



## Euro styling comes to Markham condo

**T**imes Group Corp. has unveiled Uptown Markham, a community stretching along a prime 88-acre parcel of land within the confines of the Rouge River Valley, south of Highway 7 in Markham.

One of Canada's largest new residential condominium developments, the \$2-billion community will be built to the LEED Gold Standard and is in line with the Ontario government's Places to Grow initiative to build communities that support economic prosperity while achieving a high quality of life.

"With Uptown Markham, we are once again raising the bar, strengthening our green commitment to the environment as well as to our purchasers," said Times Group marketing director Elmar Busch, noting that close to 50 acres of the breathtaking site will be preserved, including natural parkland, bike trails and the Rouge River Valley.

In designing Uptown Markham, Times Group collaborated with the Town of Markham to ensure adherence to principles of sustainability, environmental preservation and smart growth. The result is a legacy community that is expected to positively impact the area for years to come.

"Uptown Markham will significantly contribute to the continued growth of Markham as a leading economic and high tech community," said Markham Mayor Frank Scarpitti, who was on hand for the unveiling.

Every residence within Uptown Markham will be within 200 metres walking distance of public transit. Located along Highway 7 between Warden Ave. and Birchmount Rd., the project will eventually house 4,500 residential condominium units and 550,000 square feet of commercial space, including an initial 150,000 square feet at "Uptown Square" and a further 400,000 square feet of commercial and office space



at the corner of Highway 7 and Warden.

The first phase of Uptown Markham is River Park, a grouping of two high-rise and one mid-rise condominium residences that are European styled, energy efficient, maintenance-free with prices ranging from \$240,000 to \$600,000.

Pre-sales to VIP clients have already started in Buildings B and C, with Building A to be released shortly.

Two full-sized models are now available for viewing at the newly opened sales centre. Additional amenities will include a party room, gourmet kitchen and bar, indoor swimming pool and sauna, fitness facility and yoga studio, business centre, theatre/screening room, billiards and card room.

"To my knowledge, we are one of the first builders in Canada to provide an indoor/outdoor pre-school play centre where children aged 2-6 can socialize with other children while supervising parents socialize with other parents," says Busch.

Also among the first buildings to be built is Uptown Square, a European-style commercial plaza in the heart of the community that will be home to close to 15 vendors.

For more information, visit [www.uptownmarkham.com](http://www.uptownmarkham.com)

## SITE OPENINGS

# Geranium opens in Port Hope

**G**eranium Homes celebrated the opening of their second major community in Port Hope at a ribbon cutting ceremony last month.

In his remarks, Boaz Feiner, president, housing division of Geranium Homes observed that: "We believe in the quality of life offered to residents in Port Hope and are extremely pleased to be returning with a new neighbourhood."

According to Feiner, Port Hope offers a great variety of culture, recreational activities both indoors and out — service clubs, dining, shopping — as well as the services and conveniences for daily living, including municipal transit and VIA rail, all the things people seek in a home base.

In addition to opening the sales centre and three new model homes, Feiner announced Geranium Homes has made a commitment to donate \$100 per home sold at The Verandas to support Habitat for Humanity Northumberland. He kicked-off this initiative with a cheque presentation for the first three completed homes to board vice-chair, Lynda Sellar.

The community of 117 homes will include a landscaped park, walking paths and gazebo overlooking a pond, all just minutes from Port Hope's historic downtown. Elegant streetscapes in an enclave setting will enhance the new neighbourhood with covered front porches, double car garages and heritage influenced maintenance-free exteriors. Set on 42' and 48' lots, ten different bungalow designs of two- and three-bedrooms have been created with optional plans for more variety and choice; including finished base-

ment areas. Sizes range from 1,326 sq. ft. up to 2,374 sq. ft. (with optional finished lower level). Prices start from the mid \$200s.

Geranium Homes has been developing and building family communities across Southern Ontario for over 30 years and has built more than 7,000 homes to date. In 2010, the company committed to building all future Geranium communities to Energy Star performance standards.

For more information, call 1-877-540-0555 or visit [www.geraniumhomes.com](http://www.geraniumhomes.com)



Attendees of the official ribbon cutting ceremony held at The Verandas, Port Hope included Boaz Feiner of Geranium Homes and Port Hope Mayor Linda Thompson.