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FINAL CALL – WHAT’S YOUR LEVEL OF NUCLEAR EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS?

Whitby, Ontario – Over the past four years, The Region of Durham, in collaboration with the Social Research Centre at Ontario Tech University, has been conducting surveys to learn more about residents’ understanding of nuclear emergency preparedness. Now in its final year, first time and returning participants are once again encouraged to take part in the survey. Where: Complete the Nuclear Emergency Preparedness Resident Survey online until July 2024. Why: The Region of Durham co-ordinates regional emergency responses, maintains the nuclear public alerting system, leads various emergency preparedness drills and exercises, and builds awareness in the community. The

information gathered from this final year’s survey directly assists and influences planning and public education initiatives. Durham is committed to making sure residents are informed and ready in the event of an emergency. Note: The survey is open to all Durham residents 18-years and older. To help ensure quality data, the Region’s Durham Emergency Management team is seeking a diverse range and large number of participants from all Durham Region municipalities. Participants who complete the survey can enter to win an emergency preparedness kit. For more information and to complete the survey please visit bit.ly/nuclearpreparedness2024.

CLARINGTON IMPROVES ROAD AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY BY INSTALLING NEW ALL-WAY STOPS

The Municipality of Clarington is implementing new all-way stops at several intersections between mid-April and June. Clarington monitors traffic flow throughout the Municipality and makes changes to help ensure the safety of drivers, pedestrians and cyclists and to adapt to the changing traffic patterns, behaviours and conditions.

The following intersections are transitioning to all-way stops: Aspen Springs Drive at West Side Drive, Bons Avenue at Gimblett Drive and Honeyman Drive, Mearns Avenue at Longworth Avenue, Rhonda Boulevard at Lawrence Gate, Sandringham Drive at Strathallan Drive, Sandringham Drive at Glenabbey Drive, Trulls Road at George Reynolds Drive.



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PEONY FESTIVAL VOLUNTEER, JUDI DENNY, WINS FEO VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD

In honour of Volunteer Recognition Month, the City of Oshawa extends congratulations to one of its long-standing volunteers, Judi Denny. On February 28, 2024, Judi was honoured at the Festival and Events Ontario (FEO) Awards ceremony, where she was awarded the Volunteer of the Year Award.

Judi has been one of the driving forces behind the Peony Festival since it was established in 2004. Together with her late husband, Michael, the Dennys donated many of the peonies that can be found in the Oshawa Valley Botanical Garden (OVBG) peony collection.

Without the Denny family’s generous contribution, the peony garden at the OVBG would not exist and the award-winning Peony Festival would not be celebrating its 20th anniversary in 2024.

Judi continues to oversee all aspects of the judged peony show during the festival, from coordinating the judging to providing expert advice. As a long-standing member of the Canadian Peony Society, she brings a wealth of knowledge and a contagious passion for peonies.

We are incredibly fortunate to work with Judi each year, and we thank her for her invaluable contributions to the Peony Festival. Her hard work and dedication have played a critical role in its success. Congratulations, Judi, on this well-deserved recognition as Volunteer of the Year.

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