



Here's the third e-newsletter for the Wesley Acres constituents. We still don't have a name for it. Please help us select the name. We'd also love to include your photos of the Wesley Acres community in action. Submit your proposals to info@wesleyacres.com. Please read on regarding our new maintenance building, the update on the outstanding lot lease fees and the Ministry component of the strategic plan.



A Christmas Present for Harvey - the new maintenance building ...

Unexpectedly, the Fire Marshall made a visit to Wesley Acres. Although there were many upgrades that were needed, the Maintenance Building, did not escape the assessment. It was decided that it was a fire hazard and that people would not be allowed in the building at all until the Maintenance area was removed.

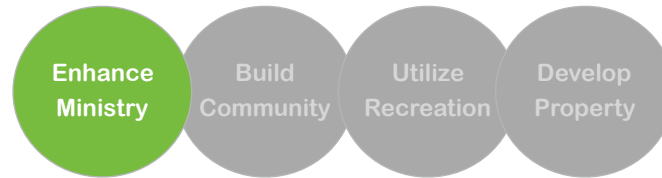
Plans had to be made for a new building and budgets had to be adjusted to make this happen. A new 40' wide by 70' long X 12'6 height (inside) building was designed and erected according to our Prince Edward County building regulations. It really has been a blessing in disguise as we now have safe working conditions. We are able to work on our vehicles in a warm convenient shop that has good light, ample working area with a level floor and the overhead height for larger vehicles. There is proper electricity with lots of plug-ins, warmth from the heater, an office and a storage area. A big bonus is running water and an actual bathroom☺

Previously at this time of year to avoid freezing, we would pull our sander/salter truck into the old Maintenance building and then we would not have room to move. We would have to crawl under, over or around to get to anything with no area to work. In our wood working area, we would cut a board, back outside to turn it around and bring it back inside to finish cutting. It certainly was cramped for space. We are no longer a hazard in the summer with all the people around the maintenance pad. We can park more vehicles, keep a better watch on the garbage, recycle and boat storage and we have security lights.

I was given a budget of \$200,000 to make this Maintenance building happen and have made sure Wesley Acres didn't go over. To date we are under budget and even with the \$6,000 required to finish everything up we will still be under budget. Thank you to all the volunteers that put in endless hours to make this project happen. It makes me smile every morning when I arrive, turn the key and flick on the lights!

Harvey Cooper, Maintenance Co-ordinator

This is Year 2 of the Strategic Plan for Wesley Acres. Here are a few insights regarding the Ministry component of the plan.



- We are looking for a place on site, that is truly, in a quiet place so that people can get away and be in the presence of the Lord
- This is the first step towards a dedicated, stand-alone prayer cottage
- We are investigating opportunities to provide more Bible-enhanced learning through various means so that when you come up to Wesley Acres on a non-Family Camp weekend, you may find opportunities to help you growth in the faith

The Ministry component of the Plan may be summed up as follows: through anointed preaching, music, equipping and teaching we seek to experience the life-changing power of prayer, the Word of God and the work of the Holy Spirit for Kingdom service. This Christmas season and through the new year lets consider how we can grow in fellowship with God and one another.

Philippians 4:6-8 reminds us...Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

I'm sure that everyone is busy preparing for our wonderful Christmas season to celebrate Jesus birth. We have the freedom to currently do this openly so let us claim this opportunity. George and Sheila Patton, along with their loyal friends are resting after organizing and decorating for Christmas in the County. It was an enjoyable evening with our Wesley Acres' neighbours.

Although some people have paid their outstanding lot leases, we still require everyone to pay in full by December 31st, 2011 so that we can pay our bills. It is God's reasonable expectation for us to practice good stewardship of His money in this, His place. Please pray as preparations are being made for ministry to all ages in 2012, so that many lives will be changed and refreshed as you meet God in this wonderful place He has given us.

Note that Family Camp 2012 bookings start February 7, 2012.

Blessings!
Elaine Young

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Looking back over the year we reflect on God's goodness to us with the renewed enthusiasm in kid's camps, Heroes' camp, the transformed lives as a result, the excellent teaching and preaching and the many acquaintances renewed.

As we reflect on this past year, it has been difficult for us as givings are below budgeted amounts during both Family Camps and in our May through Thanksgiving Sunday Services. As we approach the end of our Financial year, we would ask that you prayerfully consider Wesley Acres in your Year End Giving. You can contribute 3 ways: go to www.wesleyacres.com and click on the "Donate" icon, mail a cheque postmarked by December 31, 2011 or call the office @ 613-393-3159.



Congratulations to Harvey Cooper, our Maintenance Coordinator who is seen receiving recognition for 10 years of faithful service from Joe Chandu-Lall, Board chairman and Elaine Young, Executive Director.

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