lunch. 320 Horner Ave. Horner Ave. Senior Centre.

Penny call for info (416)394-6001

#### New Toronto Lawn Bowling Club – Garage Sale and Bake Sale

When - Saturday, June 1st - 8:00 a.m. Where: New Toronto Lawn Bowling Club - 153 Lakeshore Drive (foot of 9th St.)

#### Saturday June 8, 2013

#### Royal York United Church Garage Sale

GIGANTIC GARAGE SALE – Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup> from 8 am to noon at Royal York Road United Church, 851 Royal York Road, about 3 blocks south of Bloor.

Bring the family to find bargains galore – perennial plants, household items, china, linens, books, toys, stuffed animals, games, collectables, small appliances, sporting goods, tools, craft supplies, seasonal decorations and much more.

#### Saturday, June 15, 2013

#### The Big Bands Are Back: The Kings Of The Clarinet

Old Mill Toronto Showtime: 8pm, doors open at 6pm Tickets: \$20, full menu available The award-winning Toronto All-Star Big Band will get you in the mood for this swinging big band show! Featuring the many classics of clarinetists Artie Shaw and Benny Goodman. Join us for dinner and a great evening of entertainment.

#### Tuesday, June 18, 2013

#### Party In the Park 2013

Save the date! The annual Mimico Celebration, Party in the Park, has been set for the evening of June 18<sup>th</sup> in the John English School Yard. Stay tuned for more updates as the date approaches.

## **Toronto Road Closures**

For a full list of upcoming road closures and restrictions please visit the City website at: http://www.toronto.ca/torontostreets/

## **Toronto Public Health DineSafe**

See the latest inspection results of any City of Toronto dinning establishment online at http://www.toronto.ca/health/dinesafe/

## **Public Consultations**

For a full list of consultations please visit http://www.toronto.ca/civic-engagement/consultations.htm



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DSLR Basics with Rick Koroll Monochromatics with Kenneth Day Sat. 10am-1pm May 4, 11, 25

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# Help Spruce Up Your Community HBSCA WATERFRONT CLEAN-Up Saturday, May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2013

Mark the date on your calendar and join your neighbours and friends for our annual Waterfront Clean-Up!



#### ARRIVE EARLY TO GET YOUR LIMITED EDITION ORGANIC COTTON T-SHIRT!

- ~ Come prepared for rain or shine!
- ~ Clean-up supplies will be provided.
- ~ Wearing boots is always a good idea.
- ~ Children are welcome.

#### SCHEDULE

9:00 am Coffee & donuts, compliments of Steve's ESSO.
9:30 am Clean up the waterfront & park between Palace Place & Grand Harbour.
12:00 pm Lunch served at Mimico Cruising Club.

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Two start locations: HUMBER BAY PARK WEST (near the Walking Bridge by the ESSO) & PALACE PLACE.

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June 01

Mimico's 1<sup>st</sup> Annual InLine Skating Event

Registration 8am

> Fee \$5

Event Start 9am

> Pancake breakfast 11 am\*



# Skate from Amos Waites to Sir Casimir Gzowski Park just west of Sunnyside

## 8am – 2pm rain or shine

Casual skate, Family event Demo-racing, slalom, and freestyle Environmntally friendly sport Low carbon foot print Free giveaways Prizes First aid onsite Vendors



Please note: Helmets are mandatory. Wrist protection is recommended. \* Breakfast free for registrant.

