

The Shalom Village



Grapevine



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Shalom Village Lights Up!

Magic in the air as Light up the Future Too eclipses expectations

"They just care so much for every resident that you almost want to move in yourself."

~ Eugene Levy, in an interview with The Hamilton Spectator



Resident Keith Button was an official greeter.



Ian Morin checks out the auction items.



Nancy White had everybody laughing.

CABARET

Host Eugene Levy once again welcomed the community to Shalom Village at *Light up the Future Too* on May 13th. Guests were treated to a fabulous performance by Nancy White as they sipped cocktails and enjoyed wonderful hors d'ouvres.

SOMETHING SPECIAL

Those who were fortunate enough to be in the room felt they were part of something special. An evening of fun, community, great food, friends and caring - this event reflected what Shalom Village is all about.

In an interview before the event Eugene Levy told *The Hamilton Spectator* "There is nothing institutional about the place. The word 'care' is at the top of the list. They just care so much for every resident that you almost want to move in yourself."

"I don't know, you just kind of feel something coming from your heart about Shalom



Eugene Levy and Nancy White flank Eugene's Aunt Rae in the Classic Theatre



The Shalom Village volunteer team

whole room buzzing.

CEO Pat Morden is grateful for what she feels is an acknowledgement from the community that they understand and value what Shalom Village has achieved as a leader and innovator in the care of our loved ones.

SAGE AWARDS

"Shalom Village was recognized last year with the *Service Award for Geriatric Excellence* in the Organization category. This year we have been nominated for SAGE Awards in 3 other categories. The world is starting to catch on to the possibilities that we have explored and will continue to develop AT HOME at Shalom."

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who helped make the evening so magical, from Eugene and Nancy to our corporate sponsors, program advertisers, guests, volunteers and donors. It couldn't happen without you!

Village," he added. "You have to experience the place to understand."

CHARGED ATMOSPHERE

As the bids flew and the donations mounted the atmosphere became charged with an energy that had the

Bubbies book launch

Shalom Village residents have launched a fund-raising project to help support grandmothers in Africa who are left to raise their grandchildren after they are orphaned by AIDS. They have created a *Bubbies to Grandmothers* journal to raise money for the Stephen Lewis Foundation. The journal, which can also be used as a notebook, features words of wisdom from our Bubbies on each page. Shalom Village student Emily DiSante conceived the project and G.S. Wark Ltd. covered the production costs. Artist-in-residence Jim Kennelly provided the original art for the cover.



In some parts of Africa 40 - 60% of orphans are being raised by grandmother-headed households. Millions of

children have been orphaned by AIDS, sometimes as many as ten to fifteen in one household.

A number of residents read their words of wisdom at the book launch celebration at Shalom Village on May 1st.

Bubbies to Grandmothers journals are only \$10. They are available at Bubbi Bessie's Café and the Corner Store at Shalom Village or by calling Emily at (905) 529-1613 X 233 or e-mail to emily@shalomvillage.on.ca.

Join us for Chai Tea

26th Annual Shalom Village Ladies Auxiliary Tea July 12th

The Shalom Village Ladies Auxiliary Tea is a highlight of the social season with wonderful food and refreshments served in elegant surroundings.

In the 26 years since the first fundraising tea many thousands of dollars have been raised for Shalom Village. Proceeds from past teas have gone towards purchasing mechanical lifts, blanket warmers, a large screen TV, Passover dishes, spa renovations, outfitting our Snoezelen room and many other projects.



Tickets are \$20 and are available at Shalom Village or by calling (905) 529-1613 ext. 231.

Why not join *The Chai Circle of Support?* Tables for 5 are available in a special VIP area in

Samuel's Bistro for \$500.00. Invitations will be sent to your 4 guests and cards will be placed with each setting with your personal message and small gift - a great way to thank your colleagues, recognize accomplishments and celebrate great friends!

We want your photos!

Help us celebrate the rebirth of York Street

Hamilton's old York Street was once home to many Jewish homes and businesses. Now York Street has been reborn as the "downtown" of the Shalom Village community.

SHARE YOUR MEMORIES

We are asking for your help to celebrate the rebirth of York Street at Shalom Village. We want your photographs depicting York Street in its heyday, especially those that may be of special significance to the Shalom Village community.

Your original photos will be scanned and returned to you unharmed. We will reproduce them and have them mounted for display on our York Street Memory wall,

CELEBRATION

Later this year we will host a special celebration to mark the rebirth of York Street at Shalom Village. Watch for more details in future issues of the Grapevine.

HEART OF SHALOM

Much like the original, York Street has become the heart of our community. With destinations including *The Classic Theatre, Bubbi Bessie's Café, The Club Fitness Centre, The Corner Store, Samuel's Bistro* and *Goldie's Place*, there is always something going on.

Please call Bob at (905) 528-5103 ext. 268 if you have photos to share.

We hope to Meet you on York Street!



Gryfe Baker, 115 York Street, 1915



York Street looking east from Locke, 1965

New roles for Shalom team members

Shalom Village CEO Pat Morden has announced new roles for 2 senior team members to be effective July 2nd.

Shelly Waxman will bring her leadership and passion for AT HOME to a new role as *Life Transitions Coach*. She will be "opening the doors" for new residents and their families welcoming them to Shalom Village and helping them navigate the changes they are facing.

Shelley will coordinate care conferences, communicate with staff and assist with end of life care issues. She will also be a link with the wider community.

Shelley joined Shalom Village in 1991 and was the founding director of *Goldies Place*.



Shelley Waxman

Krista Walsh will step into a new role as *Executive Coach, Goldie's Place*.

Krista will lead this outstanding program in a new direction, providing added opportunities for people in our community to stay longer at home by taking advantage of *Goldie's Place* services.

Krista joined Shalom Village in 2005 and has worked as a Recreational Therapist with our Community Centre Team. She has also been an integral part of the *Shalom 2 Home* Convalescent Care team.

Congratulations to Shelley and Krista. We know you will bring a wealth of possibilities to your new roles!



Krista Walsh

Thank You

Thank you to the families of Avonne Richter, Tillie Netkin, Mike Ridker and Benjamin Sussman for choosing to honour their memory with donations to Shalom Village in lieu of flowers.

This thoughtful gesture will help support other families needing palliative care for their loved ones at Shalom Village.



Living Well with Diabetes

A day-long workshop entitled *Living Well with Diabetes* was held in the Ruth Sherman Centre on May 22nd. Glenna Mackay, Colleen Clementi and Karen Allcroft coordinated presentations by several of our community partners designed to educate and help people manage issues related to diabetes. The sessions were open to residents, families, staff and volunteers.

PERSONAL REFLECTIONS

Doug Morden, volunteer and Regional Director with the Canadian Diabetes Association, offered a personal reflection on living with diabetes, sharing his knowledge and discussing his own experiences. Jennifer, Carmen and Irene from Day Night Pharmacy talked about nutrition and managing your diabetes medication. Christopher Hourmouzis from the Hamilton

Family Footcare Clinic discussed footcare and diabetes, including choosing proper footwear and stockings.

CANADIAN DIABETES ASSOCIATION

Lucy Florio from the Canadian Diabetes Association made a presentation and provided educational materials. Jane McAnnaly from the CNIB discussed services and adaptive devices available to those whose vision is affected by diabetes.

HEALTHY SNACKS

Jason Leung and his Shalom Village hospitality team provided healthy snacks and Glenna provided glucose testing for participants.

Additional health related education sessions are planned for the coming months. Watch for details coming soon.



Doug Morden discusses his experiences living with diabetes.



Day Night Pharmacy was on hand to answer questions.



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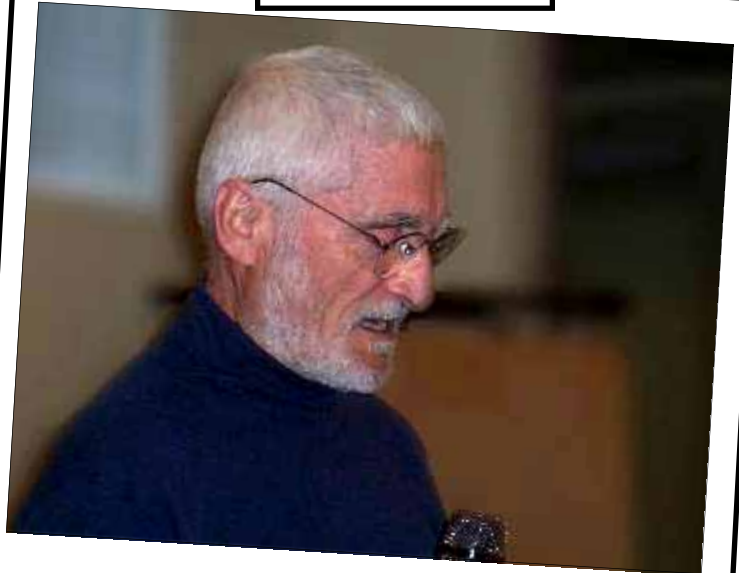
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*"You are not alone. Many people are thinking of you."
~ Maurice Carter*

Photo of the Month



Joseph Porto reads his Father's words of wisdom at the book launch for the Bubbies to Grandmothers Journal on May 1st in the Ruth Sherman Centre.



Kudos Corner

Shalom 2 Home

On April 23rd the Shalom Village community gathered to celebrate the accomplishments of the *Shalom 2 Home* Convalescent Care Team.

The *Shalom 2 Home* program is for people recovering from surgery or illness. It is intended to bridge the gap between hospital and home, focusing on rebuilding strength and developing



the skills needed for independent living.

Since the program began in November 2005 more than 150 people have graduated and successfully returned to their homes.

We are proud of the *Shalom 2 Home* team and congratulate them on the success of the program.

Award for Web Site

The Shalom Village web site was presented with an Award of Merit at the Pinnacle Awards hosted by the Canadian Public Relations Society on March 29th.



"The web site is very comprehensive and easy to navigate," according to the judges' comments. "Care was taken to properly research and reflect its audience's needs in the finished product."

In the photo above Carleen Carroll, President, CPRS-Hamilton, presents the award to Shalom Village's Bob Deans.

You can visit the Shalom Village web site at www.shalomvillage.on.ca.



The Canadian Public Relations Society, Inc.



Shalom 2 Home Program Manager Sally Rakas will address the Ontario Long Term Care Association in Niagara Falls on June 21st detailing the successes of the convalescent care program at Shalom Village.