

DMC'S DORSET PARK NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to our second issue. We hope our content meets your expectations....

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- Community Engagement is our goal!

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- Canada Day at Thomson Memorial Park July 1, 2026
- Taste of Lawrence 2026 July 3 to July 5, 2026
- Kothu Fest 2026 — Saturday, July 4, 2026

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MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

Welcome to the second issue of DMC'S Dorset Park Newsletter. After introducing our vision in the first issue, we are pleased to continue building a platform that highlights our neighbourhood, encourages community participation, and celebrates the people, businesses, and stories that make Dorset Park unique.

This second issue is an opportunity to move from introduction to momentum. Our goal remains the same: to foster engagement, promote pride in our community, and create a positive space where residents, tenants, condominium owners, local retailers, artists, youth, and community leaders can stay connected.

A strong and united community is built through shared effort, consistent communication, and a willingness to support one another.

In this publication, we will continue covering topics that promote a positive outlook for residents of apartment and condominium buildings while also helping connect consumers with local retailers. We believe that when residents support local businesses, and local businesses provide value to residents, the entire neighbourhood benefits.

Dorset Park has the potential to grow stronger through collaboration. Whether it is a neighbour helping a neighbour, a business offering meaningful support, or a resident sharing an inspiring story, every contribution helps build a healthier and more connected community.

We encourage anyone interested in submitting positive stories, announcements, community updates, or ideas to continue doing so each month. Your input is not only welcomed but truly appreciated.

As we move forward, we also remain committed to shining a light on home-grown talent. Coming from an entertainment and property management background, I understand how important exposure and encouragement can be for people who are trying to grow their craft, business, or community impact.

One of our ongoing goals is to feature up-and-coming local artists and positive contributors from Dorset Park and neighbourhoods across Toronto. If you know someone doing something meaningful through music, art, sports, mentorship, entrepreneurship, or community service, please let us know.

As this newsletter continues to gain traction, we look forward to developing events and initiatives that bring residents together. These may include music events, sporting events, youth-inspired programs, business features, and other activities that reflect the interests and needs of our community.

With the participation and input of Dorset Park residents, this newsletter can continue to grow into a positive vehicle for connection, encouragement, and neighbourhood pride.

We are also continuing to develop DMC'S Dorset Park Marketplace, an online initiative designed to bring consumers and local retailers together in a mutually beneficial relationship.

Our hope is that residents of Dorset Park will be able to receive economic relief through monthly "Exclusive Offers," while local retailers gain steady support from the community they serve. As this initiative develops, your feedback and suggestions will continue to be important.

Thank you for joining us for our second issue. We appreciate the opportunity to keep building this platform with you, and we look forward to including as many residents, businesses, artists, and community voices as possible as we continue this journey together.

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APARTMENTS IN DORSET PARK



Apartment living in Dorset Park reflects the practical, diverse and evolving character of this Scarborough neighbourhood. Known for its established residential streets, mid-century rental towers, commercial corridors and convenient transit connections, Dorset Park offers a mix of accessibility and everyday livability that continues to attract renters seeking space, value and connection to the wider city.

THIS MONTH'S FEATURE

McGregor Park Apartments: A Scarborough Address with Enduring Urban Relevance

On Lawrence Avenue East in Scarborough, McGregor Park Apartments stands as the kind of residential landmark that quietly tells the story of a changing city. Located at 2185 Lawrence Avenue East in Toronto's Dorset Park area, the 12-storey high-rise was completed in the late 1960s, a period when apartment towers became central to the growth of suburban Toronto. Today, its continued presence reflects both the durability of that housing model and the evolving expectations of urban renters.

With more than 140 suites and a mix that includes one-, two- and three-bedroom apartments, McGregor Park represents an important category of housing: established, purpose-built rental accommodation in a neighbourhood where affordability, access and space remain highly valued. Its location offers practical advantages, including proximity to schools, local services, transit routes and major destinations such as Scarborough Town Centre. These features make the building part of the everyday infrastructure that supports families, workers and long-term residents.

The surrounding area is also in transition. Dorset Park and nearby commercial corridors are increasingly shaped by redevelopment, intensification and renewed attention to mixed-use communities. In that context, buildings like McGregor Park matter because they raise a larger civic question: how can cities modernize without losing the rental homes that already anchor established communities?

An editorial view of McGregor Park should therefore look beyond bricks, floors and suite counts. It should see the building as part of Scarborough's social fabric. Older rental towers can face pressures related to maintenance, modernization and market demand, but they also provide scale, continuity and housing choice. Their future should be guided by thoughtful investment, tenant stability and neighbourhood-sensitive planning.

McGregor Park Apartments is not simply a residential address. It is a reminder that strong communities are built not only through new construction, but also through the stewardship of existing homes. As Scarborough continues to grow, places like McGregor Park deserve attention as essential parts of the city's housing conversation.

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DENTAL CARE IN DORSET PARK

Dorset Park residents have access to convenient, community-focused dental services designed to support every stage of life—from first checkups to ongoing preventive care. Regular visits help maintain oral health, catch issues early, and keep smiles feeling their best.



THIS MONTH'S FEATURE

A Legacy of Smiles: Inside

For over four decades, Ellesmere Kennedy Dental Centre has been a cornerstone of the Scarborough community, evolving from a local practice into a multi-generational dental home. Since current owners Dr. Daphne Chien and Dr. Gilbert Chan took the helm in 1997, the clinic has balanced advanced clinical expertise with a philosophy that treats every patient like family.

Comprehensive Care Under One Roof

What sets the centre apart is its "all-in-one" approach to oral health. From standard hygiene to complex restorative work, the team covers a vast clinical spectrum:

- Preventative & Family Care: Gentle pediatric dentistry and routine maintenance.
- Advanced Restorations: High-quality crowns, bridges, and dentures.
- Modern Enhancements: Invisalign clear aligner therapy and dental implants.
- Specialized Health: Root canal therapy, periodontics, and custom snore appliances.

A Team Defined by Experience

The clinic's strength lies in the longevity and diversity of its professional staff, many of whom have practiced at this location for decades:

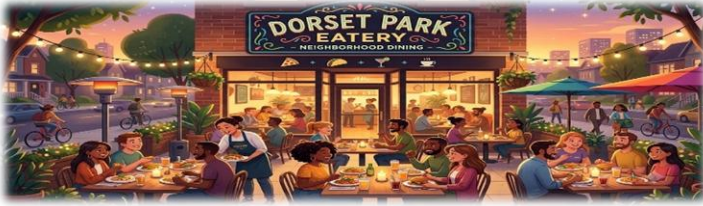
- Dr. Gilbert Chan: A veteran with 30 years of experience, Dr. Chan is a University of Toronto alumnus and a certified Invisalign provider, offering care in English, Cantonese, and Mandarin.
- Dr. Daphne Chien: Celebrating nearly 30 years at the practice, Dr. Chien is known for her gentle touch with children and her rewarding work seeing families grow through three generations.
- Supportive Specialists: The team includes Dr. Janet Ho, a neighborhood fixture for 20+ years, Dr. Janet Wong, and certified periodontist Dr. Mark Mojgani.

Commitment to Accessibility

Understanding the demands of modern life, Ellesmere Kennedy Dental Centre prioritizes convenience without compromising quality. They are among the few clinics to offer 7-day-a-week availability, featuring extended evening hours until 8:00 PM on weekdays and full weekend service.

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DINING IN DORSET PARK



Dorset Park is full of low-key food gems—places where the portions are generous, the spices are right, and you can feel the neighbourhood in every order. This feature highlights local restaurants, bakeries, takeout counters, and cafés that keep our community fed (and keep local dollars close to home).

THIS MONTH'S FEATURE

Edill's Coffee House: A Taste of East Africa in Dorset Park

In a neighbourhood rich with quiet food discoveries, Edill's Coffee House brings something distinct to Dorset Park: a café experience shaped by East African flavour, personal memory, and a genuine commitment to craft. Located at 1412 Kennedy Road, the shop stands out not by chasing trends, but by offering a focused point of view—coffee and tea rooted in African heritage, prepared with care, and served in a space that feels warm, local, and intentional.

The story begins with founder Edill Hassan, whose connection to tea and coffee reaches back to childhood. That lifelong appreciation eventually became Royaltea Coffee in 2019, a venture created to spotlight African flavours in every cup. Over time, the concept evolved into Edill's Coffee House, a more personal expression of the same mission: to introduce customers to the richness, depth, and character of coffees and teas sourced from African soil.

That sense of purpose comes through in the menu. Edill's specializes in in-house roasted coffee and artisan loose-leaf teas, with selections that reflect the diversity of East African growing regions. For customers used to café menus that feel interchangeable, this specificity matters. Each cup offers more than caffeine; it offers a story of origin, culture, and careful sourcing.

But Edill's appeal is not only in what it serves. It is also in how it positions itself within the community. Dorset Park has long been home to independent food businesses that do more than feed people—they create gathering places, preserve culture, and keep neighbourhood dollars circulating close to home. Edill's fits naturally into that tradition, offering a welcoming stop for morning regulars, curious first-time visitors, and anyone looking for a café with character.

In a city filled with coffee shops, Edill's Coffee House feels refreshingly grounded. It is a reminder that the best local cafés are not just places to grab a drink; they are places where identity, hospitality, and flavour meet—one thoughtfully brewed cup at a time.

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EMPLOYMENT NEWS IN DORSET PARK

Employment Support Services

Centennial College Employment Services offers job search assistance, resume support, career information, skills assessments, and training referrals. [dorsetpark.com]

Operation Springboard Youth at Work provides assessments, counselling, workshops, referrals, and job development services for youth. [dorsetpark.com]

Toronto Employment and Social Services (Ontario Works) provides employment supports and financial assistance programs. [dorsetpark.com]

COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT RESOURCES

The Dorset Park community website lists:

Job postings

Employment fairs

Youth employment programs

Volunteer opportunities

Training programs such as YMCA and NPower initiatives. [dorsetpark.com]

Current Job Openings Nearby

Job boards currently show opportunities in and around Dorset Park, including:

Cashier

Grocery Clerk

Customer Service Representative

Retail Associate

Pharmacy Clerk

Warehouse Associate

General Labourer

Security Guard [workopolis.com], [jobbank.gc.ca]

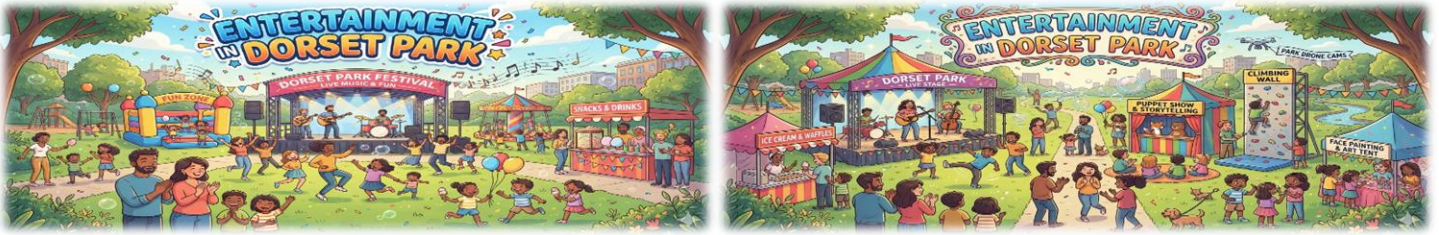
Useful Job Search Sites:

Government of Canada Job Bank: jobs near Dorset Park. [jobbank.gc.ca]

Workopolis job listings for Dorset Park. [workopolis.com]

Indeed job listings for Dorset Park. [ca.indeed.com]

ENTERTAINMENT IN DORSET PARK



In July 2026, Dorset Park's entertainment story is less about marquee lights and more about movement: neighbours stepping out, families drifting between local plazas and parks, and Scarborough's wider cultural calendar pulling the community into the summer rhythm. The neighbourhood has always had a practical, everyday energy, but this month it feels ready to claim something more festive.

The strongest example is just beyond Dorset Park's doorstep: Taste of Lawrence returns from July 3 to 5 along Lawrence Avenue East between Warden Avenue and Birchmount Road, offering the kind of free, food-forward street celebration that suits the area perfectly. With more than 150 vendors and live entertainment across two stages, it gives residents a low-barrier way to experience music, dance, and global flavours without needing to travel downtown. That matters in a part of Toronto where entertainment is often built around access, affordability, and cultural familiarity.

Elsewhere in Scarborough, July widens the invitation. Kothu Fest at Albert Campbell Square on July 4 celebrates Tamil food culture with a lively public-square atmosphere, while Guild Festival Theatre's Family Fest from July 10 to 12 brings free performances and workshops to Guild Park and Gardens. These events may not sit inside Dorset Park's boundaries, but they help define its entertainment ecosystem: nearby, multicultural, family-friendly, and proudly east-end.

For Dorset Park, the opportunity is clear. July should not be treated as a month when residents simply leave the neighbourhood for fun. It should be a reminder that entertainment can grow from community hubs, schoolyards, small businesses, libraries, and parks. Pop-up music, outdoor movie nights, youth showcases, food tastings, and local art markets would fit the neighbourhood's scale and spirit. The demand is already there; residents are proving it whenever they show up for Scarborough's festivals. What Dorset Park needs now is more intentional programming close to home.

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FAITH IN DORSET PARK

Dorset Park is home to a wide range of faith traditions and spiritual communities that help shape the neighbourhood's sense of care, belonging, and connection. This feature highlights local places of worship, community gatherings, and services that support residents through life's milestones—from weekly worship and youth programs to food banks, settlement supports, and community outreach.

THIS MONTH'S FEATURE



PMCC (4th Watch) Canada Holiness & Service in Action

In a neighbourhood as diverse as Dorset Park, places of worship often become more than Sunday destinations—they can be steady gathering points where newcomers find familiar faces, families find support, and volunteers find purpose. The Pentecostal Missionary Church of Christ (4th Watch) Canada—often known as PMCC4W—describes its guiding focus as “Holiness & Service,” a simple phrase that reflects both faith and practical care for others.

PMCC4W Canada serves communities across the country, with many local gatherings that include worship services, youth and family programs, and opportunities to connect through small-group support and prayer. For community members who are curious, the church also welcomes requests for Bible studies, baptism information, and prayer support—making it easy to take a first step, ask questions, or simply be present.

Beyond its services, PMCC4W highlights a commitment to community outreach—practical ways of showing care that extend outside church walls. If you're looking for a place to volunteer, meet neighbours, or take part in community-facing support, this is one local faith community worth getting to know. Watch for upcoming events and outreach opportunities and consider visiting a nearby gathering to see how “Holiness & Service” is lived out in Dorset Park and beyond.

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PHARMACY IN DORSET PARK

Pharmacies in Dorset Park play an important role in supporting the health and well-being of a diverse, family-oriented community in Scarborough. In a neighbourhood known for its multicultural population, convenient transit access, and growing need for accessible local services, pharmacies provide more than prescription support—they serve as trusted points of care for health advice, medication management, vaccinations, and everyday wellness needs. By offering professional, patient-centred service close to home, pharmacies in Dorset Park help residents access timely care with confidence, convenience, and a strong sense of community support.

THIS MONTH'S FEATURE



Blue Rose Pharmacy: Personalizing Care, One Prescription at a Time

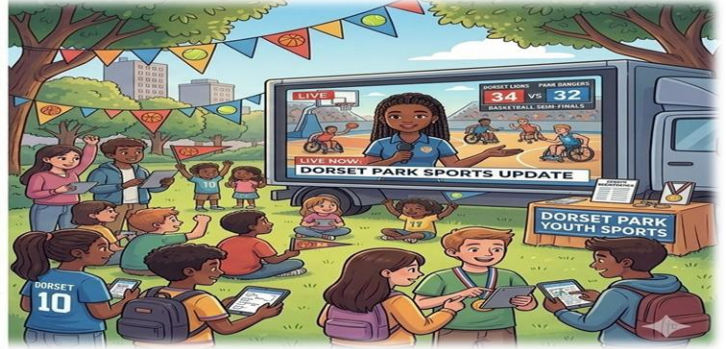
In an era when healthcare can often feel impersonal, Blue Rose Pharmacy is building its reputation around a simpler idea: medicine should fit the patient, not the other way around. Based in Scarborough, Ontario, the pharmacy specializes in compounding—custom-prepared medications tailored to individual needs—serving patients who may not find the right solution in standard, mass-produced prescriptions.

That personalized focus is central to Blue Rose Pharmacy's identity. Public-facing information about the business highlights its work in therapeutic compounding, with particular attention to neurological and brain-related conditions. The pharmacy describes itself as committed to educating patients about compounded medicine while offering alternatives designed around specific health concerns, dosage needs, and treatment preferences. In practical terms, that can mean preparing medications in forms or strengths that are not readily available off the shelf—an especially valuable service for patients with specialized care requirements.

Blue Rose Pharmacy also appears to pair that clinical specialization with a community-minded model of service. Listings and public descriptions note offerings such as prescription delivery, medication organization support, walk-in access through the adjoining medical centre, seasonal flu vaccines, and pharmacist consultations. The business emphasizes quality checks, customer service, and a patient-first mindset—language that suggests a pharmacy aiming to be more than a dispensing counter. At a time when patients are increasingly seeking care that feels responsive and individualized, Blue Rose Pharmacy reflects a broader shift in healthcare: away from one-size-fits-all treatment and toward precision, accessibility, and trust. For many patients, that may be the difference between simply receiving medication and truly receiving care.

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SPORTS IN DORSET PARK



Sport continues to play a vital role in bringing the Dorset Park community together, and July 2026 has been one of the busiest and most exciting months on the local sporting calendar. With long summer days and favourable weather, residents of all ages have embraced opportunities to participate in outdoor activities, competitions, and recreational programmes.

Football remains the most popular sport in the area, with local clubs reporting strong participation levels among both junior and senior players. Weekend matches at community grounds have attracted enthusiastic crowds, creating a vibrant atmosphere and encouraging greater community involvement. Youth development programmes have also expanded, giving young athletes the chance to improve their skills while promoting teamwork and discipline.

Cricket has enjoyed a successful summer season, with local teams competing in regional leagues and friendly fixtures. The sport continues to attract participants from diverse backgrounds, reflecting the multicultural character of Dorset Park. Spectators have been treated to several closely contested matches, highlighting the growing standard of play within the community.

Tennis and athletics have also seen increased interest this month. Local courts have been busy with coaching sessions and social tournaments, while running clubs have organised regular events encouraging residents to maintain active lifestyles. These activities have provided valuable opportunities for social interaction and personal fitness.

Community sports initiatives remain a key focus for local organisers. Family fun days, fitness workshops, and inclusive sporting events have encouraged participation among people of all ages and abilities. Such programmes continue to strengthen community spirit while promoting the physical and mental health benefits of regular exercise.

As July draws to a close, Dorset Park can look back on a month of sporting achievement, participation, and community engagement. The continued growth of local sports demonstrates the area's commitment to healthy living and active recreation. With several events planned for the remainder of the summer, the outlook for sport in Dorset Park remains exceptionally positive.



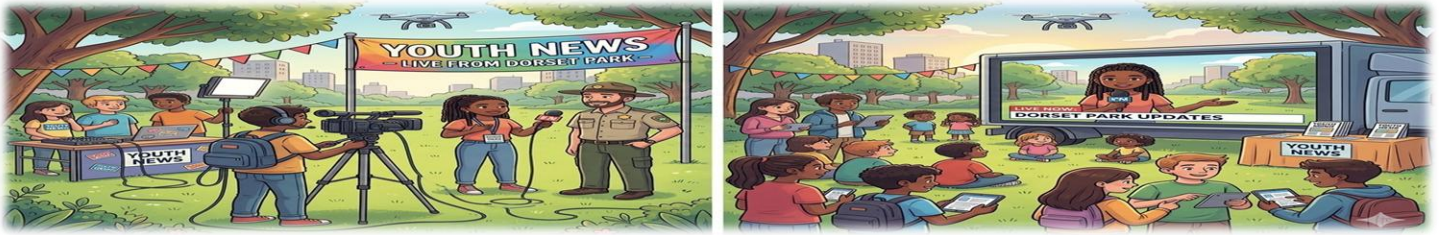
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YOUTH NEWS IN DORSET



Youth in Dorset Park: The Future Is Already Here

In July 2026, the story of youth in Dorset Park is not one of waiting for opportunity—it is one of young people already building it, often with limited resources and too little public attention. Across this central Scarborough neighbourhood, teens and young adults are navigating the familiar pressures of housing costs, job insecurity, transit gaps, mental health strain and the everyday expectation that they should simply “figure it out.” Yet what stands out most is not deficit, but determination.

Dorset Park has important anchors. The Dorset Park Community Hub on Kennedy Road brings together settlement supports, employment services, youth and family mental health resources, public computer access and community programming. City-wide youth recreation and summer programs also offer pathways into sport, arts, leadership and employment. These services matter because they turn abstract promises into real doors young people can walk through.

But access is not the same as equity. A program that exists on paper can still feel out of reach if a young person does not know about it, cannot get there safely, cannot afford time away from work or home responsibilities, or does not see their culture, language or lived experience reflected in the room. In a neighbourhood shaped by newcomer families, working households and rich cultural diversity, youth policy must be practical, local and relationship based.

That means more evening and weekend programming, paid youth leadership roles, mentorship tied to real career pathways, safer public spaces and sustained mental health supports close to home. It also means trusting young people as planners, not just participants. Dorset Park youth know which basketball courts need lights, which bus routes feel unreliable, which schools need after-hours spaces, and which neighbours are quietly doing the work of keeping people connected.

The future of Dorset Park will not be delivered from outside the community. It is already being shaped by youth who translate for parents, volunteer at events, care for siblings, start small businesses, organize friends and dream beyond the boundaries others place around Scarborough. The question for July 2026 is whether institutions will match their ambition. Dorset Park’s young people are ready. The city must be ready for them.

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