***Your Humber HeritageExecutive:***

**January,2022**

***Diane Biggs, President***

***Richard Schumann,Vice President***

***Barnie Joosten, Treasurer***

***Jayne Clayton, Secretary***

***Debbie Neal , Co-ordinator***

**Presidents Message:**

**To all our friends at the Humber Heritage Club:**

**Hello and Happy New Year !**

**Good News.** The future‘s looking brighter as the days get longer and “normal life” might be just around the corner! The pandemic has been taking a long hard toll on all of us, but it may be reaching an end; according to the medical staff, experts and hospitalization rates. We are all in of a little reconnection with family and friends. If the numbers keep dropping as predicted, our Spring banquet might be just what we all need! Getting together, catching up, sharing a laugh are all great ways to rejuvenate our mental and physical health. We missed you and hope you come out to the Spring luncheon to celebrate with us and all your Humber Heritage friends. Of course there will be prizes! Stay tuned for our Spring date and time and location. Until then stay safe, keep positive and we are definitely look forward to seeing you soon!

**Santa Ho Ho Ho Program**

First, we would like to thank and acknowledge our new Humber Santa Co-coordinator, Debbie Neal. She worked tirelessly with our Santa elves to ensure every child received a letter from Santa.

**A Thank you** to the members who stepped up and volunteered their time to answer letters from across the world. This year there was a record number of overseas letters and Humber Chapter really delivered! Santa’s workshop felt the extra strain but our amazing Elves helped even more, putting Humber Chapter as the top Chapters in this program! Way to go Elves! If you would like to get involved next year, please let us know. It’s easy, fun, rewarding and gets you into the spirit of the Christmas spirit.

**Joke of the day**

A reporter was interviewing a 103 year old woman. “And what do you think is the best thing about being 103? The reporter asked. *She simply replied, “No peer pressure”. (from jokes4us.com)*

Keep you thinking… A man stands on one side of a wide river, his dog, who immediately crosses the river without getting wet and without using a bridge or a boat. How did the dog do it? Answer at the end of this newsletter. Only 2% of people can answer this Einstein’s riddle. Can you do it?

**Chapter Membership Dues for 2022**

**We would like to thank all our members who still supported us by paying their dues payment.**

Chapter membership dues for 2022 are now up for renewal. The cost is as follows:

$10.00 per yearly renewal or

$25.00 for three year renewal.

You can either send a cheque to our treasurer. Barnie Joosten at Box 461, in Port Rowan,

N0E 1M0 or complete an E-Transfer to **( Barnie please insert your Email**.)Humber Chapter 2.

**Please note that correspondence other than the annual newsletter will only be sent to dues paying members. You will need your membership number and must be an active member in order to take advantage of Heritage Club Discounts.**

**Perks of being a member**

There are many perks and benefits to paying your dues. Not only does it make you a member of the Humber Heritage Club but you are entitled to the amazing discounts offered by several services such as Medoc Health and travel insurance. That always comes in handy for our Snowbirds! Save up to 35% from Johnson’s Home & Auto Insurance, 30% with Good Life Fitness and more. Other noteworthy discounts are as follows, Choice hotel discount rates 20% in Canada and USA and Worldwide. Collette tours discount of up to $500.00 per person.

Special Scholarships opportunities for your children and grandchildren

Also discounted luncheons and Holiday banquets for you and your friends.

You need your membership number **and be an active member** in order to take advantage of these discounts.

**Sponsorship News**

This year the ante has been upped with our three Scholarships now valued at $2000.00 each rather than the previous $1000.00.Students must be dependent children, step-children, grandchildren or in legal guardianship of an active member (dues paying member of two years) of a Heritage Club Chapter. For forms, applications, program details, please contact our National Coordinator, Eldred Holmes directly at holmese@nl.rogers.com.

Heritage Club members and their families are also eligible to apply for scholarships from Johnson Insurance. You do not have to be a customer of Johnsons, just an active (dues paying member of two years) Heritage Club member.

**In Appreciation**

* As a token of appreciation to all our dues paying members (paid up to 2022) we will continue our quarterly draw of twenty-five dollars for the year. Good luck to all.

**Humber Heritage Gives Back**

Charities we donated monies to are as follows:

Mississauga Food Bank Salvation Army, Brampton

Salvation Army, Tillsonburg Canadian Red Cross

Covenant House Chinguacousy Wellspring

Seeing Eye Foundation War Amps Poppy Division

Royal Canadian Legion Toronto Wildlife Centre

And Toronto Humane Society

**IN MEMORIAM**

It is with great sadness that we announce the peaceful passing of our members in 2021.

Danny Pettit – Our past executive who was always there with a smile and to lend a hand.

With our deepest sympathy and condolences to their family and friends

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Your Benefit Contact Numbers

CPC Pension: 1-877-480-9220 Passport 1-800-567-6868

Superannuation: 1-800-561-7930 Employment Insurance 1-800-206-7218

CPP/OAS: 1-800-277-9914 Canada Revenue 1-800-959-8281

Canada Life: 1-866-716-1313 Access HR: 1-877-807-9090

 **Your Benefits Survivor Procedures**

***To ensure the survivor of a retiree maintains pension, health and medical benefits, a number of contacts must be made immediately upon a retiree’s death.***

Access H.R.- Info required: Retiree name, S.I.N., copy of death certificate.

C.P.C. Pension - Info Required: Retiree name, Employee ID#, postal code, date of birth, copy of deaths certificate.

Canada Life - Info required: Retiree name, employee I.D., copy of death certificate, plan number(51057 & 513910). Note: Very important to notify Canada Life ASAP in order to set up a new automatic withdrawal in the survivor’s name to keep the policy in force and maintain medical, dental and vision benefits.

C.P.P./O.A.S. – Info required: Retiree name, S.I.N., copy of death certificate. In addition to the survivor pension there is also a death benefit payable to the survivor.

Superannuation, (if applicable) – Info required: Retiree name, S.I.N., copy of death and marriage certificates.Upon request for coverage (within 60 days of death) Sun Life premiums for survivor will be deducted directly from survivor pension.

Canada Revenue Agency – CRA must be contacted when a member or spouse passes away and a T-1 and T-3 to be completed.

Riddle Answer: The river was frozen!