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Presidents Message

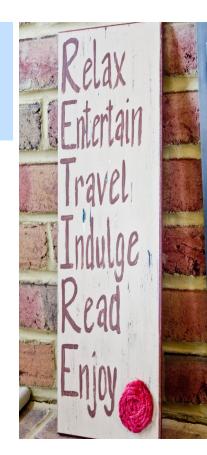
Hello everyone, and welcome to Summer 2019.

If the last few weeks indicate what the weather is going to be I am hoping that it will not rain for the whole summer and we will finally be able to unpack our sandals, shorts and tank tops,

It is a great feat that the Heritage Club has achieved by reaching our 30th Anniversary. For those of you in Calgary or those who are visiting us I hope you enjoy Calgary and all we have to offer. I suspect a lot of you have Summer travel plans. Here's hoping you all have a great time and fun getting together with family and friends.

Have a safe and happy Summer. And for any of you who are staying in town please come on out in August and enjoy some lunch with us.

Jean Benjamin President Chinook Chapter, Calgary



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Welcome to Members who recently registered with the <u>Heritage Club—National Office</u>

Keith McEwen - Calgary



It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of some of our members and co-workers:

Wesley "Wayne" Johns - Calgary Hyacinth Richards - Calgary Lorraine Schroderus - Rocky Mountain House Joseph Tarnoczi - Airdrie

The Chinook Chapter sends our deepest sympathies to these members families and friends at their loss.

LUNCHEON

We want to thank the 36 members who joined us for our June (Stampede) Luncheon on June 25th.

This has always one of our most popular luncheons and the Winston Golf Club did not disappoint this year. The Steak Lunch was very well received by our members. To celebrate our 30th Anniversary of the Heritage Club, the executive decided to include four draws of \$50 each as well as our usual 50/50 draw. Congratulations to our 50/50 draw winner and Founding Member James Barker who won \$64.00 and our four celebratory winners.



From left to right: Diana Hegge, Donna MacEachern, James Barker, Violet Kopp and Luzia Montens.

Just a REMINDER to all that we will not be holding a lunch for this month (JULY) ONLY. We hope to see you all again at the August Luncheon.

2019 NOTICE HERITAGE CLUB - CHINOOK CHAPTER

ALL RETIRED POSTAL EMPLOYEES, FAMILY AND FRIENDS ARE INVITED TO COME TO OUR MONTHLY LUNCHEONS. PRICE: \$22.00 OPEN BAR

Last Tuesday of each month, except **July & December** at the Winston Golf Club, 2502 - 6 Street N.E.

LUNCH DATES/MENU

January 29- Shepherd's Pie February 26- Roast Beef March 26 - Chicken Stir Fry April 30- Ham/Scalloped Potatoes May 28 - Beef Stroganoff June 25 - Steak **July- NO LUNCHEON** August 27 - Salmon

September 25-Lasagne & Salad

*October 30- Roast Pork Heritage Club AGM to follow lunch

RESERVATION DEADLINE

10 a.m., Friday, January 25 10 a.m., Friday, February 22 10 a.m., Friday, March 22 10 a.m., Friday, April 26 10 a.m., Friday, May 24 10 a.m., Friday, June 21

10 a.m., Friday, August 23

10 a.m., Friday, September 20

10 a.m., Friday, October 25

*November 27-Roast Turkey 10 a.m., Friday, November 22 Christmas Lunch, donations for the Food Bank and Christmas Tree Angel.

DECEMBER -NO LUNCHEON -See you in 2020

RESERVATIONS ARE NECESSARY!!

PLEASE call or e-mail before 10:00 a.m. on the Friday before the Luncheon.

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

The Chinook Chapter Annual General Meeting will follow our October 29th Luncheon this year. Look for further details in our Fall 2019 Newsletter.



UPDATE:

As mentioned in our Spring Newsletter we had anticipated doing another Stage West event this Summer. Unfortunately, we were unable to obtain Group tickets for any of the Summer performances. We have, therefore, decided to try for a late Fall or early 2020 event instead. We will let everyone know in our Fall newsletter later this year or via email directly, if time is a factor in obtaining tickets. Stay tuned.





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PENSION ISSUE – Whatever happened to Bill C-27?

Bill C-27, the politically charged pension legislation that federal workers feared would create a dangerous precedent in the pension landscape, seems to have died as quietly as it appeared more than two years ago. Finance Minister Bill Morneau found himself accused of conflict of interest over the proposed legislation, which the opposition alleged would benefit his family business, Morneau Shepell. The bill would have allowed federally regulated employers and Crown Corporations to set up target-benefit pension plans, where benefits would no longer be guaranteed and, therefore, shift risk, instead of defined benefit plans.

The bill sparked a furor among federal unions and retirees who feared if Crown Corporations converted to target-benefit plans, the government would set its sights on the pensions of Canada's public servants, military, and RCMP.

Morneau was cleared of the conflict allegations but the bill stalled and never moved past first reading. Unions suspect the government simply let it die because of the political grief caused and heavy lobbying by labour and retirees, who still want the bill withdrawn.

"Our members have worked together to stop moves like Bill C-27 and policy that would put retirement security at risk for many Canadians, and this is the result of our collective strength," says National Association of Federal Retirees President Jean-Guy Soulière. "But we know that retirement security is at risk in our current environment, so we'll be working to make sure our next government, whatever its political stripe, makes retirement security a priority for current and next generations of retirees."

Debi Daviau, President of the Professional Institute of the Public Service, says public service pensions will continue to be a future target. Governments grappling with deficits, low interest rates, and an aging workforce will invariably look for ways to reduce pension costs. "We are always worried about attacks on our pensions. They are always a prime target, like when the Liberals scooped the plan's surplus years ago," says Daviau. "there is no reason to modernize existing pension plans, just create plans for those who don't have them."

Ed.: This article reprinted from the Summer 2019 edition of <u>SAGE</u>, the official publication of the National Association of Federal Retirees.



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However, it is beneficial for you to provide your email address, because we will have the means to quickly distribute information that is pertinent to the pensions or an event that may be of interest to you. Provide us with the email address but write (hardcopy) beside it so we know you are an exception for quarterly newsletters. Also, if you are on Facebook, keep an eye on our Chinook Chapter Heritage Club page for posts.

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This is your Newsletter

Do you have any ideas or suggestions for activities, projects or even charitable contributions for our Club.



Your Executive:

President: Jean Benjamin 1st Vice Pres.: Katrina Duffin 2nd Vice Pres.: Carolyn Paulson Treasurer: Kathy Cunningham Secretary: Laurie Reid How about your Town or City. What's happening? Do you have an article you would like us to publish? Do you need help organizing a Luncheon or event in your area? Let us know. We can help.

This is your club, help us to give you what you want!

