

# COURTICE NORTH

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## Count on Me!

There has been a lot of news and a lot of confusion about the state of the current economy. Perhaps you feel you need a few answers. I want you to know that you can count on me to give you the straight goods when it comes to the real estate market. If you have questions or concerns about buying or selling a home, give me a call. Chances are, I have the information and answers you need!

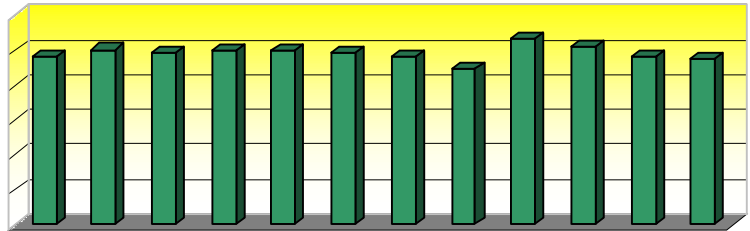
## Landscaping Tips

1. **Edge the Beds** - Cutting fresh edges where grass meets mulch and pavement makes the lawn look well kept. Curving the edge of your flower beds can add great character!
2. **Nourish the Grass** - For truly lush turf, ideally you should start regular fertilizer treatments.
3. **Scatter Colour Throughout** - Blanket your yard with petunias, impatiens and other small annuals that will flower throughout the growing season.
4. **Cut Back the Jungle** - Trim and re-shape shrubs and bushes and cut back any overgrown plants and flowers.
5. **Add Drama with Foliage** - Replace plants that don't flower, or provide interesting foliage with eye-catching alternatives like a patch of blackeyed susans.
6. **Consider New Angles** - Most yards have almost all the plants along the foundation and property lines. Try putting some near the house's corners to accentuate its shape, others near the street to define the yard, and some in between where they can block unfortunate views and be admired from indoors.
7. **Weed Patrol** - Clean any existing weeds out of flower beds and check your lawn for any weed growth. You should plan on spending 10-15 minutes a few times a week keeping new weed growth out.



## May's Market Update

### Average Sale Prices in Courtice



- Sale prices in Courtice have remained relatively stable during this economic downturn.
- Average sales prices actually increased in December when most other areas saw decreases.
- Homes are taking approximately 45 days to sell and sellers are receiving 97% of their asking price on average.
- Courtice is shaping up to be the hot new market in the Durham & Clarington Regions



**Great Value!**  
**\$199,000 - 120 Richfield Sq.**  
Attention 1st timers or rental investors! 2 bedroom, 2 bathroom freehold townhouse with an open concept layout. Walk-out to beautiful deck and landscaped yard. Partially finished basement.

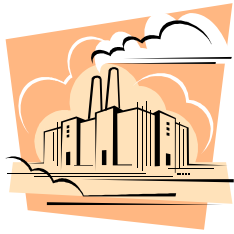
*If you have friends or family that would love to move into this neighbourhood or if you're thinking of making a change, give me a call. I always have great information on homes currently listed for sale and those that may be coming up for sale soon.*

## Hot Artichoke and Asiago Cheese Dip



**Directions:** **Step 1:** Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. **Step 2:** In a mixing bowl, beat 1-8oz package of softened cream cheese and 4oz of Asiago cheese with an electric mixer on medium to high speed until combined. Finely chop 2 cloves of garlic, 1-14oz can of artichoke hearts drained, 1 cup of roasted red peppers, 1 cup of fresh sliced mushrooms and 1/2 cup of sliced green onion. Stir into cheese mixture. Transfer mixture to a 1-1/2 quart shallow baking dish or 9-inch glass pie plate, spreading mixture evenly in dish. **Step 3:** Cover and bake dip about 25 minutes or until heated through. Serve warm with baked pita chips.

# Community News - Clarington Incinerator Moves Forward



The Region is another step closer to building an incinerator right here in Courtice. Recently, councillors approved Covanta Energy Corporation as the 'preferred vendor' to design, build and operate the new facility. This approval means that the final steps of the environmental assessment can now be completed.

Covanta is now responsible for coming up with the architectural designs for the exterior of the incinerator and they will have to work with the ministry of environment to obtain required certificates.

If the incinerator plans do go forward it will cost approximately \$235.76 million and will be built in 2013.

A public meeting is being held in Clarington on May 12 and a full staff presentation will be made.

For more information on Covanta Energy Corporation visit [www.covantaenergy.com](http://www.covantaenergy.com)

*Stay tuned for further developments on this story and more community updates in June's edition of Courtice North*

## Upcoming Community Event



**What: Community Garage Sale**

**When: June 13, 2009 8:00 am - 2:00 pm**

**Where: Meredith Court, Pidduck Street, Cecil Found Crescent, Bellman Court, Sleeman Square, George Reynolds Drive, Richfield Square, Fourth Avenue, Westmore Street, Jane Avenue, Glenview Road and Lynwood Avenue**



Spring is upon us and it is a great time to empty out your garage and make room for your new summer toys! Join your neighbours and participate in the Community Garage Sale.

I will provide directional signage and free advertising for the event.

**If you'd like to participate, call (905) 619-9500, send an e-mail to [LindsayH@sutton.com](mailto:LindsayH@sutton.com) or visit [www.LindsayHawkins.com](http://www.LindsayHawkins.com) and fill out the sign-up form before June 5th, 2009.**

**See you in June!**

## Neighbourhood Network

The Neighbourhood Network is a place where you can advertise your business or service to all of your neighbours for free!



**Home Stager/Re-Designer: Heather Goodin, Fresh Style Home Staging and Design**

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*If you're thinking of buying or selling your home, give me a call! I'm always here to help.*

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