Golden Horseshoe Chapter – 10th Edition Newsletter, November 2026

President's Message

Dear Members,

I hope this newsletter finds everyone in good health and spirits as we move into colder weather. Since our last letter, we have had a luncheon at the Burlington Mandarin Restaurant, where we conducted the draws for the paid members, the Hockey Collectors' raffle, and the community volunteers.

Our next Golden Horseshoe luncheon will be held at the Hamilton Mandarin Restaurant, located at 1508 Upper James St., on Dec. 1st, 2026. I encourage all to come. I have not received a lot of response for this event, it would be a shame to have to cancel due to low turnout.

As well, I have received no response to the Hockey raffle. Please consider participating.

Also, I am doing a luncheon event in Kitchener for the Grand Saugeen Chapter on November 17th, at 12:00. See page 3 of this newsletter for the information on it and if you want to attend.

Guess what? Santa is coming! And with that, we need volunteers to respond to kids' Santa Letters. If you are willing, let me know and I will put you down as a Santa Elf.

I also encourage everyone to submit their community volunteer hours they donate to charity: meals on wheels, food banks, hospital seniors' home, Legion, etc. Where you donate your time is not relevant. Just send in your volunteer report. There are at least 2 draws annually: the Golden Horseshoe Chapter has a $50 gift card draw for all recorded volunteers.

With the continuing financial issues of Canada Post, cancelling our annual funding, as well as curtailing some of our mailing privileges, it is now quite a bit more costly to mail out our newsletters and keep our membership informed. This newsletter will only be provided to paying members and newly retired members, as this allows the newly retired to become a paying member. I may have to raise the membership fee from $10 to $12, next year.

Gloria

Gloria MacDonald, President
Golden Horseshoe Chapter
289-675-4000

Our Christmas Golden Horseshoe Luncheon event: December 1st, 2026, 12:00 Hamilton
We will collect food for the foodbanks

The senior member's cost for attending will be $15.00 per paid member (or spouse), and $25.00 for non-members. Non seniors will be also subsidized based on their cost. The cost includes tax, tips, and non-alcoholic drink. The Golden Horseshoe Chapter subsidizes the rest of the lunch costs for paid members.
Note: Please send in your request to attend this luncheon to Gloria MacDonald on the included form as soon as possible so we can plan accordingly.

If you pay for this event, then are unable to attend for health etc. reasons, you will either receive a refund or credit to the next event (your choice).

Please address all cheques to **Golden Horseshoe Chapter,** or e-transfers to the account at **jnglor2022@outlook.com; any cheques not correctly addressed to the Golden Horseshoe Chapter will be returned.** Send below request to attend, along with cheque to**:**

Gloria MacDonald
Golden Horseshoe Chapter
16 Watersdown Crescent
Whitby ON L1R 1Z1

Mandarin Christmas Lunch Event: Dec. 1, 2026, Hamilton @ 12:00 pm

The Hamilton Mandarin
1508 Upper James St
Hamilton On L9B 1K3
905-383-6000
Seniors $15.00 each per person for member or spouse, non-member: $25.00.

I would like to attend:

Name:

Name of spouse (if applying as a couple):

Address:

City: Postal Code:

Phone Number:

Email address: (optional):

Self: ____ Couple: ____ Amount Enclosed: $_____

Make cheque to: Golden Horseshoe Chapter, 16 Watersdown Cres., Whitby ON L1R 1Z1

Luncheon at the Kitchener Mandarin Restaurant
November 17th, 2026, 12:00 noon

The Member's cost for attending will be $15.00 per paid member (or spouse), and $25.00 for non-members. The cost includes tax, tips, and non-alcoholic drink. There will be attendance prizes.

Note: Please send in your request to attend this luncheon to Gloria MacDonald on the included form as soon as possible so we can plan accordingly. If available space becomes an issue, members who have booked this event will be given priority seating.

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Mandarin Lunch Event Registration: Nov. 17, 2026 Kitchener

@ 12:00 pm
The Kitchener Mandarin
4220 King St. East, Kitchener 519-653-5000

$15.00 each per person for member or spouse, non-member: $25.00

I would like to attend:

Name:

Name of spouse (if applying as a couple):

Address:

City: Postal Code:

Phone Number:

Email address: (optional):

Self:____ Couple: ____ Amount Enclosed:$_____

Make cheque to: Golden Horseshoe Chapter, 16 Watersdown Cres., Whitby ON L1R 1Z1

Membership

This Newsletter is for paid and new retirees therefore you have paid for this year and this is just a reminder that renewal for 2027 is December 2026

Membership dues for the following year are due in December. Remember, annual dues paid by our members are instrumental in keeping our chapter alive and active. The dues go towards newsletters draws and events.

New members applying to the Heritage Club will receive our Chapter's newsletters in the current year of their retirement and/or having achieved 20 years of service; after that, they need to signify their intent to join our Chapter by paying dues to the Golden Horseshoe Chapter, to continue receiving our communications.

Our membership year runs from **January to December** and costs only $10 per member, or $20 per couple. For the 2027 membership, please send dues in by December 15th, 2026. If you are a member but are no longer mobile, please join up anyways, you will be eligible for quarterly draws, newsletters, and Heritage Club discounts.

Newsletter Distribution

Newsletters will be produced at least 2 times annually and will be distributed to every member and associate who have paid their annual dues to the Chapter. Also, a general distribution was made once a year to every person who has applied for general membership to the Heritage Club in our Chapter area. Articles of general interest for the newsletter are always welcome.

Have you had any life events you would like the us to announce? Marriages, births, special anniversaries, special awards, deaths, hospitalizations, etc. Let us know so we can pay tribute.

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's 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 due's 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.

Golden Horseshoe Volunteer Request

Would you like to be a volunteer for the Chapter or be part of the Committee?

_____ Yes, I would like to be part of the Golden Horseshoe Chapter Committee.

_____ Yes, I would like to volunteer to help with events

If so, please call or text Gloria @ 289-675-4000, or send with your renewal envelope.

Reporting your current Volunteer Work

I currently volunteer my services at _____

I volunteer_____ days a week/month. For _____hours

Please note: all community work is valuable and should be recorded.

The Golden Horseshoe Chapter would like to organize subsidized luncheons, outings, bus travel, annual banquet, and sports' events for its' members. Also, we would like to collect and donate food for the food banks at our events. We also make donations to various charities throughout the year. As many of our members generously donate their time to local, charity organizations, we would like to recognize them.

Do you have any suggestions for trips or special events you would like? Call or text: Gloria MacDonald, 289-675-4000.

The Membership Benefits, Discounts and Advantages

- **Belairdirect, formerly Johnson Home and Car Insurance**: discounts of up to 35%. And Scholarship Opportunities.
- Discounts with **Belairdirect Travel Insurance (Formerly MEDOC)**
- **GoodLife Fitness**: discounts up to 30% off the regular all club access rates.
- **HearingLife**: hearing and noise protection aids, 10% discount and price matching
- **Discounts with SpecSavers.**
- **New Work Perk: HotelPlanners. https://canadapostheritage.hotelplanner.com/**
- Discounts at the **Columbia Sportswear Company Employee Store.**
- Discounts to **Golden Horseshoe Chapter** events and luncheons.
- Heritage Club **Scholarships opportunities** for your children and grandkids of $2,000 per school year.
- Several newsletters a year to keep in touch.
- Coming soon: Telus Mobility savings.

IMPORTANT: To benefit from these discounts, you must mention your Heritage Club membership number, and you must have paid your membership dues to the Golden Horseshoe Chapter for the current year or more, otherwise coverage could be denied or terminated. **Payment for dues and luncheons:** Cheques for luncheons, events and membership dues should be made out to: **Golden Horseshoe Chapter, then sent to Gloria MacDonald, 16 Watersdown Cres., Whitby ON L1R 1Z1**. Sorry for the frequent reminder of payment dues, but we have had a number of cheques requiring return for correction

Your Committee Members

Gloria MacDonald, President

Email: jnglor2022@outlook.com

Vice Presidents: Saul Goldstein, Darlene Beauregard, David Kent

J.P. Leguerrier, Assist Writer/Editor Newsletter

Volunteer team of helpers: Pat Stephenson, Gerry Neilson and spouse Irene.

Past Draw Winners

Paid members draw 2026, of 125 paid members. Winner: Robert McMurray

Community Volunteer Draw 2026. Winner: Darlene Beauregard

Special Raffle Draw NHL collector limited edition. Winner: Dave Price

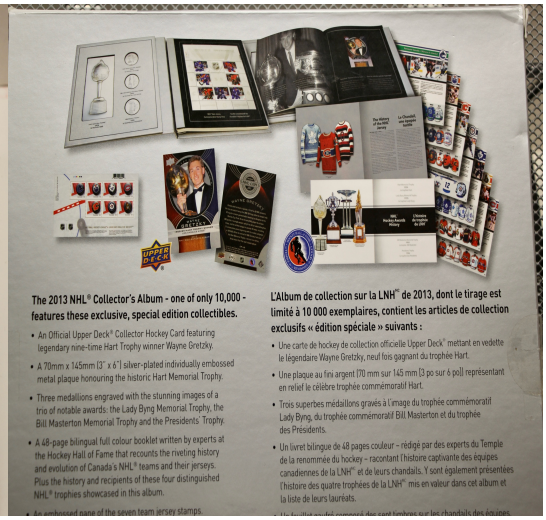
SPECIAL RAFFLE OFFER

We have a lovely NHL limited edition collectors' item to raffle off. This 2013 Collector's Album, a $99 value, honours Canada's NHL Teams and featuring the Hart Memorial Trophy, including a 48 page history written by the Hockey Hall of Fame.

Tickets are 1 for $5 or 3 for $10. You can purchase tickets: via e-transfer to jnglor2022@outlook.com, at our May luncheon or via mail. Please send mail requests early to avoid mail disruption delays.

There will be another draw at our next event for another Collector's Album, so stay tuned hockey fans!





Questions: please call Gloria MacDonald at 905-436-5390

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