

PARTNERS ON THE HILL



Welcome Newest Partners

1. Wildcat Ringette Team (dry land training)
2. Carizon Youth Group
3. Friendly Connection Group (Adults who feel isolated)
4. Stand Up To Falls (seniors exercise group)

Greetings Partners at Forest Hill United Church,

This is the first e-publication designed to connect each of us as partners in using the facility here at Forest Hill United Church (FHUC). Partner(ship) is a very specific term and we want to communicate what we mean by it. The folks at FHUC know that we have a great building with rooms, parking and grounds but what good is it if the facility sits empty?

Partnership moves us beyond simply renting space to an organization. Partnership encourages us to get to know each other and listen to each others dreams and needs. Then we can work together to meet as many of those needs as possible from the collective skills and resources within all the partners. The image on this newsletter says it all. As a collection of individuals and groups, we commit ourselves to helping everyone get up the hill of life. Together we are stronger!

“Partner” Defined:

A. one that shares

B. either of two persons who dance together

C. a person who takes part in an undertaking with another or others, with shared risks and profits.

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Want to book something special? Check out our Google calendar current to the day.

Copy this link into your browser:

<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=officeatforesthillunited%40gmail.com&ctz=America%2FToronto>

Did you know?

A meeting Room at the Central Library could run a group between **\$50 and \$100 for 2 hours** depending on the size of the room. Privately owned space is even more expensive. Many groups simply can not afford those rents. So the folks at FHUC have decided that partnering with local organizations is the best answer to our collective needs.

Right -Sizing 2017/2018

Last year we held a very successful series of “Right-sizing” events where all the partners who used a specific room, and the storage area off that room, were invited to meet together. At that meeting the leaders introduced each other; shared when they met; what they did; how much storage space they needed and if they had concerns about the space or the storage area.

We actually looked into the storage space and discovered that over the years things had been placed in those storage rooms that nobody named and claimed as their own. We were able to clear out lots of unclaimed items and make more room for those who were actively using the space. We got to meet other leaders and we were able to address concerns as well. Finally, we were moving beyond the silos of renters, that do not know nor care about the other renters, to those who understand that how ‘we’ use this facility directly impacts the others who use this facility.

Right -Sizing Part 2

Now that the year is underway and you have begun to experience your needs in the areas of time, space and storage, we would like to invite you to “Right-sizing” part 2. It is also our hope to sponsor a couple of evenings through the 2018/2019 year that will attempt to connect all the members of the partners to each other. We have a great facility and a great bunch of partners so we should celebrate!



Let's get to know each other.

This month's feature partner:

The Scout Group which uses FHUC is the 32nd Kitchener Scout Troop which began its supervised first year on November 20th, 1961 and received its charter #2751 on October 30, 1962. We are proud to have this example of partnership from our very beginning.



Help us Right-Size, the best room for the numbers in your group. If you have a group or activity with only 3 people, you don't need a big room and if your group has grown beyond the size of the room you are presently using, let us know and we will try to help you schedule a bigger room.



Volunteer opportunity: FHUC is looking for someone to help us with our social media. Yes, that means we are easily confused by the internet and we need your help!!! We could really use your help. Call the office at 519-744-3481 if you or someone in your group has the time and skills to help.



Right-size your storage... We will be holding a series of 'right-sizing gatherings' to make sure that partners have the right amount of storage in storage rooms that are attached to the space you use on a regular basis. We'll be contacting you when we have those details locked down.

Before you leave...



Community Builder: Leave it as you found it! This reduces costs for FHUC and frustration from the group that follows you.