



Confederation Chapter



NEWSLETTER

WINTER 2018

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT (Lise Miville-Dechêne)

I wish to thank you for your quick response for the renewal of your 2018 annual dues but there is still a large percentage who still did not pay or renew their dues to the Chapter.

ELECTIONS: At the Chapter's Annual General Meeting that took place at Perkins Restaurant on November 16, 2017, my mandate was renewed for another two (2) years (to December 31, 2019) and supported by two Confederation Chapter's members.

I read this quote last week and it could be a great resolution for all of us for 2018 – "No one can go back in time to change what has happened. So work on your present to make yourself a wonderful future".

CANADA'S POSTAL SERVICE –A HISTORICAL OVERVIEW

From its earliest days, the post office has continually evolved to serve the changing postal needs of Canadians...

1763 – *The first postal service established in what would later become Canada* : Following the Treaty of Paris of 1763, in which Canada is ceded to Great Britain, Benjamin Franklin and John Foxcroft, joint Deputy Postmasters General for British North America, appoint Hugh Finlay as the first Postmaster at Québec. Appointed on June 10, 1763, Finlay established regular weekly delivery service between Québec and Montréal, via Trois-Rivières.

1851 – *Canada's Post was created 16 years before Confederation* : The Province of Canada is given the official responsibility for the post office, until then administered by the British post office. It became one of the first departments to be formed in the new federal government.

1854 – *Installation of the first postal cars aboard trains* : This greatly accelerated the movement of not only passengers, but mail and parcels as well. Railway delivery service lasted until 1971.

1867 – *Confederation and the creation of a Canadian post office network* : The formal postal system established in each of the British North American colonies of Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Upper and Lower Canada and British Columbia became the foundation of the Canadian postal system, establishing the first national network of post offices.

1918 – The first official airmail flight in Canada, from Montréal to Toronto.

1963 – Equipment that automatically segregates, stacks and cancels mail is installed in Winnipeg, the first of its kind in North America.

1981 – *Canada Post becomes a Crown corporation* : In that same year, Canada Post launches its national Santa Letter-writing Program. A special – postal codes was provided to Santa - HOH OH0 – to help sort and delivery his many pieces of mail.

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PLANNED EVENTS FOR 2018

1st Quarter (January to March)

January

Friday, February 23 (dinner)

Saturday, March 24 (lunch/buffet)

None planned.

LA FERME ROUGE (a cabaret-style restaurant). Detailed information is enclosed.

TEMPLE's Sugar Bush. Detailed information is enclosed.

2nd Quarter (April to June)

** Detailed information will follow at a later date.

Wednesday, April 18 (lunch)

Friday, May 5 (dinner)

Friday, June 15 (lunch)

MANDARIN on West Hunt Club Road in Nepean.

THE PRESCOTT (murder mystery theatre) – «Hari-Karaoke» - you will not want to miss this killer comedy!

BIG RIG (Kitchen and Brewery) on Iris Street (near IKES).

3rd Quarter (July to September)

** Detailed information will follow at a later date.

July

August (all day)

Sunday, September 9

None planned.

WINE TOUR in Prince Edouard Country. It will be in the week of August 20 (no date confirmed as yet).

METCALFE GOLF COURSE – 2nd combined golf tournament with Confederation and By-Town chapters. It will take place on Sunday, September 9, 2018 and do not forget to circle the date in your calendar.

4th Quarter (October to December)

** Detailed information will follow at a later date.

October (lunch)

Friday, November 9 (lunch)

Thursday, December 6 (theatre/dinner)

MONT TREMBLANT (QC) to see the fall foliage with a ride on the panoramic gondola with lunch at the top of the mountain for a better view. It will take place in the week of October 1st (no date confirmed as yet).

DELICIOUS STEAK HOUSE in Orleans ON. Annual General Meeting for the Chapter.

UPPER CANADA PLAYHOUSE in Morrisburg ON to see « The Christmas Express » and a great buffet at the McIntosh Country Inn Restaurant. Only 26 seats have been reserved. Detailed Information will be sent to you in the 2018 Year-End Newsletter.



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