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President's Message

Hello Parkland members,

Well, here we are spring 2022, and still alive and kicking. Who would have thought with all the doom and gloom at the beginning of the Covid situation there would be that many of us left to tell about it.

With things leveling off due to all the precautions taken medical wise it seems that we are getting our freedom back to some extent, and GOOD THING because we in Parkland want to get back to normal and start up all our functions beginning with the annual Spring BBQ. More information further in this publication.

I want to say how impressed I am that with the situation we have gone through this has

not deterred you all from keeping up your membership payments. Thank you to all the present paid members and a big welcome to all the new members who have come on board as of late. It is never too late to keep your membership up to date.

As always not everything goes well for everyone and I know there are a few of you out there who have had medical problems and family loses, I wish to express our thoughts and prayers to all of you in those situations.

So have a great summer and enjoy all there is to come.

Lloyd Rogowski President Parkland Chapter 28



Have you moved recently???

If you have recently moved or are planning a move, please let us know so that we can update our mailing

Please let us know by email at parklandheritageclub@gmail.com, or by mail at The Heritage Club, 12135 - 149 St. Edmonton AB. T5L5H2. You can also contact our membership coordinator Judy Broomhall at 780-481-8627, or by contacting any of the executive - contact information on the back page



Resumption of Activities

It is with considerable pleasure that Parkland Chapter is able to announce the resumptions of many of the activities, and services that have been on-hold due to the COVID 19 situation. Updates on several of these activities are detailed throughout this newsletter.



Spring BBQ

We are excited to once again be able to host our Annual Spring BBO.

The date for the BBQ is:

Date: Thursday, June 23, 2022

Time: 11:00 AM to 3:00 (lunch at 12:30 PM)

Location: Devon Lions Park Gazebo

Devon AB

The Devon Lions Park is located in the river valley right next to the Devon Golf Course.

See the map at the back of this newsletter for directions to the park.

This is a very popular club event. We strongly encourage all our members to come out and enjoy an afternoon with your friends and former workmates. It has been over 2 years since we have been able to get together, so I'm sure everyone has lots of news and stories to share. Feel free to bring a bottle of wine, or other refreshment. This is a private park, so we don't have the same restrictions on alcohol as we do with public parks.

The event goes "Rain or Shine" - the gazebo provides excellent shelter if it rains.



We are also pleased to be able to hold the cost of the BBQ to past years prices.

\$10.00 per person for paid up members and spouses. \$15.00 per person for non-members.

Are you unable to attend because you are babysitting children or grandchildren?

This year we are again encouraging "Bring your Kids to the BBQ" We will be providing Hot Dogs and Chips for any children attending. Just make sure to let us know if any children are attending so we can ensure we have sufficient items.

If you would like to attend, but require a ride, or need additional directions to the park, please contact any of the executive (see the list of club executive members at the back of this newsletter).

Please complete the BBQ Attendance Registration form enclosed with this newsletter and send it along with your payment to the Heritage Club office, at the address indicated.

Luncheons

Parkland Chapter intends to resume our popular luncheon program starting in August. We have decided to increase the frequency from quarterly to every second month. So as not to compete with the BBQ, the first luncheon this year will be - Thursday August 11, 2022. at 11:30 AM at the Carvery West-end. Come out and meet friends new and old while having a great lunch. Find out what other members have been up, and what their plans are in the upcoming months. Please call Rene Plouffe 780-476-7230 or Lloyd Rogowski 780-458-8936 to confirm attendance.

Fall Banquet:

Plans are underway to host our popular Fall banquet. Dates and locations are not yet finalized as we are considering a couple of new locations for this event. Stay tuned and watch for a further announcement in our summer newsletter.

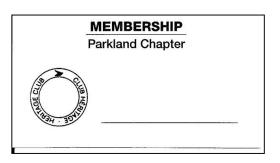
Membership

NEW

Parkland Chapter is looking to reward our faithful members who pay their annual membership dues and assist our club in staying active. Parkland Chapter will conduct a draw for 4 - \$50 membership incentive awards to Parkland members that have paid their 2022 annual membership by Sunday June 19, 2022. The draws will take place at the Spring BBQ on Thursday June 23, 2022.

The 2022 membership campaign is well underway.

If you have already paid your 2022 membership, you will find your 2022 membership card enclosed with this newsletter. If instead your newsletter contains a membership renewal form, then we have not yet received your annual renewal, and we would ask that you please take a moment and complete the membership form enclosed.



Please remember that our Heritage Club chapter receives only a portion of our funding from the national office, and membership fees are necessary for the chapter to offer a range of activities and to keep everyone informed via newsletters and bulletins.

The annual dues in Parkland Chapter are still one of the lowest in the country at \$10.00 per member and \$10.00 for a spouse.

If you have any questions regarding your membership status, or if you are aware of a member that does not receive this newsletter, please have them contact Judy Broomhall at 780-481-8627 to confirm their membership status.

Edmonton Food Bank



Parkland
Chapter
volunteers
work one shift
per month at
the Edmonton

Food Bank. We are there the third Thursday of the month from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM. Our volunteers do a variety of jobs, such as sorting donated food items and filling food hampers.





In the past we've had a good list of dedicated volunteers, but life changes in the last 2 years such as people moving away, health issues and COVID have significantly reduced the list of volunteers that are able to attend each month. We are always looking for new

volunteers to help us out with this important project. It is quite simple work, and they keep us all safe with gloves and masks still a requirement. If you are interested in joining us in the Food Bank Project, please call Paul Otto at 780-484-8636 (leave message- sorry no cell or text), or by email at protto@shaw.ca

Golf Group:



Time to get those clubs out!

Our Parkland Chapter Golf

group is up and running again this year. We get together the second Wednesday of the month at various golf courses around the city of Edmonton.

You don't need to commit to golfing every month, and there are no serious golfers here, just a great group that gets together for some golf and fellowship afterwards.

Let us know if you would like to be added to our mailing list so that you are reminded of when we are golfing each month.

If you're interested in joining us, please call Bob Broomhall at (780) 481-8627, or email; parklandheritageclub@gmail.com

Interested members should let us know at least a week in advance so sufficient tee times can be arranged.

If you have any suggestions on courses you would like to play, let us know as well.



Bowling: Unfortunately, we have had only minimal interest with our bowling group since just before the COVID stoppage. We need to reestablish a list of interested bowlers if we are going to continue to offer this event. If you are interested in bowling, please contact Lloyd Rogowski at 780-458-8936 and let him know. We are open to whatever dates, times, and locations work best for those interested.

OBITUARIES:

It is always with a heavy heart that we hear of the passing of some of our members. We have been made aware that the following people have passed away:

Gordon MacDonald Julia Lesoway Wayne Boyles Donald Swedish Lawrence Summers Robert Coleman

Yvonne Whelton Vern Pester Patricia Robertson Stan St Germain

If you are aware of a member or a spouse passing, can you please contact one of the executive, and let us know the name, date, and any information that you may be aware of, as to their career with Canada Post.

New Members:

Parkland Chapter of the Canada Post Heritage Club is pleased to welcome the following new members to the chapter:

Sandra Loewen **Grand Prairie** Glenda Jober Viking Kathleen Gouldie Edmonton Mary Thomeus Entwistle Sharon Dalpé Edmonton Cindy Deglow Edmonton Douglas Halladay Edmonton Irena Krupa Edmonton Sue Sullivan Grovedale Christine McRitchie Cold Lake

Lorraine Frantik Stony Plain

Do You Know Where These People Are?

We have had mail returned for the following people. We suspect many of them may have moved, but we do not know their forwarding address. If you know the whereabouts of any of the following people, can you please contact Judy Broomhall at parklandheritageclub@gmail.com, or 780-481-8627, or any of the executive (contact info on last page).

Gail Scott Emily Allan Edmonton Lacombe Sheila Benard Saskatoon Jim St-John Sherwood Park John Grykuliak Edmonton Gerald Chisholm Edmonton Gerald Hecht Yellowhead County Mildred Latawiec Jarvie William Hughson Kelowna Shirley Harney Edmonton

Cecilia Mondoux Edmonton

Did You Know?

The Northwest Territories recognizes eleven official languages, through its Official Languages Act. The official Languages of the Northwest Territories are: Chipewyan, Cree, English, French, Gwich'in, Inuinnaqtun, Inuktitut, Inuvialuktun, North Slavey, South Slavey, and Tlicho

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HERITAGE CLUB
TRAVEL
OPPORTUNITIES
CANADA POST HERITAGE
CLUB MEMBERS AND
FRIENDS



Heritage Club members enjoying Happy Hour

On April 28, a group of Heritage Club members, including some from Parkland Chapter, were excited to board the MS Koningsdam in Vancouver for a 10-day cruise to Alaska.

May and June 2022 There are some fantastic deals to Alaska, Vancouver return starting at \$439.00 plus taxes \$256.00 CAD pp. in May and \$649.00 plus taxes in June on the Koningsdam. The Zuiderdam has specials in June starting at \$379.00 plus taxes pp. Just \$1550.00 including all taxes for 14 days on the Majestic Princess, June 18/22 Vancouver return. Now is the time to take advantage of low rates to Alaska. Call or email the Heritage Club for more details.

June 14/22, 10-day Alaska cruise, Vancouver return, on Cunard's Queen Elizabeth. The Heritage Club has a group for this sailing and already a large number of members have booked. There are some last-minute specials starting at \$957.00 plus taxes \$350.00 CAD per person. Visit Juneau, Skagway, Sitka, Ketchikan, Victoria and both Hubbard Glacier and Glacier Bay.

June 26/22 and July 6/22 There is still space on our Alaska cruise/Denali land tours. Call for details.

September 30, 2022, 9-night repositioning cruise on the Ovation of the Seas (one of the largest cruise ships with lots of activities) from Vancouver to Honolulu with a day in Seattle and two days over night in Maui. Of course, plan to stay a few extra days at Waikiki or elsewhere before flying home from Honolulu OR stay on the ship and continue to Sydney, Australia! Inside cabins start at \$1449.00 plus tax. Call for more pricing and possibly lower rates and join those already booked.

October 9/22, 20-day repositioning cruise on the Ovation of the Seas from Honolulu to Sydney, Australia. Visit the islands of Tahiti-Bora Bora, Papeete, and Moorea, then Napier, Wellington and Picton, New Zealand before arriving in Sydney. Lots of fun sea days on route. Inside cabins from \$2646.00 and balconies from 4309.00 plus taxes \$250.00 pp. This trip can be combined with the September 30/22 cruise for 29 days from Vancouver to Sydney. (Limited space left).

January 11, 2023, 22-Day Antarctica cruise on the Oosterdam, departing Santiago, Chile around South America to Buenos Aries, Argentina. On route visit Antarctica for 4 days. Inside cabins from \$5074.00 CAD pp plus taxes.

February 2,2023, 22- Day Antarctica cruise on the Oosterdam, departing Buenos Aries, Argentina to Santiago, with 4 days in Antarctica. Note: these two cruises can be combined for a 44-day experience and double the time in Antarctica. Call for current prices and promotions and join other members who have already booked this trip.

Note: Be sure you have adequate out of country medical and trip cancellation insurance before confirming your trip. Call The Heritage Club office,604-482-4311 for info on Medoc insurance. With the current Pandemic, cruise schedules and prices frequently change as sailings are can-celled and new itineraries and promos are introduced. Call or email the Heritage Club your preferences for travel and we will keep you advised of latest offers. Also, new options will be sent to the travel club list as available.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

There are several Scholarship Programs available to the children and grandchildren of Heritage Club Members to assist them in their academic careers.

HERITAGE CLUB SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM 2022

The Heritage Club is planning to award three (3) scholarships to children or grandchildren of Heritage Club members who have paid dues for the past two years. The scholarships are valued at \$2,000 each for university or college studies. The scholarships will be awarded to student starting, for the first time, their first year of full-time studies.

Eligible recipients include dependent children, including adopted and stepchildren, grandchildren, wards in legal guardianship of active members.

These scholarships are applicable to all Canadian educational institutions which have provincial degree granting powers or their affiliates and at Canadian Colleges or CEGEPs,

To obtain an application package contact Parkland president Lloyd Rogowski at 780-458-8936 or by email at parklandheritageclub@gmail.com

To be considered all applications must be received or postmarked on or before June 30, 2022.

JOHNSON INSURANCE INC. SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM 2022

The Johnson Insurance Inc. scholarships are available to the children and grandchildren of Heritage Club members that have MEDOC travel insurance, or home or auto insurance with Johnson Insurance.

Applicants must be a resident of Canada, completing High School in 2022 and enrolled in an undergraduate program for the 2022/23 academic year at a recognized publicly funded Canadian post-secondary institution of CGEP.

For further information call 1-844-567-1237 or email scholarshipfund@johnson.ca.

Applications must be submitted by July 28, 2022.

Did You Know?

At 7,821 kilometers, the Trans-Canada Highway stretching from the Atlantic to the Pacific is the fourth longest highway in the world. Highway 1 in Australia is the longest highway at 14,500 km.

Did you hear about the kidnapping at school?

It's okay. He woke up.

Heritage Club - Parkland Chapter 28 2022 Executive



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The executive will do their best to serve the members of the Parkland Chapter in every way possible. Please do not hesitate to call any one of us to answer any of your questions.

You can also contact us via our email address. If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please feel free to let us know by sending us an email at:

parklandheritageclub@gmail.com

Congratulations to Pat Mah

Parkland Chapter member Pat Mah is one of the 2021 winners of the National Heritage Club Santa Letter Writing draws. In appreciation for all of the Heritage Club volunteers who donate their time and energy to help Santa respond to his mail, 10 winners are chosen from across the country to receive a cash award.

In 2021, four hundred and forty-nine Heritage Club members volunteered their time to process and help Santa by preparing responses to 174,120 children.

Thank you Pat, and all Santa's elves for your efforts. Take some time, relax, enjoy some relaxation because before you know it, we will be answering letters to Santa again.

Thank You Elves! Santa

Is the glass half empty or is it half full?

According to engineers, the glass is twice as big as it needs to be.

2022 Spring BBQ

Enter Devon on Athabasca Ave (Main Street)

- When you get a chance go north (left) 1 block to Saskatchewan Ave.
- Go East on Saskatchewan Ave. It will go down a long hill into the river valley.
- At the bottom of the hill, you will see Lions Park.

Follow the signs to the Gazebo

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