

Upcoming events

Rent due – Jan 02, 2024

Board meeting – Jan 22nd

OFFICE CLOSURE

*The office will be closed from Dec 25, 2023, to Jan 01, 2024. It will reopen on Jan 02, 2024, at 9:00 am. Please contact On-Call at **289-681-7381** for all maintenance emergencies.*

CONTACT INFO

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Maintenance: 905-208-0945

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bgcoop2@cogeco.net - Olivia

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Emergency: 911

Police non-emergency:

905-825-4777

Remember to report all illegal activities you witness to the police.

Board of Directors

Stephanie Pereira – President

Carol Fallon – V. President

Mona Farahani – Treasurer

Lisa Cook – Secretary

Kim Kaye Watson - Director

John Vandervinne - Director

The Year 2023 in Review....

Hear we are again, at the end of 2023 and getting ready to enter another blessed year. With all the construction, inconvenience, service interruptions and noise, we made it through the year safely. A big thank you goes to the Board and membership for your patience and co-operation in making Birch Glen one of the best Housing Co-ops in Ontario.

As we look back, we are grateful to the Region for their financial support in the installation of two new boilers, new makeup air system and new booster pump. In addition, we are thankful to the Oakville Humane Society for sponsoring a pet food bank for our beloved pets.

We welcomed two new members and two new babies.

As we strive to improve the standard of living, wellbeing, and effort to sustain and maintain the property, we appreciate your cooperation and patience as we look forward to an amazing year and the following upcoming projects:

- **New elevators**
- **New website**
- **Accessible ramp for easy access to the triangle area and speed bumps at the front entrance to slow down vehicles.**

It is important that we all do our part to sustain and preserve our property by adhering to the Co-op By-laws and caring for each other.

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To the Board

We are grateful to the Board for their time and commitments in governing the affairs of the co-op. The different skills they bring to the table keeps us on our toes, and we look forward to working with them in the year ahead.

To the Social Committee

A big thank you to the social committee for keeping the Co-op alive with events and programs for all to enjoy. From bingo to movie nights to tea parties and community events, we say bravo and thank you for your time and dedication.

To our external support

A big thank you to the following organizations for making positive contributions and impact in our community. We are grateful for their support.

- **Halton Region**
- **The YMCA of Oakville**
- **Frontline Outreach**
- **Food 4 Life**
- **COBS at Eight Line**
- **Starbucks, Erin Mills**
- **Oakville Fire Department**
- **Glen Oaks Co-op**
- **Oakville Parent Child Centre (OPCC)**

By Laws

If you need to refresh your mind on your responsibilities as a member of Birch Glen and the responsibilities of the coop, please contact the office for a copy of the By-laws.

New Meeting Room rental rates for:

Members

Room: \$75 - Deposit: \$250
Picnic: \$60 – Deposit: \$150
Both: \$120 – Deposit: 350

Non-members

Room: \$250 - Deposit: 400
Picnic: \$150 – Deposit: 300
Both: \$400 – Deposit: \$500

Courier: Please note that the office is not responsible for delivered packages. It is important to track your packages when it is ordered for the day and time of delivery. Contact the office if have any questions.

BIRTHDAY WISHES

A special Birthday wish to members born in December. Have a blast!!!

The greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassion of its members."

A HO, HO, HO, THANK YOU MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

It is that time of the year when jingle bells ring and there is jolly in the air. The Board of Directors would like to take this opportunity to thank the membership for an amazing year. It has been a stressful year with loss of hot water, constructions project, elevator issues, and uncontrolled noises but with the cooperation of everyone, we made it through the year. As the year ends and we look forward to another, we would like to thank all the membership for their continued support, patience, and cooperation for upcoming projects. ***Kudos to all!***



Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays, and a Happy, Healthy, and Peaceful New Year!!!

Have a safe holiday season!

Reminders and Areas of concern

No Smoking: Please **DO NOT SMOKE** at the front entrance of the building. It is a **“NO SMOKING”** zone as per the Co-op policy and City By-laws.

Chute room: Please do not leave garbage bags in the chute rooms. Large bags must be dropped off in the outside bins.

Shopping Carts: You are reminded not to leave shopping carts in the hallways. It is a fire hazard.

Underground Parking: Please do not leave personal items in the underground parking spots. It’s a fire hazard and it puts everyone’s life in danger.

Dog owners: Please **DO NOT** walk your dogs in the back of the building. Use the assigned dog park and remember to pick up after your dogs because the park is used by other members.

Exit Door: Please note that the center stairwell exit door to the back of the building is **ONLY** for emergency use. Please refrain from using it.

Maintenance: Please report all maintenance issues to the office as soon as possible to avoid extensive damage. Remember that any damage caused in the unit that is not from wear and tear, is chargeable to the member(s).

After Hours noise: Please consider your neighbors and reduce noise after 11pm especially on the first floor.



Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Registration Form

It is that time of year when members of the co-op holds an Annual General Meeting to receive the audited financial statements, elect new board members and discuss other arising business of the co-op

This year, due to Covid-19 restrictions, our AGM will be held virtually. To determine the number of members that will be attending, please fill out the form below to register for the AGM and for a **chance to win one of six (6) \$25.00 gift cards of your choice.**

Unit #: _____

Name: _____

Name: _____

Name: _____

Will you be attending the 2020 Annual General Meeting on November 23rd at 7:00 PM?

Yes ____ No ____

Do you have access to a Computer, smart phone, or tablet? Yes ____ No ____

Do you have access to a telephone? Yes ____ No ____

Please provide your email address _____

Kindly submit your completed registration form to the office by **3:00 pm on October 16, 2020.** This will help us to better accommodate all the members who will be participating. Please contact the office at 905-338-1050 should you have any questions or concerns.

As always, thank you for your cooperation.

Looking forward to seeing you there!

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Elevator Issues: Please be mindful of the ongoing elevator issues. Notify staff immediately if you experience any issues with the elevators.

If you need any assistance, please contact the office.

October 9, 2020