

Chatham-Kent

RWTO/OERO NEWSLETTER

2011

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Donna began her teaching career in 1972 teaching 37 Grade 6 students at John N. Given Public School in Chatham, Ontario. She taught here and at McKeough Public School for seven years until she entered a nine year "mother" leave. She got a taste of supply teaching from 1983 until 1988 when she re-entered the teaching world in the area of Special Education. It was during the years between 1988 and 2008 that she taught twelve different teaching assignments at eight different schools. Also, during this time, she attended the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education and earned her principal's certificates. Special Education issues and computer science are areas of great interest for Donna who always wants everyone to feel good about themselves and whatever they are able to do.

In her personal life, Donna has been married for 39 years to Jim and they have three children: Mike is 34, Dave is 32 and Lauren is 31. Her six grandchildren range in age from 6 months to 4 years of age.

Donna has been busy during her three years of retirement welcoming her new grandkids into the world. She loves to knit and sew items for them to wear and cuddle into. She has especially become interested in quilting, but is also investigating all kinds of sewing including teddy bears, hand embroidery, couture sewing for kids, and smocking.

Donna and her husband built an airplane over the last five years and this is keeping them busy on clear days. Also they love to boat in their SeaRay when they have a chance.



Our Guests

April- 25

Hoffman the Magician

June-27

Forsyth Travel

PLANS for 2012

April 25 -

Spring Meeting

Charing Cross

United Church, 11:30

June 5, 6, and 7 - 2012

RWTO/OERO

Annual Convention

June 27, 2012 -

Annual meeting

Country View Golf

Course, 9:30 a.m.



Maynard Avian Rehabilitation Centre

They are a non-profit organization that helps over 300 birds return to the wild each year. The birds that come to them are

often sick or injured and in order to survive they require specialized around the-clock medical care.

Their on-site wildlife custodian, Joanne Siddall, is certified by the International Wildlife Rehabilitation Council and

licensed by the Ministry of Natural Resources. The facility itself is regularly inspected and monitored by the MNR.

Maynard works closely with the Chatham-Kent OSPCA, Veterinary Hospitals, as well as other local agencies, and has done so for over 20 years.

Insurance update:

Notify Manulife Financial of any **address changes**.

P. O. Box 4214, Station A, Toronto Ontario M5W 5M4

1-866-410-0550 or 1-800-268-3763

Local Insurance rep: Brenda Hoyles 519-676-8925

Physician's Validation Expense Claim

Your family doctor may complete this section of the claim form.

Some surgeons or specialists will not. Their report is sent to your family doctor for your files.

You must get a **receipt** to receive reimbursement for this benefit. Manulife pays up to \$50 for each injury and sickness.

Hearing Aid Benefit

This benefit covers repairs to hearing aids subject to a \$200 maximum every 4 years.

Claims

If you did not submit a claim for a covered expense right after your injury or sickness, send it now. You might get reimbursed. Call Terry Kennedy if you are turned down.



OUR JUNE GUEST:

For many years, Elsie taught one day workshops at a number of area schools. She was also a Brownie leader for eighteen years, for which she received the "Citizen of the Year" award. She was also actively involved with the Ridge Players of Ridgetown for 20 years where she used her talents for painting the backdrops for the troupe's annual production. Elsie has published 6 books containing drawings of histories of Kent County. In recognition of her work and many volunteer activities, Elsie received the Queen's Golden Jubilee Medal.

In Memorium

At our June meeting we paid tribute to the members that we lost during the 2010-2011 year. We value the contributions these members made to teaching and learning. A book was placed in a library in their honour!

Ann Marie Wilkens Carrie Blue

Muriel Field Tena Mifflin

Fran Jenkins

Hazel Glendinning

Dorothy Shadd Shreve Segee.



*New Retirees were honoured
With flowers at Sept. meeting.*