



# Harvest Creek Community Update

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Harvest Creek has a **NEW WEBSITE**

## Why the change, you ask?

Beginning January 2025, the community would have had to pay \$1,800 per year to continue with our existing Shiftsuite website services. This site was ours at no cost as part of Chown Property Management's condo software package, but does not transfer to our new managers (Wilson Blanchard). So, we developed our own in-house site costing approximately \$150 per year. Passwords are not needed for this site, making it more user friendly. Documents and Newsletters pertaining to our community can easily be found and downloaded from the Document Library. Wilson Blanchard contact numbers and emails are also listed. Everything you need to know will be here:

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The Shiftsuite website is available, however it is not up-to-date. We encourage everyone to make the transition to our new site at this time.

**With our new website, comes a NEW EMAIL to contact the Board of Directors.**

**Please take note of it: [info@villageonharvestcreek.com](mailto:info@villageonharvestcreek.com)**

Since this email is connected to our website, it can easily be passed along to future board members.

## Garden Boxwood Shrubs:

As the vibrant greenery of summer graces the landscapes of the Niagara Region, a stealthy threat lurks amidst the beauty – the **notorious box tree moth**. This invasive pest has been causing havoc among our beloved boxwood plants, leaving many gardeners and homeowners grappling with its devastating effects. No doubt many of you have noticed the dead shrubs in our gardens. We are hiring a service to remove all dead or unsalvageable Boxwood shrubs from the owner's front garden. This will take place within the next couple of weeks. As we now leave planting preferences to the residents with board approval, the affected homeowners have the option of replacing the Boxwoods at their own cost, choosing from this list of approved shrubs, as listed in the **Alternative to Boxwood Shrubs** article found in the [Document Library \(Garden and Landscape Plantings\)](#). Plantings from this list do not need Board approval. Should you wish to deviate from this list, we ask you to refer to the **Front Yard Planting Standards** list, also found in the Document section. However, board approval is required needed.





### Removal of Dead/ Invasive Plants:

Next Monday and Tuesday (June 17 -18), [Project Tree](#) will be bringing their heavy equipment on site to cut the brush and remove dead/invasive plants from the creek banks along upper Hillside. With this exciting action taking place, we ask that you stay clear of the woodchipper. 😊



With the recent rains we have certainly saved some money on irrigation cost this year. However, warmer days are in our future and the sprinkler system is now turned on.



### **2024-2025 Board of Directors**

Chuck MacFarlane- 30 H  
Rob McVeigh- 11 H  
Dave Rusch- 21 H

**NEW** Email:  
[info@villageonharvestcreek.com](mailto:info@villageonharvestcreek.com)

Bernie Benoit has resigned from his position on the Board of Directors. He contributed much of his time and effort, and we thank him for his five years serving our community.