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CELEBRATING 20 YEARS OF LNA!

2019 marks 20th anniversary of Laurelwood Neighbourhood Association! To commemorate, we compiled some of the highlights:



2003 was the year of Laurelwood extension. Above is the ribbon cutting ceremony.





2004- When the Grand River Conservation Authority lost funding, they planned to sell some "surplus" lands to builders. However, the city of Waterloo had stepped in, led by then mayor Lynne Woolstencroft. She arranged to get the Nature Centre water and sewer services which ultimately saved the sale of many acres of nature lands. Pictures above is the news conference of this event and the community that helped save the nature lands.

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2004 was also the grand opening of the fire station.

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THE CANADIAN CANCER SOCIETY PRESENTS THE WALKING SCHOOL BUS



Walking school bus routes are popping up across the region. Does your school have one?

A walking school bus works like a regular bus except it is done on foot. Volunteer walk leaders walk along a specific route picking up children along the way and getting them to school in a social, safe, healthy and environmentally friendly way. It can help with traffic congestion at school sites by keeping cars away from the school.

Volunteers can be parents, grand parents or neighbours. It is a great way to build community.

Interested? We can help by providing, resources, support and training. For more information go to Walkingschoolbus.cancer.ca or contact Colleen Cooper at cooper@ontario.cancer.ca or 226 339-2021 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sxd-msEeGtl&feature=youtu.be



SHORT STORY SUBMISSION: JACK'S DIARY

By: Logan Gowing (Gr. 3)

Once there was a boy named Jack and he loved hockey. This is Jack's diary.

Day#1

Today I played in the championship game for a hockey tournament in Brantford, Ontario. The game was tied 3-3, so it went into overtime. It was my turn to go on the ice. I won the face off and passed the puck to my defence. I went to an open spot on the ice and a teammate passed the puck to me. And guess what? I skated to the net and scored!!! My team won tickets to an NHL game in Buffalo! I'm so excited because I get to see my favourite team, the Edmonton Oilers. They are playing Buffalo that night. I really hope I can get close to my hero, Connor McDavid.

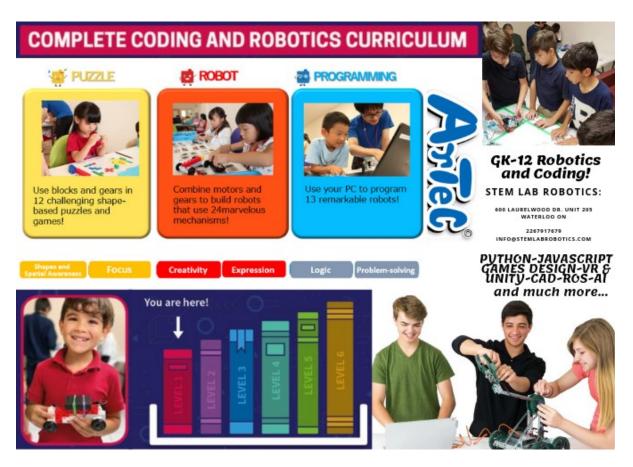
Day#2

I went to see the NHL game today. It was a long car ride to the arena, but I finally made it to Buffalo. The game was tied 3-3 in over time (just like my game). Then the most awesome thing happened. Connor McDavid scored! The Oilers won 4-3! After the game, I went to a Subway. CONNOR MCDAVID was there! I had so many questions for him, and he was really nice. I got a picture taken with him.

Day#3

Yesterday was the best day of my life. I hope I can grow up to be just as talented and nice as my hero, Connor McDavid.

THE END!



WHAT'S HAPPENING TO THE DEVELOPMENT ON COLUMBIA STREET?



The property owner of 460 Columbia Street has been issued an Engineering Permit only (as of the writing of this article) which only allows for earth works and not to build.

The Laurelwood Neighbourhood Association has been trying to get a final rendered drawing but one has not been released yet.

If you have any questions or comments on the matter, please contact the City of Waterloo Development Services or your ward councillor.

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Starting the last Friday of each September, Culture Days is an opportunity to build connection, awareness and pride in the vibrant nature of arts and culture across Canada.

This is a free drop-in art activity led by local artists Salomé Perez and Nancy Peng, sponsored by the Water-loo Public Library and Laurelwood Neighbourhood Association.

Saturday, September 28th 1-3:30pm. in the Community Room John M. Harper Branch, Waterloo Public Library

Come and join us as we bring your garden indoors. Participants will be guided in creating paper flowers while learning about pattern and form.

For the younger participants, we will have paper plates to work with. Participants can use coloured tissue to decorate their flower.

For the artist in you, recreate your favourite flower by observing petal and leaf shapes. You will be guided in cutting paper patterns and assembling your floral creation. All materials are provided.

Parents can stay and play with their children. Suitable for adults and youth too. For more information about this national weekend of arts celebration, visit on.culturedays.ca.





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HOME ENHANCEMENT CHECKLIST

Maintaining your home and protecting your investment is of outmost importance. Use this checklist as a guide for simple maintenance tasks. If repairs are needed and are beyond your skillset, contact a professional.

September and October:

- Check and clean your fireplace and chimney if needed
- Clean your oven range hood filter
- Clean leaves from your eavestroughs
- Check your roof for signs of wear or damage
- Close the outside hose connection
- $\mbox{\tt Prepare}$ your outdoor plants and trees for winter



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SHORT STORIES SUBMISSION

Do you like to write short stories? Are you in grades 3 to 9? Then this is a great opportunity to share your creative stories with the Laurelwood community. The maximum of words is 250 per story, and three short stories per person.

We would like to read your inspiring stories and publish them in our Laurelwood Neighbourhood association newsletter.

We expect parents to approve the submission.

For any questions, please email Salomé at salomeperezo@yahoo.ca.



2004 turned out to be a fruitful year as it was the opening of SJAM.



2007- Inspired by the documentary An Inconvenient Truth, Laurelwood Community Environmental Fair was held to bring awareness and education about our environment and how we can protect it. It was a collaboration between the Laurelwood Neighbour Association, Laurelwood Public School, and other community groups. Over 400 people attended the fair and the event was covered by CTV.

LAURELWOOD NESWSLETTERS OVER THE YEARS



One of the first issues of the newsletter, initially created by a third-party publisher (1998).



2003, trying out the minimalist approach.



2006, quite close to the current newsletters.

FRONT YARD PARKING INFORMATION

Did you know ...

For residential properties, parking on any portion of a Front Yard or Flankage Yard other than on a lawfully constructed driveway is prohibited and comes with a \$75 fine.

What is the Front Yard?	Where can I park in the front of my house?
The area extending across the full width of your lot, from the property line abutting the street to the nearest main wall of the residential building (e.g. house).	You can only park in a driveway which is constructed in compliance with municipal by-laws, including the Zoning By-law. The driveway must lead directly to a legal parking space which is located behind the building line. Regardless of the
On a corner lot, the Flankage Yard is the front yard on the intersecting street.	design or material of the driveway, it is prohibited to park in front of any habitable portion of the house – for most homes, the "habitable portion" is
Please refer to the applicable by-laws for legal definitions.	the area on the first floor that does not include the garage.

Residential parking facts and options:

- Parking in your front yard (including on an illegally widened driveway), on your walkway, on your lawn, or on any surface (dirt, gravel, wood chips, stone, etc.) in front of any habitable portion of the house is not permitted
- For homes with single car garages, vehicles can be parked in the garage and the other in the driveway, and switch around when necessary
- Extending the width of your driveway in front of any habitable portion of the house is not permitted
- Please contact the City of Waterloo before you widen your driveway to make sure the widening is in compliance with municipal by-laws and requirements call 519-747-8752 (Planning Approvals Division)
- The maximum width of a driveway is 7.0 metres (22.96 feet), but in certain instances the maximum width may be less or subject to coverage regulations Please contact the City before widening your driveway
- If you have overnight guests and are unable to accommodate their vehicles in your driveway, you can register vehicles for overnight parking and park legally on the street. To register please visit www.waterloo.ca/parking

The City of Waterloo's enforcement team is committed to serving, protecting and providing a desired quality of life for residents and visitors to the city. Our zoning by-law supports these efforts by regulating various aspects of parking on residential properties. **Failure to comply with our parking by-laws may result in a ticket.**

For more information about our parking regulations, please visit <u>www.waterloo.ca/parking</u>, call 519-747-8785 or email us at <u>municipalenforcement@waterloo.ca</u>.

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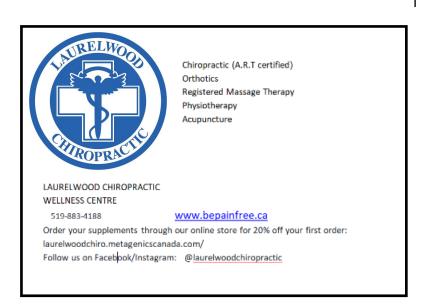


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LWNA CALENDAR

Sept 28: Culture Days at WPL

John Harper branch

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