











November 20 2017



"Team RTCC" brings in "Gold" at Toronto Waterfront Marathon

Congratulations to "Team RTCC" who raised \$3,370 for RTCC programs at the Scotiabank Toronto Waterfront Marathon – an increase of more than 50% over our 2016 total. Our thanks to our team members Joshua Acayan, Ryan Acayan, Yvonne Bedford, John Campey, Craig Fraser, Yang Han, Janet Routliffe, Chris Shantz – and our "Coach" Copper Campey Guzman – and to all of their generous sponsors.

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Ralph Thornton Community Centre Hours Monday to Sunday 9:00 AM - 9:00 PM

This year, RTCC will be closed from 9:00 PM on Sunday, December 24, to 9:00AM on Tuesday, January 2.

The Queen/Saulter Library will maintain regular hours during that time (December 27-31), but will not have public washroom access.

Office and Exchange Loft Hours

Monday to Wednesday 9:30 AM - 4:30 PM Thursday to Sunday 9:30 AM - 8:30 PM

416-392-6810 info@ralphthornton.org

Queen/Saulter Library Hours

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

416-393-7723

South Riverdale Child-Parent Centre Hours

Monday: 9:00 AM -1:30 PM Tuesday: 1:00 PM -5:30 PM Wednesday: Workshops (by prior sign up) Thursday: 9:00 AM -1:30 PM Friday: 9:00 AM -1:30 PM Saturday: 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM Sunday: Closed

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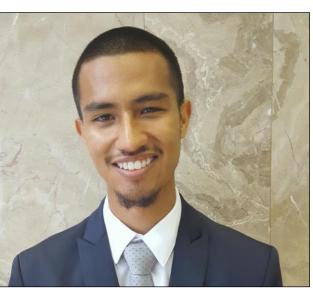
RTCC Hosts "Antler Breakfast" - Friday December 15

Join us on Friday, December 15th in the RTCC Auditorium for the 6th Annual Riverside Antler Breakfast. Join your neighbours at the crack of dawn (7:30-10:30 AM) for some hearty eats, great company and of course, your antlers – all in support of a good cause in your local community! This event is organized and supported by the Riverside BIA, Toronto Food Tours, the Ralph Thornton Community Centre, and the Rivertowne Safety 1st group. Our goal is to raise \$10,000 to sustain the Rivertowne Breakfast Program for 2018.

A big thanks to our Santa-level supporter, Jason Friesen Mortgage! We're still looking for "Reindeer" and "Elf" sponsors - if you would like to support this program, please contact either John Campey (iohnc@ralphthornton.org) or Jennifer Lay (marketing@riverside-to.com).

Tickets are \$20 each (\$10 for kids under 12). Get your tickets from the Riverside BIA office (office@riverside-to.com) or at the Ralph Thornton Community Centre, 765 Queen E, 3rd Floor Reception (or just get them at the door!). As well as great food, there will be a 50/50 draw, prizes, and - of course - antlers! Proceeds support The Rivertowne Breakfast Program,





Welcome Esteban!

RTCC is pleased to welcome placement student Esteban Frugoni, who is working with us as a Communications Assistant.

Esteban is in his final year as an undergraduate Communication Studies student at York University, and will be working with RTCC in completing his student placement.

He comes from a Hispanic background, although born and raised in Toronto. He enjoys visiting and getting to know all of the different communities around the city, and taking photos within the various environments. Another way that he has also become familiarized with different communities and community members is through playing basketball in different areas of the city. Outside of his studies at the university, Esteban works as a server at the Mill Street Brew Pub in Toronto's historic Distillery District.

His professional goals include entering the communications field, and implementing his knowledge and skills in communications, marketing, and networking. Obtaining a position in public representation and media relation is among his future goals.

Things looking up for a new elevator at RTCC!

We are all very excited that the date of installation for our new elevator is fast approaching!

The overall schedule for this work is:

- Installation of new cooling units for the elevator mechanical room in November 2017;
- A lockup for garbage bins will be built in the rear parking lot in November 2017. This space will be converted into stroller parking after construction has ended;
- A temporary ramp constructed to provide accessibility to the library, and the wood doors to the library will be temporarily replaced with accessible doors in December 2017;
- The Saulter Street door, which is deteriorating, will be permanently replaced with a new metal door in December 2017;
- The current elevator will be decommissioned and removed starting at the beginning of January 2018;
- Installation of the new elevator will take place in February 2018, and;

The new elevator should be up and running around the first week of March 2018.

While the elevator will remain fully operational through to the end of 2017, the elevator will be entirely out of service from the beginning of January to the beginning of March 2018.

Once the elevator has been decommissioned, access to the third floor, second floor, and the mezzanine will only be possible using the stairs. During the work, there may be times where the front lobby is closed and the Saulter Street exit and rear stairs will be the primary entrance to the building. We will post appropriate signage redirecting users to the Saulter Street door during those times.

In addition, the basement program area will be closed and used by the construction crew as a storage/ staging area for the elevator work. The Ralph Thornton Community Centre's Sunday Escape program will be suspended following the 17 December session, and other programs that usually take place in the basement will be relocated to other parts of the Centre.

We anticipate that the bulk of the work will take place from Monday to Friday, from 7 am to 3:30 pm, with much of the loud work being contained before the building opening and on Mondays and Tuesday mornings. There may be rare instances when work extends beyond 3:30 pm or noisy activities happen outside of the hours noted. We ask for your patience and understanding.

Currently, and throughout the construction, we are meeting with the contractors every two weeks, which will provide an opportunity to both receive updates on activities as well as communicate any problems or issues we, or our users, are having. The Ralph Thornton Community Centre will be posting regular updates on our website.

Please visit https://www.ralphthornton.org/use-our-space/elevatormodernization-update for details.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the Centre at 416-392-6810 or send us an e-mail at info@ralphthornton.org

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, November 22 - RTCC Board of Management

Sunday, December 3—Riverdale Share Concert (Music Hall)

Friday December 15, Riverside "Antler Breakfast (7:30-10:30 AM)

Sunday December 17 - Last "Sunday Escape'

Monday, December 25 - Monday January 1, 2018 - RTCC Closed

"More "Howl-o-ween" at RTCC



