

Trillium Gardens Newsletter

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Community Events

Mark your calendar for our next Street Party on Saturday, September 14th. We'll enjoy the rockabilly sounds of *Djino and the Big Dave Trio*.

Have a Community event you'd like to share? email Bob at info@trilliumgardens.ca

Trillium Gardens New Website

https://www.trilliumgardens.ca

So...the bia news is our new condominium website. It is now 'live' and the really, really big news is...are you ready for this...there are no passwords to forget. I mean *no* passwords to remember. Just save this address and log on. Once you have been to the site once, your computer, tablet or phone will remember the site, and you just have to type in trilliumgardens.ca and the site will be reached. Why the change, you ask?

Beginning in 2025, we would have had to pay \$1,800 per year (over \$2,000 after tax), to continue with our existing Shiftsuite website service provider. With Chown Property Management's package, the website was provided at no additional cost. That deal did not transfer to our new management company, Wilson Blanchard.

So, with some help and a onetime development cost of \$600, we created and now manage our own in-house, easy to use website. The ongoing cost is under \$200 per year.

Documents like the Declaration, By-Laws, Rules, Policies, Home Owner Reference Guide, Periodic Information and Insurance Certificates, Newsletters and Landscaping updates can easily be found and downloaded from the Document Library. Wilson Blanchard contact numbers, including their emergency number, and emails are You will still receive also listed. periodic emails with AGM Notice and Minutes, our Newsletter Budgets, plus announcement of social events or other programs. The Newsletters will also be posted to the website.

Everything you need to know will be on the website. The other benefit is that when you have a question or concern for the Board, you can now email us directly at: info@trilliumgardens.ca

Even over time and as Board members change, the 'info' email address will remain the same. Please check out the new site and let us know if you have any questions. info@trilliumgardens.ca

Board Member Vacancies

Two Board Members' terms will be completed this fall, and we are looking for a couple of owners to replace them on the Volunteer Board of Directors.

If you would like to make a contribution to your community by being on the Board of Directors and are interested in standing for one of these Board Member positions (elections or acclamations are to be held at the AGM in October), please consider joining the Board at a meet & greet information



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session. This will take place in the 3rd or 4th week of August and likely involve some award-winning Niagara Wines. Please email <u>info@trilliumgardens.ca</u> if you are interested.

New Property Manager for Trillium Gardens

We now have a new property manager named CK Sharma for Trillium Gardens. Daniel has been transferred to an on-site position with another, larger condo, and we wish him well with his new responsibilities.



CK worked as a chemist in pharmaceutical R & D and production for over 10 years, both here in Canada and abroad.

He changed careers five years ago and

became a Certified Property Manager and entered the Condominium and Property Management field and has been doing that for the past four years. He was recently hired by Wilson Blanchard and is now responsible for our community.

Please welcome CK, and we look forward to working with him.

What I Did on My Summer Vacation...

While many of us were enjoying our own little Port Weller Paradise, some neighbors were off exploring other parts of the world.



These are pictures of Amanda, (Sandalwood Common), somewhere in the Dolomites, close to the Italian Alps. YIKES!!





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Look up! In the sky. Is it a bird? Is it a plane? No, it's a....

Remember back to the third week of June, the week we had a 'real steamer' of a week, where all week, the temperature was in the mid 40's, with the humidex. I happened to be out chatting with a neighbor and there were some strange noises coming from over the fence, at Colonial Florist. It sounded like an electric vacuum or a lawnmower, but it sounded like it was coming from above the greenhouse.



Then we saw it. Was it a bird, was it a plane? No, it was a five foot, GPS guided drone, hovering just above the tops of the greenhouses. Ha, I thought that would have been your guess. There it was, gently hovering back and forth along the length of the greenhouses, about 2 or 3 feet above the glass top. What was it doing? Looks like it was spraying something. Curious minds needed to know!

It turns out it was two drones, piloted by the folks from Windward Drones, a commercial drone service provider. They were there to spray a white-wash solution on the glass top of the greenhouses.



The baby Poinsettias were starting to grow, and they apparently don't like direct sunlight. The white-wash on the glass tops of the greenhouse helps keep the baby plants in 'the shade', and lowers the temperature inside the greenhouse up to 10 degrees. White-washing the top used to be done manually, with a bucket and a brush. These days, using a drone to spray it on is faster and much safer.



Wow, who knew growing flowers could be so simple – GPS guided drones spraying white-wash

on the tops of your greenhouse. What will they think of next. All I can think is that *Christmas must be right around the corner.*

Your Condominium Board

(Term Ends September)

Bob Bieler	info@trilliumgardens.ca	(2025)
Deb Fernandes		(2024)
Grant McIntosh		(2024)
Briar Collins		(2026)
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