



After the Bell *in Scarborough*

Retired Women Teachers of Ontario
Organisation des Enseignantes Retraitees de L'Ontario

Newsletter
April 2014

Carina and Sharina

President's Message - Marilyn Hodge



The calendar indicates that spring has arrived, but when we listen to the weather reports and hear that April will be a cool month with severe weather, extreme storms, freezing rain, wind gusts and snow, it is hard to believe that spring has arrived.

Since it seems that April showers will not be bringing us May flowers very early this year and that April is Daffodil Month, please consider buying some daffodils or a daffodil pin. They are bright and beautiful and are the symbol of strength and courage for those who are survivors or are still battling cancer. If you are really ambitious, you could join a "Relay For Life Team" or support someone who is participating on a Relay For Life Team or walk with him or her in the Survivor's Victory Lap. It is difficult not to think about Terry Fox and what he did and is still doing for cancer through the Terry Fox runs that are still being held in our schools and communities.

Canada's National Volunteer Week was held from April 6th to 12th and April is Volunteer Appreciation Month. I would like to thank all of you who helped to make our RWTO/OERO Scarborough Branch fun, successful and vibrant. Did you know that, according to the Heart and Stroke Foundation, "volunteering can be a mood booster? Giving time to help others can increase self-esteem and reduce depression." RWTO/OERO and thousands of other organizations could not exist without volunteers. We are fortunate to have great volunteer executive members, but we still could use some more volunteers. Please think about volunteering, if you aren't doing so already. Please see Judy-Anne Tumber for volunteer opportunities.

Sheila MacKenzie, a member of RWTO/OERO Scarborough Branch was, so we thought, turning 100 years old in November. Because of some confusion regarding the year of Sheila's birth, there was a considerable delay while we waited for confirmation from the Provincial Office. It turns out that her birthday was on November 20, 2013 and not in November 2014.

When a member of RWTO turns 100 years old, the Provincial Office will pay up to \$50.00 for the cost of flowers or a plant. Once we had the clarification Linda Jarvis and I bought a beautiful plant in a wooden planter and went out to Ajax to see Sheila. When we got there she was sitting in the dining room. We had a lovely visit with her as she recalled her many wonderful years and memories of RWTO - Scarborough Branch. She was upbeat and happy to see us. Needless to say, we were happy to visit with her and enjoyed our visit as well.

I am happy to be missing yard duty in this unpredictable weather, but love the special days and activities. Having four grandchildren is my excuse for putting out the bunnies, eggs, baskets and other Easter decorations.

Have a very Happy Easter with family and friends.

Marilyn Hodge - President, 2013 -2014



Location for Luncheon

Q-SSIS Banquet Halls
3474 Kingston Road
(Kingston and Markham Road)
416-265-2030

Allergy Alerts to Judy-Anne Tumber

Tuesday April, 15, 2014
"The Passionate Cook"
Second Chance Jewellery Sale
Celebrating our 80 year olds

Wednesday, May 7, 2014
"Oh Canada Eh?" Trip

Tuesday, May 20, 2014
Guest: Lloyd Robertson
Plant Sale

Tuesday, August, 12, 2014
High Tea at The Marleigh
2p.m.-4p.m.

Grace

For food in a world
Where many people walk in
hunger
For faith in a world
Where many walk in fear
For fellowship
Where many walk alone
We give Thee thanks, O God
Amen

RWTO on the go.....

All Buses will depart PROMPTLY from the northwest parking lot where the AMC Movie Theatre was located at Kennedy Commons (Kennedy Rd. south of Hwy 401).

Paid reservations are NON-REFUNDABLE! Please let the coordinators know if you are unable to attend.

Note: Cheques for the excursions are to be made payable to RWTO-Scarborough and forwarded to the coordinator of each excursion.

Oh Canada Eh? and Blossom Tour

Wednesday, May 7, 2014 **Cost: \$115.00**

Depart at 8:30 a.m., return at 5:00 p.m.

Includes bus, guided blossom tour of Niagara Region and dinner show

Coordinator: Lamoine Mustard 416-494-5103



Join our singing Mountie, Hockey Player, Anne of Green Gables and other favorites characters for a night of all-Canadian music, comedy and a family style meal.

Crazy for You

Festival Theatre, Stratford **Cost: \$170**

Thursday, September 18, 2014 or

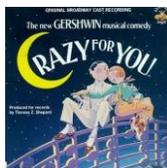
Tuesday, September 23, 2014

Includes bus, shopping time, orchestra seating theatre tickets, lunch, dinner and all gratuities

Bus departs at 8am, returning 8pm

Payment due date: February 1, 2014

Coordinator: Mary Marchut 416-291-2389



Sent to Deadrock, Nevada, to foreclose on a derelict theatre, banker Bobby Child falls for its owner's daughter, Polly Baker. Can he reconcile the demands of duty and love – and his own dreams of dancing? "I Got Rhythm," "Nice Work if You Can Get It" and "Someone to Watch Over Me" are just some of the gems in this dynamic musical's dazzling score.

"Fall Frolic and Fun" in Lancaster, Pennsylvania's Dutch Country

October 6-9, 2014 **Cost \$798 Twin, \$969 Single**

Includes a Smorgasbord every night, breakfast every morning, lunch on your own.

Stay in Kitchen Kettle Village, Shop at Rockvale Outlet Centre

Musical - "Moses" & the theatre production "Half Stitched".

Payment not due until the summer of 2014

Coordinator: Lamoine Mustard 416-494-5103



Lancaster is one of the oldest inland cities in the U.S. The city is a place where historic preservation and a cutting-edge arts scene live and thrive side by side. Discover farmers markets, furniture makers, antique dealers and of course our famous outlet stores. Visit galleries and theatres or enjoy a buggy ride through Amish Country.

Ripley's Aquarium

Wednesday, October 29, 2014 **Cost: \$99**

Includes bus, tour of Toronto, lunch at The Hot House Cafe and Aquarium admission.

Departs at 9a.m., returning 5p.m.

Coordinator: Carol Everitt 905-655-0638



Immerse yourself in a world of 16,000 aquatic animals at The Aquarium featuring North America's longest underwater viewing tunnel, more than 5.7 million litres of water and over 100 interactive opportunities including three touch pools.

Christmas in St. Jacobs

Friday, December 5, 2014 **Cost: \$84**

Visit to Christkindl Market, Lunch at Verses, Picard Peanuts and shopping in St. Jacobs

Bus departs at 8:30a.m., returning 6:30p.m.

Coordinator: Lamoine Mustard 416-494-5103



Christkindl Market is a 4-day festival of German Christmas with over 70 food and gift vendors selling handcrafted goods. Enjoy the free entertainment and relive a centuries-old tradition of the sights, sounds and tastes of Christmas.

RWTO Scarborough's New Partnership

We are very excited to have established a new partnership with The Marleigh Retirement Residence on Main Street in Unionville. With our own Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan involved with The Marleigh, we are thrilled to have met the staff, enjoy lunch in the beautiful dining room and learn about the options of partnership available to our group.

We will have meeting and activity rooms open for us for events in this beautiful new building, beginning in June with our Executive Meeting and this summer with High Tea on Tuesday, August 12.



The Marleigh Retirement Residence

Food Allergy Reminder

If you have **food allergies or dietary restrictions**, it is important that we know about these so that accommodations can be made for you. We need to have this information **BEFORE** the luncheons. Please call Judy-Anne Tumber at 705-295-1995 or e-mail her at jatumber@nexicom.net to let her know about these allergies or restrictions. She will confirm the change with you once you have advised her. If fruit for dessert is the only change you require, then you will not have to inform her every month. This will be done automatically. **Please keep Judy-Anne informed if there are changes during the year. We want to ensure that you enjoy each and every lunch!**

Second Chance for Jewellery Sale April 15th luncheon!



Bring your loonies and toonies in case you find a TREASURE among the donated items. We can accept further donations in April as well. Please sort and tell us whether it should be placed on the \$1.00, \$2.00 or \$5.00 table.

Your jewellery donations will raise funds for our Children's Charities! All UNSOLD items will NOT be returned to you but will be donated to Julliette's Place. Susan, Linda, & Shirley

PLANT SALE

Our annual Plant Sale will be held at the May 20th luncheon. Please label and bring the plants that you would like to share with other members by 10:00 a.m. The plant sale will begin at 10:30 a.m. Plants will be sold for \$1.00 each before and after the luncheon. Thanks, Jeannie and Shirley

May Luncheon – Lloyd Robertson



Next month we are privileged to have Lloyd Robertson, who was the longest serving National TV News Anchor in Canadian history.

Lloyd remains one of the most accomplished journalists of our time. He will be sharing "Highlights of His Wonderful Career" in his distinctive voice, that so many of us remember

from the daily news. Currently he is the host of CTV-W5. He has also written his memoirs- "The Kind of Life It's Been" which he will make available to us in soft-cover for \$15.00 CASH sale after his presentation. In addition he will personally autograph your book. *At the bottom of the Programme Survey, please tell us how many of Lloyd Robertson's books you might buy. This will help us know the quantity to order for the May luncheon.

Jeannie and Shirley

Congratulations!

As we celebrate our
80 years olds today.

Marion Allan	Fern Allen
Sheila Badcock	Joan Brown
Mary Eileen Brown	Betty Caspersen
Josey Chisamore	Nan Collicot
Jean Dennis	Dorine Dick
Lorraine Dilling	Anna Donnellan
Milberg Gibbons	Marie Harvey
Mary Horney	Mary Kristiansen
Margaret McColl	Janette McClure
Ora McKay	Hilda Muller
Lamoine Mustard	Betty Phillips
Margaret Rataj	Joyce Simmons
Frances Stainton	Rose Stevenson
Barbara Will	Jean Woodard

APRIL 15TH LUNCHEON



We welcome Lisa Hutchinson, who is owner of "The Passionate Cook's Essentials" in Uxbridge. She will share recipes, knowledge and her

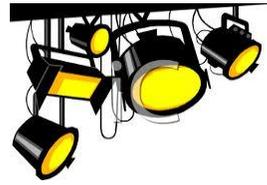
expertise with us on the topic of "EATING HEALTHY" in her presentation.

She will demonstrate 2 nutritious menu items that are gluten-free and lactose-free while using the latest and greatest equipment.

Some of these unique pieces of cooking equipment will be available for a CASH sale after the presentation.



THE
PASSIONATE COOK'S
ESSENTIALS



Spotlight on New Members



Isabella Edgcumbe



Lynda Paine

OUTREACH



Please bring only **NEW, UNOPENED** toiletries and one/two month old magazines for Julliette's Place. **PLEASE** ensure that the toiletry items you donate have **NOT** been used or opened before bringing them. We cannot donate items that have already been used. Please know that we very much appreciate your donations.

Thank you.

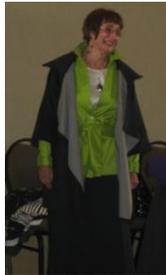
Sheila Meyer & Trudy Sutton

COMMUNICATIONS

We wish to acknowledge in a timely manner when there has been a death of one of our members or in a member's immediate family. If you have information to share, please notify your President or the Communications Team as soon as possible, preferably with details of visitation times and/or funeral arrangements.

Thank you

Connie Cole & Elaine Apted / Communications Team



Fashion Show 2014



RWTO INSURANCE

Insurance Plans available to RWTO/OERO members in good standing.

1. The Hospital and Home Care (the most popular)
2. Personal Accidental Death and Dismemberment Plan
3. Travel Insurance Broker – CanAm Insurance
1-888-326-3535

The Guaranteed Issue Life Insurance Plan has been closed to new entrants. Those members with existing coverage will continue to be covered provided they continue to pay their premiums when they become due.

The RWTO/OERO Insurance Program is often cited as one of the most significant benefits of membership in RWTO/OERO. With over 3000 members already enrolled in the program, it is a pleasure to recommend The Hospital and Home Care Plan and The Personal Death and Dismemberment Plan.

Most of us are optimistic that we can successfully avoid medical complications, but as we enjoy our retirement years, the reality is many of us will be confronted with the physical and financial strain that comes with recovering from an accident or illness.

Whether it comes from slipping in the shower, or an illness that finds you in the hospital, convalescence and recovery are not only physically unpleasant, but can also be expensive. The RWTO/OERO Hospital and Home Care Plan helps you pay many of the expenses related to getting better.

You and your spouse are encouraged to enroll in the program. When you apply within one year of your retirement and remain a member of RWTO/OERO, your acceptance is guaranteed-there are no medical questions asked of you.

Adrienne Johnson, Insurance Convener.

Contact Information:

Terry Kennedy – Broker and Agent of Record

Telephone: 519-583-0098

Cell Phone: 416-931-2142

Facsimile: 519-583-2876

MEMBERSHIP NOTE:

We hope that you plan to renew your membership for the upcoming year. Please consider doing it soon! Membership forms will be available at the March and April Luncheon. The membership fee remains at \$40.

Please make your cheque payable to **RWTO Scarborough Branch** and postdate your cheque to July 1, 2014 or August 31, 2014.

There is a copy of the membership form attached to this newsletter.

We would appreciate it if you would renew **before August 31, 2014**.

Marg Lyons
Lilli Chu

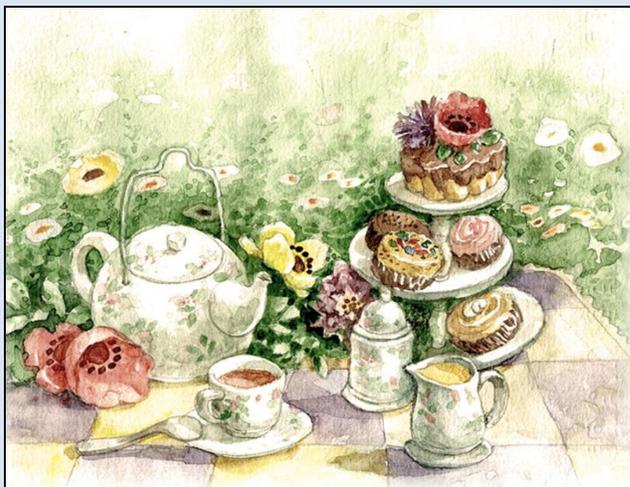
Proposed RWTO Executive 2014-2015

Area 5 Director Adrienne Johnson

Past President	Marilyn Hodge
Co-Presidents	Shirley MacDonald, Cathie MacGillivray
1 st Vice President	-----
2 nd Vice President	Donna Milovanovic
Treasurers	Linda Jarvis, Susan Urie
Secretary	Shelley Goodman
Membership Luncheons	Marg Lyons, Lilli Chu Shelley Goodman
Archivist	Nan Collict
Communications Programme	Connie Cole, Elaine Apted Jeannie Tom, Marianne Rose, Lana Peck
Outreach	Sheila Meyer, Trudy Sutton
Goodwill	Betty Caspersen, Janette McClure
Fundraising	Susan Rowe, Linda Brent
Books	Chris Elliott
New Retirees' Tea	Sheila Meyer
Newsletter/Website	Cathie MacGillivray
Insurance	Adrienne Johnson
Travel	Lamoine Mustard, Mary Marchut, Carol Everitt
Flowers	Genevieve Johns, Donna Husband
Photographer	Jeannie Tom
Name Tags	Isabel Sullivan
Member-at-Large	Margie Alexander

Respectfully submitted,
Judy-Anne Tumber, Past President

A Special Summer Treat



IT'S TIME TO RELAX

Join us for High Tea

at The Marleigh

Tuesday, August 12, 2014

2p.m. to 4p.m.

34 Main Street

Unionville

GREETINGS ISLAND

Tickets for High Tea in the Marleigh's beautiful dining room, are available for \$10 each from Lamoine Mustard. We have a limited number, so be sure and purchase your tickets early. You will find a map on the back of your ticket.





March Treasurer's Report

Linda Jarvis

April Treasurer's Report

Bank balance March 10, 2013		\$22152.95
Income		
March luncheon	3475.00	
Total	3475.00	\$25627.95
<u>Expenditures</u>		
Cathie MacGillivray – newsletter	75.60	
Joyce Simmons – flowers	50.27	
Remington - March luncheon	2852.25	
Honorarium – Heart & Stroke	50.00	
Covention – four delegates	1080.00	
Total	\$4108.12	
Bank balance April 6, 2014		\$21519.83

*****We had already paid a \$500. deposit for the luncheon.

*****I have NOT paid for the Stratford trips yet.

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Cathie MacGillivray

cathiemacgillivray@hotmail.com

RWTO/OERO Scarborough Branch
Membership 2014 – 2015

Surname: _____ Given Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

Postal Code: _____

Email Address: _____

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Date of birth: _____ Retirement Date: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Phone Number: _____

Do you have the RWTO/OERO Hospital and Home Care Plan Yes__ No__ or the
Personal Accidental Death and Dismemberment Plan? Yes__ No__

Membership fee for 2014 – 2015 is \$40.

(Fees for members ninety years of age and over are complimentary.)

*Please make your cheque payable to: **RWTO Scarborough Branch.**

*Please **postdate** your cheque to **July 1, 2014** or **August 31, 2014** and submit with the
membership form.

Dues can be paid at the **March, April, or May** meetings, or mailed to:

RWTO Scarborough Branch
Box 66564
685 McCowan Road, Scarborough, ON
M1J 3N8

If you have RWTO insurance and wish to maintain it or wish to participate in the plan, you must pay your RWTO membership fees each year.

New retirees do not need to have a medical if they apply for the Hospital and Home Care Plan during the **first** year of their retirement.