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ROTARY HOLIDAY HOUSE TOUR

Welcome to our 22nd Annual Holiday House Tour! If you are reading this, then we are working together and moving out of our isolation. Nothing is more evident than the journey we all have navigated through this global pandemic. All of our lives have changed. When the world is hurting, Rotarians step up and become leaders within the community and around the world.

The Rotary Holiday House Tour has been a huge success over the years because of our generous homeowners, our talented and hard-working decorators, hundreds of enthusiastic volunteers, and you.

Once again, we are showcasing distinctive homes and landmark destinations beautifully decorated for the season, as well as our extraordinary event at The McArthur Estate entitled, 'An Enchanted Wonderland'.

Each ticket sale helps to give us the means to complete projects that have lasting impact. To date, the Rotary Club of Niagara-on-the-Lake has raised more than \$1,000,000 towards our Seven Areas of Focus: Promoting Peace, Fighting Disease, Providing Clean Water, Sanitation and Hygiene, Saving Mothers and Children, Supporting Education, Growing Local Economies, and Protecting the Environment.

Our 2021-2022 Rotary theme is to 'Serve to Change Lives'. The biggest gift we are given is the power to touch a life to change.

To you, our supporters, we say a sincere, heartfelt, 'Thank You'! Wishing you a joyous holiday season. Stay safe, and enjoy our 22nd Annual Rotary Holiday House Tour!!!

Patricia Murenbeeld
President 2021 - 2022

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HOUSE TOUR PROCEDURE: Proof of vaccination is required. Please visit our website to access a regularly updated COVID protocols PDF for full safety requirements.

Proceed to any of the seven homes to begin your tour and get your wristband. Your general tour ticket is good for both days. In an effort to reduce single-use plastic, we ask you to bring your own reusable shoe bag. There will also be souvenir reusable bags for sale for \$2 (donations welcome). Please remove shoes while in the homes. Interior photographs are not allowed.







How does the tour work? This is a self-guided tour. You can start at any of the 7 main houses to get your wristband and view the sites in any order you wish. Many of the properties are close together and easily walkable if you are fully mobile, however, some distances will require a vehicle. For those with limited mobility, email us beforehand at notlhht@gmail.com.

What COVID Protocols are in place? Proof of full vaccination, screening tests, face masks, and contact tracing are required. Plus, according to provincial regulations, we are operating at limited capacity and social distancing must be maintained. Please refer to the PDF on our website for regularly updated information.

Can I buy tickets at the event? Tickets are available **ONLINE ONLY**. There will only be information at Niagara-on-the-Lake Museum. https://niagaraonthelakerotary.ca/page/holidayhouse-tour

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Is my General ticket valid for both days? YES, you can use your General ticket for both days from 9:30 am - 5:00 pm but please leave your wristband on. If the General Tour is cancelled due to COVID, tickets will be refunded. McArthur Enchanted Wonderland tickets are good for the specific day and time stated on your ticket.

Visit niagaraonthelakerotary.ca/events/ holidayhousetour for more FAQ and for information about the programs we support.

General Tour: 9:30 am - 5:00 pm, Dec. 3 & 4 \$35* early bird | \$40 after November 17 *Eventbrite fees apply. \$CAN/US

Stay for the weekend! Happening in our beautiful, seasonally decorated town: the annual Candlelight Stroll sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, a Shaw Festival performance of 'A Christmas Carol' or 'Holiday Inn', winery tours, local shopping, fabulous dining, and a plethora of other activities.





HOUSE

Summer's End 235 SIMCOE ST PRESENTED BY: NOTL REALTY

This charming example of classic Georgian architecture was built circa 1828 by Irish stonemason, Michael Morley, and owned by the Morley family for over 80 years. Its cozy charm is created by features such as the original wide plank mixed species wood floors, presumed to have been hewn from trees that once stood on the property; four wood-burning fireplaces — one with an elaborate original mantle; a classic six-panel front door with hand-forged bolts and brass rim lock; and handmade tin sconces in every room. Two additions have been made to the home over time: the kitchen, designed in keeping with the Georgian character; and a lovely garden-view family room. The new owners are thrilled to be the current stewards of this heritage home and look forward to welcoming visitors this holiday season.

The Garden Club of Niagara's members are adept at vintage floral design using all natural materials, fresh and dried, grown and harvested from their gardens. This lovely Heritage Home will have its 3 mantles, warm formal dining room and family room lavishly adorned with traditional, old-world charm.



HOUSE

The Linden House 389 SIMCOE ST PRESENTED BY: JANIKING, BAIRD MACGREGOR

If your dreams of a 2021 tropical Christmas are fading, a visit to Linden House may be just what the doctor ordered. When the owners decided to recreate the spirit of their Florida retreat in Niagara this year, an allout extravaganza was launched. The result may have you scrambling for sunscreen. Think Lilly Pulitzer, mermaids and seashells on steroids and you'll get a sense of the magic they've created here. It's the second transformation of Linden House since it was purchased by the current owners four years ago. First came the creation of a resort-style backyard with gorgeous covered patio, outdoor kitchen, stunning pool and a wraparound verandah that completely changed the street presence of this former B&B. Now, 'A Coastal Chrismas in the Snow', is giving the interior its own makeover, and it's changing the face of Christmas on Simcoe Street.

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HOUSE

The Revival 282 NASSAU ST PRESENTED BY: SHAW FESTIVAL

This is the story of someone who, in 2011, saw the potential in a small house on a large lot in a wonderful neighbourhood and jumped on it. Today, 10 years later, with walls removed, loft added, pool and pool house complete, 'The Revival', is ready to spread its wings and fly. There's a wonderful flow in this house — perfect for parties. Before dinner, guests can gather around an original French Art Deco bar. Then, it's poolside for elegant summer dining. When the last guest has departed, the owners face a big decision: retire to a stunning master bedroom overlooking the pool or choose the opposite view where sliding glass doors on the poolhouse blur the lines between inside and out. Decisions, decisions. Fortunately, no choice is a bad one.

The Village Flower, a local award-winning, published florist, will bring in lush winter greenery and dried elements to accent the unique interior of the house. The bar, seating areas, and staircases will be draped in fresh greenery, florals and accents to create a festive and inviting space. Outdoors, urn arrangements and fresh winter wreaths will be decorated for the holiday season.



HOUSE

Royal Albion 21 COTTAGE ST PRESENTED BY: GATTA HOMES

The Royal Albion is a one-of-a-kind home that many consider the absolute gem of the Gatta Home Collection. The first project of the owner's soon-to-be-superstar daughter, designer Syrina Gatta, its wow factor begins the moment you walk in the front door. An LED-lit turret in the entryway casts a glow on the heated, white-oak herringbone floors below. In the distance, past the stunning kitchen and great room, 10-foot sliding glass doors open to an elegant heated patio, warmed by a linear gas fireplace and framed by rows of cedars. The attention to detail in every inch of this house is meticulous. 16-foot ceilings with hand-crafted, red oak beams, glass-fronted cabinets staged to perfection, stunning tiles and backsplashes throughout — wherever you look in The Royal Albion, there's something special and unexpected to be discovered. You won't want to miss a thing.

Syrina Gatta and **Regal Florists** design a magical, classic Christmas: the eclectic decor is embellished with red and green, while wooden figurines and lush garlands adorn the spaces, creating a cozy, yet contemporary holiday feel.





HOUSE

Willow Vineyards 1308 LINE 2 PRESENTED BY: BOSLEY REAL ESTATE

Ever wonder how a builder approaches the design of his own home? Look no further than Willow Vineyards, home of famed, local Pastry Chef and World Culinary Judge, Catherine O'Donnell. In 2014, her late husband, Builder/Designer, Frank Wieler, decided to transform his corrugated metal carpentry shop into the cozy, charming home and Airbnb it is today. Situated in the midst of vineyards, on the outskirts of Old Town, Willow Vineyards today is an unimposing structure that belies the detail within. Outside the private rear entrance, massive pots overflow with flowers and an elevated pool is tucked discreetly behind a garden wall. Inside, views of the surrounding vineyards vie for attention with the owner's eclectic collection of art. The kitchen with its massive island is the focus here, but the heart of this special retreat is the relaxed and inviting family room it overlooks. There's a different but equally special vibe to the Airbnb in front. Sun-filled and contemporary, its cheery feel has made it one of the most popular vacation rentals on the Airbnb site. The designer's dream lives on in both.

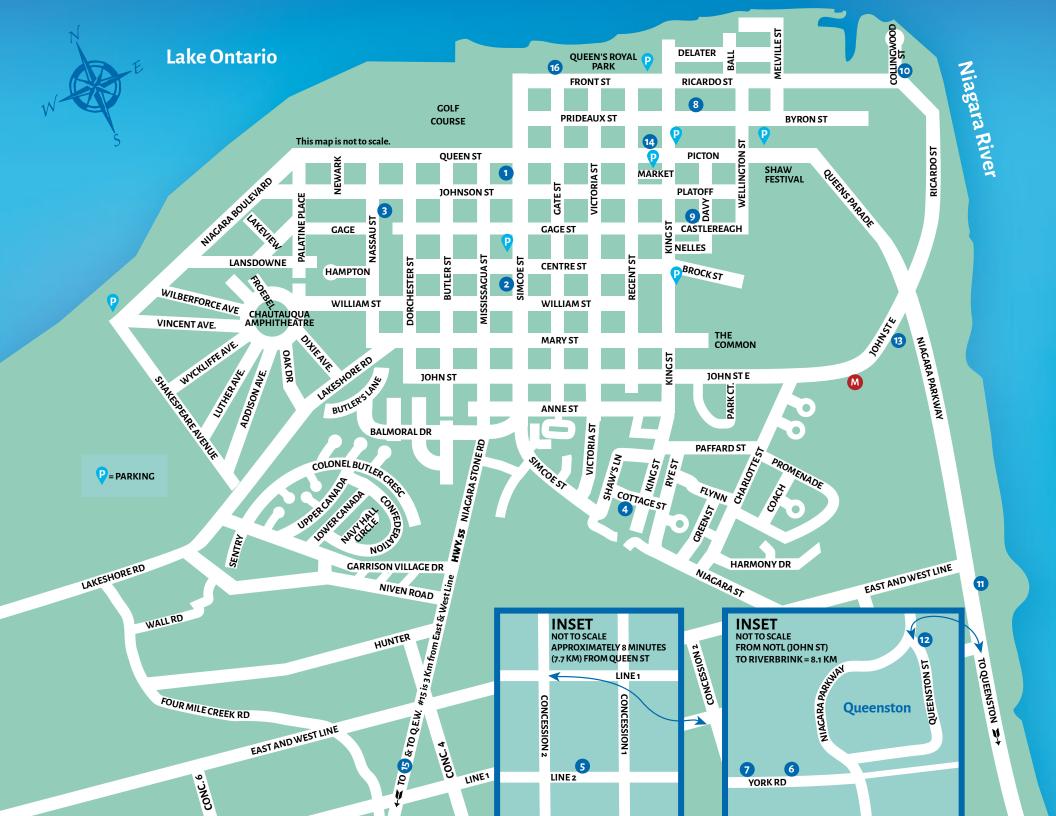


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The Little Red Tree House 2064 YORK RD PRESENTED BY: DF DESIGN BUILD, RICHARDSON WEALTH

Built in 2020, The Little Red Treehouse is what happens if you were to marry a luxury home with a cottage. Designed by the home's current owners, Paul and Michelle Lalonde, with DF Design Build's, Dave Funk, this unique custom home on the Niagara Escarpment gives the impression of being in a giant tree house. A 17-foot high cathedral ceiling accentuates the main floor and brings to sight the home's 22-foot wide, full glass back window wall that opens to a four-seasons deck. This tree house-like atmosphere and the illusion of bringing nature into the home is what gives this beautiful property its resort-like feel. Bold and unique, it still manages to capture the charm and magic of Niagara-on-the-Lake.

Visitors will be delighted when they step into this beautiful modern tree top home, transformed into a cozy cottage through the creative decor displayed by the **Watering Can of Vineland**. Natural elements along with the artistic pieces The Watering Can is known for will offer the comfort and beauty of a northern getaway Christmas.





HOUSE

Chez Lou 2002 YORK RD

PRESENTED BY: ENNS CABINETRY, ROYAL LEPAGE, DESJARDINS

Named after the owners' dogs and fashioned after their favourite place in the world, this gorgeous, Provence-inspired home is as beautiful outside as it is in. From the glass-framed back patio, views begin with the landscaped magic of a Master Gardener's vision, continue across the blues of an infinity pool, and culminate in stunning panoramic views. Inside, the views are equally as impressive. 200-year-old leaded glass windows feature knights of the realm; while steps away, a turret encloses the home's circular, wood-paneled library. Tying it all together, the pale green and yellow colours of Provence create a natural flow through Chez Lou and turn its many delights into a seamless ode to Provence.

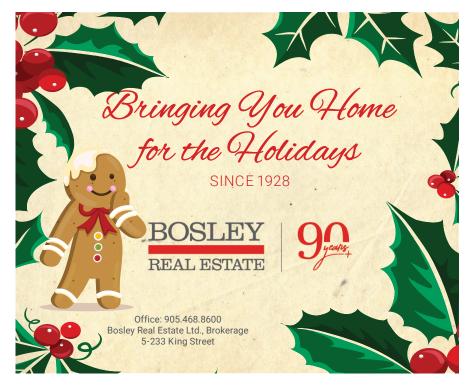
Regal Florist and Garden Centre has participated in the Holiday House Tour for 22 years and every year we look forward to a new project. We endeavour to provide unique designs that reflect the style of the homeowners while preserving the integrity of their home. Our original plans often take a surprise direction as we experience the unique personality of the home.

ANNUAL SITE NOTL: DECORATED BY DEDICATED VOLUNTEERS St. Mark's Anglican Church 41 BYRON ST



St. Mark's is the oldest Anglican Church in continuous use in Ontario. The building completed by 1804, was a rectangle with the outline of the chancel still visible in the floorboards. When the transepts were added in 1839, balconies were placed on 2 sides, necessitating the addition of the high pulpits. After the removal of the balconies and box pews in 1892, memorial windows began to be added. The original organ was in the chancel, but moved to the balcony in 1968. The two newer organs, both made by Ontario organ builder Gabriel Kney, are additions in recent years. Many concerts are held here, including the Music Niagara Festival, due to the excellent acoustics. Although the history of the parish is present in every stone, this is very much an active place of worship. A guide will be available 9:30 am-5 pm Friday; and 12-5 pm on Saturday.

A Church Hall luncheon will not be held this year, due to Diocesan regulations.







McARTHUR ENCHANTED WONDERLAND

The McArthur Estate 210 JOHN ST E
PRESENTED BY: THE MCARTHUR FAMILY

Like a dreamy, winter snow globe, this magnificent 1829, red brick Georgian home is surrounded by enchanting Victorian gardens with ponds, statues, and sunlit conservatories. Your outdoor tour will take you through the Victorian Gardens, past statues, pergolas, and stunningly lit 'outdoor rooms'. Take in the remarkable nativity scene and wonder at the beautifully lit Christmas angel. Music and song will be provided by local artists and the Yellow Door Theater Company. Santa and his elves look forward to greeting you in his workshop and hope you enjoy his reindeer stables and the Canine Manor. A festive glass of sparkling wine will be yours to enjoy along with a seasonal cookie and warm apple cider.

The main floor tour of the house displays ornate architectural mouldings and details, and a grand staircase that is home to a magical **twelve-foot Christmas tree**. The elegantly decorated rooms confirm that this truly is an Enchanted Wonderland.

AN EVENING INDOOR/OUTDOOR TOUR OF THE SEASONALLY DECORATED, SPECTACULAR MCARTHUR ESTATE

This event has been made possible by the incredible generosity of the McArthur family. They embody the spirit of Christmas, community, and compassion throughout the year. We are very grateful for their continued support. Thank you, Blair and Brenda McArthur, for opening your home and your hearts to us all.

4:45-5:30 pm | 5:30-6:15 pm | 6:15-7:00 pm | 7:00 -7:45 pm | LIMITED CAPACITY Friday or Saturday, December 3 and 4 Adults - \$40* | Children 5-12 years - \$10 | Children 0-4 years - Free

*Eventbrite fees apply. \$ CAN/US. 4:45 time slot is for families with children.

FOLLOWING COVID SAFETY PROTOCOLS: PROOF OF VACCINATION IS REQUIRED. Please visit our website to access a regularly updated COVID protocols PDF for full safety requirements: https://niagaraonthelakerotary.ca/event/holiday-house-tour.

Should COVID restrictions prohibit an indoor tour, the McArthur Enchanted Wonderland will proceed OUTSIDE ONLY, and tickets will NOT BE REFUNDED. Your donation benefits local and international charitable projects. Visit **niagaraonthelakerotary.ca** to view the projects our Rotary Club supports.

ANNUAL SITE NOTL: DECORATED BY DEDICATED VOLUNTEERS Niagara-on-the-Lake Museum 43 CASTLEREAGH ST



Rotary volunteers will be on hand at the Museum as an information station during the tour.

The Niagara Historical Society opened Memorial Hall in 1907 as the first purpose-built museum in Ontario. It is linked to the former Niagara High School (1875) and houses one of the most significant local history collections in Ontario.

During the tour, visitors are welcome to explore the Museum's permanent and temporary exhibits exploring the rich history of Niagara-on-the-Lake.

You are invited to enjoy a cup of hot apple cider and browse the lovely selection of holiday and historical gifts and books which can be purchased in the gift shop. www.notlmuseum.ca

ANNUAL SITE NOTL: DECORATED BY THE CHARMING HOUSE Niagara Pumphouse 247 RICARDO ST



Deck the halls this holiday season with unique artwork. Visit the 'Art Sale' at the Niagara Pumphouse Arts Centre on December 3 & 4.

A wide variety of works donated by Ontario artists, patrons, members and the community are available for sale at our only major fundraiser in 2021. As the local art hub, the Niagara Pumphouse Arts Centre is a not-for-profit art studio and gallery that offers events, exhibitions and programs in visual arts.

The Art Sale proceeds are needed to sustain children's programs. www.niagarapumphouse.ca

ANNUAL SITE NOTL: DECORATED BY THE GARDEN CLUB OF NIAGARA

McFarland House 15927 NIAGARA PARKWAY

'A Winter Garden', a beautiful outdoor exhibit by The Garden Club of Niagara, on the picture sque Niagara Parkway, represents the traditions and natural decorations of the season at an 1800s home in Niagara -on-the-Lake. Unfortunately, the house will not be open for indoor visitors.

This historic Georgian manor home was built by John McFarland and his sons. Descendants of the McFarlands lived in the house for over 140 years before it was restored by The Niagara Parks Commission and opened to the public in 1959.



During the War of 1812, both British and

American forces used the home as a hosp-ital, and in 1813, the British attack on Fort Niagara was launched from the ravine on the property. McFarland House is one of the only structures to survive the burning of the town when occupying American forces retreated from the area, making it one of the oldest properties in Niagara-on-the-Lake. Today, McFarland House portrays early nine-teenth century life in Upper Canada. www.mcfarlandhouse.com

ANNUAL SITE QUEENSTON: DECORATED FOR THE HOLIDAYS RiverBrink Art Museum 116 QUEENSTON ST

RiverBrink is hosting an exhibition of paintings by Melanie MacDonald during the fall and winter of 2021. In this recent body of work, MacDonald explores the world of lichen from the perspective of a non-scientist. In the paintings, the artist draws attention to the aesthetics of surfaces, textures and colour found in details that often cannot be seen with the naked eye. Visitors are welcome to explore the gift shop, which features local artwork for purchase, as well as the beautiful grounds overlooking the Niagara River and Lewiston. NY.



RiverBrink Art Museum is home to a permanent collection of historical artworks created by Canadian, American, and European artists. The gallery displays works by many of Canada's most celebrated artists, including Tom Thomson and members of the Group of Seven.

Visitors may also enjoy our gift shop and the grounds overlooking the Niagara River and Lewiston, NY. The museum will be decorated festively, in holiday tradition. Located at the intersection of the Niagara Parkway and Queenston Street in the village of Queenston. www.riverbrink.org

WINERIES ON TOUR: NOTL

Peller Estates Winery & Restaurant 290 JOHN ST E



Enjoy a complimentary tasting of our award-winning, sparkling Ice Cuvée Rosé at the 2018 Winery of the Year!

Take the opportunity to participate in our **Wine Country Silent Auction**, with all proceeds donated to the Rotary Club of Niagara-on-the-Lake.

Peller Estates Winery Restaurant will offer a specially-priced lunch menu from noon -2:30 pm for House Tourguests. www.peller.com

WINERIES ON TOUR: NOTL Wine Country Vintners 27 QUEEN ST



Join us in the heart of downtown Niagara -on-the-Lake at our Wine Country Vintners store, featuring wines from Peller Estates, Trius Winery, Thirty Bench Winemakers and Wayne Gretzky Estates.

Holiday House Tour guests receive a complimentary tasting of Trius Showcase Late Harvest Vidal.

WINERIES ON TOUR: VIRGIL Trius Winery & Restaurant 1249 NIAGARA STONE RD (HWY. 55)



Trius Winery welcomes you to enjoy a complimentary tasting of our iconic **Trius Red**.

Trius Winery Restaurant will offer House Tour guests a specially-priced lunch menu, with seating available from noon - 2:30 pm. www.triuswines.com

LUNCH SPECIALS ON TOUR



- 8 St. Mark's Hall: 11 am 2 pm both days, dependant upon Diocesan regulations.
- 13 Peller Estates Winery & Restaurant: special lunch menu from 12:00 - 2:30 pm.
- 15 Trius Winery & Restaurant: special lunch menu from 12:00 - 2:30 pm.
- 16 Niagara-on-the-Lake Golf Club Clubhouse Restaurant: buffet lunch. For reservations, call 905-468-3424.





Wishing you a safe and festive holiday

May this be a time of celebration and cheer. **Stop in, call or click.**



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ROTARY CLUB OF NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE

Rotary is where neighbours, friends, and problem-solvers share ideas, join leaders, and take action to create lasting change. Through Rotary clubs, people from all continents and cultures form friendships and professional connections while making a difference in their backyards and around the world. Our members pour their passion, integrity, and intelligence into completing projects that have a lasting impact. We persevere until we deliver real, lasting solutions.

Club activities, social events, and volunteer projects in picturesque Niagara-on-the-Lake offer networking opportunities that build personal and professional connections – and Rotarians can extend those networks by visiting other clubs around the globe.

FUNDED PROJECTS 2021

Our local focus in 2021-22 is food insecurity, mental health, maternal and child health, and community engagement with an emphasize on 'hands-on' projects.

Our club has been involved in numerous international projects from eradicating polio; providing shelter, clean water and food, improving medical facilities and many more. Through our partnerships, we have made a positive impact on thousands of lives.

Rotary International encourages us to develop projects that address priority needs identified by the communities they serve, to help people help themselves, and to ensure projects are environmentally sustainable.

International Projects

- · WASH project in Chisimuka, Malawi
- · El Carrizal Water Supply Project, Jalapa Region, Guatemala
- · Jacana Honey Project, Chipata, Zambia

If you are interested in service to others and would like more information about our club, please visit our website or email us at info@niagaraonthelakerotary.ca. We hold noon and evening meetings with presentations and social events, open to friends and family to participate.

Community Projects

- · St. George's Breakfast Program
- Reach Out Niagara Family Support Services
- Links for Greener Learning Community Gardens
- · Eco Chic 3Rs Boutique, NOTL
- Niagara Nursery School & Child Care Centre expansion
- · Westview Centre 4 Women



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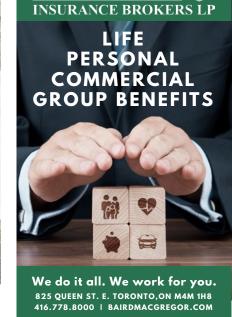
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What people are saying about the Niagara-on-the-Lake Rotary
Holiday House Tour:

Amber said: "So happy the tour will be happening again this year! It's a yearly tradition I look forward to that truly puts me in the Christmas spirit."

Inara said: "I have attended for many years. I find that every year it is evident that a lot of planning and organization has been done. Great job! Thank you."

Pat said: "I would like to thank you for always making us feel genuinely welcomed. We have attended each of our Christmas House Tours on the Friday. It's a Christmas tradition in our home."

Sign up to become a Front-of-the-Line member & get notified of ticket sales first, at niagaraonthelakerotary.ca/events/ holiday-house-tour







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For more details: **905-468-1950**



