## 3M Canada Retirees Newsletter

May 2019

Be sure to visit 3mcanadaretirees.com for the most up to date news and event information!

Here we go again, it's hard to believe that this is the second newsletter of 2019. Let's hope for some beautiful weather to make up for the cold temperatures experienced this winter and the slow start to spring. It's nice to see the buds on the trees finally appearing.

Enjoy reading and as always your suggestions and comments on content for the newsletter are always welcome.



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## A message from your 3M Canada Retirees Club President John Banjac

Greetings fellow 3Mer's. I'd like to take this opportunity to welcome everyone to the Summer of 2019. We have turned the corner and are headed to warmer weather, longer days, cottage country, backyard barbeques and parties with family and friends. At the retires club we have events happening. The famous June luncheon is just around the corner. By popular request, Tina Kalopisis, Lab Manager is back to engage you in the wonderful world of science, engineering and new products. I look forward to introducing her at the June luncheon. Don't forget to register. For ALL golfers we have our golf outing on July 3rd at Forest City National. NO professional experience required, just an attitude for a great day with fellow 3Mers. Check the website for details and registration. To close things off we will have our banquet in October at Four Points. Further details will be forthcoming. Have a great Summer and most important, be safe.

# Open Position - Please consider joining the committee....

Marilyn Piper is currently handling the Secretary position as well as Web Services. Marilyn will keep her Web Services role but needs to find a replacement for the **secretary position by October 31, 2019**.

The <u>Secretary position</u> includes establishing dates for monthly meetings, booking conference rooms, taking minutes at each meeting, capturing topics of discussion, any decisions made, or follow-up actions required. There are also periodic hardcopy mailings to retirees without access to

a computer. You will find the committee to be filled with fun, energetic retirees. We meet approximately 7 times/year, so the time commitment isn't huge and you still get the summer off!

If you are interested in joining the Retiree Club Executive in this capacity, please contact John Banjac (<a href="mailto:EMC4N.PRES@gmail.com">EMC4N.PRES@gmail.com</a>) or Marilyn Piper (<a href="mailto:EMC4N.secretary@gmail.com">EMC4N.secretary@gmail.com</a>) for additional details.

### Spring Banquet recap - Held March 18, 2019

A total of 133 3M retirees and their guests attended this year's Spring Luncheon.

**Prize Winners** 

25.00 cheque - Mitch Czaja

25.00 cheque - Judy Robertson

25.00 cheque - Ashok Sengupta

Employee Store - Karen Leblanc

3M Gift Basket - Wanda Killeleagh

...and the grand prize winner of the 50/50 draw for \$240.00 was Paul Regier

Photos of the winners and attendees are available at www.3Mcanadaretirees.com. We hope to see you at this year's luncheons/banquets. Dates and location listed below and the invitation for the June Luncheon has already been distributed.

## Website update - 3MCanadaretirees.com

You may have noticed a recent change in how email communications from the Retirees Club look. This was necessary to handle our increasing number of members and to maintain compliance with PIPEDA laws (protecting your confidential information). We hope that you like the refreshed look and feel. Remember that you can always check our website directly for upcoming events and promotions.

If you have any suggestions for additions to the website email Marilyn Piper at **EMC4N.secretary@gmail.com.** 

## 2019 lunch/banquet dates Four Points Sheraton

Once again, our members were thrilled with the venue at the Four points Sheraton at our spring luncheon and we are pleased to announce that both the summer luncheon and fall Banquet will be held in the same location at the hotel.

Please mark the following dates on your calendars.....

June 17 11:00 am - 1:30PM

Come out, mingle with fellow 3M retirees and their guests. We are pleased to announce that Tina Kalopisis will be our guest speaker and those that heard her speak at the fall banquet last year know you are in for a treat. You will have already received a special event notice with sign up information. You can also refer to 3Mcanadaretirees.com under Upcoming Events.

October 21 5:00 pm - 10:00 PM

Fall Banquet Bristol Ballroom



## **3M Employee Store**

As you may have heard, the lease on the building at Sovereign Road is expiring later this summer. As a result, the Employee Store will be relocating back to the Oxford facility. Space has been allocated directly off the main employee entrance. The footprint will be a little smaller than it is currently, so they are in the process of rationalizing their first quality inventory. The Store will continue to stock a variety of first quality and (primarily) returns/second quality goods. There will be a blackout period when the Store physically moves. They will be closed July 23 - Aug 10 to accommodate the move to Oxford. As a result, there will be no **Saturday Store opening in July or August.** 

Over the next few weeks, you can expect to see a lot of "in-store" specials as merchandise is liquidated, so be sure to check in frequently. We will keep you informed as the move approaches.

The next Employee Store Saturday opening is scheduled for **June 1st**. Remember to bring your gold card to receive your 10% discount (applicable to retirees and spouses only).

## **Golf Outings**



We are pleased to announce that our first golf outing will be Wednesday July 3, 2019. Brian Piper has arranged for up to 30 golfers at Forest City National for 3M Retirees and their spouses. Come and enjoy a wonderful round of golf at this beautiful course.

Tee Times start at 11:02 am and cost is \$50.00 per person.

This event is a golf outing and not a tournament. You can sign up either as an individual, couple or foursome by emailing Brian at piperbw56@gmail.com. He will record the participants and submit them to the club prior to the event. Please see the **Event Notice** on 3mcanadaretirees.com for information on what information you need to include in your email to Brian.

## **3M Retiree outings**

The transition from Take A Break Travel to Robin Hood Tours has turned out to be a bit of a challenge. We have worked with them to try and find a few trips, but we feel the logistics of booking group space, payment and cancellation terms would not be a benefit to our membership.

We will continue to investigate other group opportunities and will keep you informed. We are in discussions with a new group and hope to have something to announce in the next few months.

Let us know if you are aware of other companies that offer group trips and we can talk to them about what they can offer our members.

Please contact Catherine Madden at emc4n.events@gmail.com.

#### **3M Club Events**

The 3M Club Picnic originally scheduled for June has been postponed to September 7, 2019.

#### **3M Euchre Social**

In light of the upcoming move from the Sovereign Road facility, the 3M Euchre Social held every second Thursday of the month will be put on hold **after the June event on June 13, 2019**.

Once the dust has settled, efforts will be made to find another location for those interested in continuing the social.

In the meantime, Joan Peck will remain the contact and can be reached at 519 268 3737.

### Volunteering in the community

#### **Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities Reminder**

Volunteer for the 3M Canada Picnic, re-scheduled to September 7, 2019, from noon to 4 PM. We will have need for volunteers to fill two primary functions – greeters and food servers. Detailed information on activities for both positions will be sent out via e-mail later in July. We are certainly hoping for a dryer September! Pierre Holden, Picnic Co-ordinator.

We will keep you informed as other Volunteer opportunities come up.

#### **New Survey coming your way**

Over the summer we will be working on the long awaited 3M Retirees survey. We hope you will take the time to respond and send us your ideas for the direction of the 3M Canada Retirees Club. Stay tuned for more information.

### **3M Canada Retiree Meetings for 2019**

We hope you can join us at any or all of the remaining meetings for 2019. Come out and see what we are all about. Don't have time to be part of the Executive? Let us know what interests you have in helping out at some of the events. All 3M retirees are welcome to <u>all</u> meetings!

September 10, 2019 11:30 a.m.- 1:30 p.m. 1840 Oxford Street Conference room 18

#### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

October 16, 2019 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

This meeting will be held at 300 Tartan Dr, London, ON N5V 4M9 - Conference Room #A001 (BASEMENT)

November 12, 2019 11:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m. 1840 Oxford Street Conference room 18

Please refer to 3Mcanadaretirees.com under Upcoming Events to get updates to room location and other important information.

### Message from the 3M Canada Retirees Executive Committee

In order to sustain a vibrant executive, generate new ideas and promote participation, the Executive would like to invite\approve new participants to be adhoc Executive members.

We often recruit for specific positions but would like to establish 2 adhoc Executive members to participate, attend meetings when available, vote on initiatives etc. Those who volunteer for these positions will assist where they are able\comfortable, and as any member can, volunteer to lead a committee or put their name forward for an officer position if\when they feel they are able.

We hope this will generate some interest, allow those interested to get involved and learn what is involved without committing to something they don't know what the commitment is.

If you are interested in more information, please contact John Banjac (EMC4N.PRES@gmail.com) or Marilyn Piper (EMC4N.secretary@gmail.com).

#### 3M Canada Retirees Executive Committee members

President - John Banjac
Past President - Cindy Knight
Vice President - Lynn Daly
Secretary - (OPEN) Currently being fulfilled by Marilyn Piper until October 31, 2019
Treasurer - Peter Heisz
Membership - Cindy Knight (Pierre Holden)
Web Services - Marilyn Piper
Event Coordinator - Catherine Madden
Communications Coordinator - OPEN
3M Liaison - Open

We hope you enjoyed this newsletter and encourage new 3M retirees to join the club. Remember...if you know of someone who hasn't signed up, please encourage them to do so. Retirees can go to www.**3mcanadaretirees.com** to register to receive email communications from the Club.

We look forward to seeing you at the remainder of this year's events.

Your 3M Canada Retirees Club Committee

3M Retiree Club Editor: Lynn Daly