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What happened to Summer! Seems that it flew by faster than previous years but that must mean we were all busy and enjoying ourselves. Your 3M Canada Retirees committee has taken a wee bit of a break over the summer and are gearing up again to bring you some fun activities.

Since the May newsletter we have had the Spring luncheon in June, a bus trip to Niagara-on-the-Lake, 2 golf outings (May & September), 3M employee store Saturday openings and specials and a 3M retiree event at Columbia Warehouse. Wow.

Take a moment to relax and review this newsletter and as always your feedback is important to us to make sure we are able to bring you what you want. To start us off here is an update from our 3M Canada Retirees Club President.

3M Canada Retirees Club President - Cindy Knight

Greetings to all 3M Canada retirees.

I can't believe how quickly summer has gone and autumn has arrived. This is a favourite time of year for many of us in Ontario who enjoy the beautiful leaves in our parks and roadsides.

But in spite of how quickly our summer went by there were many events for us to participate in, some of which were first time events for our retirees.

Our Spring luncheon was held at the Greek Canadian Community Club (GCCC) again and was in the sunny room at the front of the building. Art and I had the pleasure of greeting and welcoming everyone as they arrived. It was great to connect with so many of fellow retirees.

This was my first event as one of your Executive members and it was my pleasure to introduce all of the members of our executive so that everyone would have a chance to thank them.

There have been several outings this summer that were arranged for the first time: Lynn Daly arranged a Niagara Area Wine Tasting bus tour and Brian Piper arranged two golf outings at the Forest City National Golf Course. Pierre Holden was in charge of the children's picnic and it was a success again this year for 3M children and their families.

Many thanks to the volunteers who helped at the picnic and also at the 3M Employee BBQs.

There are more events scheduled before the end of the year and we hope you will enjoy them.

Open Positions

Not to sound like a broken record but we are still looking for a communications co-ordinator and an events co-ordinator to join the team. Please contact Cindy Knight (EMCAN.vicepres@gmail.com) if you are interested or want to learn more. The success of this club relies on expanding the committee. Please join us at the annual general meeting on October 10, 2017 from 10am-Noon, Tartan Place - Conference Room A101 to find out more.

Spring Luncheon recap

This year's luncheon was held in the room at the front of the GCCC and based on the comments attendees found this room intimate for the size of crowd we have at our luncheons. 80 people were in attendance. Once again Nick Sauter offered grace before the start of our lunch.

Our special guest at the luncheon was Randy Frank and he brought all of us up to date on news from 3M. Everyone commented on how much they enjoyed his presentation.

Norma Schroeder reported on the music festival and thanked all the volunteers who helped again this year.

In addition to the 50/50 draw and our \$25.00 draws there were some additional prizes and the recipients were:

\$25.00 draws x 3 - **Don Debeau, Marilyn Piper, Nick Sauter**

Gift certificate \$50.00 from Forest City National Golf Club (round of golf or dinner) - **Donna Tackley**

A flower arrangement from Forest of Flowers on Wonderland Road - **Catherine Forster**

A \$50.00 gift certificate for the 3M Company Store - **Sybil Griffin**

50/50 draw - **Ross Jarvis** was the lucky winner of \$185.00



Sybil Griffin with Marilyn Piper winner of 3M company store gift certificate

Catherine Forster with Lynn Daly winner of \$25.00 gift certificate from Forest of Flowers, Wonderland Road

Donna Tackley with Wilson Mor & Randy Frank winner of \$50.00 Gift card from FCN



Nick Sauter was the lucky recipient of one of the 25.00 draws

Cindy Knight & Randy Frank at the spring Luncheon sharing some laughs

October Banquet - October 17, 2017

This year's Fall banquet will be held on October 17, 2017 at the Greek Canadian Community Centre. Details and sign up forms for the banquet are enclosed and are posted to the 3M Canada retirees website.

The addition of another meal option was so popular that we are pleased to offer your choice of Roast Beef with gravy and mashed potatoes, Roast Turkey with stuffing gravy and yams or Salmon with rice pilaf. Due to the rising costs of staffing this year's banquet cost will be \$15.00 per person.

Please respond as soon as possible so that we can get attendance numbers and meal choices given to the hall. There were a few surprises at our spring banquet and I am sure Cindy will have some additional surprises at this event too.

Our special guest speaker at the banquet this year is 3M Canada Company President Mojdeh Poul.

Mojdeh was appointed President of 3M Canada in 2016. Her previous roles in 3M include President of Infection Prevention Division, Vice President and General Manager of Food Safety Business, and Vice President of Global Marketing for Critical & Chronic Care Solutions Division.



Mojdeh is married with two children, Tristan and Kiana. She enjoys traveling with her family, downhill skiing, personal fitness, reading, and watching her children's sports competition.

We are looking forward to having her join us at this special event and having the opportunity to meet her.

3M Employee Store

The 3M Employee Store has expanded its footprint. They have recently opened a new room, specifically for Safety products. As always, there are an abundance of amazing specials each month. And remember that 3M retirees receive a 10% discount on any personal purchases. A reminder that the Store hours are **11:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.** Monday-Friday. Saturday openings for the balance of the year are October 07, November 04 and December 02. Saturday hours are 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Friends and family are welcome, so long as they are accompanied by you.



Golf outings



And why do I think that you will not finish painting that wall today!

Two great outings organized by Brian Piper over the summer.

A group of 26 3M retirees spent a great afternoon of golf at Forest City National on Tuesday, September 5th and the weather co-operated. This was our second golf outing of the year (First one was in May) and we saw a lot of new faces.

These events are open to golfers of all calibre and you have your choice of playing 9 or 18 holes. The focus is on fun and friendship, not on skill.

The majority of participants gathered back at the clubhouse with tales of their outing and to raise a pint. Brian Piper offered up a closest to the pin on hole #7 prize of a beverage. Frank Van Diepenbeek was the lucky winner.

Plans are already underway for next year. We will be adding West Haven, in addition to Forest City. Both are wonderful venues. Stay tuned for further details.



Wilson Mor & Frank Van Diepenbeek



Frank Van Diepenbeek & Brian Piper

Take a Break Travel 3M Retiree outings

Our first bus trip, (Wine, Cheese & Shopping in the Niagara Region) on June 8 was attended by 13 retirees who I think you can tell by the photos had a wonderful time. There were stops at Flat Rock Cellars, Upper Canada Cheese Company and Elements Restaurant for a lovely lunch. We had a spectacular view of the Falls and then went to Niagara-on-the-Lake for some shopping. Yes there were a few bottles of wine purchased and stored under the bus until we got home. It was relaxing and "Take A Break Travel" looked after us the entire day. Loved the fact we didn't have to drive!



Our second outing Niagara Shopping on October 5, 2017 was unfortunately cancelled by Take a Break Travel so we will have to catch that one next year.

We still have our Buble - Sinatra Christmas show and lunch on December 5, 2017. The last day to sign up for this trip is October 16, 2017. Contact Take a Break Travel at 519-858-9985 to sign up.

We will be working with Take a Break Travel on scheduling future trip and would love your input. The list of trips they offer is on the 3M Retirees website so if you see a type of trip that is of interest let us know and we can check it out. Of course you can always book any of the listed trips with Take a Break Travel if we haven't offered them through the 3M Retirees Club.

Volunteer Opportunities

Enclosed are details with regards to a volunteer opportunity within the London community. The commitment would be 2 hours on a weekly basis and only throughout the school year. Don't be intimidated by the "running" part of this program. While it does mean that you need to be active with the students, you can certainly walk and cheer from the sidelines and don't necessarily need to "run". (See attached flyer)

Additional activities for the balance of the year (summarized)

Thursday October 12	1-3pm	Euchre Social	3M Sovereign Rd. (lunch room)
Monday October 16		Last day for booking Buble - Sinatra Christmas (concert is planned for Tuesday December 5)	
Sunday, November 12	12-4pm	3M Children's Christmas Party	Western Fair Agriplex
Thursday November 16	1-3pm	Euchre Social	3M Sovereign Rd. (lunch room)
Tuesday, December 5		Buble-Sinatra Christmas with Lance Dobson	Bingemans, Kitchener

3M Retiree Meetings for the balance of the year

October 10, 2017 (Annual General Meeting) *We encourage all 3M retirees to attend and provide input on future events.*
October 17, 2017 (Fall Banquet)
November 14, 2017 (Retirees Monthly Meeting)

3M Canada Retirees Executive committee

President - Cindy Knight
Past President - Ken Viner
Vice President - Lynn Daly
Secretary - Marilyn Piper
Treasurer - Peter Heisz
Membership - Pierre Holden
Web Services - Marilyn Piper
Event Coordinator - OPEN
Communications Coordinator - OPEN
3M Liaison - Chris Allen

We hope you enjoyed this newsletter and encourage new 3M retirees to join the club, to stay abreast of what's happening and to participate as much as they like. Remember if you know of someone who hasn't signed up please encourage them to do so. Retirees can go to 3mcanadaretirees.com to sign up.

We look forward to seeing you at the Fall Banquet on October 17, 2017
Your 3M Canada Retirees Executive.