

Danforth East Update

Danforth East Community Association

Welcome

Welcome to the Danforth East Community Association. On April 12th, 130 people in this neighbourhood came out to launch a residents' association. It was an incredible turnout and proof of a bubbling desire to make this neighbourhood more vibrant, secure and beautiful.

A few months ago a group of neighbours got together to start an association that would focus on a few major issues: **safety, business development along the Danforth, greening and community building**

through parties and events. People at the launch meeting literally applauded this initiative and many were keen to get involved and move forward quickly.

A group that was forming around East Lynn Park decided to join forces.

Residents' and community associations in Toronto have had a huge impact in their communities, from getting trees planted and politicians elected to closing down rowdy bars and building recreation centres. A strong association is an important stakeholder in the community. It gives people

a voice in development proposals, liquor license renewals or city planning.

And this is already a great community with lots of things going on. We are a group that wants to build on that strong community spirit with parties and picnics and also spread the word about good events that are already happening.



The Nuts and Bolts

In order to have legitimacy, a community association needs an elected board, boundaries and membership guidelines. These are all things that the organizing committee is working on now in preparation for an election in the fall of board members.

Right now, community members can sign up as a voting member (\$10) or a non-voting member (free).

The current boundaries are east to Main, west to Coxwell, north to Mortimer/Lumsden and

south to the train tracks.

The organizing committee has met again and is beginning to organize sub-committees around crime and safety, trees and greening, Danforth development and governance including signing up members, drafting a charter and best practices.

If you indicated an interest in a particular issue at the meeting, expect a call or e-mail in the next few months.

If you would like to become a member or are interested in a particular issue, contact us at danforthwoodbinera@gmail.com

We're working on a website so stay tuned!

What's Coming Up This Spring

Saturday, June 2nd 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

[Janet Davis](#) Environment Day – East York Arena. Take all your toxins and trade them in for green stuff.

Tuesday, June 5th 7 p.m.

Come on out to the **official opening** of the new and wildly improved East Lynn Park (1949 Danforth, on the south side between East and West Lynn Avenues). Help celebrate the 10-year effort it took to renovate this park and make it a fabulous spot in our neighbourhood. *(This is also a great opportunity to register as a member of the Danforth East Community Association!)*

Saturday, June 9th 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Sandra Bussin Environment Day – Woodbine Beach Park (at Coxwell). If you missed Janet's the week before, it's not too late.

Saturday, June 9th 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Beck Avenue Street Sale – they're promising pink flamingos and much much more.

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Cedarvale/Keystone street sale – a bevy of bountiful bargains.

Tuesday June 19th

Neighbours Night Out, sponsored by Crime Stoppers and the good people down in the East and West Lynns. Where? East Lynn Park. Check www.eastlynnpark.com for more details.



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See you in the neighbourhood,
Natasha Granatstein