

ARECA (Avenue Road Eglinton Community Association)

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ARECA does not meet during the summer months, so it has been several months since we have given an update on what is happening in the community. We are pleased to be back.

Off Leash Dogs in Eglinton Park

As the result of a community meeting chaired by Councillor Stintz early in the summer, a working group of 3 dog owners and 3 non dog owners is attempting to work through issues and concerns regarding the current By-Laws concerning dogs on/off leash in Eglinton Park.

The dog owners would like to be able to have their dogs off leash whereas the non dog owners are concerned that there is little compliance currently with the existing Leash By-Law as dogs appear to be off leash at all hours. Concerns that have been raised include safety for other park users, concern over dogs near the children's playground and the belief that dogs off-leash could conflict with other park activities.

One idea raised by the dog owners is to implement limited hours for off-leash runs however it has been pointed out that effective clean up becomes a problem in non daylight hours. The committee is striving to consider the entire needs of the community and that includes both dog owners and non-dog owners alike.

Councillor Stintz has included this issue in her website

www.karenstintz.com/dogs. People are invited to provide their thoughts on the issue of dogs in Eglinton Park. The councillor is interested in hearing from the community on this question. All comments will be summarized and posted on the website under Community Issues.

St. James Bond United Church Severs Church Manse

St. James-Bond United Church on Avenue Road just north of Eglinton has officially severed off the church Manse at 65 Willowbank Boulevard. A "For Sale" sign is expected to go up soon on the Church property.

The Church building and property are expected to be sold and developed.

Let us know your thoughts, email us at information@areca.info.

Orchardview and Duplex Demolition NOT Forthcoming

The Owner of the derelict properties at Orchardview and Duplex has still not demolished the 6 derelict homes. Despite every assurance that this would be done it would appear that the owner is holding out until he has a revised development proposal that will allow him to build on the site. He has advised ARECA that he would like to use the same equipment for demolition and excavation, in order to cut his costs.

The Noise from Yonge-Eglinton Centre – is it finally resolved?

Has this one finally been put to rest? Some local residents have reported a decrease in the noise level from the cooling units on top of the Greenwin tower at Yonge-Eglinton Centre. However, we have not been given any evidence of this by the city or the Greenwin consultants. Our main concern is that the noise is intermittent and could re-emerge at a later date. Residents in the affected area should report excessive noise levels to ARECA at information@areca.info.

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Toronto Police will be holding a "**Town Hall**" Meeting on **October 18th, 2005**. Location to be announced.

ARECA is a volunteer community association representing the views of residents in matters that affect our community in North Toronto. ARECA represents the area bounded by Eglinton Avenue West, Yonge Street, Roselawn Avenue, Avenue Road, St Clements Avenue and Chaplin Road. If you live in the ARECA area please join your community association. To join send a cheque for \$20 (\$10 seniors) for your 2005 membership, along with your name, address and phone number to Avenue Road Eglinton Community Association, c/o Membership Secretary 23 Elwood Boulevard, Toronto M4R 1B8. Note if you wish to receive fax or email updates from ARECA please include these with your membership details or email us at information@areca.info.