

# RTCC PRIDE!



RTCC is participating in the "Toronto Neighbourhood Centres" (TNC) contingent in the Pride Parade on Sunday, June 25. All Staff, Board, and volunteers are invited to join us. To sign up, and for more information on where and when we are assembling, go to [TNCatPride.Eventbrite.ca](http://TNCatPride.Eventbrite.ca), or check in with RTCC ED John Campey at 416 92-6810 x 227 or [johnc@ralphthornton.org](mailto:johnc@ralphthornton.org).



June 16, 2017

## New Board, New Vision: The RTCC AGM.

Over 100 people attended the Ralph Thornton Community Centre Annual General Meeting on Wednesday, June 14. In addition to the standard 'business items' of the meeting - adoption of the Financial Statements, reports from the Treasurer, President, and Executive Director, the AGM included three important items -- the election of seven new members of the RTCC Board of Management, and presentation of the Centre's new Strategic Plan.

The new Board members are: Ryan Acayan, Liz Doyle, Caleb Edwards, Glenn Ewald, Yang Han, Alan Lennon, and Julia Peters.

You can read more about the new - and returning - Board members at <http://www.ralphthornton.org/about/our-board/board-profiles/>, or pick up a paper copy of this document from RTCC Reception. (continued on page 2...)



RTCC Board members old and new -- (Rear Left) Liz Doyle, Caleb Edwards, Glenn Ewald, Graham Chernoff, Jeff Garkowski, Yang Han. (Front Left) Ryan Acayan, Michele Harding, Sharon Ho, Janet Routliffe, Mae Hum, Alan Lennon. (Extreme front) Copper Campey Guzman

# Update

[www.RalphThornton.org](http://www.RalphThornton.org)



**Ralph Thornton Community Centre Hours**  
Monday to Sunday  
9:00 am to 9:00 pm

**Office and Exchange Loft Hours**  
Monday to Wednesday 9:30 am - 4:30 pm  
Thursday to Sunday 9:30 am - 8:30 pm

Phone 416-392-6810 Fax 416-392-0025  
[info@ralphthornton.org](mailto:info@ralphthornton.org)

Our spaces can be rented for your meetings, special events, activities or workshops

**Please note that the Ralph Thornton Community Centre will be CLOSED on Saturday July 1 and Monday, July 3, for Canada Day.**

**Queen Sault Library**  
416-393-7723

**Hours:**  
Monday Closed  
Tuesday: 12:30 - 8:30  
Wednesday: 10:00 - 6:00  
Thursday: 12:30 - 8:30  
Friday: 10:00 - 6:00  
Saturday: 9:00 - 5:00  
Sunday: Closed

**South Riverdale Child-Parent Centre**  
416-469-3776

**Hours**  
Monday: 9:00 - 1:30  
Tuesday: 1:00 - 5:30  
Wednesday: Workshops (pre-registration required)  
Thursday: 9:00 - 1:30  
Friday: 9:00 - 1:30

SRPCPC will be CLOSED from Wednesday July 12 to Tuesday August 8. Tuesday July 11 is the last day of programming, and Wednesday August 9 is the day programming resumes.



## RTCC Annual General Meeting

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The meeting also acknowledged the contribution of departing Board members Samantha Morrison (President), Mae Hum (Vice President), Marie DeLuca, Robin Edger, and Jordana Wright, The AGM also honoured the recipients of the "2017 RTCC Community Volunteer Awards."

Hongmei Cai received the RTCC Governance Award, Anjuli Solanki received the RTCC Partnership Award, and Lynne Patterson received the RTCC Community Betterment Award. We were delighted that all three recipients joined us to receive this acknowledgement of their contributions to RTCC and our community.

The concluding portion of the AGM was a presentation of the Centre's new strategic plan - outlining RTCC's direction for the next five years. Presented by Michele Harding, Chair of the Organizational Planning and Evaluation Committee who led the process, the plan includes a revised vision and mission statement:

### Our Vision:

Leading and supporting a vibrant, diverse, inclusive, liveable, participatory, and healthy Riverdale.

### Our Mission:

Serving all residents of our catchment area, the RTC shall be where community members gather and work together to celebrate our diversity, foster inclusivity and community well-being, and promote social justice.

We will work collaboratively with partners, stakeholders and community members to strengthen our neighbourhoods, support resident engagement, and nurture a collective sense of belonging. We will assist individuals and groups to build their capacity to participate in the community's social, political, economic, and cultural life.

The plan outlines how the Centre will pursue these goals, identifying a number of potential opportunities to be pursued, building on the existing capacity and strengths of the Centre.

Copies of the Annual Report, the Strategic Plan, and the summary presentation of the Strategic Plan are also available on the RTCC website at <http://www.ralphthornton.org>, or in hard copy from RTCC Reception.

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## Upcoming Events

June 17—Leslieville Tree Festival

June 24/25 - Pride Weekend

July 1 - Canada Day (RTCC Closed)

July 3—RTCC Closed (Canada Day)

July 4 - First Day of RAC Camp and Mentor Program Summer Camp

July 22—Repair Café

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## Pride at RTCC

As RTCC moves to provide more inclusive programming, such as the LGBTQ "stream" at our summer RAC Camp, we are also pleased to invite you to join the RTCC contingent in the Toronto Neighbourhood Centres Pride Parade participation - everyone is welcome to join us in the Parade! To sign up, go to <http://TNCatPride.Eventbrite.ca>.

## Canada Day - RTCC at Riverdale Park!

Please note that RTCC will be closed on Saturday, July 1, and on Monday July 3 for the Canada Day holiday. Drop by the RTCC table at the Canada 150 celebrations on the afternoon of July 1 at Riverdale Park (just north of Bridgepoint Health!

## Something "Fishy" returns to RTCC!

"Tackleshare" is back at RTCC - you can borrow fishing equipment from Reception at the Centre!

## News from our Children's Programs

Last PA Day Camp for this year - June 30!

Activities include day trips, park picnic, sports activities, arts, and cooking.

- Children aged 5 years old (as of September 2017) – 12 years old
- Children receive lunch and 2 healthy snacks
- Off site locations for fun activities (weather permitting)
- Program runs between 8:30 am – 6:00 pm (late fees will apply)

Space is limited and a wait list will be in effect

Fee: \$50.00 dollars per child/per day

Registration Deadline is 5 pm on Wednesday June 28. For more information, go to <http://www.ralphthornton.org/programs/pa-day-march-break-camps/>

# Riverside's 2017 Mural Community Info session



Mural location 650 Queen Street East

**Wednesday, June 21**

**6-7pm**

**RTCC – 765 Queen Street East – 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor**

Let us know you're coming: [www.riverside2017mural.eventbrite.ca](http://www.riverside2017mural.eventbrite.ca)

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