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August 2020 Update

The AVCA Executive hope that you and your family continue to be healthy and safe. As we work to keep ourselves and those around us healthy the following reminders are critical:

Maintain physical distancing.

Wear a face covering when physical distancing is a challenge.

Wash hands frequently.

We Celebrated Canada Day!

We came together as a community, and shared our thoughts and our wishes about our wonderful country. Thank you to the many participants who helped to cover our Red Maple Leaf with heartfelt messages. Together we created an amazing Agincourt focus for everyone! AVCA appreciates our member Raja Mahendran's offer to store our Big Red Maple Leaf for the winter to accommodate a repeat of our Canada Celebration in 2021.



AVCA Annual General Meeting 2020

October is usually the month for our Annual General Meeting. Due to COVID-19 the AVCA Executive has decided to postpone this meeting until it is comfortable and safe for participants to attend. Although this is our year for Elections, the Executive have agreed to remain in office until the next AGM. Should anyone have concerns please email avcatoronto@gmail.com.

Membership Has Advantages - 2020 AVCA Membership

As previously decided AVCA requests \$20 per household per year. These monies pay for meeting room rentals, printing of flyers, business cards, signage, website host, and various expenses. As AVCA is non-profit, should there be excess monies donations would be made to charitable organizations or spent on public spaces within our community. Cash or cheque payable to *Agincourt Village Community Association* can also be dropped off to President Rhoda Potter, 38 Agincourt Drive, Scarborough M1S 1M3. You will receive a membership card.

Winners of a \$50 Gift Certificates Donated by Sheppard East Village BIA

Look at those happy faces! Anna and Laura will spend their winnings in a shop or service on Sheppard Avenue between Midland Avenue to Markham Road. Thank you to the businesses of Sheppard East Village BIA for supporting AVCA. More \$50 Gift Certificates will be awarded to AVCA members throughout the Fall 2020. Let's continue to shop these local businesses as they again open their doors!



Community Concerns Re:Metrolinx Train Noise & Noise Walls

Many residents have expressed concerns regarding the noise of diesel engines, bells and brakes along the Stouffville Corridor in Agincourt especially with the Metrolinx plan for diesel trains to run every seven minutes along the double track. As a result, AVCA Executive asked Metrolinx to test the mitigation factor of the noise walls which have been installed. AVCA has not yet received the data from the testing. Subsequently AVCA has met with Associate Minister of Transportation Kinga Surma and MPP Aris Babikian on Thursday, August 27, 2020. AVCA will forward the noise mitigation results as we receive them. Please continue to use your earplugs!

Information About Stouffville Corridor Grade Separations

AVCA encourages you to be informed about Metrolinx planning as it affects our community by signing up at Metrolinx Engage. <https://www.metrolinxengage.com/en/goexpansion/oncorridor>

Celebrate Scarborough

In 2019, a Google search of the word “Scarborough” featured an image of a partially demolished house. The photo was later removed, but this incident is symbolic of a much larger problem: despite all of Scarborough’s amazing qualities, the media routinely depicts the city as an unfavourable and dangerous place to live. It’s time to change Scarborough’s narrative.

Scarborough Arts, in partnership with the City of Toronto, are excited to announce **Scarborough’s New View** photo contest. The contest will run from **August 17th to September 30th**. The lucky winning photos must be able to capture the beauty within one of our three contest categories: People, Places, or Things. Photographers of all ages, backgrounds, and experience levels are welcomed to submit their original work!

Contestants can reside anywhere in the Greater Toronto Area, but entries must depict the Scarborough Region. To enter, post your photo on social media with the hashtag **#scarboroughphoto**. Make sure

you're also following Scarborough Arts on [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#). Each category will have a winner, and stay tuned for weekly highlights!

Where in Toronto is This Agincourt Street?

AVCA challenges you to name the street! Send your answer to our new AVCA Instagram Account!



Follow AVCA on Instagram - [avcatoronto](#)

Humour to Lighten Our Hearts

Let's continue to maintain our laughter!

Just picked up my social distance support animal.



AVCA Executive and AVCA Website

The AVCA Executive is working on behalf of our community as various changes, issues and impacts arise. Please check out our website at www.avcatoronto.ca. Please contact the Executive at avcatoronto@gmail.com.