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Welcome Minto Kingmeadow!

BUILDING OUR COMMUNITY TOGETHER

It was possibly the coldest day in March as snow crunched below our feet and weather reports recommended staying indoors, but for the Minto staff and Yolanda Torres, this particular day was worth braving the cold. “I couldn’t be more excited,” said Yolanda. It was on this day that Yolanda and her husband took possession of their new forever home in Kingmeadow. As the red carpet rolled out, Yolanda pulled up to her new home where the sales staff, construction crew and head office senior management had champagne in hand ready to toast one of the first residents to move in. Cheers to Yolanda and Jose as well as our other residents as they settle into their new homes!

Welcome **breakfast**

The first weekend of spring at Kingmeadow was an exciting one as the staff at Minto hosted a breakfast for all the purchasers who moved into the community this past March and April. With lots of food to go around the first occupants of Kingmeadow had a chance to mingle and enjoy the talented Grenville Pinto rock out on his electric violin. We hope your move went smoothly and look forward to seeing you around the neighbourhood!





BUILDING HOMES & CAREERS:

Last fall as part of the Build a House partnership, eight students between the ages of 16 and 18 were selected by the Durham public and Catholic school boards to frame and build homes at Kingmeadow. Through the program, the students got to enjoy the outdoors while gaining invaluable hands-on experience building a house from the ground up.

Hannah Ferjo is one of the students who applied and participated in the program. Hannah's co-op teacher noticed Hannah's interest in construction after she took a construction course in grade 10 and suggested that she apply. "I wanted to get involved because it was something different to try and it seemed so cool to actually build a house that people are going to live in," Hannah told us. "I also thought that it would help give me an idea of what I want to do when I finish high school."

The students started framing the houses at the beginning of October and completed them just before Christmas. Their tasks at Kingmeadow were the same as those of any other carpenter, working 5 days a week from 8:00am to 3:30pm. "I had to build the first floor, cut, measure and put all the joists in place, put on all the plywood, and build all the walls. I also had to make sure all the studs were in the right places, put all the trusses in place and put the plywood on the roof," Hannah says. "I got to work on several stages that go into building a house." Thanks to the work she did at Kingmeadow, Hannah has decided that she wants to go to university or college to become an interior designer.

The students' parents also see the value of participating in this program. "This opportunity has given my son a new level of self-esteem. For the first time ever he has goals," says Colleen Boucher whose son Tristan was one of the students selected. "School academics only seemed to frustrate Tristan. Now he knows he just has a different kind of intelligence. The value of this co-op program is immeasurable. I am grateful my son had this opportunity. It has been a life-changing experience for him."

The construction staff at Minto really enjoyed working with the students. "They have a great attitude, they work safe and are always willing to learn," says Mike Circosta, project manager at Kingmeadow. "It's been a great experience for all of us to see young people engaging in the homebuilding industry and we'd welcome the opportunity to work with more students again."





What's New in Oshawa?

The Highway 407 expansion is on schedule and set to be completed by the end of 2015. The 22km expansion will run from Brock Road in Pickering to Harmony Road in Oshawa. The 407 will extend further to Highway 35/115, which will make commuting easy for everyone living at Kingmeadow.

“The city is the third-fastest growing in Ontario and next year we’ll be right behind the City of Toronto,” says Oshawa Mayor John Henry. It’s an exciting time to be moving to Oshawa!

MINTO WINS:

April is award season for the new homebuilding industry and Kingmeadow took home three awards that month. At the Durham Region Home Builder’s Association Awards Gala, Kingmeadow won for best sales office, excellence in production built home under 1,600 square feet for the Lisette R model and the prestige, Community of the Year! We are honoured to be recognized as the Community of the Year and thank the Durham Region Home Builder’s Association for this recognition.





From the Desk of the Community Coordinator



A Featured Local Hot Spot: A bad day on the golf course is better than a good day at work, right? Golf season is here and lucky for you a 155 acres golf course is just around the corner. Located at 2400 Ritson Rd N, Kedron Dells Golf course is situated on the Oshawa Creek valley and uplands. The scenic beauty of the property is surpassed only by the excellence of the golf course. This moderately difficult course is recognized as one of the best value courses in the Greater Toronto Area.



Kedron Dells Golf Course opened in June of 1974 by Dr. Brown and has stayed in the family throughout the years. Great grand nephew and General Manager Phil Brown is currently at the reins of this course. Kedron Dells Golf Course appreciates the importance of family time and offers golf lessons for children ages 7-14 to get the whole family out on the course. Or take your family to Doc. Brown's restaurant for a bite to eat off their new menu or grab some take-out to bring home.

This golf course offers customers the option of playing 9 or 18 holes or enjoy their special twilight rates. Ladies night is every Tuesday evening and men's night is every Thursday evening. They are open 7 days a week and on holidays so make sure to book your tee time online at www.kedrondells.com or by calling 905-728-6641.





NEIGHBOUR PROFILE

BARRY & TRICIA

It was a busy evening in September when Barry and Tricia Lucas walked into the Kingmeadow sales office during the Phase 2 launch. After selecting the floor plan that best suited them, they walked out that night with the Ascot model from the Bridle townhome collection.

Barry and Tricia have been happily married for over 50 years and are excited to take their next step together as they move from Scarborough to Oshawa next spring. They are retired and proud parents of two sons and grandparents to four little ones. They are fortunate to have one of their sons moving into Kingmeadow as well this summer. When looking for their next home they knew they wanted to downsize and after reviewing the Ascot floor plan there wasn't any doubt that this was the home for them. Tricia is excited to purchase new furniture and decorate the space, while Barry is thankful for the low maintenance of the Bridle townhomes and will enjoy the outdoors from their balcony without the hassle of yard work.

Barry is a diehard hockey fan and has made the trip to Oshawa from Scarborough to take in a few Oshawa General games and to get a better feel for the Oshawa community at large. Barry said, "I really enjoyed the General Motors Centre, the hockey games were a lot of fun!" Hopefully, next spring after Barry moves in, the Oshawa Generals will make the play offs again and he can take in more exciting local hockey.

Tricia enjoys painting, yoga and of course babysitting her grandchildren. They are both excited to move into Kingmeadow, not only for their new home, but to meet all their new neighbours.

Welcome to the community Barry and Tricia!



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