

# Kingmeadow winter newsletter





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## Welcome Minto Kingmeadow!

#### BUILDING OUR COMMUNITY TOGETHER

Winter has arrived in north Oshawa, but things are heating up at the Kingmeadow sales office as homes continue to sell quickly. With over 350 sales to date and construction well underway, the Kingmeadow community is quickly taking shape.

In this newsletter you'll read about events we've had over the past couple of months, a construction update and learn about one of your new neighbours. We hope you had a safe and enjoyable holiday season and that 2014 is off to a great start!

## All New at Kingmeadow!

On November 30th the Minto sales team released sixteen new models, including two new bungalow designs, part of the Kingmeadow Ravine Collection's, 27 of the 85 lots were released. The Kingmeadow Ravine Collection homes feature 9' ceilings, fireplaces, hardwood flooring on the main floor, oak stairs, granite countertops, spacious open concept layouts and much more.

### What's New in Oshawa?

Have children? This tidbit of news is for you! The City of Oshawa's Legend Centre, located at 1661 Harmony Road North, will be opening a new splash pad on March 31, 2014. The project includes accessible water play opportunities, splash components, signage and a seating area. A great way to beat the heat this summer.

Calling all shoppers! The Oshawa Centre is getting a \$230 million makeover and construction has already started. Adding over 60 new stores, completion is scheduled for 2016. "The Oshawa Centre has been a part of the Oshawa community for close to six decades," said Oshawa Mayor John Henry. "A renovation and expansion project of this size will create numerous construction and retail jobs right here in our city."

Significant improvements and additions are coming and that's what's new to Oshawa!

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# EVENTS

### Phase Two Release:

In early September we launched Phase Two of the Kingmeadow community. We were met with an overwhelming response and had people lined up for hours before our doors opened. That weekend we achieved over 40 new sales. Phase Two home owners will be taking occupancy of their new home between January and June 2015.

# groundbreaking **Ceremony:**

The Construction Groundbreaking Ceremony has been a long standing tradition at Minto. Since the beginning we have used the same shovel at each ceremonial groundbreaking. The shovel is engraved with the name of every Minto community to date. The tradition continued at Kingmeadow. Minto welcomed Mayor John Henry and City Coucillors Bruce Wood and John Aker to the sales office for an internal groundbreaking ceremony. Vice President of Development, Vince Santino, addressed the crowd with a few words:

"Very exciting times for all of us at Minto and we're very grateful to be able to celebrate our official groundbreaking with members of staff, Council and his Worship Mayor Henry today. Staff and Council have been fair and supportive of our efforts with respect to our Kingmeadow community and their presence at our groundbreaking event today really means a lot to us. We look forward to being an important community partner to the City of Oshawa for many years to come."



# HALLOWEEN EVENT:

During the last two weeks of October the sales centre celebrated a new release with some Halloween goodies, festive décor and pumpkins galore. The staff and customers got into the spirit with face painting! This event also marked the one year anniversary of the Kingmeadow opening. We have come so far in one year and are excited to see where we will be at the end of our second year!



### WINE & CHEESE Meet Your Neighbour Holiday Party:

The holiday spirit was in the air at our annual purchaser holiday party in December. Those who attended had a chance to mingle with their soon-to-be neighbours while enjoying wine, cheese and holiday music. It was wonderful to see so many of the Kingmeadow community members coming together and enjoying each other's company.



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## **Construction** Update

The Minto construction team at Kingmeadow has been hard at work these past few months. They started construction and broke ground in late September and have made great progress since. Currently, there are 71 homes under construction ranging from the foundation stage up to the dry walling stage. In the upcoming weeks they will begin the finishing phases, where the houses will really start to take shape. It won't be long until homeowners begin moving in, turning these Minto houses into family homes. Until then, happy 2014 from your construction team at Minto Communities!



## From the Desk of the Community Coordinator



**A Featured Local Hot Spot:** Aunt Audrey's Favorites' located at 1216 Simcoe St N. is a family owned and operated bakery serving baked goods made from scratch and only from their family recipes. Charlotte & Wayne Harrison, a husband and wife team as well as their daughter Brittney, Charlotte's mother Alice and sister Muriel, are the ones responsible for all the delicious treats that have been baking there for the past eight years.

What started out as Charlotte's hobby quickly grew into her career. Charlotte named the bakery after her aunt Audrey who gave her her first easy bake oven igniting Charlotte's passion for baking. Cookies, chocolates, personalized cakes, sweet trays and more, this bakery has everything you need for your next party. If you have a special cake idea for your wedding, birthday, or anniversary, Aunt Audrey's Favorites will work with you to sweeten your life milestones with a customized treat!

Make sure to visit the 2013 Reader's' Choice Platinum award winner for Best Bakery voted by the Oshawa community! Open Tues & Wed. 9am-5pm, Thurs. & Fri. 9am-6pm or Sat. 9am-2pm!

If you have questions about the area, or want our Community Coordinator to cover something special in the next newsletter, email Ashley at arycroft@minto.com and help create your community newsletter!

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#### NEIGHBOUR PROFILE Kassie and Travis are a young couple with an exciting future ahead of them. Travis works for Toyota and Kassie has worked at Dairy Queen for over 15 years KASSIE & TRAVIS sales office.

and has plans to purchase the establishment from her mother, aspiring to keep it in the family for another 50 years. They are engaged to be married, but were missing one thing, their dream home. That is, until they walked into the Kingmeadow They both grew up living in new homes, so they knew they wanted to start their family in a new home as well. As they mapped their way through the

Durham region stopping at various sales centres, it was Kingmeadow that stole their hearts. "The look of the homes was unique and the most attractive ones we had seen. We took dozens of the floor plans home and within two weeks we had our mind made up on the Manor. We wanted a house that we could grow into. We know we will be able to have a family in this house and stay here for many years," Travis explained.

When asked how they found their first time home buying experience Kassie said, "The second time we came to the sales office we signed the papers, went home and surprised our parents with the news. We found the whole process was a lot of fun; the most difficult part was selecting which model we wanted. You'd think we would have been nervous being first time buyers, but we felt comfortable and it really wasn't stressful for us. The whole process has been great and we can't wait to pick out our colours and finishes for our new home."

In time they will fill their home with memories, but they, "can't wait to officially be proud home owners. We are excited to add our personal touches and even do the yard work, because it is all ours" said Travis. The staff at Kingmeadow couldn't be happier for Travis and Kassie and wish them all the best in their new home and marriage!

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