



Sault College Retirees' Newsletter

November 2013

It should come as no surprise that we enjoyed another fantastic meal at the hands of Chef Sarah Berkenhauer and the students lead by Professor Deron Tett. Thank you everyone for the wonderful food.

The newest retiree to join us was Glen Dahl who felt quite comfortable being on the other side of the table.

New Retirees

Other new retirees include Cindy Trainor, Lynda Bowyer, Carol Simoncini and Valerie Walker. Congratulations everyone. Please plan to join us at our functions which we hold twice per year – spring and fall.

Greetings/Regrets

Janine Timmermans, Rosemary LeBlanc, Fran Dew, Keith Maidens, Peggy Storey (in Barbados), Vila Smith (living in Arnprior), Ken McClelland, Renee Steur (in Florida) Don and Ruth Morrison (Don had stents put in but is doing well), Gord Stone (possible hip replacement) Penny Gardiner (in Africa) and Joe Lucchetti who sent a “Move to Adjourn” for when I needed it. Thanks Joe and to all of you for making the effort to stay in touch!

Cards Update

In addition to congratulatory cards to our new retirees, Marg Simpson also sent condolence cards to the families of Karen Robb, Margaret Moffatt, Jim Siltala and Barry Baker.

Carol and Gloria recognized

The College recognized all the work put in by Carol Coutu in keeping the Memory Book updated. It is part of the Remembrance Day Services and includes names of staff and students who have passed away. This may be accessed through our website at www.saultcollege.ca/SCRetirees/WeRemember

Gloria Grummett makes sure our mailing lists are updated for those retirees who do not have email. These retirees receive copies of emailed materials. This requires photocopies, stuffing and labeling envelopes. They are then ready to mail out.

Thank you ladies. I couldn't do this without your help.

Sault College Retirees Bursaries

Heather Fox reported that contributions to this account have slowed and asked retirees to make a contribution so that we can increase the awards to \$500 from \$300 annually. The account now stands at \$26,419.

You responded immediately and an additional \$785 was donated by those in attendance. We can't thank you enough for your generosity. Terry Ableson, Financial Aid Administrator, advised me that the government no longer matches contributions so it will be a little more difficult for us to reach the magic figure of \$37,500. This is the principal required if we want to offer three awards of \$500 in perpetuity. This is assuming that we earn 4% interest per year.

Anyone wishing to add to this award should contact Terry Ableson at 705-759-2554, ext. 2714. You may also send a cheque payable to Sault College (clearly marked for Retirees Award) to the following address:

**Student Financial Assistance Office
M1200, Essar Hall, Sault College
443 Northern Avenue
P.O. Box 60, Sault Ste. Marie, ON P6A 5L3**

Take a Seat Campaign

Alana Kenopic and Susan Hunter were on hand to present an idea we had discussed earlier with retirees. Hopefully there are enough retirees interested in supporting this idea which will leave a lasting legacy at Sault College by retirees.

I have a proposal that I am hoping several of you will support. The Multi-Media Centre has 16 VIP seats. They are all the front row seats and **three have already been sold**. My proposal is that all of these seats be taken by retirees to show our support of students and Sault College.

More than one person may participate in the purchase of a plaque. In fact, several Health Sciences faculty have decided to do just that.

Payments are very flexible and include using your charge cards if that is your wish. You may even make payments over a period of time.

In addition to the VIP seats, others are available for \$350 each and the same payment options apply.

The following is an announcement prepared by Alana Kenopic and I would encourage you to contact her for additional information or to make arrangements for payment.

The **Take a Seat** initiative is designed to recognize yourself, honour your family name, or even recognize someone special to you that is connected to Sault College. Your gift will give you the opportunity to personalize a plaque on a seat in the Multi-Media Centre and support the Inspiring Growth Campaign for Sault College.

In honour of your gift

- Your name (or the person you are honouring) and a short message will be engraved on a gold plaque and affixed to the back of the seat
- A charitable tax receipt will be issued for income tax purposes
- You will receive a special invitation to the **Take a Seat** celebration

HOW TO TAKE A SEAT

Individual seats are priced at \$350 with various payment options available.

VIP front row seats are available for \$500 and also have various payment options (including 2 year pledge at \$250/year).

For more information on how to Take a Seat, please contact Alana Kenopic at (705) 759-2554 x 2501 or email alana.kenopic@saultcollege.ca

In photo: Sault College Public Relations and Event Management students in the Multi Media Centre



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Our campaign goal is to raise \$6 million in private donations to transform our campus into the premier post-secondary institution in the province.

We hope you will consider a gift to our school and support our vision. Every gift counts!

Canned Food Drive

This is the second year we had a canned food drive and retirees were very, very generous. I am certain we doubled what was brought in last year.

As the College population grows, so does the need for assistance so thank you to everyone for your support.

Health and Wellness Centre

Thank you to Matt Trainor for providing us with a great tour of this newest addition to the Sault College campus.

I am told that this is the most modern gym in Sault Ste. Marie and I can believe it. You may watch Netflix on some of the machines, use the internet and much, much more.

If you retired by the end of the 2012-2013 Academic Year, you have been grandfathered into the agreement made with the College for free use of the gym. Anyone else will have to pay \$400 which is made up of a one time payment of \$100 which goes toward the Inspiring Growth campaign and \$300 annually.

I think this is a wonderful opportunity for retirees to make use of these facilities. I do suggest, however, that if you plan to use the gym, that you consider making the \$100 donation. You will be provided with a tax receipt since it is a donation. This is my suggestion and has not been requested by anyone at Sault College.

A Final Word

I was thinking about old age and decided that old age is when you still have something on the ball, but you are just too tired to bounce it.

All the snow outside makes me think of the upcoming season. May you have a healthy and joyous Christmas and Happy New Year.

Rose