



Retirees Association of Mohawk College News Letter August 1997

Although we are now about halfway through summer, and the fall season fast approaches, there is still time to do those "summer things". In this issue of the news letter we mention a few that your fellow retirees have enjoyed. We are also listing the events that your association has planned for the coming fall, winter and spring seasons as well as some planned by others to which we are invited.

You will note that your association now has an email address. Hopefully this will facilitate communication and also allow us to e-mail any updates, between issues of the newsletter, to you, if you have "net" access. If you have a fax number we can, instead, fax them to you. We are also asking for input from you.

Coming events

- Sept 13 **Mohawk College - United Way Garage Sale**
(See box below)
- Sept. 24 **Water Works and Steam Museum** followed by lunch at Baranga's on the Beach - overlooking Lake Ontario - (See enclosed sheet)
- Oct. 16 **A day at the races** Flamboro Downs, Dundas, Ontario. Learn about harness racing, to dine and perhaps bet. 2:00 PM to 6:30 PM. (Contact Shirley Ann Wray (905) 529-2036) - (See enclosed sheet)
- Nov. 5 **Lest We Forget Remembrance Day Dinner** RHLI Officers Mess (Details to follow)
- Nov. 24 **Old Dundas, 150th**
(Details to Follow)
- Dec. ? **Pre-Xmas Function**
(Details to follow)
- Mar. 4 **Molly Sweeney** Canadian Stage Theatre, St.Lawrence Centre for the Arts

Mohawk United Way Garage Sale
Saturday, Sept 13, 9 AM to 2 PM
(Rain Date Sept 14)

Space and Tables will be Provided by Your Association
You do the selling and keep the money

Remember: Your Junk maybe someone else's Treasure

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McMaster Retirees Invite

We are invited to join the McMaster Retirees for the following:

Thursday Sept. 4, 1997 **The Shaw Festival** Niagara on the Lake and the **Butter Fly Conservatory** Niagara Falls. See the **Chocolate Soldier** and visit the gardens. Cost \$65. Contact: Joy (905) 527-2865 or Mavis (905) 385-5740 for more details.

Sept. 29 - Oct. 2, 1997 **Akron, Ohio** sight seeing and much more. Closing date Aug.13.

Cost \$599 single, \$748 couple and \$460 triple occupancy. Contact: Joy Baby (905) 527-2865

As long as you have access to the Internet, either through your own modem equipped computer and server, the local library, a friend's, your local bar or coffee shop etc., you can have an email address through **www.hotmail.com**; the service is free. You only have to log on and register. They do, however, require some personal information for the demographic profiles they supply to their advertisers.

Keeping in Touch

The cost of postage and the labour involved in mailing limits the number of mailings your association can make each year. As a result we can not report to you as often as we would wish. Moreover, you cannot readily give us feed back as to how we are filling our commitment to you. We have therefore established an email address for the association in order that those of you with e-mail access can both receive updates and communicate with us. We are also investigating the possibility of obtaining a separate file area on the college's BBS (575-2129 or 574-3120) and possibly a page on the college's web site (**www.mohawkc.on.ca**). Our e-mail address is **mohawk_retirees@hotmail.com**. Hotmail is a free e-mail service (see box below). E-mail us, leave your e-mail address and we will try to keep you up to date between mailings.

CA.R.P

(Canadian Association of Retired Persons)

CARP is an organization devoted to the needs and interests of the fifty plus age group. The membership fee is \$10 per year for a couple. For this you receive their publication the **CARP News** six times a year plus discounts on insurance (home, auto, and travel) as well as reduced rates at many hotels, motels, etc in Canada and the U.S.

In addition, they act as a lobby group with the Federal and Provincial governments looking out for the interests of retirees. Their membership recently passed 300 000.

The telephone number is 1-800-363-9736. There website is **www.fifty-plus.net**

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You are invited to attend the following two meetings of the CARP Hamilton Wentworth Chapter at the Teamsters Hall, Parkdale and Rennie St. Hamilton: both start at 7:30 PM.

Sept. 25 Speaker: **Lillian Margenthau** National President of CARP.

Nov. 27 Speaker: **William Thatcher**
Subject: Substitute (Power of Attorney) Decisions Act
Wills and Estate Planning

Retirees are also invited to take advantage of a trip to Pennsylvania Dutch Country .

Sept, 15-18 **Pennsylvania Dutch Country, Lancaster, PA**
See enclosed sheet.

For more information on CARP meetings and trip contact:

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Things to do on a Summer's Evening

Ballroom Dancing every Friday evening (Instruction 8:00 - 9:00 , Dancing 9:00 to 12:30) at the Germania Club. Contact: Renee (905) 561-2699 or Irene (905) 383-9115 Cost \$7.00 per person (\$5.00 with membership). A "Strictly Ballroom" membership is \$25.00.

Summer theater at **Light House Festival Theatre** Port Dover, June 9 to Oct. 6, 1997
Phone (519) 583-2221 for details

Wanted

Feed back from you!

In order to better serve you we need your input. We need:

- ▶ News of fellow retirees
- ▶ What you would like to see in the news
- ▶ What you would like your association executive to do (please don't be vulgar)
- ▶ What you think of using e-mail, the college bbs and the college web site to keep in touch
- ▶ Trips and points of interest that other members might enjoy
- ▶ Anything else you can think of
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Editors Choice

In the spring issue of *Billy's Best Bottles*, wine critic William Munnely included the following under the heading of **Forgotten Friend** "A word about donkeys. Sandra Pady runs the Donkey Sanctuary of Canada, near Guelph, and invites us to visit this summer. Pack a picnic any Wednesday or Sunday [9:00am to 4:00pm]. The donkey is still the farm helper and mode of transport to and from the bar in many old wine countries and I am delighted to see Sandra caring for these creatures who demand so little. Their easygoing pace, gentleness and patience are virtues that I'm sure most wine lovers can relate to. Exit 295 off Hwy 401 on to Hwy 6 North. [This is the jog that No. 6 takes north of 401]. North to the second crossroad, Puslinch Rd. 4. Turn left (West) and go 1.3 km to large wooden gates. [The gates are on the left and a house with a red tile roof is opposite on the right]. (519) 836-1697."

A thoroughly delightful and low key experience; you don't have to be a wine lover to appreciate these charmingly gentle animals. It is about 30 min. and 30 km from Clappison's Corners. If you

go, you should know the donkeys love mints and carrots.