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Editor Edna Madill

At our November meeting, the C-K singers provided us with great seasonal music. Thank you. Once again there was great support for the December Outreach.

The Winter Outing, a fashion show and luncheon at the Links of Kent, was attended by 22 of our members.

In April, our Area 3 Director, Leslie Carroll-Frey brought greetings to us. We were also joined by our friends from St. Thomas-Elgin.

We had a very interesting presentation by Jacob Rowe on The History of Funerals.



C-K singer and RWTO/OERO member, Nancy Hrytzak, gave a hilarious rendition of the song Fruitcake. It was enjoyed by everyone.

Spring Outing

On Wednesday, May 1, a small group of 10 members met at the Glasshouse Nursery for a workshop on creating patio planters. We also had an opportunity to shop before lunch, which was at Casa Bella Restaurant. I am sure we all came away with great ideas.

Insurance News

For the 19th year in a row, there is no increase in premiums for our Manulife Insurance coverage. At our June 2019 Convention, Terry Kennedy announced that the Promotional Support for this past year was \$21,745, approximately \$1,000 less than last year. The Return of Premiums was \$59,651.55, a decrease of over \$10,000 since last year. Decreases occur when there are more claims made and/or there are fewer members enrolled in the plan. As a result, there will be an OPEN ENROLLMENT from September 15, 2019 until November 15, 2019. Any member or spouse who applies for insurance during that time frame will be guaranteed acceptance into the plan.

Submitted by Jane Cartier

At our meeting in April, Sue Cummings honoured our 80 year olds Amy Ingratta, Margaret Nauta and Joyce Sinasac. Also celebrating but not present are Melba Chambers, Shirley Houston and Gayle McLandress. Rebecca Spicer was the recipient of the Feather in Your Hat award, which was presented by Lynn Sulman.

Chatham Kent RWTO/OERO Membership Report

Our total paid membership for 2018-2019 was 147 members, plus 10 Life Members. This enabled us to send 3 delegates to the 63rd Annual Provincial Conference in St. Catherines.

In order to boost our membership, we would encourage you to invite a formerly retired teacher to our meetings. If the invited teacher joins, the recruiting teacher will receive a free dinner at the next meeting.

Due to privacy issues, a new membership form was designed for this year. Please complete the form and check off the applicable privacy preferences. Fees are \$45 and are due by August 31, 2019.

If you have any status changes (address, phone# or email), please contact JoAnne ASAP. She will convey the changes to the Provincial office as well as to the board members.

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