



April 2016

*My Passion + Your Dreams = 1 Great Home!*

# HOME CONNECTION

Check it out !! >>>



## Community Events in Durham

### Community Clean-Up Week

When: April 17-23, 9-5pm Day/Time 7

Where: Civic Recreation Complex  
99 Thornton Road South Oshawa

### Hedley

When: April 19, 2016 7:00pm to 11:00pm

Where: General Motors Centre

### Spring Fashion Show

When: April 26, 2016 7:00pm to 9:00pm

Where: St. Stephen's United Church  
1360 Simcoe Street North, Oshawa

### Ajaxbeerfest 2016

When: May 7, 2016 2:00pm to 7:00pm

Where: Ajax Community Centre,  
75 Centennial Road, Ajax

Contact Linda for more info on events!!

## Find Out What Your Home Is Worth

**Please do not hesitate to call.**

**I will be happy to assess the  
Current Market Value of your home  
and talk about any Real Estate  
queries you may have.**

**It is always a pleasure!**

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Not intended to solicit those already working with a realtor

## GET YOUR GARDEN READY FOR SPRING

Here are a few things you can do to ensure your garden's ready for spring and all things green:



- ◆ Clear away and compost the dead stalks of perennials that provided seeds and cover to birds and other wildlife over the winter but may harbour unwanted diseases and bugs.
- ◆ Prune shrubs and small trees to maintain good form and vigour.
- ◆ Rake lawns to remove winter debris. This also helps aerate the soil to ensure air gets in to the root zone.
- ◆ Start turning over your compost pile. The deteriorated organic material at the bottom of the pile can make great mulch to spread over the garden.
- ◆ Wash summer hummingbird and butterfly feeders thoroughly to avoid the build up of harmful moulds and bacteria.
- ◆ Clean out bird boxes to avoid diseases and pests such as mites that

can harm feathered visitors to your garden.

- ◆ Take the time now to plan new beds or revitalize existing ones to get ready for planting in a few weeks' time. For new or expanded beds, dig areas early and add organic matter (well-rotted compost is great) to improve the soil.
- ◆ Build a bat or bird box to attract new species to your yard.



- ◆ Learn about what plants are native to your area and find out how you can restore a couple of species to your garden.
- ◆ Contact your local gardening or nature club about plants and invasive species that are known to be of concern in your area and avoid buying them. If they already are present, remove them.

Source: <http://www.natureconservancy.ca>

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## Featured Properties>>>



Bowmanville \$465,000  
Detached Bungalow



Oshawa \$380,000  
Semi-Detached 2 Storey

To book your  
private showing  
on these or any  
other property,  
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## Market Watch>>>

### Strong Growth in Home Sales in March/Q1

"Demand was clearly not an issue in the first three months of 2016, regardless of the housing market segment being considered. The supply of listings, however, continued to aggravate many would-be home buyers. We could have experienced even stronger sales growth were it not for the constrained supply of listings, especially in the low-rise market segments. The resulting strong competition between buyers has underpinned the double-digit rates of price growth experienced so far this year," said Jason Mercer, TREB's Director of Market Analysis.

### Summary of Existing Home Transactions in Durham Region

	New Listings	Active Listings	Avg. Sold Price	Avg. Days on Market
Durham Region	1,474	824	104%	11
Ajax	238	99	105%	8
Brock	29	59	98%	28
Clarington	247	150	103%	11
Oshawa	354	164	104%	10
Pickering	207	109	103%	13
Scugog	48	51	98%	22
Uxbridge	59	66	100%	24
Whitby	292	126	105%	9



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## From My Kitchen Baked Apples

*The recipe for this month is super simple but delicious!!*

### Ingredients

- ◆ 4 Apples (I like Ida Red or Honey Crisp but use whatever you have or like)
- ◆ 1/4 cup of Oatmeal
- ◆ 2 Tbsp Brown Sugar
- ◆ 1 tsp Butter
- ◆ 1 Tbsp Cinnamon (I use a lot)
- ◆ Dash of Salt
- ◆ Cool Whip or Ice Cream
- ◆ Honey



### Directions

- ◆ Core the apples and place onto a baking sheet lined with parchment paper (I do mine in the toaster oven).
- ◆ Mix together the Oatmeal, Brown Sugar, Butter, Cinnamon and Salt.
- ◆ Push into the cored apple (I pack it right in to get it all there).
- ◆ Bake for 1 hour at 300 degrees.
- ◆ Top with Cool Whip or Ice Cream and a little bit of honey!

Questions about the recipe? Call me!

Questions about the buying or selling process, I am always available to help!! I'm just a phone call or email away! I look forward to hearing from you.

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