



Newsletter, Fall
October 2019

PINERIDGE Chapter

What's to come at a glance:

- * Group Luncheons
- * Live theatre
- * Bus Tours
- * Xmas Time Banquet

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President's Message

Dear Members,

Fall has arrived and that four letter word, s-n-o-w is on the horizon, but there's still lots to do to get together and have fun with your friends and colleagues.

October is also time to renew your membership with the club for next year. This ensures you continue getting our newsletter for the news on activities and gain access to the great discounts we have negotiated for you.

The ever popular Christmas time Banquet is a great time to catch up on news with your friends and mingle with those you haven't see for awhile. This year, we are trying a new location and caterer, so don't miss out on this opportunity. As always, your friends and family are welcome.

This year closes out the 30th year of the Heritage Club, CPC's most successful and enduring employee recognition program. The motto of the Club, "people helping people", is still as relevant as ever, as it is a well known fact that social interaction with friends and relatives ensures longevity and fights off depression. So do join us for some Fall fun time, we look forward to seeing you.

J.P.

**Jean Pierre Leguerrier
President
Pineridge Chapter**

UPCOMING EVENTS for 2019

Wednesday, November 27th, 2019: Toronto at the Festive Season

Enjoy some of Toronto's most popular attractions at the Christmas Season! We'll start off with a **Luncheon and the Christmas show 'Jingle all the Way' at the Famous People Players Theatre** (11:30 a.m. – 2:45 p.m.) **Enjoy a Full Course Chicken Luncheon** here, and then let the talented 'Black Light' Players take you on a festive journey, where you will *'Jingle all the Way'* with laughter!

After dessert and coffee here, we'll take you downtown to the historic **St. Lawrence Market** where you can shop and browse for everything from Fresh Meats and Seafood to Cheeses, Baked Goods, Fruits and Veggies (3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.) Our last stop of the day will be the **'Toronto Christmas Market'** at the historic **Distillery District, beautifully decorated for the holidays**. Enjoy a visit here (5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.) before we motor home.

Motorcoach pickup: Departs from the Cedar Heights Plaza at Markham and Lawrence at 10:00, and returns at 18:45.

Contact **Time of Your Life Tours** directly (416-224-0684), the cost is \$117.00 per person, and includes motorcoach transportation, lunch and show, all taxes & meal tip. Identify yourself as a Heritage Club member to get a \$10.00 discount off the price.

Thursday, Dec. 12, 2019: Christmas Time Banquet, 11:30-14:30

The annual Pineridge/Simcoe Chapters Banquet is a chance to mingle once again with your friends and colleagues at the most festive of occasions. A brand new location, the Qssis Banquet Halls, located at 3474 Kingston Road in Scarborough (N/W corner, Kingston Road at Markham), with an available cash bar, many prizes and contest draws like last year, an exciting menu with delicious treats, good company: what is not to like?

You are requested to register early with Bernie (416-439-9505) and confirm your spot with your cheque or deposit. We will not be accepting last minute "walk ins" at the door. You must prepay to attend. The cost is \$35.00 per person, \$40.00 non-members, and the payment is non-refundable. Parking is free and this new location has no mobility issue for access.



All registrations must be complete by November 15th, 2019.

The festive menu starts off with: Traditional Caesar and Garden Salads with three choices of dressings. The Main Course: Roasted Stuffed Turkey with traditional gravy, Baked Atlantic Salmon filet, Vegetarian Lasagna, three choices of side dishes, and an assortment of desserts.

Give **Bernie** a call (416-439-9505) to confirm your attendance or to set up an e-payment. Payments by cheques: **Pineridge Heritage Club**, 629 Markham Rd., PO Box 90593, Scarborough, M1H 3G7.

Golfers are special.....

A husband and wife are on the 9th green when suddenly she collapses from a heart attack!

"Help me dear," she groans to her husband.

The husband calls 911 on his cell phone, talks for a few minutes, picks up his putter, and lines up his putt.

His wife raises her head off the green and stares at him.

"I'm dying here and you're putting?"

"Don't worry dear," says the husband calmly, "they found a doctor on the second hole and he's coming to help you.

"Well, how long will it take for him to get here?" she asks feebly.

"No time at all," says her husband. "Everybody's already agreed to let him play through."

THE LOCAL NEWS

Welcome to New Members/Retirees and/or 25-year service veterans

Judy Gray, Richard Zuber, Wai Wah Tam, Stephen Williams, Rosa Mok-Fong Tam.

Condolences:

William Charles Searle, Hugh Sandiford.

People we sadly lost during the year

Ed Nichols, John MacLeod, Robert Gee, Ron “Radar” Mears, Keith Downey, Linda “Lee” Robertson, Gerry Wilkinson, Tracey Tung, Killian Baptista

This list of colleagues and friends who have passed reflects only those that we were made aware of. We regret any oversight to the list.

GoodLife Fitness Discount

The GoodLife Fitness subscription year started in September, 2019, through to 2020. If you intend on applying under the Heritage Club discount, you must have paid your dues to us for 2020.

DUES ARE DUE TIME! It’s October and it’s time! Still only \$10 per year per member, \$10 for your spouse. Also, if you engage in any volunteerism, please fill out the bottom on your renewal slip with the information.

Santa’s Helpers Wanted

The Christmas season is once again around the corner, and we are getting ready for all the mail that will soon arrive for Santa Claus. Each year children from around the world send their Christmas wishes to Santa. Over the years Canada Post employees, both current and retired, have been bringing joy and happiness to these children, by responding to their letters. We are looking for Heritage Club Members who are willing to spend an hour or two replying to these letters either at home, or at a Canada Post facility.

If you would like to help spread a little joy and happiness, please contact Bernie, or any member of the Executive, or complete the form below and return to us.

Santa Helper Volunteer

Name:..... Address:

City: Postal Code: Phone: Languages:

Elections

The constitution of the Heritage Club, a volunteer organization, has a provision that the executive positions of a chapter are for a two year term, after which they must be posted. Any current paid member of the Club, with over 25 years of service can submit their names for a position. For 2019, the following positions are up for renewal: **President** and **Secretary**. The position(s) are automatically renewed by the incumbent(s), if he/she is willing and if the position(s) are not contested.

For any submissions, please inform Bernie, our Treasurer, prior to November 15, 2019. If the position is contested, we will hold an election ballot at the Christmas Banquet, which serves as our general annual meeting for the Club.

2019 Heritage Club Scholarship Winner

The second year of our new Scholarship Program was very successful. We saw three scholarships of \$1,000 each awarded to three remarkable young people, and we wish them every success in their university years and beyond. What was most impressive about all three recipients was their ability to achieve high academic standards while still enthusiastically participating in their chosen sports activities, volunteering in their communities, and taking on responsible positions for the benefit of others.

Closer to home, Rebecca Salehi, grandchild of our Treasurer, Bernard Snyder, was one of the lucky winners: congrats!



For next year, we are hoping that more people will check out our web site and look into the possibility of applying for a scholarship for their kids and grandkids.

The "L I F E is G O O D" Section

I just discovered my age group! I am a SEENAGER (senior teenager).

I have everything that I wanted as a teenager, only 55-65 years later. I don't have to go to school or work. I get an allowance every month. I have my own pad. I don't have a curfew. I have a driver's license and my own car.

I have ID that gets me into bars and the wine store. I like the wine store the best. The people I hang around with are not scared of getting pregnant, they aren't scared of anything, they have been blessed to live this long, why be scared? And I don't have acne: Life is Good!

Also, you will feel much more intelligent after reading this, if you are a SEENAGER. Brains of older people are slow because they know so much. People do not decline mentally with age, it just takes them longer to recall facts because they have more information in their brains. Scientists believe this also makes you hard of hearing as it puts pressure on your inner ear.

Older people often go to another room to get something and when they get there, they stand there wondering what they came for. It is NOT a memory problem, it is nature's way of making older people do more exercise.

The Lone Ranger and Tonto were tracking bandits in the desert when night fell. After they got their tent all set up, both men fell sound asleep.

Some hours later, Tonto wakes the Lone Ranger and says, 'Kemo Sabe, look towards sky, what you see?'

The Lone Ranger replies, 'I see millions of stars.'

'What that tell you?' asked Tonto.

The Lone Ranger ponders for a minute then says, 'Astronomically speaking, it tells me there are millions of galaxies and potentially billions of planets. Astrologically, it tells me that Saturn is in Leo. Time wise, it appears to be approximately a quarter past three in the morning. Theologically, the Lord is all-powerful and we are small and insignificant. Meteorologically, it seems we will have a beautiful day tomorrow. What's it tell you, Tonto?'

"You dumber than buffalo shit. It means someone stole the tent."

THE POST HORN



A POSTAL SERVICE STORY

The First Toronto Post Office

Toronto's First Post Office (or Fourth York Post Office) is an 1834 Post Office, located in Toronto, and it is the oldest and only surviving example, of a Post Office that functioned as a department of the British Royal Mail in Canada.

Located at 260 Adelaide Street East, the building now houses a museum and a full-service Post Office, run by the Town of York Historical Society.

The building opened in 1833, before York became the City of Toronto. Therefore, the Post Office is known both as the "Fourth York Post Office" (as there had been three prior Post Offices in the settlement) and "Toronto's First Post Office" (as it was the first Post Office to serve the newly incorporated city). The building served as a Post Office until 1839, James Howard Scott served as the first Postmaster for the new Town of Toronto. After its use as a Post Office, it became part of a boys' school and later a cold storage building.

The building was re-opened in 1982 with its present use as museum and period-style Post Office. The museum is Canada's oldest surviving purpose-built Post Office, serving as both a museum and full-service postal outlet. Toronto's First Post Office is an authorized full-service dealer for Canada Post and is operated by the Town of York Historical Society.

The style of the building is late [Georgian architecture](#). It was originally a three-storey building, with two front doors, one for the private residence and one for the Post Office proper. At the time, postmasters lived in the same building as their Post Office. The fourth-storey roof was added in 1876, while the building was part of De La Salle Institute (today's [De La Salle College](#)), a Roman Catholic boys' school, which had built an adjoining building between the Post Office and the Bank of Upper Canada Building to the west.

Ref. Wikipedia



Who we are

Pineridge Chapter is one of 24 Chapters across the country; it covers an area of the Greater Toronto Area which is mainly east of Victoria Park Avenue (eastern York County), encompassing Scarborough, and areas within historic Ontario, Durham and Northumberland Counties.

Have you checked our national web site?: heritageclub.ca
Select **Pineridge Chapter**.

What we do

The Pineridge Chapter organizes subsidized luncheons, bus travel, annual banquet and golf tournament for its' members. Also, we collect and donate food for the food banks, as well as donations to various charities throughout the year. Many of our members generously donate their time to local, charity organizations. In December, we hold a Holiday banquet for our members and we participate in the Santa Letter writing campaign.

Do you have any suggestions for trips or special events you would like to participate in? Give our V-P Debbie a call: dagreenwood4@gmail.com, (905)-706-5285 or (905)-683-5750

Why Join? – The Membership Advantages

Johnson Home and Car Insurance: discounts of up to 35%

Discounts for you and who travels with you with **MEDOC Travel Insurance**

GoodLife Fitness: discounts up to 50% off the regular all club access rates.

Choice Hotels: discounts of up to 20% in Canada, and worldwide.

Discounts to **Pineridge** Chapter events, luncheons and bus trips.

Also, Canada Post employee **Telus Mobility** discounts.

Access to special **Scholarships** for your kids and grandkids.

IMPORTANT: In order to benefit from these discounts, you must mention your Heritage Club membership number, and you must have paid your membership dues to the Pineridge Chapter for the current year, otherwise coverage could be denied or terminated.

Life Events

Have you had any life events you would like the Heritage Club to announce? Marriages, births, special anniversaries (i.e. 50th wedding anniversary), special awards, deaths, hospitalizations, etc. Let us know so we can pay tribute.

Payment for bus tours ONLY: cheques should be made out directly to **Time of Your Life Tours**, and sent to 500 Sheppard Ave. East, Suite 203, Toronto ON, M2N 6H7, (416) 224-0684. Mention you are a Pineridge Chapter Heritage Club member for any applicable discount.

YOUR EXECUTIVE MEMBERSHIP

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS NOTICE FORM

Name:
Old Address:

New Address:
Postal Code:
Phone Number:

MEMBERSHIP

Membership dues for the next year are due with the **LAST** newsletter of the year, in **OCTOBER**. Remember: annual dues paid by our members are instrumental in keeping our chapter active.

New members applying to the Heritage Club will receive our Chapter's newsletters in the current year of their retirement and/or having achieved 25 years of service; after that, they need to signify their intent to join our Chapter by paying dues to the Pineridge Chapter, in order to continue receiving our communications.

Our membership year runs from **January to December** and costs only \$10 per member, or \$20 per couple. If you are no longer mobile, but still want to keep in touch by receiving only the newsletter, the cost is \$5.

MEMBERSHIP DUES RENEWAL SLIP

Name:

Name of spouse (if applying as a couple):

Address:

City:

Postal Code:

Phone Number:

Email (optional):

Renewal for Self: _____ Couple: _____ Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Is this a Renewal: _____ or a New Membership: _____

Volunteering (see below)

Do you do volunteer work: _____ Hours per month: _____

Name of Organization: _____

Send the completed above form to: Pineridge Heritage Club, 629 Markham Rd., PO Box 90593, Scarborough ON, M1H 3G7. You may also phone our Treasurer for an e-payment: Bernie @ (416) 439-9505. **Cheques for luncheons and membership dues** should be made out to **Pineridge Heritage Club**.

Volunteering

The motto of the Heritage Club is “**People helping People**”; we would like to know of any activity you are currently participating in that benefits people and/or your community, such as fund raisers, work with health, religious or seniors’ organizations, coaching children groups, etc., and the hours you spend at it per month. This is one of the criteria we are measured on by CPC, and it affects our yearly funding. You can report these hours on your dues renewal form.

There are many examples of volunteering, ways you can help your community and fellow man, and feel good about yourself: church, organizations, knitting groups, literacy and schools, Santa Letters, Heritage Club, library and museums, hospital and seniors’ homes, soup kitchens, food banks, meal on wheels, shut in programs, income tax prep, fund raisers, Christmas hamper programs, etc.

Newsletter Distribution

This newsletter is produced quarterly and is distributed to every member and associate who has paid their annual dues to the Chapter. Also, a general distribution is made once a year to every person who have applied for general membership to the Heritage Club in our Chapter area. Articles of general interest for the newsletter are always welcomed.