



Sault College Retirees' Newsletter

June 2017

Once again, we had a terrific response to our dinner at Grand Gardens North. I can always tell by the “buzz” in the room that people are busy catching up and enjoying the socializing. As I said at the dinner, if retirees keep supporting the dinners, I will continue organizing them (unless someone else wants to take over ☺).

My sincere thanks goes out to my wonderful committee – Carolene Coutu, Marcy Ciferri, Marg Simpson, and especially to Gloria Grummett who backed me up while Leo and I were on our cruise. I couldn't do this without your help!

New Retirees

As you know, we always like to start off our dinners with a special welcome to our new retirees who were able to join us – Elizabeth Kontschieder, Brian Punch, Linda Ryan, Liane Parry, and Sheree Wright.

Congratulations to all of you. We hope you will come out to some of our functions and enjoy connecting with many of your former colleagues.

Attendance

We had many retirees who join us regularly and many others who come as schedules allow. See any you recognize?

Susan Albo, Bev Browning, Rose Caicco, Marcy Ciferri, Carolene Coutu, Bob and Linda Currell, Heather Edwards, Leslie Foster, Ron Fraser, Heather Fox, Eva Franic, Penny Gardiner, John Giguere, Gloria Grummett, Nadean Koch, Elizabeth Kontschieder, Jim Leacock, Joe Lucchetti, Garry MacLean, Mary Melesky, Alvin and Leona Mortimore, Walter Morrow, Gerry Page, Richard Page, Penny Perrier, Liane Parry, Nancy Peters, Brian Punch, Harvey Robbins, Linda Ryan, Evelyn Simon, Marg Simpson, Faye Smedley, Gord Stone, Rita Taraborrelli, Linda Tozer Johnston, Valerie Walker, Rick Wing, Sheree Wright and Chris Zielinski.

Greetings/Regrets

Even though some retirees could not attend, they send their greetings. These include the following:

Gerry Davies, Denise McCarrell, Mike McFarling, Pat & Ivan Murphy, Carmen Niessen, Ken Robb, Ida Robbins, Carol & Kelly Sweeney, Hank Henderson, Doug & Diane Heggart, Marg Hurtubise, and Judith Rose.

Student Food Bank Donations

Once again, you have been very generous with donations to the Sault College Student Food Bank. The students were very appreciative when I dropped everything off the next morning. Every little bit helps and especially since many courses run through the summer and the shelves need replenishing.

Cards Update

Since last dinner in October, Marg has been busy! She sent out 30 cards – 16 sympathy, 5 retirement, 8 “Thinking of You” and one congratulations to Linda Ryan on being awarded the Athena Award for Professional Excellence.

The College has been providing the cards and retirees donate generously for postage when we “pass the hat” as needed. We are in good shape for stamps for a while.

Sault College Retirees Bursaries

I received the following email from Harvey Robbins who, together with Heather Fox and Carolene Coutu, form the committee.

I realized after my presentation that I had not brought retirees up to date on contributions received after the fall dinner. If you are sending out a newsletter, perhaps you could add in the following:

Received after the fall dinner – \$2860.

Received since Jan. 1, 2017 – \$150.

We paid out \$1,500 for the three awards this spring.

The fund balance now stands at: \$37,580.83.

Please express our sincere thanks to everyone who contributed since our campaign last fall. It was a most successful year for the award. If we continue to do so well, we may be in a position to increase the amount or number of awards for next year.

Harvey Robbins

Anyone wishing to contribute may do so by mailing a cheque made out to Sault College SBA and sending it to the following address:

Student Financial Assistance Office
Sault College 443 Northern Avenue
P.O. Box 60, Sault Ste. Marie, ON P6A 5L3

A tax deductible receipt will be mailed back to you. Be sure to make a note that the donation is to be applied to the Sault College Retirees Award.

If anyone is interested, you may call in your card number and collect points on your credit card. You may also send in post-dated cheques. The College does not have an automatic system yet but stay tuned.

Update on Teri Winters

You will recall we were asked if we could help Teri Winters, a Sault College faculty member, with expenses she would be incurring while waiting for a heart transplant. She made it to the top of the list and did receive a transplant.

Harold Cooper, a retiree, gave me the following update.

We were chatting with Teri last Saturday in Sudbury – she was there cheering on her daughter at the Regional Legion track meet (and of course we were doing the same with grandkids). She says she is progressing well and getting her energy back. I believe she still has to go back to Toronto regularly for progress check-ups but is otherwise home. She is looking amazing considering what she has been through!

It's great to know she is progressing well and wish her continued success in her recovery.

Save the Date!

Don't forget to mark Wednesday, October 18th on your calendar for our Retiree Fall Dinner at Grand Gardens North.

Employee Newsletter

The College recently re-launched the employee newsletter. "Paw Print" has replaced "Scuttlebutt". Take a look at the first edition on our Retiree website.

Newsletter Contributions

Please feel free to provide me with information for this newsletter. I may be reached at rosecaicco@shaw.ca or at (705) 942-3891.

Email Addresses

Please let me know if you would prefer to be put on my email list rather than receive a hard copy. It saves paper, time, and costs.

A Final Word

When you're good at making excuses, it's hard to excel at anything else.

John L. Mason

Enjoy the sunshine. Have fun. Stay safe.

Rose