

# River Grove Seniors Friendship Club

AGM February 24, 2022: ANNUAL REPORT, for period Sept. 2020-Aug. 2021

## Background

River Grove Senior Friendship Club (RGSFC) is a not-for-profit organization and an affiliated member of the City of Mississauga's Community Group Registry Program. To maintain the benefits of this affiliation, the Club must abide by the policies and procedures laid out by the Program. This is the third virtual AGM on Zoom.

RGSFC is governed by a volunteer Board of Directors who has been elected by its members.

Board Members: President Rose Tan, Vice President Heather Bendle, Secretary Peter Van Tol, Treasurer Ron Stanley, Assistant Treasurer Denice Miller, Travel Coordinator – Casino - Ursula Manteufel, Travel Coordinator – Day Trips - Maisie McMullen, Acting Activities Coordinators Heather Bendle and Rose Tan, Social Coordinator-Elect Karen Vestroy and Past President Wayne Chambers.

At our year end, August 31, 2021, the membership totaled 566. The Club provides 20 activities as listed on the Website. Each activity is run by volunteer activity leaders. The Club is dependent on volunteers to run and operate its programs. Approximately 360 members participate in our weekly sessions. There are 20 Activity Leaders/Travel Coordinators, with another 120 member-helpers who volunteer during the usual 1400 annual activity hours provided to us at the River Grove Community Centre. However, 2020-2021 introduced us to a pandemic and its devastating impact on the whole world and on life as we knew it. The Club activities at River Grove lasted for only 10 days. In the interim, we remained in contact with the City of Mississauga to discuss developments.

We are extremely grateful to the City of Mississauga for the in-kind support, both administratively and financially, through the benefits of the Community Group Registry Policy. This has allowed us to remain a viable Seniors Club, even during these difficult times.

I summarized our accomplishments during the AGM and these are detailed below. Income Statements, Balance Sheet and the Budget were presented by Treasurer Ron Stanley.

## Achievements

1. Organizing, scheduling, mobilizing activities to return to River Grove Oct 1-10
2. During the pandemic lockdown, the **Board of Directors** continued to work virtually and had meetings regularly via **Zoom** to deal with the many administrative tasks of running the Club.
3. We communicated with members about vacant board positions. We mobilized the membership for a **return to RG for September 2021.**
4. We made updates to our website.
5. **A Donation** was made to the Eden Food Bank

**FRIENDSHIP** will continue to be our Policy as a non-political, non-sectarian, non-racial Club and support our Purpose to unite for the benefit of all members to enjoy social and recreation programs.

President **Rose Tan**